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MAVIN's Matt Kelley holds the Vision Award as Maya Yamazaki, outgoing JACL nat'l youth/student chair and Josh Spry, new youth chair, join him.

## MAVIN's Kelley Honored With Vision Award

By CAROLINE AOYAGI  
Executive Editor

HONOLULU—Don't let his age fool you.

At 25, Matthew Kelley looks years younger than the number on his birth certificate but he is already the founder and president of the

MAVIN Foundation, a Seattle-based national nonprofit dedicated to multiracial issues, an in-demand public speaker, and was named Washington State's 2002 "Outstanding Young Citizen."

And Kelley, a Hapa of Korean

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## JACL Looks Towards Future at Sayonara Banquet

By CAROLINE AOYAGI  
Executive Editor

HONOLULU—JACL may have 75 years of history under its belt but the future was the focus of this year's biennial national convention, which emphasized the importance of diversity.

"We're at a crossroads," said John Tateishi, JACL executive director, as he addressed the Sayonara Banquet attendees at the Honolulu Convention Center Aug. 14. "The time has come ... to look to the youth, to tell them that the time has come to take [the organization] further into the 21<sup>st</sup> century."

Floyd Mori, outgoing JACL national president, also emphasized the importance of youth as JACL looks towards the future. "I think we old people sometimes are afraid to let go of the turf we have, afraid to let go of things we are doing," he

said. "We need to let go and get young people involved in the process."

But in paving a path towards the future, Mori also stressed the values and lessons from the past. "The future also means looking more

strongly at the past," he said. "We have to understand a little bit better what values really helped us make the progress we've made," added Mori, stressing the values of "duty"

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Sayonara Banquet keynote speaker Norman Mineta, U.S. Secretary of Transportation, is flanked by John Tateishi (left), JACL executive director, and Floyd Mori (right), outgoing JACL national president.

## JACL Adopts New Budget for Next Biennium

By Pacific Citizen staff

HONOLULU—The 2005-2006 budget presented at the Aug. 10-15 JACL national convention was adopted unanimously by national council with few amendments.

The only changes occurred as the result of the passage of Resolution 2, the teaching of Japanese American history in schools, which added \$15,025 in revenue each year as grant money and \$15,025 in expected program cost for education. The program will be funded by

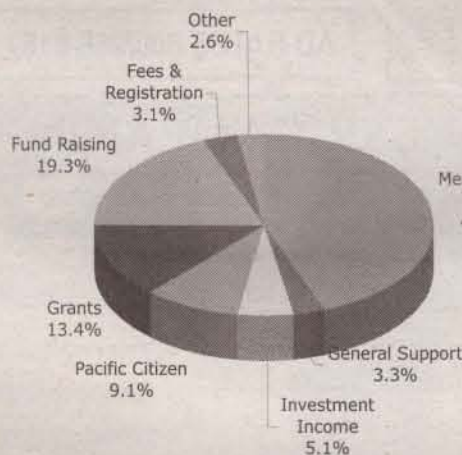
grants, so if fund raising efforts fail, then the revenue and program cost line items will be taken out of the biennial budget.

The next biennial budget shows \$4,235,768 in total revenue sources for 2005-2006 and a total of \$4,235,768 in program costs.

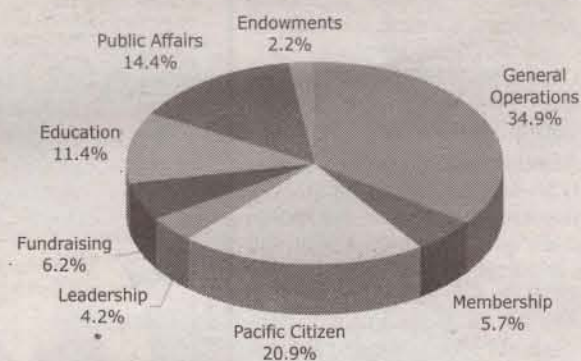
Revenue line items for both years include membership dues with an estimated total of \$1,868,012, investment income estimated at \$218,000 and grants at a total of

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Revenues 2005-2006



Program Expenditures 2005-2006



## JACL Revises Resolutions to Continue Fight for Social Justice

By LYNDALIN  
Assistant Editor

HONOLULU—In a continued effort to champion civil rights, JACL passed three resolutions at

this year's national convention actively opposing racism exercised by governmental bodies and emblazoned on road signs.

In total, seven proposals were submitted to the national resolutions committee for consideration. Of those, three resolutions that passed with unanimous consent have the

JACL in the next biennium exercising its mandate of fighting for social justice.

One of the new resolutions positions the JACL against the U.S. Census Bureau for providing detailed information on Arab Americans to the Department of

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## JACL Elects New Nat'l Board



Elected Officers—(L-r): Josh Spry, youth/student chair; Larry Oda, v.p. operations; Carol Kawamoto, v.p. planning and development; Ken Inouye, president; Heidi Tanakatsubo, v.p. public affairs; Edwin Endow, v.p. membership; Mark Kobayashi, sec./treasurer; and Todd Sato, youth/student representative.

## JACL Honors All Veterans at Tribute Luncheon



Photo courtesy of Gary Mayeda

JACL presents a special plaque to the JA veterans at the tribute.

By CAROLINE AOYAGI  
Executive Editor

HONOLULU—Japanese American veterans have always held a special place in the hearts of the community so it was fitting that JACL paid them a special tribute during the biennial national convention.

