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Port Dispute Affecting APA Businesses

By **MARTHA NAKAGAWA**
Assistant Editor

A business owners nightmare is how Charlie Woo, CEO of Megatoys and immediate past president of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, described the labor dispute between the dockworkers union and the shipping companies on the West Coast.

Millions of dollar worth of the wholesale toy company's merchandise sat offshore during a 10-day lockout of 29 major ports on the West Coast. The toys were Woo's holiday merchandise destined for such national chain stores as Wal-Mart.

"This lockout has had a tremendous impact on businesses and it could get worse," said Woo. "My sales are down by almost half in October and I think my November sales will continue to go down. And right now, I don't know what to do about my spring merchan-

dise for Valentine's and Easter. This is a very serious problem."

Woo doesn't expect his business to get back to normal until December, just as the 80-day cooling off period mandated by the Taft-Hartley injunction expires.

President Bush had invoked the Taft-Hartley Act, reopening the ports on Oct. 9 and allowing for the two sides — the International Longshore and Warehouse Union and the Pacific Maritime Association — to continue negotiating with a federal mediator during the 80 days. Part of the dispute centers on whether ILWU workers will be hired after the ports undergo a long-overdue modernization process.

Participants at the third annual Asian Pacific Islander Small Business Expo in Los Angeles voiced hope for a quick resolution to the labor dispute, particularly since many APA business owners, like Woo, do business with Asian

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California State Assembly Adds Two More AAs, Hirono Loses Bid in Hawaii, and Matsunaka Defeated in Colorado

By **Associated Press**
and *Pacific Citizen* Staff

The number of Asian Americans in California's State Assembly has now increased by two. Alan Nakanishi, GOP, and Democrat Leland Yee were elected to represent District 10 and 12 respectively on election night Nov. 5, raising the number of AAs in the Assembly to six.

Nakanishi garnered 59.8 percent of the votes while his opponent, Democrat Katherine Maestas, received 40.2 percent. Nakanishi's district covers northern San Joaquin and parts of Sacramento, El Dorado, and Amador counties.

Leland Lee received a resounding 77.4 percent of the votes while his opponents Republican Howard Epstein and Libertarian Michael Denny garnered 16 percent and 6.6 percent respectively.



PHOTO: SAM CHU LIN
Mike Honda speaks to his supporters on election night.

Nakanishi now joins Democrats George Nakano, Wilma Chan, Judy Chu and Carol Liu, who all won their reelection bids with a majority number of votes.

Unlike the rest of the United States, Democrats remained in firm control of California.

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U.S. Navy Honors WWII Japanese Language Teachers

By **CAROLINE AOYAGI**
Executive Editor

CLAREMONT, Calif.—
Some things are better late than never.

Although 60 years have passed since Ariaki Inouye, 88, served his country as a teacher in the U.S. Navy Japanese Language School in Boulder, Colo., during World War II, he and 137 of his fellow teachers are finally being honored by their country.

"It's a real tribute to us as *sensei* (teachers)," said Inouye, who received a Distinguished Public Service Award from the Department of the Navy at a special

recognition ceremony held at Pomona College Nov. 2. "I feel personally that it's a real privilege to have been a part of the Boulder experience between 1942 and '46. It wasn't a student-teacher relationship, we were just friends helping each other in the war effort.

least make it known that we existed at Boulder, at the Navy language school."

Inouye, a Nisei, was part of the first group of teachers from Berkeley, Calif., who were sent to

a pivotal role in the success of the war and have been credited with helping to shorten WWII.

"The contributions you made, your quiet dignity in the face of great adversity in Boulder,



PHOTO: CAROLINE AOYAGI
Curator Pedro Loureiro (third from right) at the dedication ceremony with members of the Inouye family (l-r): Arlene, Nathan, Ida, Ariaki, Chris, Jan, and David.

the language school in Boulder. Their role: to teach the naval students to read, write and speak Japanese in the span of 12-14 months. The teachers were preparing their students to become translators, interrogators, code-breakers, and eventually occupiers of post-war Japan.

Inouye's story may not be as well known as the famed WWII Japanese American soldiers, the 442nd, the 100th and the MIS, but nevertheless these teachers played

Colorado, the output of your plan helped save lives and shortened the war, and certainly has ensured and enriched awareness of the Japanese culture and language," said Rear Adm. Richard B. Porterfield, who presented the service awards to the *sensei* and the families of the *sensei*. "The work you did... is as important as any amount of combat the 442nd did."

Inouye had been working at

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A Letter From the JACL President

We've come to that time of year again when we reach out to you, our members and friends, with our end-of-year annual giving appeal.

As we look back on this year, I'm proud of what we've accomplished and what we've stood for as an organization. Despite a sagging economy and financial difficulties we and other nonprofits have faced, we've continued to carry out the promise of our mission statement to fight for social justice in this country and to help make this a greater America.

It hasn't always been easy or without question, but we've endeavored always to do the right thing. I'm proud of the way many of you — as individuals, as chapters, as districts, as national — responded to the post-9/11 reactions across the country, remembering our experiences after Pearl Harbor but remembering more our

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Macy's Responds to Complaints Over 'Buddha' Boxer Shorts

By **TRACY UBA**
Writer/Reporter

Asian American groups protesting the sale of a racially and religiously offensive piece of merchandise say Macy's department store has responded with a letter of apology.

The retailer also said it has agreed to stop selling the boxer shorts which displayed a cartoonish image of Buddha with the phrase "Rub me for luck" after receiving letters of complaint from both the JACL and the Buddhist Churches of America (BCA), who claimed that the item was insensitive, if not offensive, to AAs and people of the Buddhist faith.

"It's remarkably reminiscent of the Abercrombie & Fitch style. Whoever's designing these images thinks it's uproariously funny to produce these racist, pejorative images," said Contra Costa JACL Co-president Don Delcollo, referring to another recent retailer controver-

sy which caused an uproar among AA student and civil rights groups nationwide.

Delcollo said he confronted store managers at Macy's Hilltop back in October. Macy's Hilltop was one of several Northern and Southern California stores known to be carrying the boxer shorts, which were retailing for \$18 each.

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"Buddha" Boxers

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Letters to the Editor

Re: PSW Awards Dinner

At this year's PSWD annual awards dinner there may have been a lower turnout but in my opinion it is not because of a community rift as stated in the Oct. 4-17, Pacific Citizen article. In this article, the reporter interpreted the lack of tables from the Go for Broke Foundation and the Japanese American National Museum as a sign that there is still a lingering resentment within the community caused by the resister resolution passed by the JACL national council in 2000.

Although the P.C. has the right to speculate why this year's dinner attendance was lower than in past years, it is important to note that since the resolution was passed in 2000, PSW has had two annual dinners with overwhelming attendance. Interviewed individuals in the article cited other reasons, such as conflicting events that weekend, as the reason for the lower attendance. It is also important to remember that the Foundation and JANM are two of many organizations in the Japanese American community. A majority of the chapters and other community groups were in attendance. Although these two groups did not buy tables, they were members of the organizations that attended the dinner.

The PSWD awards dinner is an event that many look forward to every year as an opportunity to

honor deserving individuals and groups who continue to support JACL and the larger JA community. It is a time to reunite with and see old friends and to bring the district together. In a time when JACL is struggling to bring money into the organization, PSW continues to host this successful annual fundraising event raising money for district youth programs.

Rather than speculating on why the numbers were lower this year, the article should have focused on the accomplishments of the awardees and the keynote speaker. Every year the PSW dinner committee keeps in mind that there is a possibility that tables may not be filled for reasons such as our aging membership and the financial hardships since 9/11. PSW is fortunate to have enthusiastic members like Alayne Yoshimoto, the rest of the dinner committee, and staff who dedicate endless hours for a successful awards dinner. The PSW dinner was a success and their efforts should be commended.

Over the last few years, I have been impressed with the articles that have been printed in the P.C. Please continue to write articles that keep the membership informed of the positive things the chapters and the districts do to promote JACL.

Hiroshi Ueha
PSWD Governor

Thank You

A heartfelt thank-you to all the individual and corporate donors for generously contributing to the successful Heart Mountain Reunion VIII Auction, held in conjunction with the Sayonara Banquet. Salt Lake County Council member Randy Horiuchi was the entertaining auctioneer for the evening.

The donors came from California, Hawaii, Seattle as well as Utah and included: ABC Stores-Hawaii/Ronald Iwamoto, Dale Aramaki d.b.a. Uptown Service Station, Teresa and Dale Aramaki Family, Blair and Stuart Asahina, Penny (Kumagai) Atcheson, Christy and Bruce Fong, Steven Fukumitsu, Heart Mountain Wyoming Foundation, Sets Higuchi, Randy Horiuchi, Bill Hosokawa, House of Bread/Lynne Aoyama, Julie Imaizumi, Jani Iwamoto, Hiro Iwasaki, Gail Kaminishi, Toyo Kikuchi, Brenda Koga, Dean Koga, Koyo Restaurant/Baron and Warren Kihara, Kyoto Restaurant/Osamu Tada, Lisa Matsuda and Damon Papac, Melon, Inc./Kevin Yuille, Karie Minagamiya, Dale Minami/Kristi Yama-

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A warm thank-you also to Sandra Yamate, Brian Witowski and Polychrome Publishing (Chicago) for a successful book signing/barbecue event at the Japanese Church of Christ, with part of the proceeds being donated to Heart Mountain.