The Japanese American World

War II veterans "honored their family and community by serving valiantly," said event M.C. David Burge, a Vietnam War veteran and director of the Spark M. Matsunaga VA Medical & Regional Office Center. "America owes a deep debt of gratitude to those who've served and who are currently serving ... to ensure

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\$567,450 with Resolution 2's expected funding added in. Fund raising revenue stayed the same at \$818,700 along with the Pacific Citizen's expected total revenue of \$384,205.

Some larger program costs for the JACL include general operations at a total of \$1,479,791, membership with \$243,161 and the P.C. with \$884,410. Program costs in education for the next biennium is projected at \$484,102 because of Resolution 2.

For the organization's investments, JACL Business Manager Clyde Izumi reported that as of June 30, JACL's total investments were at \$7,488,426. There is \$5,487,591 in the Legacy Fund and \$421,811 in the Life Trust Endowment Fund. The National Endowment Fund sits at \$373,614 and the JACL Reserve Fund is at \$4,287.

Overall, new JACL Secretary/Treasurer Mark Kobayashi said that budget concerns were thoroughly examined by the budget committee and the national council.

"There are some risks and national council got to see the risks and they've assessed it and they feel comfortable with it, so we'll see. As usual, I'm always concerned about soft money and we'll see how it goes then," said Kobayashi. ■

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General Support	\$ 69,000	\$ 69,000	\$ 138,000
Investment Income	\$ 109,000	\$ 109,000	\$ 218,000
Pacific Citizen	\$ 186,705	\$ 197,500	\$ 384,205
Grants	\$ 268,325	\$ 299,125	\$ 567,450
Fund Raising	\$ 322,350	\$ 496,350	\$ 818,700
Fees & Registration	\$ 17,700	\$ 112,700	\$ 130,400
Other	\$ 55,500	\$ 55,500	\$ 111,000
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,988,996</b>	<b>\$ 2,246,771</b>	<b>\$ 4,235,767</b>

### Program Costs:

	2005	2006	TOTAL
General Operations	\$ 641,941	\$ 837,850	\$ 1,479,791
Membership	\$ 123,100	\$ 120,062	\$ 243,162
Pacific Citizen	\$ 424,933	\$ 459,477	\$ 884,410
Leadership	\$ 96,919	\$ 79,084	\$ 176,003
Fund Raising	\$ 139,721	\$ 123,910	\$ 263,631
Education	\$ 215,291	\$ 268,811	\$ 484,102
Public Affairs	\$ 300,262	\$ 310,658	\$ 610,920
Endowments	\$ 46,830	\$ 46,920	\$ 93,750
<b>Total Program Costs</b>	<b>\$ 1,988,997</b>	<b>\$ 2,246,772</b>	<b>\$ 4,235,769</b>

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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,488,426</b>

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## JACL Honors Some of Its Own at Awards Luncheon

By CAROLINE AOYAGI  
Executive Editor

HONOLULU—For 75 years now JACL has been an organization of volunteers fighting for the civil rights of Asian Pacific Americans, so it was fitting that JACL honored some of these individuals at their biennial Awards Luncheon.

This year's recipient of the JACLER of the Biennium award was Mas Hashimoto of the Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL chapter. The award is given to an individual who has contributed to the strength and growth of JACL during the past biennium and is in memory of Randolph M. Sakada, a former national JACL president from 1950-1952.

"I am grateful and honored to be a member of JACL," said Hashimoto, as he accepted the award Aug. 12 during the biennial national JACL convention. "Our work is more important now than ever before," he continued, referring to the current struggles of the Arab and Muslim American communities since 9/11. "We must continue."

Hashimoto is a longtime member of JACL and has served as president of the Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL chapter several times. He is a retired schoolteacher who continues to go around to various schools teaching about the World War II experience of Japanese



Floyd Mori (right), outgoing JACL national president, presents the JACLER of the Biennium award to Mas Hashimoto of the Watsonville-Santa Cruz chapter.

Americans.

"Mas is a major civil rights activist in the community as well as the country," said Floyd Mori, outgoing JACL national president, who presented the award to Hashimoto. "He is a retired teacher but he continues to tell the Japanese American story."

One of Hashimoto's major contributions was "Liberty Lost; Lessons in Loyalty," the first reenactment of the 1942 evacuation of JAs which received international press attention.

But Hashimoto gave much of the credit to the members of his chapter who have also dedicated hundreds of volunteer hours to various community events and projects.

"I can only accept this on behalf of the Watsonville-Santa Cruz chapter," he said. "They made 'Liberty Lost' a reality."

Hashimoto's praise of his chapter was not unwarranted as the

Watsonville-Santa Cruz chapter was also honored at the Awards Luncheon with the George Inagaki Chapter Citizenship Award.

This award is given to a chapter that has played a vital role in "the promotion of better citizenship" this past biennium and is in memory of Inagaki, a past national JACL president who dedicated many years of service to JACL. It was established in 1968 by the Venice-Culver chapter.

"I am really proud of our chapter," said Paul Kaneko, president of the Watsonville-Santa Cruz chapter, as he accepted an \$800 check for his chapter. "Our chapter is involved in so many different activities."

In addition to "Liberty Lost," the Watsonville-Santa Cruz chapter holds a community picnic, the Jr. JACL Olympics, a senior citizen program, and teacher training programs.

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## Amendment to Include Non-Citizens as Full Members

National Council ratifies  
7 amendments to  
constitution/bylaws.