Jani Iwamoto
via fax

'Under God' — How Sad!

It sometimes surprises us that members of an organization like JACL, which promotes inclusion, tolerance, and human rights for everyone, can make arguments that seem to contradict these ideals. We refer to the recent letter to the editor by our fellow chapter president from Santa Cruz, who suggests that because the national board didn't unanimously vote to support the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals' ruling concerning the words "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance, that the board members who had the nerve to vote contrary to his way of thinking should resign. We disagree.

To imply that the oath of the president of the United States does not mention God is at best misleading. Every president in our lifetime has taken this oath with his hand on a Bible, held by the chief justice of the Supreme

Court, followed by the words "so help me God." If anyone would like to check their wallet, we have "In God We Trust" all over our currency, yet, as members of the local Buddhist temple, we don't find either of these facts to be threatening at all.

Democracy is a wonderful thing! It's about dissent, debate and choice. But when you've made your best arguments, and the majority still doesn't see it your way, there's a classy way to accept the outcome. Or you can get angry, fake your ball, and go home. But in most cases, the game will go on without you. We prefer and support a national board that listens to the facts, weighs them carefully and then votes their conscience.

Chip and Setry Lanouche
Co-presidents, Portland JACL

Re: JACL Statement on Anniversary of 9/11 Attacks

The statement by the JACL leadership on the anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks was well written expressing sympathies to those who perished and praising the heroism of the rescuers. It further called for non-violence against Arabic and South Asian people, remembering the Nikkei experience during World War II. However, the statement has some missing points.

First of all the attack is described as a "tragic and horrific event." It was more than that. One official described it as being a deliberate premeditated evil attack perpetuated by evil men upon thousands of innocent people of all nationalities and ethnicities.

The statement did not condemn those responsible for taking more lives than at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. At that time the JACL did condemn the Japanese attackers. Can someone responsible for the 9/11 statement tell us why these evil men were not condemned? Is it political correctness?

I live about seven miles north of "ground zero" and saw the physical damage caused by these evil men and what it did to the people. I remember seeing thousands of large and small shrines arising in all the neighborhoods and at police and fire stations with offerings of flowers, candles, teddy bears and especially the photos of the missing and messages of hope left by their loved ones. To see these photos, mostly of young people, was haunting and overwhelming. On the night of the candlelight memorial service held

all over the city neighborhoods it was said that if the lights went out in New York City the candles held by the thousands of people would have lit the darkness.

Today ground zero has been cleared up in record time. A miraculous effort of love and of the human spirit. But there remain ashes of the perished on this hallowed ground. If you visit NYC make a pilgrimage to this site, utter a prayer and then go to the nearby St. Paul's Chapel with the outdoor memorial and the memorial at Grand Central Station. It will be bonding, awe-inspiring, and make you feel proud to be an American. New Yorkers came together on that day. We are tough and resilient and life goes on but we will never forget that day.

Stanley N. Kanagaki
New York

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JACL Urges Senate to Reject 'Under God' in Pledge

The following letter was sent to Sen. Tom Daschle by John Tateishi, JACL executive director, on Oct. 16.

Dear Senator Daschle:

On behalf of the National Board of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) and at the request of our National President, Floyd Mori, I am writing to urge your leadership on an issue currently before the United States Senate: the matter of the phrase "under God" in the nation's Pledge of Allegiance.

As the nation's oldest and largest Asian American civil rights organization, the JACL represents primarily American citizens of Japanese ancestry but is not limited only to Japanese Americans in its membership. We are also an organization that is represented by different religions: many of our members are Christian, just as many are Buddhist. And following our position supporting constitutional protections as they apply to Arab Americans and Muslim Americans in the post-9/11 period, members from their communities have joined our organization.

Because the Pledge belongs to all Americans, I write to urge you to reject the inclusion of "under God" in our Pledge. We find the phrase objectionable not because of any religious proclivity among our membership but because, as a civil rights organization that has fought for seventy-four years to maintain the principles of the Constitution, the religious phrasing in our Pledge flies in the face of the First Amendment enjoining the separation of Church and State.

The inclusion of the phrase into the Pledge came about as the result of political pressure in the 1950s from the religious right bent on preserving Christian morality as the fundamental way of life in America. While we have no quarrel with those who wish to preserve such values, we also recognize that those who are not Christian in America are not necessarily less moral or less committed to strong moral values and democratic principles.

The inclusion of "under God" in the Pledge implies by its very nature the exclusion of those who do not accept Christianity as their religion. The demographics of this nation have changed dramatically since the 1950s, and it has come time to recognize and celebrate the rich diversity of America, and to do so without excluding segments of the population through the Pledge.

Consider the hundreds of thousands of children who recite the Pledge each morning as they begin their school day. For those who are Buddhist, Hindu, Muslim, or any other non-Christian, should they continue to feel outside the circle of acceptance of the classroom and their classmates? Each day these children are forced to feel their own exclusion simply because they are being raised in a religious philosophy that differs from the majority. Being a good American, being a great American, does not

depend on one being a good Christian.

At dinner and lunch events throughout our organization, the invocations and benedictions are given by both Christian and Buddhist ministers, reflecting the diversity within our own organization. We also give the Pledge, but we do so knowing that we exclude a part of our membership when we come to the final words of the Pledge. Given the historical experiences of Japanese Americans, the words of the Pledge have especially great meaning to us. We would like to have all our members feel that way about all of the Pledge, every single word of it.

We therefore urge you to use your influence to bring the Senate to consider very carefully the impact of the phrase "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Yours truly,

John Tateishi
National Executive Director
Japanese American Citizens League

Illinois Killer Sentenced to 35 Years

A hearing was held Oct. 31 for Douglas Vitaoli before McHenry County Circuit Court Judge Sharon Prather, according to JACL Midwest Regional Director William Yoshino.

Vitaoli is charged in the fatal shooting death of Naoki Kamijima in 1999.

Vitaoli pleaded guilty to one count of first-degree murder, which could carry a penalty of 20 to 60 years in prison or life depending on aggravating circumstances.

Prather sentenced Vitaoli to 35 years. He must serve 100 percent of the time, minus the 1,302 days already served.

"Vitaoli is a dangerous individual who committed a crime that deserves a very long sentence," said Yoshino. "Mrs. Kamijima is satisfied with the result and I'm glad that she has reached an end to a long and difficult ordeal."

According to Assistant State's Attorney Jim McAuliff, Vitaoli entered Kamijima's general store in Crystal Lake, Ill., in the early evening of April 5, 1999, with the intent to kill. A store video camera

showed that Vitaoli walked into the store and, without a word, shot Kamijima in the forehead with a .22-caliber handgun. Based on the store video, police put Vitaoli under surveillance and arrested him two days later as he was shoplifting pizza from a store.

Following his arrest, Vitaoli told police, "I walked in and shot him like a hitman." When asked why, Vitaoli responded, "I shot him in the head to kill him." A shell casing retrieved from the crime scene matched the shell casing of a handgun that Vitaoli had discarded in a nearby river.

Initial reports by police indicated that Kamijima was targeted because he was Japanese, thus one of the initial charges was a hate crime.

The assistant state's attorney told Yoshino that this charge was dropped because they didn't have sufficient evidence.

The hearing was attended by Cindy Kamijima, Kamijima's widow; Yoshino; and Jean Fujii, executive director of the Japanese American Service Committee. ■

Gov. Davis Announces Grant for Preservation of California's Japantowns

Gov. Gray Davis announced on Oct. 31 that a \$1 million grant will go towards the preservation of California's remaining historic Japantowns in San Francisco, San Jose and Los Angeles.

Once there were dozens of Japanese American communities flourishing throughout California but now there are only three. The remaining enclaves include buildings, businesses and landmarks of historic and cultural significance.

"These communities are in critical danger of being lost to urban decay, earthquake damage, encroaching economic forces and demographic shifts," said Davis. "We must act now to preserve them."

The \$1 million grant is part of a larger \$4 million grant for museum and historic preservation projects reflecting California's diversity. The \$4 million grants are from local assistance funds provided in Proposition 40, the bond measure approved by voters last March that provides money for historic preservation projects, museums, state and local parks, open space and other projects.

The other grant recipients include: the Museum of Latin American Art in Long Beach (\$500,000), the African American Museum and Library in Oakland (\$1 million), the Starr Theater and Boarding House in Locke (\$500,000), and the Mexican Heritage Plaza in East San Jose (\$1 million).

"California has a rich cultural heritage, shaped by generations of hardworking citizens who've migrated to our state from every nation on earth," said Davis. "Today, that heritage is enshrined in thousands of historical sites and cultural institutions across our great state. Sadly, many of these institutions have fallen into disrepair. If we are to preserve these cultural treasures for future generations of Californians, we must act now."

"Today, I'm pleased to announce that we're directing funds from Prop. 40 to help protect and restore a number of these historical and cultural sites. These funds will keep these remarkable places of cultural enrichment viable and vibrant for generations to come." ■

San Jose Rededicates Mineta Airport



Photo Courtesy of Sam Chu Lin

Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta was on hand, with his wife, Dani, recently for the official rededication of the Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport. A year ago the San Jose City Council voted to rename the airport in honor of their former mayor.

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FBI Investigates Anti-Muslim Leaflets

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

HONOLULU—Hundreds of leaflets containing threats and disparaging remarks toward Muslims were found in the yard of an Islamic center in Honolulu, authorities said.

The leaflets were thrown into the fenced yard of the mosque of the Muslim Association of Hawaii on Oct. 21, according to the FBI's Honolulu division. Authorities are investigating the act as a hate crime.

"Every curry fund-raiser will be checked to ensure that funds are not being funneled to support terrorist groups," the leaflets said, according

to the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) in Washington, D.C. "Anyone found in violation will be strapped with explosives and shipped to Iraq."

There are about 3,000 Muslims in Hawaii, the civil rights group said.

CAIR Executive Director Nihad Awad said comments over the past year by conservative religious leaders are evidence of a rise in anti-Islamic hate speech that contributes to such incidents.

FBI special agent Daniel Dzwilewski said the leaflets were the first such anti-Muslim act in Hawaii. ■

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where he encouraged them to paint swastikas and a racist slur with an "X" over it.

□ Candlelight Vigil Held for Slain Liquor Store Employee

NEW YORK—A candlelight vigil seeking justice for Li-Qiang Shu, a South Bronx liquor store clerk who was recently killed in a robbery attempt, was held Nov. 4.

Li, 56, died Oct. 16 after being beaten into a coma during a robbery attempt at Li Yau Trading liquor store on Cypress Avenue. The assailants were identified as Inez Sanchez, 22, Michael Fernandez, 23, Jason Quinones, 20, and Hasani Best, 20, all of the Bronx.

Two of the suspects began exchanging blows in the store in an apparent attempt to lure Shu from behind the bulletproof enclosure, police said. A second man, Best, then punched Shu in the head, while the others tried to open the cash register.

The suspects fled but were arrested two blocks away after robbing a security guard. Best was charged only with third-degree misdemeanor assault, which carries a maximum one-year penalty.

Asian American groups protested Bronx District Attorney Robert Johnson's decision not to pursue more serious homicide charges. Johnson contended there was not enough evidence to prove intent to cause death. A rally and press conference called by City Councilman John C. Liu were held Oct. 30 to speak out against the mishandling of the case by the D.A.

Shu emigrated six years ago from Shanghai where he taught high school literature. His son, Ruida Shu, 18, attends the University of Connecticut.

□ Minority Students'

Standards of Learning Scores Rise

RICHMOND, Va.—Minority students' pass rates on the Standards of Learning tests improved this year, and in most cases showed gains relative to white students' performance.

Statistics released Oct. 23 by the Virginia Department of Education showed that black students' pass rates improved on 22 of the 28 tests, declined on five and were unchanged on one. Hispanic students' pass rates rose on 20 tests, declined on seven and were unchanged on one.

Black and Hispanic students continued to post substantially lower pass rates than white students on every test, but the difference in the pass rates—called the "achievement gap" by education officials—decreased on most tests.

Students identified as Asian or Pacific Islander continued their overall strong performance, posting higher pass rates than whites on 20 of the 28 tests, although white students narrowed the gap on 15 tests.

□ Denver Police Release Racial Profiling Report

DENVER—Police stopped more white drivers than any other ethnic or racial group over a 12-month period, but they were more likely to search Hispanic and black drivers, according to a report released Oct. 29.

The report, prompted by a lawsuit alleging police brutality, analyzed 199,410 stops of motorists and pedestrians from June 1, 2001, through May 31.

About 48 percent of the traffic stops involved whites. Hispanics

made 31.3 percent of the stops, black motorists 16.6 percent and Asian Americans 2.1 percent.

The recorded race and ethnicity were based on the officers' perceptions.

The 2000 Census said non-Hispanic, non-Latino whites compose 51.9 percent of Denver's population. Hispanics 31.7 percent, blacks 11.1 percent and AAs 2.8 percent.

As for rate of searches, the report found officers asked to search the person or car of only 1.4 percent of the white motorists stopped, compared with 2.3 percent of the Hispanics and 3.4 percent of the blacks. Police did a pat-down search of 2.7 percent of whites, nearly 11 percent of the Hispanics and almost 10 percent of the black drivers.

Among pedestrians, nearly 33 percent of those searched were white, 33 percent were black, about 29 percent were Hispanic and 0.8 percent were AA.

□ Trial Postponed In Shooting of Sikh in Post Sept. 11 Shooting

PHOENIX—The trial of a man accused of killing an Indian immigrant after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks has been postponed so experts can evaluate his mental health and his defense attorney can prepare a "guilty but insane" defense.

Prosecutors say Frank Silva Roque drove to a gasoline station in an east Phoenix suburb and fatally shot owner Balbir Singh Sodhi, an Indian immigrant who wore a turban in accordance with his Sikh faith.

Roque, 42, of Mesa, is charged with first-degree murder in Sodhi's Sept. 15, 2001, shooting, which prosecutors say was racially motivated for Roque may have mistaken Sodhi for an Arab.

Prosecutors are seeking the death penalty in the Roque case, which is now scheduled to go to trial Feb. 17. Roque's attorney plans to offer a guilty but insane defense.

Should a jury convict Roque but declare him insane, he could face life in prison or could be released when doctors determine he is no longer a threat to himself or others. He could not, however, be sentenced to death.

□ Suspected Hate Leader Charged With Civil Rights Violations

PORTLAND, Ore.—A federal grand jury has indicted the suspected leader of the "Oregon State Boot Boys," a hate group that allegedly burned crosses after spray-painting swastikas at a Korean church and Jewish cemetery.

Brian Raymond Hauth, 26, was charged with conspiracy to deny civil rights through intimidation and using fire to commit a felony.

The charges follow a case in state court against five teenage boys who authorities say took their cue from Hauth. The boys, who were between 14 and 17 years old when the charges were filed in July 2001, faced first-degree conspiracy to commit intimidation and first-degree intimidation. Four were also charged with criminal mischief. They each pleaded guilty to various crimes and were placed on probation.

The boys called Hauth "commander," an FBI affidavit said. It also describes how Hauth recruited the boys and drove them to various places in southeast Portland to commit the crimes.

In two separate incidents in December 2000 and January 2001, Hauth allegedly drove several people to a Korean church

□ National Group Disavows Statements Made at Lingle Rally

HONOLULU—A statement reportedly made by a World War II Filipino veteran criticizing Democratic gubernatorial candidate Mazie Hirono has drawn the ire of a national Filipino American group.

Camilo Manong's quote appeared in a brief *Honolulu Weekly* article titled "Patriots for Lingle," which detailed the recent veterans rally at the state Capitol in support of Republican candidate Linda Lingle.

"Lingle will help us fight for our benefits. Hirono is a Japanese. Not good. So many were killed by the Japanese. We remember," 77-year-old Manong was quoted as saying.

The Washington, D.C.-based National Federation of Filipino Americans Association (NaFFAA), which represents 300 Filipino groups across the country, called for Lingle to speak out against Manong's comment.

"Smearing Hirono because she was born in Japan is completely inappropriate and un-American and has no place in our society," Loida Nicolas Lewis, chairwoman of the federation, said in a news release.

NaFFAA spokesman Jon Melegrito said the group is non-partisan and does not support any political candidates, including Hirono. He said the group would have brought up the issue if the statements were made at anyone else's campaign rally.

Honolulu Weekly writer Chad Blair said he stands by the story and that Manong was speaking for himself, not for the veteran's group or for the Republican Party. Blair said Manong fought against the Japanese in Guam during WWII. ■



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Go for Broke Educational Foundation Launches 'In Our Heroes Footsteps'

To ensure its goals to preserve the legendary heroics of the Nisei veterans of World War II are met, the Go for Broke Educational Foundation has launched "In Our Heroes Footsteps: A Salute From the Children."

This program invites relatives of WWII Japanese American veterans as well as any child under 18 to have their names engraved on the footsteps of the Go For Broke Monument in Little Tokyo. The footsteps are located at the base of the face of the 40-foot-wide, 9-foot-tall monument and will serve as permanent reminders that veterans' families and the public took a "step" to understand their story and understand the significance of the slogan "go for broke."

Through their experiences, the Nisei WWII veterans have helped guarantee that life as they knew it would be better for future generations. As gratitude, families and the public have the opportunity to help ensure their unwavering patriotism is remembered. "In Our Heroes Footsteps" offer all direct descendants of Nisei WWII veterans (children, nieces/nephews, grandchildren, direct descendant spouses, etc.) the opportunity to have their names engraved on footsteps surrounding the Go For Broke Monument (subject to availability). Moreover, all children, regardless of kinship to a WWII veteran, 18 years and under can have their names engraved. Cost per engraving is \$250. Go for Broke Educational Foundation members receive a special \$200 per engraving rate.

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Educational Foundation membership is \$35 for individuals, \$25 for veterans and \$15 for students. Premium membership levels start at \$100.

To inquire about membership and reserving a space on a footprint at the monument, please call Martie Quan at 310/222-5702. ■

ELECTION

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Incumbents Robert Matsui, D-District 5, and Mike Honda, D-District 15, were reelected to the U.S. Congress with resounding victories. Matsui received 71.6 percent of the vote while Honda won 65.5 percent.