By LYNDY LIN  
Assistant Editor

HONOLULU—Seventy-five years after JACL was established as a civil rights organization for Asian Pacific Americans and other victims of social injustice, the national council voted to open up membership and give full participation to all individuals regardless of their national origin.

The change took place at this year's national convention after a similar amendment (CB7) was rejected at the 2002 Las Vegas Convention by the constitution/bylaw (C/B) committee for failure to comply with mandatory submission guidelines. This year, CB4, the amendment dealing with roles of non-citizens in JACL, was ratified unanimously by the national council.

Under CB4:

- A section in the bylaws that relegated non-citizens to a "special membership" category was removed.
- A rule was added to the constitution requiring elective officers to be American citizens.
- The amendment also changed wording in the C/B to have "all persons" as members and chapter charter members rather than just American citizens as it read before.

Proponents of the amendment reasoned that the changes were necessary to increase membership and to make JACL more beneficial to everyone.

Floyd Mori said that he was happy to see citizenship removed as a membership requirement during his tenure as JACL national president. Mori, who served for the last four years, was a vocal proponent of membership rights for non-citizens. He said that he would have liked to see all restrictions based on national origin removed, but that overall, it was an important step for JACL to take.

"I am very enthused. I think it opens up our organization and shows to the rest of the world that we are not just a Japanese organization, we are an organization for all," said Mori. ■

### At a Glance

## Constitution/Bylaw Amendment Proposals

### CB1 Filing Deadline for Amendment Proposals

This constitutional amendment requires C/B amendment proposals to be filed 60 days before national convention instead of six weeks, giving the C/B committee, national staff and proponents more time to review proposals and carry out tasks.

**Ratified by unanimous consent**

### CB2 Corrective Amendment Regarding Appointment of National Investment Policy Committee Members

Bylaw change clarifying selection process for members of the National Investment Policy Committee. They are to be appointed by the president and subject to the approval of the national board. The existing bylaws require these members to be elected.

**Ratified by unanimous consent**

### CB3 Biennial Convention Selection Site

Bylaw amendment transferring the power to designate a national convention site from the national council to the national board.

**Ratified by unanimous consent**

### CB4 Role of Non-Citizens in JACL

Pacific Southwest and Intermountain District Council consolidated proposal to amend the C/B to admit non-citizens as full members, but bar them from holding national office.

**Ratified by unanimous consent**

### CB5 Creation of Millennium Club Membership

Bylaw amendment adding the Millennium Club to the membership category.

**Ratified by unanimous consent**

### CB6 Notice and Voting Rights of National Youth/Student Representatives

C/B amendments proposal entitling the district youth/student representatives to receive certain notices on C/B amendments and to vote.

**Ratified by unanimous consent**

### CB7 Youth/Student Council Authority to Propose Amendments

Constitutional amendment allowing the national youth/student council the ability to propose amendments to the C/B.

**Ratified by unanimous consent**

### CB8 Composition of the National Youth/Student Council & National Council

Rejected by the C/B committee for failure to comply with mandatory submission guidelines.

### CB9 National Convention\*

Bylaw amendment implementing annual national conventions during odd numbered years, the first one being in 2007.

**Failed**

### CB10 Reinstatement of Mountain Plains District Council\*

Bylaw amendment reinstating MPDC, comprised of the Colorado, New Mexico and Texas JACL Chapters.

**Withdrawn ■**

\* Denotes an amendment proposal without notice.

## JACL's New Program for Action

### VISION

Aware of our responsibilities as the oldest and largest Asian Pacific American civil rights organization, JACL strives to promote a world that honors diversity by respecting values of fairness, equality and social justice.

### MISSION

The Japanese American Citizens League is a national organization whose ongoing mission is to secure and maintain the civil rights of Japanese Americans and all others who are victimized by injustices and prejudice. The leaders and members of the JACL also work to promote cultural, educational and social values and preserve the heritage and legacy of the Japanese American community.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- Develop and implement a plan to obtain 8% net growth in membership over the next biennium by using strategies that attract and retain members of multiethnic backgrounds and address issues of our youth and senior members.

- Promote and encourage youth participation and involvement in JACL sponsored events, including sports related activities, at all levels of the organization.

- Develop and implement a plan for in-kind funding from technology related companies.

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## Pidgin Meets Royalty in Hawaii



Tonouchi &amp; Sakado



Norman Mineta &amp; Ryoza Kato

### Convention workshops address issue of diversity by bridging funny language speakers with world leaders.

By **LYNDA LIN**  
Assistant Editor

HONOLULU—From da streets to da ambassador's palace, the workshops at the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual JACL National Convention embraced the event's theme of diversity by showcasing speakers who specialized in topics ranging from Pidgin English to international relations.

The workshops at every biennial national convention serve as a fun and educational way to have JACLers interact with some of the most prestigious community leaders in the nation. This year's workshops were no exception. Just ask local writers and educators Lee A. Tonouchi and Kent Sakado, and they will tell you that there is a unique language that speaks to diversity.

Pidgin is a language commonly perceived as slang used at parties or on the streets, but Tonouchi and Sakado wanted to smash that stereotype at their Aug. 10 interactive workshop.

"[Pidgin] is a legitimate language. It's important to support it because it really supports diversity in Hawaii," said Sakado, who also teaches at TransPacific Hawaii College.

At the workshop, Tonouchi performed poetry from his book, "Significant Moments in da Life of Oriental Faddah and Son." Some workshop attendees heard Pidgin spoken for the first time and expressed amusement over their lack of comprehension, but Tonouchi said it was one of his goals to expose JACLers to the language.