Meanwhile in Hawaii Republican Linda Lingle made history by defeating Democrat Mazie Hirono to become the state's first female governor and the first Republican chief executive in four decades.

Lingle received 51.1 percent of the vote while Hirono received 46.6 percent.

Hirono was trying to become the first woman governor of Asian ancestry. She had made up a double-digit deficit in the polls over the past few months, but the charge wasn't enough to keep the Democrat's 40-year hold on the state's top office.

Even though Patsy Mink passed away five weeks before Election Day she trounced her GOP reelection challenger, state Rep. Bob McDermott.

Mink's victory opened the way to a Jan. 4 special election to fill her seat, and McDermott has already vowed to enter that race.

With 100 percent of the vote counted in Hawaii's 2nd Congressional District, Mink, who

died Sept. 28 of viral pneumonia, garnered 52 percent of the votes while McDermott received 37.4 percent.

In the state of Colorado Democrat Stan Matsunaka failed in his bid for the 4th Congressional District seat, losing to Republican Marilyn Musgrave.

Musgrave received 59.5 percent of the votes while Matsunaka garnered 36.8 percent of the votes.

In the heavily Republican 4th Congressional District, Musgrave proved that the newly redrawn district that has been in Republican hands since 1974 was still conservative.

She defeated Matsunaka with a platform of anti-abortion and gun rights issues and a series of ads attacking Matsunaka's record as state Senate president.

In the state of Texas, former Houston Councilwoman Martha Wong, Republican, made history by becoming the first AA elected to the Texas state House of Representatives. Wong received 52 percent of the votes while her Democratic opponent Debra Danburg won 46 percent of the votes.

A brief summary of election results showing how Asian Pacific Americans fared in the 2002 elections is listed on page 4. The list is not exhaustive and may not include some election results. ■

BOXERS

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"It amounts to a hate crime. It's like that blasted 'Kung Foo' costume. Kids pick these up and are supposed to laugh at how silly Asians can be," Delcollo said. "To use that kind of imagery (of Buddha), which is revered and to turn it around, that's particularly offensive."

The inside tag reads "Made in Hong Kong" and bears the manufacturer's label "Understated," according to Delcollo.

JACL Vice President of Public Affairs Ken Inouye said he recent-

ly received a response from Macy's after JACL sent a letter of complaint to chairman and CEO Robert Mettler.

"I think they were insensitive to the fact that people of the Buddhist faith might regard it as a desecration of a religious symbol," Inouye said, adding that he hopes retailers such as Macy's will better "exercise judgment" in the future.

Inouye said JACL is currently reviewing the matter in conjunction with the BCA before deciding on a course of action.

BCA spokesperson Rev. Kodo Umezumi, assistant to the BCA bishop, said his group was satisfied with the response by Macy's.

"They took everything down, decided not to sell the item. They took action right away and [issued] a simple note of apology," he said.

Umezumi called the boxers in "bad taste" and said they showed "no respect for Buddhists."

"We take seriously any comments or complaints that people have," said Rina Neiman, Macy's public relations spokesperson. "This kind of input is always important to us. We're always refining and re-evaluating. I understand why it offended them. Did the buyer at the time understand that? I guess not. But we try to be sensitive to the diversity of our customers, which is why we responded immediately."

Macy's has 140 locations in seven states, but Neiman did not know exactly which stores were carrying the item.

Delcollo originally voiced his complaint to Macy's Hilltop store manager Indra Moen, who emailed an apology to him and included a memo which had been forwarded to all Macy's store

managers calling for a removal of the boxer shorts from shelves.

When asked by the *Pacific Citizen*, however, Moen said, "I'm not allowed to comment on that."

Jolie Leong, of the Macy's West Men's Basics Buying Office, did not return calls for comment.

Meanwhile, Delcollo said he still has doubts about their sincerity. "Their response at this point... suggests to me that they think, maybe the complaining will stop if we feed them a little fodder and let it drift away," he said.

San Gabriel Valley JACLer Michael Watanabe, who also emailed a complaint to Macy's after finding out about the image on the boxer shorts, said he was glad the store responded because "I was not expecting any at all."

As a Buddhist, Watanabe questioned "why their buyer and the buyer's superiors made a conscious decision to market that particular product."

"Would they have made the same decision if it represented a Christian belief or Muslim prophet? If the answer is no, then they do censor products," he pointed out.

"It's ignorance and an unwillingness to learn about what is different about a people and what they believe in that causes some of these actions. An attitude of 'my race is superior to all and 'my' religion is the only true religion results in more bigoted actions," Watanabe said.

"I have been on both sides of that fence," he said. "I have in my growing years made fun of people of other races until I understood the struggles they went through. I have been the target of such actions because I am Japanese American." ■

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FIGURE SKATING

Ina Gets Four-year Suspension in Drug-test Dispute

DENVER—Three-time Olympic pairs figure skater Kyoko Ina was suspended for four years for refusing to take a drug test.

An arbitration panel issued the suspension, the minimum possible discipline, on a 3-2 vote, the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency announced.

Ina had argued she did not refuse to take the test but asked to delay it because she could not produce a urine sample. She has never tested positive for drugs and will probably appeal, said her agent David Baden.

Ina could have been suspended from figure skating for life and fined \$1 million. The U.S. Figure Skating Association will carry out the sanction.

The USFSA said it regretted the "unfortunate circumstances and irregularities surrounding her case."

"She has been a tremendous asset to the development of figure skating in the U.S., both as an athlete and as a person throughout her career," the organization said.

The dispute was presented to the American Arbitration Association Oct. 11 after Ina appealed a four-year suspension recommended by an independent review board.

Anti-Doping Agency spokesman Rich Waininger said he did not know whether the same panel would decide the case if Ina appeals.

Ina supports the Anti-Doping Agency's goals but believes the system is flawed, Baden said.

"She's a three-time Olympian who's been tested numerous times," he said. "She has never refused a test, nor has she ever not passed a test."

The panel said however exemplary Ina's record and innocent her motives, she violated International Skating Union rules intended to keep drugs out of competition.

One of the three arbitrators, Christopher Campbell, wrote in a dissenting opinion that the Anti-Doping Agency didn't prove she refused to take the unannounced drug test at 10:30 p.m. July 18 at her Greenwich, Conn., apartment.

In a statement, Ina said: "Through a series of breakdowns in the agency's systems and communications, I was told by the person who showed up unannounced at my home at 10:30 at night that I had to sign an 'Athlete Refusal Form' when I was unable to produce a urine sample on demand by 11:15 p.m. I did not at any time 'refuse' to take a drug test; I was simply unable to produce a sample at that time, very late at night. We discussed that I would give the sample at the ice rink where I train the very next morning."

Ina said the testing official did not show up the next morning as expected. She also said that she had attempted to call a USADA 24-hour hotline for athletes that night to find out how to proceed but the phone wasn't staffed.

Ina further pointed out that the testing official had expired credentials.

Ina and her skating partner John Zimmerman said in August that they had signed with Stars on Ice and were leaving the amateur figure skating circuit. She said at the time the switch would allow them to be more creative.

Ina and Zimmerman became partners for the 1998-99 season and won U.S. titles in 2000, 2001 and this year. They placed fifth at the Olympics in Salt Lake City.

The U.S. Anti-Doping Agency is an independent agency funded by the federal government and overseas drug testing of American athletes.

JA Sports Hall of Fame Inaugurated

SAN FRANCISCO—Five athletes were honored Nov. 2 as the inaugural class of the first Japanese American Sports Hall of Fame.

The Japanese Cultural & Community Center of Northern California (JCCCN) delivered the awards in a ceremony at Pacific Bell Park.

Honorees included Olympic figure skating gold medalist **Kristi Yamaguchi** of Fremont, Calif., former New York Knick **Wat Misaka**, and former San Francisco 49er **Wally Yonamine**, who became the first non-white to play for the team.

Other inductees were **Tommy Kono**, weightlifting gold medalist during the 1952 and 1956 Olympics, and **Ann Kiyomura Hayashi** of San Mateo, Calif., who in 1975

became the first Asian American to win a Wimbledon title.

All of the honorees were recognized for breaking down racial barriers in sports, many of them at times when such breakthroughs may have seemed impossible.

"These athletes broke down color barriers not just for Asian Americans but for all non-white athletes," Chris Hirano, JCCCN director of community development, told the *San Jose Mercury News*. "And for the older athletes, we're only now hearing the stories about their achievements in a time of racism and discrimination."

JCCCN will honor the athletes with a traveling exhibition of their achievements and sports memora-

bilia.

For Kono, now 72, the award is a tribute to overcoming many obstacles. As a child, Kono suffered from eczema and later asthma. But when his family was taken to a JA internment camp in Tule Lake during World War II, his asthma subsided and he took up weightlifting.

Dedication to the sport made the scrawny teenager into a healthy and strong young man, and when his family was released from the camp, he began winning titles and national recognition.

He went on to set 26 Olympic records and win eight world titles in the sport that he says gave him courage to be a leader even as JAs were being discriminated against.

FOOTBALL

Chang Helps Hawaii Clinch Bowl Bid

HONOLULU—Timmy Chang didn't play his best Nov. 2, but he got the job done when he had to.

Chang threw for 365 yards and three touchdowns to lead Hawaii to a 40-31 victory over San Jose State.

"I forced the ball and it was really ugly and the score really shows it," he said. "I definitely had an off-night."

It was the fourth straight win for the Warriors (7-2, 6-1 Western Athletic Conference), and they became the first team in the nation to clinch a bowl bid.

With seven wins, they are guaran-

teed to host an opponent from Conference USA in the inaugural Hawaii Bowl on Christmas Day. Hawaii didn't get a bowl bid last year with a 9-3 record.

Chang was 31-of-52 and had two passes intercepted. But when the Spartans pulled to 33-31 late in the fourth quarter he completed seven consecutive passes, driving the Warriors 72 yards to their final score and putting the game out of reach.

"You're not going to play your best every week, but we made enough plays," Hawaii coach June

Jones said. "I thought the final drive, Timmy really showed what he's made of."

Chang, who had averaged 433 passing yards in his two previous games, struggled through the first three quarters. He was 21-of-43. But three of them were for touchdowns — 9 and 28 yards to Justin Colbert in the first quarter and a 3-yarder to **Britton Komine** in the second. The first two scores were set up by an interception and forced fumble.

San Jose State (4-6, 2-3) dropped its fourth straight game.

FILM

JA Extras Needed for Ralph Lazo Film

Nikkei for Civil Rights and Redress (NCR) and Visual Communications are seeking Japanese and Asian Americans as well as non-Asians of all ages to serve as extras in a film about a Mexican American teenager who went to camp with his Nikkei friends during World War II.

The extras will take part in a train scene, which will be filmed on Nov. 23 in Fillmore, Calif. About 100 extras are needed.

"Stand Up for Justice," a 30-minute narrative film dramatizing the true story of Ralph Lazo, a Latino high school student who accompanied his JA friends to Manzanar for over two years. He is believed to be the only non-Japanese internee who didn't have a Japanese spouse.

Lazo passed away in 1992 at the age of 67.

"Stand Up for Justice" is partially funded by the U.S. Congress Civil Liberties Public Education Fund and the California Civil Liberties Public Education Fund.

There is no pay for being an extra, but meals will be provided.

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Uncovering a JAACL Treasure
'Hidden From Our Midst'

DURING THE first two decades (1929-1949) of JAACL history and maybe until 1959, JAACL chapters in the rural communities comprised the majority. And because national conventions were held usually over the Labor Day weekend, these chapters were hard pressed to send delegates during their busiest times of the year. Consequently, they often tendered their proxies to the district governor or someone from an adjacent chapter.

This was brought to mind after attending Fort Lupton JAACL's 60th anniversary event Oct. 19. Here I have listed 63 chapters founded by Nisei in the farm communities with the dates they were founded. The charter chapter president is named. (*no longer active):

Arizona (1932: Togo Iida), Arkansas Valley (1950: Ugi Harada)*;

Bakersfield (1959: Lloyd Kumataka)*, Bay District in Venice, Calif. (1936: Frank Mizusawa)*, Boise Valley (1937: Henry Suyehira), Brawley (1928: Lyle Kurisaki)*, Ben Lomond in Ogden, Utah (1938: Jiro Tamaki)*; Clovis (1955: James Miyamoto), Coachella Valley (1946: Henry Sakemi)*, Columbia Basin (1954: Bill Utsunomiya)*, Cortez (1948: George Yuge);

Delano (1942: George Nagatani), Davis County in Clearfield, Utah (1941: Takeo Nakano)*, Delta at Walnut Grove, Calif. (1935)*;

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Gardena Valley (1939: George T. Yamauchi), Gilroy (1941: Jack Izu), Glendale, Calif. (1938: Kiyoko Kuramoto)*, Greeley (1944: Fred Hashimoto)*, Gresham-Trousdale (1950: Shio Uyetake);

Idaho Falls as Southeastern Idaho (1940: Yukio Inouye), Imperial Valley (1958: Harry T. Momita);

Kern County at Bakersfield (1936: Everett Itanaga)*, Kingsburg (1952: Mats/Ando)*,

Kings County (1939: Kiyoshi Nobusada)*;

Livingston-Merced (1938: Roy M. Kishi), Lodi (1941: Sam Funamura)*;

Magic Valley at Twin Falls, Idaho (1943: George Makabe)*, Marysville as YSBC: Yuba, Sutter, Colusa, Butte (1935: Dr. Charles Izu), Mid-Columbia as Hood River (1931: George Kinoshita), Mile-Hi as Denver (1938: Shimpei Sakaguchi), Montana at Hardin (1949: Tom Koyama)*, Mount Olympus (1943: Shigeki Ushio), Mountain View (1940: Henry Kiyomura)*;

New Mexico as Albuquerque (1948: Frank Matsubara), North Platte, Neb. (1942: George Kuroki)*, North San Diego (1962: Dr. James Kawahara), Northern Utah (1943: Nobuichi Sato)*, Northern Wyoming at Worland (1941: Tom Nagashima)*; Orange County (1934: Frank Takenaga);

Parlier (1935: Akaira Chiamori), Placer County as Newcastle (1928: Tom Yego), Pocatello-Blackfoot (1941: George Shiozawa), Puyallup Valley (1931: James M. Yamamoto), Pueblo, Colo. (1944: Hideo Sagara)*;

Reedley (1935: George Ikuta), Rexburg as Yellowstone (1941: Fuji Hikida), Rio Grande Valley, Texas (1948: Henry Kawahata)*;

Sacramento (1922: Walter Tsukamoto), Salinas Valley (1932: Harry Kita), San Benito County (1935: James Sugioka), San Fernando Valley (1942: Tom Imai), San Gabriel Valley (1933: Frank T. Tanaka), San Jose (1923: Kay Nishida), San Luis Obispo (1931: Ernest K. Iwasaki), San Luis Valley at Alamosa, Colo. (1949: Roy Y. Inouye)*, San Mateo County (1935: Saiki Muneno);

Sanger-Del Rey (1950: Robert Kanagawa), Santa Barbara (1930: Taki Asakura), Santa Maria Valley (1932: Ken Utsunomiya), Santa Clara County (1932: Toshi Taketa)*, Seabrook (1946: Vernon Ichisaka), Selma (1950: George Abe), Sequoia (1952: Harry Higaki), Snake River Valley (1944: Joe Komoto), Sonoma County (1934: Masao Hasegawa), Stockton (1929: Dr. Roy S. Morimoto);

Tacoma (1934: Ted Nakamura)*, Tulare County (1934: Harvey Iwata);

Venice-Culver (1941: John Aono), Ventura County as Oxnard

(1937: Brownie Furutani); Watsonville (1934: Tom Matsuda), White River Valley (1930: John Arima);

Yakima Valley (1932: John Shimizu)*, Yo-Solano at Suisun, Calif. (1935: Allen Aoyagi)*

Some of these chapters have since been developed into suburban or metropolitan communities such as Fremont, Fresno, Gardena Valley, Orange County, Sacramento, San Gabriel Valley, San Jose, San Mateo County, Sequoia, and Venice-Culver.

The Nikkei community at Fort Lupton, Colo., long associated with the Buddhist Temple, dates from the 1900s when Japanese farmers developed the narrow valley with Lupton (as the Issei had shortened) as midpoint from Brighton-Henderson to the south and Ione-Platteville to the north. The Lupton Japanese Association, formed in 1908, disbanded at the outbreak of World War II, transferred its cash to the American Red Cross and its real estate (Yamato Hall) to the newly formed Ft. Lupton JAACL.

The chapter was formed at a special meeting, March 4, 1941, called by Matajuro Watada, then LJA president, to form a joint Issei-Nisei club on a non-religious basis to serve the Japanese community. Saburo Tanaka, Floyd Koshio (1943 president) and Kasumi Miyamoto (later elected the charter president) were appointed to draft the constitution and by-laws.

Upon affiliation with national JAACL, the charter was granted in November 1941, according to Katy Koshio, who handed me her notes for the 60th anniversary dinner program. Lee Murata, 89, the third chapter president in 1944, was introduced as the oldest active member in attendance. Mrs. Shigeko Yamaguchi, 85, was the oldest woman.

And catching up with Alley Watada, USDA career official at Washington, D.C., whom I met in 1999 during the PANA Convention in Santiago, Chile, now retired in Boulder, and George Masunaga of Denver, a Fort Lupton native, brought back the time when I grew up in the 1920s, when the Japanese American community was two-thirds non-urban. I was then an "urban urchin." ■

COMMENTARY

Asian American Kenkyu-kai Tokyo

By HIROSHI KASHIWAGI

The tour bus let us off at the Harajuku station where we boarded the Yamanote line to Shinjuku station in Shinjuku. We were standing outside a moment when we were met by Yukio Takeshita, Nobuko Awaya and Tatsuya Sudo, all members of the Asian American Kenkyu-kai.

Through the efforts of Yukio Takeshita, whom I had met at the Tule Lake Pilgrimage in July, and Tatsuya Sudo, we were guests of the Asian American Kenkyu-kai that evening. We were following such distinguished guests as Gordon Hirabayashi, Isao Fujimoto and Chizuko and Emiko Omori.