"Hopefully when they go away from today, they'll know Pidgin is a language. It's not just the funny way that local people talk," said Tonouchi.

Originally developed by different ethnic groups to establish communication, Sakado said the beauty of Pidgin is that it cuts across ethnic lines and unifies diverse groups.

The idea of diversity and sameness was echoed in another workshop that featured an "all star Olympic panel" including Ryoza Kato, plenipotentiary Japanese ambassador to the United States, and Norman Y. Mineta, U.S. Secretary of Transportation.

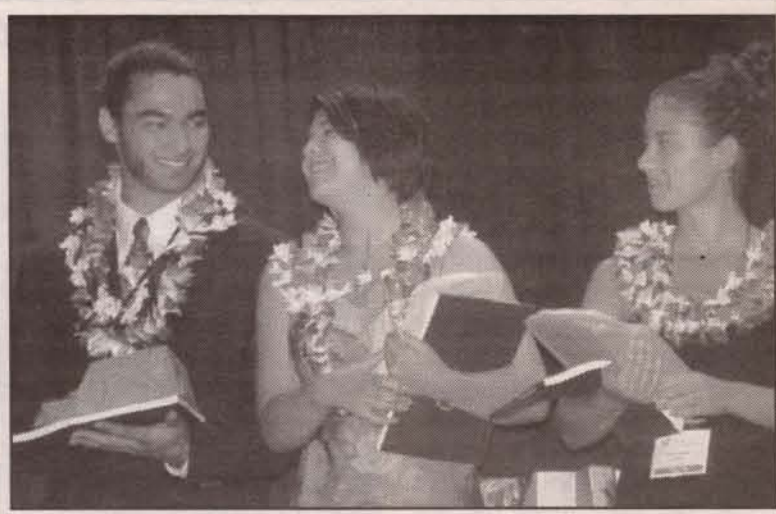
Both politicians talked about the benefits of being both Japanese and American even though it has historically launched fractured relationships and identities. The Aug. 12 workshop created dialogue on U.S.-Japan relations between attendees and other panelists, including former Hawaii Gov. George R. Ariyoshi, former Hawaii Lt. Gov. Mazie Hirono, Glen Fukushima, Floyd S. Mori and Dalton Tanonaka.

Kato's participation in the workshop coincides with the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of U.S.-Japan relations. In light of the event, Kato called JAs "super empowered individuals" for their dual perspectives on distinctive cultures.

Since starting his career in fostering U.S.-Japan relations, Kato has garnered many distinctions including being the first world leader to play catch with President George W. Bush during a June 2001 meeting at Camp David. But in his experience, keeping JAs from slipping away completely from the Land of the Rising Sun is crucial.

Although the Japanese and JAs are separated by culture, Mineta emphasized that they "are on the same team." He added, "When Japan prospers, America prospers."

But it is Tonouchi who perhaps best described the oftentimes troublesome relationship of reconciling the fractured Japanese and American identities by saying, "No



### Oratorical Contest Participants Talk Issues

Miyoko Conley (MDC) reigns as this biennium's Min Yasui Oratorical Contest winner with her take on the issue of hate crimes. The Cincinnati resident will be attending New York University at the Tisch School of Arts this fall with a major in acting.

The purpose of this competition is to inspire young men and women to articulate and discuss issues affecting Asian Pacific Americans.

All participants received iPods and the winner received a laptop. Participants included: Midori Wong (NCWNPC), Elise Tateoka (IDC), Sarah Rios (CCDC), Lara Helen Shibata (MPDC), Sara Cardinelli (PNDC), Brigham Walker (EDC) and Haruka Roubesh (PSWDC).

Pictured Above: (l-r) Brigham Walker, Miyoko Conley and Sara Cardinelli.

Photo: Brian Tanaka

### Snap Shot Convention Workshops

#### Hawaii's Plantation Village

Participants traveled back in time by visiting the living park and museum and enjoyed a local style picnic at Moanalua Park.

#### Ethnic Dance in a Multicultural World

Live Hawaiian cultural dances and bon odori dancing lessons gave participants the chance to soak up local culture.

#### From Kau Kau Tin to Plate Lunch

Panelists talked about Hawaii's unique culinary history and culture. Hawaiian plate lunches were sold with proceeds going to JACL's Youth Council initiatives.

#### Civil Rights: Still Relevant Today

The workshop engaged youths in civil rights with featured speakers who talked about the shifting para-

digm of civil rights in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and addressed JACL's involvement with post Sept. 11 and other discrimination issues.

#### Native Hawaiian Rights to Self Determination

Native Hawaiian leaders Robin Danner, Haunani Apoliona, Robert Klein and Clyde Namu'o discussed the issues and problems facing Native Hawaiians and their path to self-determination.

#### Hapa and Multi-Ethnic Forum

Speakers Marie Hara and Shayna Akiko Coleon discussed the implications of changing demographics.

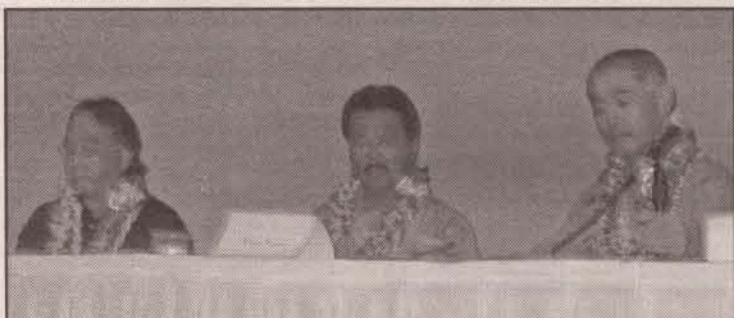
#### Hate Crimes on Campus

A presentation was designed to assist youth in identifying and dealing with hate on school campuses and how to address these acts with positive solutions.