Asian American Kenkyu-kai is a group of journalists, writers, scholars, students and others interested in AA issues. Their periodic meetings, usually held on Wednesday evenings, feature AA films and related talks by visiting guests. The group was formed in 1999 by Tatsuya Sudo, an AA performing arts critic who writes a weekly column for the *Hokubei Mainichi*, and Mayumi Nakazawa, a non-fiction writer. They were later joined by Nobuko Awaya, a journalist/author/translator.

Prior to the meeting I had been in contact with Tatsuya Sudo by e-mail. I had sent him some poems and prose pieces which he and Nobuko Awaya translated. I believe Tatsuya did the prose pieces and Nobuko did the poems. For the program, they had prepared two booklets of my works, one in English and one in Japanese.

Translating is no easy task, especially poems, but I was amused by a line in my poem "Tofu" which refers to "the goddamn tofu" which in Japanese became "kusotare tofu."

In selecting and reading the pieces, I hoped to suggest the life and time of a Japanese American. The materials covered my childhood, the depression years, the life of my immigrant parents, and the events of World War II. I think most

of the people in the audience understood English and they could refer to the Japanese translation.

My wife Sadako read a rousing piece written by our son Soji about our Shiba-ken as a puppy terrorizing our house. So our family was very well represented at the meeting.

I was most impressed by the presence of scholars and published writers in the audience. There was a university professor who had come all the way from Shizuoka; he had come on the Shinkansen. Then there was Mayumi Nakazawa, one of the founders of the group and the author of the biography of the Nisei activist Yuri Kojichiyama.

After I returned home, I called Yuri in the East Bay and told her I had her biography which Mayumi had given me. She was pleased and told me Mayumi was a family friend. She wondered if I could read the Japanese and I told her I thought so. After reading the prologue, which is beautifully written, I think I can handle the book.

There was also a woman who claimed she had met me once before. I couldn't place her but she too had a book, an anthology of essays and articles on JAs, which she was about to give me. It seems some years ago she had interviewed me; I had no recollection of this but there it was in the book — a brief biography of me, based on the interview, fairly accurate — and she had contributed a scholarly article about my play "Laughter and False Teeth" which she had seen in the Big Aiiieeeee. Thanks to Satae Shinoda for the book and a very astute and flattering commentary of my play.

After the meeting we went to a nearby pub and enjoyed the beer, food, and especially the lively company of Yukio and Tetsuko Takeshita, Mayumi Nakazawa, Nobuko Awaya, and Tatsuya Sudo. Thanks to them our one-day stay in Tokyo was a memorable climax to our tour of Northern Japan. I hope we'll meet again soon. Meanwhile, I'll be reading Tatsuya Sudo's column in the *Hokubei Mainichi*. ■

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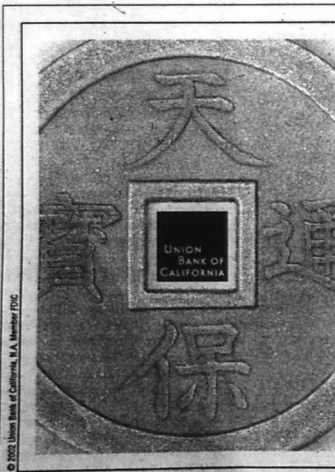


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TEACHERS

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the Office of War Information prior to the outbreak of WWII and was sent directly to Boulder's language school. He never suffered the indignities of internment but he nevertheless served his country knowing that tens of thousands of his fellow JAs were being imprisoned from the West Coast.

"There was no hesitation whatsoever," said Inouye of his decision to teach during the war. "After all, loyalty to your country is one of the heart. It's a hard experience regardless of how much prejudice they have towards you. It was a wartime experience and we accepted it."

Unlike Inouye, many of the sensei were recruited right out of the internment camps. Issei Thomas Matsuzawa was in the Rohwer, Ark., camp with his family when he was asked to teach at the language school. Soon after, he left for Boulder and his family eventually joined him.

"My father left Rohwer as soon as he could to continue his teaching career," said son Deen Matsuzawa, who attended the event with his two sisters in honor of their father who passed away several years ago. "My father felt that Japan was wrong in taking on a country the size of the United States. He felt it was a lost cause from the very beginning. He did what he could."

Harold K. Tsuchiya had been a Japanese minister on Terminal Island when he and his family were sent to the Heart Mountain internment camp. Soon after his arrival at

the camp he was asked to be a Japanese language teacher and left for Boulder.

"He felt it was the right thing to do," said Howard Tsuchiya, who attended the ceremony in honor of his father, now 103, who was unable to attend the event. "He just said okay, let's go ahead and do this. I think my mom and dad both talked about it. They decided this is the best thing to do." His father is an Issei and like all Issei at the time, he was not allowed to join the U.S. military. "This was his way he thought to do the right thing. So that's why he taught at Boulder," said Howard.

Fumiko Imai's family was sent to the Minidoka internment camp but she was able to avoid the same fate by agreeing to teach at Boulder. "I didn't struggle with the decision," said Imai, 91, who attended the Pomona College event with her niece. "I knew the language and my professor asked me so I said I would go."

Today, many of the sensei have passed away and the few surviving teachers are now in their late 80s and 90s. Twelve of the sensei were able to attend the recent event, and close to 200 of the teachers' children and relatives came to celebrate their legacy.

Allen Okamoto and his brother Steve accepted the service award on behalf of their father, Takeo Okamoto, 94, who was unable to attend the event.

"I'm extremely proud of him, especially when I hear the admiral and other people speak about how valuable their services were," said Allen, whose father was recruited

right out of the Tanforan Assembly Center and taught at Boulder during WWII. "Being a dumb Sensei kid you don't realize that kind of stuff. I'm very impressed and I have a newfound respect for my father."

"I feel very proud. Tears came to my eyes as I was thinking of what he did, what he was a part of," said Arlene Inouye, Ariaki's youngest daughter. "Both of my parents are

added. "I feel that something like this is good in the fact that people will know that there were people like him, quite a few people like him, who contributed to the welfare of the United States."

Many of the students of the Japanese language teachers have gone on to enjoy successful careers. Among them are Donald Keene and Edward Seidensticker, interna-

Pedro Loureiro, curator at the Pacific Basin Institute, is largely responsible for finally getting the teachers' story out there. A historian, Loureiro was conducting oral histories of the teachers' story when he realized that very little if anything had ever been recorded of their service during WWII.

He recalled that the Army had recently honored their language teachers and thought to himself, "what about my teachers? ... they are just as deserving, but no one knows their story." Loureiro worked closely with the Navy to help locate most of the sensei or the families of the teachers. "We need to record their stories or they are going to be lost," he said.

Loureiro believes the contribution of these teachers goes well beyond just the classroom. "In a wartime full of distorted propaganda on both sides and unusual hatred, the teachers themselves provided a radically different view of what the Japanese enemy was supposed to be like," he said. "The students saw the teachers as fellow human beings. The teachers inadvertently became transmitters of their own culture."

Pomona College professor David Arase's father was one of the Japanese language teachers who taught at Boulder. He passed away last year, just missing the ceremony honoring the sensei.

"If he could have lived to see this day I know he would have had mixed feelings," said Arase. "He would have been amazed that after 60 years anyone would still remember, and much less care about what he and his colleagues did at the Navy school. He also would have been a little miffed that it took so long for anyone to notice the valuable service that these Japanese American teachers gave to this nation." He added, "Nevertheless he would have been very happy to be here and very grateful for this recognition."

"It's a testimony to the patriotism and drive and energy of these people and the courage they had of coping with a totally unfamiliar set of circumstances," said Gibney, who closed the ceremony by singing the Navy's Japanese Language School song. "Thanks for what you did; sensei," he said, "we owe you a great deal indeed." ■



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Steve (left) and Allen Okamoto hold their father's Distinguished Public Service Award at the recent ceremony honoring the language teachers.

very humble people. My dad rarely spoke about the whole wartime experience and what he did at the language school. It was good to actually understand better."

David Inouye, Ariaki's eldest son, believes it's events like this that help to keep alive family histories. "It takes events like this to create that situation where you're able to capture some of the lives of your parents that are sometimes lost," he said.

"I think it's high time," said Matsuzawa of the ceremony. "I think it's a good thing that they remember what some of the older Issei generation have done for their country, the United States." He

tionally known scholars and translators of Japanese literature; and William Theodore deBary, James Morley, and Robert Scalapino, who helped to expand East Asian Studies programs throughout the country.

Some of the former students were in attendance at the ceremony, including Frank Gibney, president of the Pacific Basin Institute, who first contacted the Navy about honoring the former teachers.

"The best thing I can say about that experience is ... over the years we became a community," said Gibney. "We learned a lot from them and they learned from us. I'm very fond of those teachers."

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Arao, Takanori "Tak," 72, Watsonville, Sept. 8; Santa Cruz-born; survived by wife Kiyoko; sons John, Jim (Yoshiko); daughter Karen Kimi (Kendall) Wilcox; 3 gc.; brother Henry (Phyllis), Aki (Fumiko); sister Himeko Furuya; sister-in-law Betty Arao.

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Hamamura, Yoshie, 81, Denver; survived by 5 daughters; 4 sons-in-law; 5 gc.