#### Be Counted

The latest data and its importance on Asian Pacific American and Japanese American communities were presented from the census report. ■

### Community Leaders Weigh In on Issues Facing JACL



Panelists: (l-r) Eric Yamamoto, William R. Tamayo and Dale Minami. Not pictured: Mari J. Matsuda.

By **LYNDA LIN**  
Assistant Editor

From internment camps to intergenerational communication, discussion of JACL's relevancy in past, present and future civil rights activities was the common thread weaved through the convention's plenary sessions.

Four sessions were scheduled throughout the week of activities to weigh in on JACL issues such as the Patriot Act, Hapa and multi-ethnic issues and affirmative action.

Attorney Dale Minami kicked off the convention and the first plenary session with an Aug. 5 keynote speech covering JACL's rich history, its current role in fighting for civil liberties after Sept. 11, and its future. Minami is well known for his involvement in the *Korematsu v. United States* case that overturned the conviction of Japanese Americans who refused to obey World War II era exclusion orders.

Minami noted the growing presence of Asian Pacific Americans in previously uncharted positions in politics, entertainment and sports, but stressed that more APA representation is needed. In keeping with the convention's theme of diversity he said one of the messages conveyed during the plenary session was to honor the legacy of redress.

"That legacy is far beyond just the \$20,000, the apology and the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund. That legacy means continuing to fight for justice not just for Japanese Americans only but for Asian Pacific Americans [and] for other people of color," Minami told the *Pacific Citizen*.

Other featured panelists included: Mari J. Matsuda, Eric Yamamoto and William R. Tamayo. ■

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# Happy B-day JACL: 75 Years Young

## BANQUET

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and "honor."

U.S. Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta, keynote speaker of the banquet, noted the incredible diversity of Hawaii and its people, finding it fitting that the biennial convention's theme was, "Our Legacy, Our Future: Ensuring Diversity in America."

The diversity of Hawaii's people, where not one race can be considered the majority, can now be seen in Mineta's home state of California. He believes the diversity of these two states is a reflection of what the United States is moving towards in the future.

"As Asian Pacific Americans we are uniquely qualified to guide the nation in this great work," said Mineta. "We understand the meaning and strength of diversity," he added, stressing the importance of coalition building.

Mineta also praised JACL for reaching out to the Arab and Muslim American communities post 9/11, noting that as Secretary of Transportation, his department refused to use racial profiling in its aviation safety measures.

"I know that the partnership between the Japanese American and the Arab American communities is more important now than ever before," said Mineta.

"JACL must continue to be at the forefront of this work," he said. "I am proud of the work JACL has

done over so many years."

The JACL also presented a number of awards at this year's banquet, including the JAs of the Biennium award which were given to: Paul Igasaki, Jean Wakatsuki-Houston, and Tom Ikeda. This award is the highest public award of the national JACL and is given in recognition of distinguished achievement or community leadership.

A former JACL Washington, D.C. representative, Igasaki has long fought for the civil rights of the APA community. He was nominated by President Clinton to serve on the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) in 1994, and was the first and only Asian Pacific American to serve as vice chair and acting chair of the EEOC.

Wakatsuki-Houston, along with her husband James Houston, are the co-authors of the acclaimed book "Farewell to Manzanar," a true story based on her family's experience during and after their incarceration at the Manzanar internment camp. Her latest novel is "The Legend of Fire Horse Woman," and Wakatsuki-Houston continues to lecture on the WWII internment experience.

Ikeda is the executive director of Densho: The Japanese American Legacy Project, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the personal testimonies of those who suffered the indignities of the World War II incarceration. In eight years of unpaid service he has helped collect 400 hours of video oral histo-



PHOTO: BRIAN TANAKA

**Happy 75th Birthday**—JACL outgoing National President Floyd Mori (right) leads the 75th birthday celebration with the cutting of the celebratory anniversary cake.

ries and 2,000 historical images.

JACL also presented the Edison Uno Civil Rights Award to Ismael Ahmed, executive director of the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS) in Dearborn, Michigan, for his leadership in promoting tolerance and understanding after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

"Our two communities have much in common," said Ahmed, as he accepted the award. "Thank you

for the solidarity shown to the Arab American community."

This award is given to organizations or individuals for outstanding activity and leadership in the field of civil rights. The award is named after Uno who was a strong advocate of civil rights and was one of the first people to call upon the government to provide redress to JAs for the WWII incarceration.

Mori also presented the Presidential Awards to Sen. Daniel

Inouye and Colbert Matsumoto. This award is presented at the discretion of the national president to local individuals who have demonstrated outstanding service and commitment to the community.

Sen. Inouye was honored for his longtime commitment and service to the JA community as a seven term U.S. Senator from Hawaii. His long list of accomplishments is vast and diverse, including the historic 1988 Civil Liberties Bill that finally brought reparations to JA WWII internees.

"Sixty years ago I became a member of the JACL," said Inouye, as he accepted the award. "I am very proud of my membership. Thank you for providing a voice for the voiceless."

Matsumoto is the chairman and CEO of Island Insurance Company, Ltd., and currently serves as the chairman of the board of the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii. As chair of the cultural center, he recently led a campaign to raise \$9 million to save the center.

The organization also presented the Ruby Pin award to Lily Okura of the JACL Washington, D.C. chapter. Okura has dedicated more than 60 years to the organization and has served at the chapter, district, and national levels. She was the first woman to serve on the national JACL board from 1956-1960. Okura was unable to attend the event but currently serves as the EDC vice governor. ■

## JACL Golf for Youth Tournament

You are encouraged to participate in the first annual JACL Golf for Youth Tournament on Saturday, October 9, 2004.

The venue for this year's tournament is the beautiful and challenging Strawberry Farms Golf Club in Irvine, California. This meticulously groomed golf course will be an unforgettable experience for all, especially golfers.

### Who benefits

You'll enjoy the competition and camaraderie of this inaugural tournament and satisfaction knowing that the real winners of this tournament are our evolving youth programs.

As you know, we are committed to our youth as they are the future of our organization. Our local communities depend on their ability to meet our future challenges. For this purpose, JACL provides leadership training, formal exposure to the legislative process, national youth conferences, leadership opportunities, internships and scholarships.

All tournament proceeds will go directly to these specific youth initiatives.

### Format

The tournament will be a shotgun start "individual net" in three flights (including a Callaway Flight if necessary) and a women's flight. In addition, there will be an option for players to join a JACL chapter team competition where a national JACL traveling trophy will be awarded to the chapter with the lowest four person net total as well as many other fun golf contests.

You are encouraged to select your four person team and sign up early as we are limited to 30 teams.

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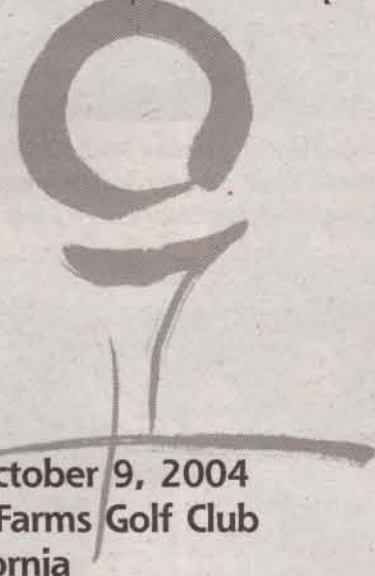
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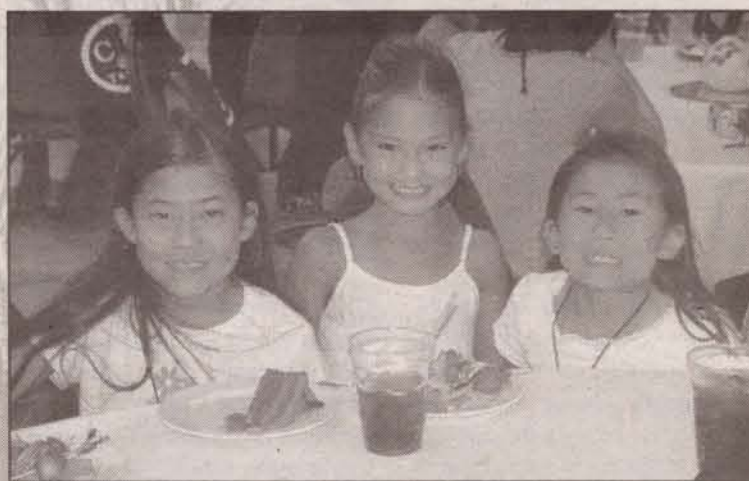
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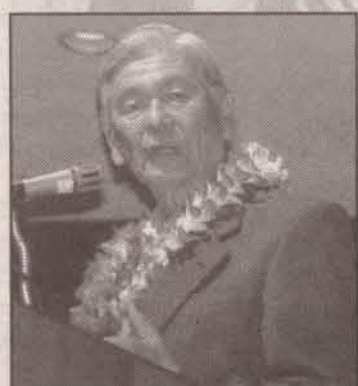
May Inouye, Senator Daniel Inouye and Ken Inouye



Daphne Kwok gives the opening address at the Hawaiian Luau.



Kayla Watanabe, Kailee Hori and Monet Watanabe are all smiles at the Welcome Mixer.



Former Hawaii Governor George Ariyoshi welcomes the JACL to Hawaii at the opening ceremony.



THE MILLENIUM CLUB—(top row, from left): Gary Mayeda, Larry Oda, Mark Kobayashi, Edwin Endow, Ken Inouye, James Taguchi, Sam Mayeda, David Kawamoto, Frank Sakamoto and Floyd Mori; (bottom row, from left): John Tateishi, Reiko Yoshino, Helen Kawagoe, Shea Aoki, Elsie Taniguchi and Carol Kawamoto.



Minnesota State Senator Mee Moua was the keynote speaker at the Hawaiian Luau dinner.



Kerry Kaneichi (right) congratulates Paul Kaneko of the Watsonville-Santa Cruz chapter for winning the George Inagaki Chapter of the Biennium Award.



Floyd Mori congratulates Ismael Ahmed for winning the Edison Uno Civil Rights Award.



Ted Namba offers a gift to the dancing lion. He is the convention chair for the 2006 convention in Arizona.



OPENING CEREMONY—(from left): Dale Minami, Karen Nakasone, Susan Kitsui, former Gov. George Ariyoshi, David Arakawa, Floyd Mori and Art Koga.