Katayama, Tadashi, "Tad," 86, Bellevue, Wash., Sept. 6; Enumclaw, Wash.-born; U.S. Army Air Corp veteran; survived by wife Ossie; daughters Karen (George) Iwasaki of Shoreline, Janice (Carl) Smith of Bellevue, Sandi (Jack Flynn) Katayama of Scottsdale, Ariz.; 3 gc., 1 ggc.

Katsura, Frances Aiko, 88, Walnut Creek, Sept. 9; Winters-born, pre-WWII Suisun resident; survived by husband Leste; daughter April Airan Katsura of Walnut Creek; son Lester Gen, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

Kurose, Guy, 49, Seattle, Oct. 26; anti-Vietnam War activist; Black Panther who helped the group deliver breakfasts to schoolchildren; black belt karate master who worked out with Bruce Lee; and son of human rights activist Aki Kurose who had managed Gov. Gary Locke's first campaign for the state Legislature and has the Aki Kurose Middle School in Seattle named after her. He is survived by sisters Ruthann of Mercer Island, Marie Woo of Seattle; brothers Hugo and Paul of Seattle.

Matsumoto, Masako, 83, San Bruno, Oct. 9; Fresno-born, Wakayama, Japan-raised; Gila River internee; longtime Grover Beach resident; survived by husband Yoneji; son Richard; daughters Caroline (Ray) Yamasaki, Ruth Dea; 3 gc.; sisters Jane (Jim) Sugidono, Mary (Terry) Ogami; sister-in-law Sumi Tsutsui; predeceased by brother Jimmy Tsutsui.

Morishita, Louise Shizuko, 90, Alhambra, Oct. 18; Rock Spring,

Wyo.-born; survived by daughters Diane (Donald) Sayrizi, Linda (Barry) Greenstein; 2 gc.

Murukami, Shigeo, 83, Gardena, Oct. 13; Los Angeles-born; survived by wife Rose Fusako; daughters Marlene Lee, Terry (Charles) Noone; sons David (Teresa), Andrew (Cheryl); 6 gc., 4 ggc.; sisters Shizuko Nakamura, Tomi (Eugene) Sakasegawa.

Motonaga, Sadako M., Monterey Park, Oct. 12; survived by daughters Katherine (Jeffrey) Oura, Lynne (Byron) Fujikawa; 2 gc., 2 ggc.; sister Betty M. Stanwood; brothers Ken and Robert Miyahara of Hawaii.

Nakamura, Aiko, 83, Los Angeles, Oct. 12; Terminal Island-born; survived by sons Garrett (Cecilia); Tom (Janet); 3 gc.; sister Hideko (Kenji) Yamamoto.

Nakamura, Noboru, 85, Denver; survived by daughter Joyce (Terry) Abrascato; 2 gc.; predeceased by wife Misako.

Oishi, Jiro, 84, San Gabriel, Oct. 8; Ehime, Japan-born; survived by wife Anna Yoshiko; son Kim M.; daughters Joanne G. (Alan) Kumamoto, Corrine K. (Lindley Morton) Oishi of Oregon; 5 gc.; sister Grace (Fred) Kishaba; brother-in-law Jimmy (Masayo) Makino.

Okada, Donna Elizabeth, 47, San Francisco, Oct. 4; San Francisco-born; survived by parents Hiro and Mary Okada.

Okamoto, Hatsuko "Pat," 82, Los Angeles, Oct. 14; Pasadena-born; survived by nephew Dr. Vance (Amity) Okamoto; niece Nancy Okamoto; 2 grandnephews.

Okazaki, Tame Yamamoto, 81, Portland, Ore., Nov. 3; Portland-born; Minidoka internee; survived by husband Noboru; son Gary of Portland; brother Kiyoo Yamamoto of Seattle.

Sakanashi, Louise T., 76, San Francisco, Oct. 8; formerly of Hayward; survived by daughters Tammy Sakanashi of Santa Rosa, Karen Sakanashi of Hong Kong, Robin Saulsbury of Oakland; 4 gc.

Shigaki, Harry Nobuichi, 83, Dixon, Oct. 15; Sacramento-born; survived by wife Mae; daughters Kathie, Dale; son Henry (Dora); sisters Kae Tsuji, Grace (Sam) Ito.

Shimizu, Isao, 53, Rowland Heights, Oct. 13; Tokyo-born; survived by son Wes; mother Taki Shimizu of Tokyo; sisters Chizuko Kobayashi of Tokyo, Yoko Iizuka of Osaka.

Takuma, Asako, 98, Loomis, Oct. 7; Haruno-cho, Kochi-ken-born; survived by son-in-law Yasuo Katto of Rocklin; 3 gc.; mother-in-law Fumi Takuma.

Tsuchihashi, Takaro, 68, Torrance, Oct. 10; Yamanashi, Japan-born; survived by wife Natsumi; son Perry; sister and brothers in Japan: Sumiko (Hideo) Hirose, Atsuhiko, Hiroshi, Yoshihiko.

Tsuchimoto, Fumito, 83, Sunnyvale; survived by daughters Ann Haranaga, Judy Smith, Keiko Tsuchimoto; predeceased by daughter Shizue Allen.

Uba, Florence C., 82, Marina Del Rey, Oct. 15; San Diego-born; survived by sons Bryan Uba of Boise, Idaho, Dr. George Uba; daughter Dr. Laura Uba; 2 gc.; sister Mary Akashi; brother Freddie Funakoshi; sisters-in-law Lillian Uba of Denver; Lillian Uba of California, Miyeko Yokoyama; brothers-in-law Toshio (Jane) Uba of Denver, Fred Odanaka of Hawaii; predeceased by husband Katsumi.

Umekubo, Yukitomo, 77, Gardena, Oct. 15; Oakland-born; survived by wife Masako; daughter Mari Umekubo; sons Rei, Rizzo; 1 gc.; sister Naoye Helen (Shizu) Kitahata; predeceased by son Ken.

Yamahiro, Grace Hideko (nee Hosaka), 79, Cleveland, Aug. 16; WWII internee; former wife of Satoru; survived by son Norman H.; daughter Carolyn S. (Rick) Vigneulle; sisters Nancy Tanaka, Tsuruko Fujimura, Teruko Takahata; brother James Hosaka; predeceased by son Laurence S.

Yamamoto, Mitsie Mitsuye, 55, Pasadena, Oct. 14; Los Angeles-born; survived by husband Stanley; daughter Julianne; mother Ruth Kinoshita; sister Keiko (Roy) Sakata.

Yano, George, 82, Seattle, Sept. 2; survived by son Mike; daughter Susan (Michael) Mize; 1 gc. brother-in-law Tom (Amy) Kubota.

Yano, May, 83, Seattle, Sept. 6; survived by son Mike; daughter Susan (Michael) Mize; 1 gc.; brother Tom (Amy) Kubota.

Yokota, Shigeko Niguma, 94, Portland, Ore., Nov. 4; Portland-born; survived by sons Roger of Beaverton, Stephen of Vancouver, Wash.; daughter Teresa Brandon of Portland; 2 gc.; 1 ggc.; sisters Masako Sugano of Payette, Idaho, Yoneko Dozoni and Sakae Nishimura of Portland; predeceased by husband Roy.

Yoshida, George, Dayton, Ohio, June 12; survived by wife Masa; daughter Diane Graham; son Michael; 6 gc.; brothers Harry of Dayton, Henry of Santa Rosa; sisters Eva Hashiguchi, Mary Fujimoto, Rosalind Fuke. ■

OBITUARIES

Chang-Lin Tien, Former Berkeley Chancellor, Passes at 67

By Associated Press and Pacific Citizen Staff

BERKELEY, Calif.—Former Berkeley Chancellor Chang-Lin Tien, renowned educator, administrator and scientist, has died. He was 67.

Tien, the first Asian American to head a major U.S. university, suffered a stroke after surgery for a brain tumor in the fall of 2000 and never fully recovered. He recently contracted pneumonia and died on Oct. 29 at Kaiser Permanente Hospital in Redwood City.

An internationally known expert on heat transfer and thermal science — he helped develop the insulating tiles for the space shuttle — Tien was also famous for his support of social causes, speaking out in favor of affirmative action before and after UC's governing board of regents dropped race-based admissions in 1995.

"His energy and optimism, his willingness to fight for the principles he cherished, and his loyalty and love for this campus made it stronger and better," said Berkeley Chancellor Robert M. Berdahl.

Born in Wuhan, China, on July 24, 1935, Tien's family fled to

Shanghai during World War II to escape the invading Japanese. In 1949 the family again fled to Taiwan when China came under the control of the communists.

In 1956 Tien traveled to the University of Louisville to get his master's degree. Living in the South during the 1950s, he experienced discrimination firsthand, even having to ask one of his professors to stop calling him "Chinaman."

Tien received his Ph.D. from Princeton University in 1959, finishing in an astonishing 20 months. His incentive: once he got his degree his family would allow him to marry his fiancée, Di-Hwa.

In the same year Tien joined the Berkeley faculty where he would spend 38 years of his 40-year teaching career. He served as Berkeley's chancellor from 1990-1997, helping to raise millions of dollars in donations for the school.