(from left): Gen. Consul Masatoshi Muto, John Tateishi, Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta and Floyd Mori.



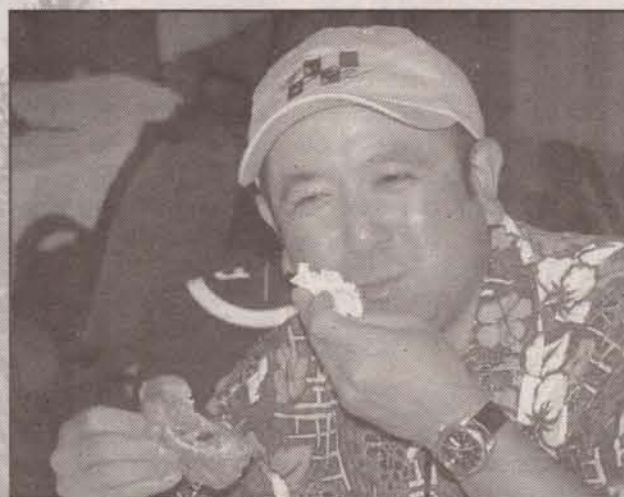
# Convention Highlights



Various island dances were performed at the Hawaiian Luau.



Evan Okamura and Etsu Masaoka



P.C. Editorial Board Chair Gil Asakawa chows down on a Kahlua Pork sandwich.



Jason Jackson and fiancée Virginia Wong make leis during relaxation time.



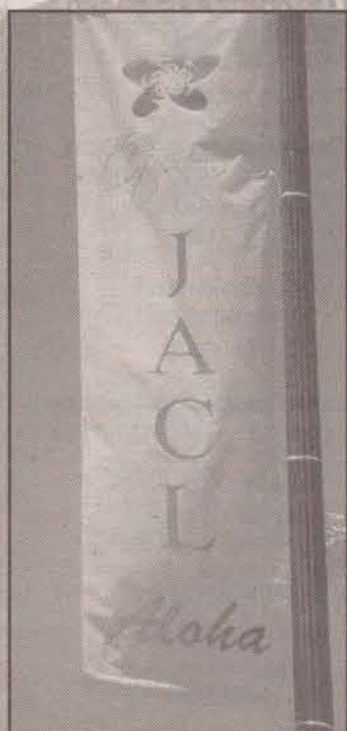
A dancer performs a New Zealand tribal dance.



Floyd Mori, Dean Hirabayashi and Art Koga



JAS OF THE BIENNIUM—Paul Igasaki, Tom Ikeda and Jeanne Wakatsuki-Houston



These flags were on light poles around Waikiki. They are available for \$50, including shipping.



Past participants of the Washington, D.C. Leadership Conference pose for a group photo.



Senator Daniel Inouye



Robert Lee



## VETS

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America's freedom."

JA vets, including the 442nd Regiment, the 100th Battalion, the MIS, and the 1399 Engineering Battalion, were honored Aug. 13 at a tribute luncheon held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village.

And keeping with the convention's theme of "Our Legacy, Our Future: Ensuring Diversity in America," JACL also honored all veterans of WWII including: the Tuskegee Airmen, Navajo Code Breakers, Women's Army Auxiliary, the Women Air Force Service Pilots, Rosie the Riveters, and the Filipino Veterans of WWII.

Veterans of all races and backgrounds have proven that "true patriotism comes in all colors," said speaker Major General Robert G. Lee, adjutant general, State of Hawai'i. "Patriotism and duty are not based on the color of your skin."

Lee noted that desegregation came to the U.S. Armed Forces faster than it did for the rest of America because of the bravery of the various segregated units of WWII like the 442nd, the Tuskegee Airmen, and the Filipino veterans.

"We [the Armed Forces] are a cross-section of America," said Lee. "We are a living social experiment." He added, "We have come far during the past few generations."

Fellow 442nd veteran and Medal of Honor recipient Sen. Daniel Inouye paid a special tribute to his veteran colleagues as keynote of the event.

"Freedom is the core of our democracy. And democracy is not an easy thing to live with; democracy is something that you must fight for," said Inouye, who praised the diverse gathering of veterans for their patriotism and bravery. "So to all of you who are patriots and who have demonstrated that time and time again, I salute you."

Inouye was only 19 when he enlisted in the military, eventually serving in the renowned 442nd Regimental Combat Team. He was injured in battle, losing an arm, and was awarded several medals for his bravery including the MOH, Distinguished Service Cross, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart with cluster.

Inouye recalled the early tensions between the Hawaii-born JAs and those JAs who joined the U.S. Army from the mainland. The tensions were quickly resolved though after the Hawaii boys paid a visit to the U.S. concentration camps that held the families of the mainland boys and men.

"We had no idea that concentration camps existed in the United States," said Inouye. "We saw men and women who looked like us and it became rather clear what was hap-

pening."

He continued, "I often ponder, would I have volunteered if we were in that camp? And to this moment I am unable to give you an honest answer, because I don't know. I might have said, 'forget it.'"

Inouye also remembered going into a barbershop before his return trip home to Hawaii after fighting in the War. Facing blatant racism, he was asked by the barber, "Are you a Jap? We don't cut Jap hair."

"These events have impacted me to such an extent ... it moved me to become a politician," said Inouye, who was first elected to the U.S. Senate in 1962 and is currently serving his seventh consecutive term. He is now the third most senior member of the U.S. Senate.