Tien is survived by his wife, Di-Hwa; his son Norman; daughters Phyllis and Christine; and four grandchildren. The Tien family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Chang-Lin Tien Center for East Asian Studies. Checks should be made payable to UC Berkeley Foundation, and sent to Vice Chancellor-University Relations, University Relations, 2440 Bancroft Way #4200, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA 94720-4200. ■



Asian American Rights Advocate Tom Ohno Passes at 74

Tom Tomoe Ohno suffered cardiac arrest while undergoing surgery and died Oct. 11 at Southview Southdale Hospital in Edina, Minn. He was 74.

Ohno, of Bloomington, Minn., served as president of the Twin Cities JAACL in 1958. He co-founded the Twin cities JAACL scholarship program, and as a member of the chapter's education committee he devoted himself to developing awareness of the World War II Japanese American internment camps, speaking to students and community members across the state about his family's experience in the Minidoka, Idaho, War Relocation Center.

Ohno was born in Seattle Dec. 20, 1927, one of 11 children of Yosaji and Saki Ohno. The family

was interned at the Minidoka relocation camp from 1942 until 1944, when they were able to move to Minneapolis, where Ohno worked as a houseboy while earning his high school diploma. He then enlisted in the Army, serving until 1947. He earned a teaching degree in mathematics and physical education from Augsburg College in 1953 and in 1959 he married Reiko Honda. In 1971 Ohno received a master's degree in school administration from the University of St. Thomas. He taught mathematics for 30 years, mentored Laotian students, and also coached girls softball and soccer and boys baseball.

Ohno is survived by his wife; daughter Pamela Ohno Dagoberg; son Robert Ohno; four grandsons; six sisters; and two brothers. ■

Issei Activist Shosuke Sasaki Passes at 90

Shosuke Sasaki, noted activist, passed away from natural causes in the early morning hours of Nov. 1. He was 90.

During the 1950's Sasaki was a tireless campaigner against the use of the word "Jap" by print and radio media as a derogatory, racial slur. By the early 60's he and others succeeded in convincing the media to stop using the term. He later was prominent in the redress movement. Most recently, he was interviewed in the PBS documentary film, "Rabbit in the Moon." Sasaki was born in Japan and

emigrated to the United States in his early childhood. A proud American, he was equally proud of his Japanese heritage. He grew up in the Seattle area and attended Broadway High School. He graduated, summa cum laude from the University Of Washington and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Shortly after his graduation, WWII began and he was interned at the Minidoka War Relocation Authority camp with his family. After the war, he worked on Wall Street in New York as a stock analyst for Standard and Poor's before taking a position as a portfolio manager for the Hamilton Fund in Denver where he worked until retirement in the early 70's. After his retirement he returned to Seattle where he lived until his death.

Sasaki was widowed and had no children. He is survived by his sister, Umeko Peggy Araki of Seattle, who said, "We were very close and he was so much smarter than me." ■

DEATH NOTICE

T. HELEN GOTO

CARLSBAD, Calif. — Helen T. Goto, 75, passed away Oct. 12. She is survived by her daughter, Colleen (Jonathan) Goto-Harvey; son, Albert Goto; grandchildren, Jessica and Meagan Harvey; brother, Leo Hagio; and sister, Chiyo Sakaguchi. A memorial service was held Oct. 26 with cremation and scattering at sea on a later date.

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countries and depend on dockworkers and shippers to move their merchandise.

To get an idea of the significance of APA businesses in the United States, John Chiang, chair of the California Board of Equalization, pointed to the last recession and said, "When they did studies as to what was propping up our economy, the Asian Pacific Americans and others who engaged in small retail, small businesses in the state of California, were the only entrepreneurial activity that was actually increasing in California at that time."

Chiang noted that a 1997 survey by the Census Bureau found that there were 290,000 Asian-owned firms in the United States, employing more than 2 million people and paying \$46 billion in payroll. He

added that regionally Los Angeles and Long Beach were first and third respectively in terms of highest concentration of economic activity by APAs in the United States.

For those impacted by the labor dispute, Cooke Sunoo, director of the Asian Pacific Islander Small Business Program which sponsored the expo, said that their office can offer some forms of assistance.

"We have a number of programs to provide interim financing basically through various government guaranteed programs but they're loans," said Sunoo. "They will still have to pay back what they borrowed. We're also available to do some business counseling in terms of how to balance out this big dip in their receipts and help them plan for what's going to be excess merchandise in January."

Conrad Lee, regional administrator for the U.S. Small Business Administration whose office is

based in Seattle, said his office would only be able to assist strapped business owners if the situation is declared a disaster.

"SBA has a role usually when there is a natural disaster, but even 9/11 was declared a disaster through special legislation," said Lee. "When a disaster is declared, then we can provide money to help individuals and businesses with low interest loans, long term loans and fixed rate loans."

Lee urged impacted business owners to contact their elected officials to voice their concerns.

Congresswoman Hilda Solis, D-31st, who has been hearing from her constituents, said, "I know in my own district, we've had business owners come and tell me that they are hoping this can be resolved a lot sooner. Obviously, we want to see the best solution provided for both the individuals who want to retain their jobs and the shippers. I'm hop-

ing they will come to some agreement soon."

Solis said the issue of disaster relief assistance has not been raised yet. "I have not heard about providing relief yet," she said. "But if that is something that is happening, then we need to see the validity to the background information to justify it, like anything else."

Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, D-33rd, who had contacted the shipping management when the possibility of a lockout first loomed, said, "This has truly devastated the economy and impacted businesses nationwide. I think what will happen, once everything has been settled, is that there will be an assessment, and then it will be up to the administration and members of Congress, who receive the information, to determine what needs to be done."

Kim Tachiki, Roybal-Allard's field deputy, urged business owners to contact their office to let them know the extent of the damage suffered by the labor dispute. "When the Congresswoman talks before Congress, sometimes she uses anecdotes, and that brings it home and makes the issue real so please call our office and let our staff know," said Tachiki.

In the upcoming term, California Assemblywoman Carol Liu, D-44th, will be on the Select Committee on Asian Trade, chaired by Assemblywoman Wilma Chan.

"We're going to be aggressive in the next term about going out and seeking more business opportunities between the Far East, which is not so far anymore, and the state of California," said Liu. "But we need to settle this strike. As far as I'm concerned, looking at those numbers of how much goods come across here compared to other areas like Singapore, Hong Kong and Shanghai, I mean we are way behind, way behind what we could possibly do."

"But I know this is a complicated issue. For the longshoremen, who have been dedicated — and they're a feisty union — they like things where they are, but technology needs to happen to some extent so the fight is how much technology can we incorporate and not lose jobs. There's a balance there that I hope will be reached."

"Clearly the slowdown is impacting all of us," said Nelson Chan, California director of the Small Business Development Center Program and assistant secretary for Global Economic Development. "Here in Los Angeles, which is the nation's largest manufacturing center, you see some of our manufacturers, who rely on 'just in time' inventory, to be strapped a bit. On the other hand, it might occur to folks, and hopefully it does, that maybe bringing some suppliers to California and developing some manufacturing capacity to service our particular industries might be a good idea. The Trade Commerce Agency is well positioned to assist in those site location searches."

Chan did not feel this situation will have a long term affect on trade with Asian countries. He noted that four of the largest trading partners for California are with Asian countries, and that six of the 12 trade offices are in Asia.

Woo agreed that the labor dispute was only a short-term problem.

"If they can find a way to resolve this job issue and implement technology, then we will see things humming along better than ever," said Woo. "So this is a very painful short term situation. But if they decide not to implement technology, we will see this problem again because commerce is expected to quadruple in the next 20 years or so. With competing land use, they cannot make the (Los Angeles) port bigger. They will have to make the port more efficient." ■

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democratic principles. At the same time, we have gone on record challenging policies enacted by the current administration in curbing freedoms of Americans and residents in this country. We've been through this ourselves and will fight to ensure that no other Americans experience what we endured in our history.

In whatever we've accomplished in the past year, we've done it with dignity and commitment to what's good and right in this country and in our organization. Your collective and individual support throughout the year has been invaluable and deeply appreciated.

The resisters ceremony, the cause of much emotion within our organization, was carried out with dignity and class, and at the same time, indi-

vidual chapters and district councils devoted the year to recognizing the heroism and sacrifices of our Nisei veterans.

The staff has spent much of the year doing what they always do — carrying out the mandates of the national organization. While widespread discrimination seems minimal when it comes to Asian Americans, prejudice and bigotry are unfortunately still alive and well in America, and our staff has had to handle a myriad of cases of discrimination. Although an individual instance here or there may not seem like much, think of how much it can affect your life or your life as parents if your child's life is being tortured by prejudice and bigotry. We think about that all the time.

And that's why we're here: to help make life better in this country for those victimized by social injustice and bigotry.

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this year to be generous in order to help us continue our efforts in carrying out the mission we're so dedicated to. On a practical side, we can also use your financial support to get a new roof at headquarters (at a cost of around \$20,000) and possibly build up some margin of reserves for the lean summer months.

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With hopes for a wonderful holiday season for you and your loved ones.

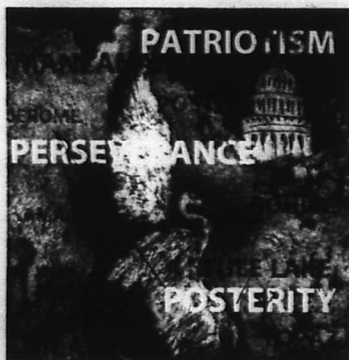
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