Each group of veterans was honored with a special award in recognition of their efforts towards a

more diverse America. The JACL also presented the JA veterans with a special resolution in recognition of their bravery and commitment to defending freedom.

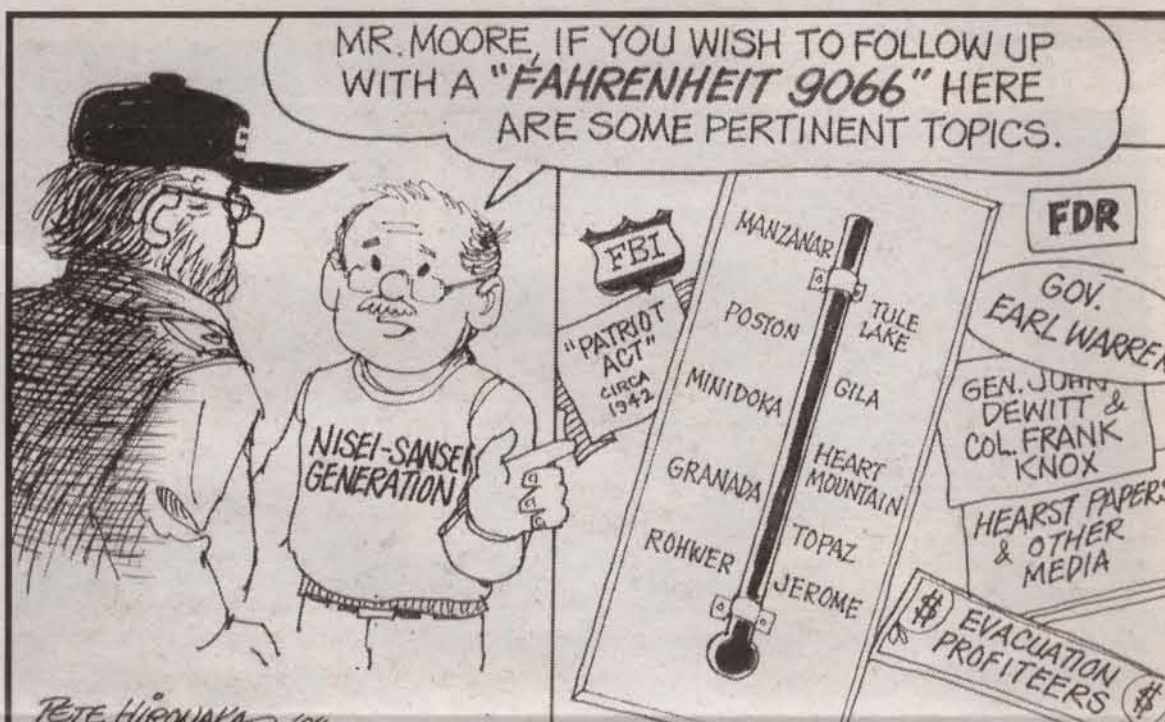
The resolution states in part: "the Japanese American Citizens League pay homage and respect to these men and women of the Armed Forces, many of which gave the supreme sacrifice to uphold democracy in the country that placed their families in internment camps and failed to accord them the rights and privileges of all American citizens."

"There are not enough words to talk about what the World War II veterans did for us," said David Masuo, JACL PNW district governor and a Vietnam War veteran, who presented the resolution to the veterans. "Thank you so much for all you have done." ■



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Filipino veterans gather around keynote speaker Sen. Daniel Inouye.



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# RESOLUTIONS

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Homeland Security from 2002-2003. Background information traded by the two governmental bodies included zip codes of individuals of Arab descent.

JACL's emergency resolution (ER) calls to question the U.S. Census Bureau's pledge to "honor the privacy, [and] protect confidentiality" of its subjects, while its actions breached the very trust in confidentiality it promised. The JACL national board felt the issue was important to expeditiously propose as an emergency resolution to the national council during the week of convention because of the serious nature of the government's breach of trust and the issues' personal relevance to Japanese American history.

The ER specifies that the U.S. Census Bureau admitted in 2000 that it provided special tabulations of the JA population to the military during World War II, and then promised to never breach its trust in the confidentiality of its data again. But after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, history repeated itself—a reoccurrence that Ismael Ahmed, executive director of an Arab American social services agency called ACCESS, described as horrible.

"It undermines the confidence in our government," he told the *Pacific Citizen*. "We very much appreciate that [the JACL has] taken this up. I think people in our communities, especially in minority communities, really need to feel that it's safe to share information with our government."

JACL's new president, Ken Inouye, agrees that such violations by the government cannot be tolerat-

ed. He affirmed the resolution proposal that was sponsored by the JACL national board and passed by the national council.

Inouye added that it is important to ensure that similar violations of trust are not repeated in the future, because some of the information and services provided by the U.S. Census Bureau are beneficial to the Asian Pacific American community in determining the need for social services and in charting changing demographics.

This resolution, along with other pieces of legislature, unifies JACL with other Arab American civil rights groups in the effort to challenge discriminatory actions by the government.

Additionally, JACL has taken on the challenge of erasing all racial slurs from road signs and other landmarks. Bolstered by the recent victory in the campaign to rename "Jap Road" in Jefferson County, Texas, the national council unanimously passed Resolution 1 (R1) resolving to shift its efforts to renaming "Jap Lane" in neighboring Orange County, Texas. The resolution also condemns the use of "Jap" and any other derogatory names in road names, landmarks and other places.

The national resolutions committee originally rejected the R1 proposal, but revisions were made to increase the scope of R1 to blanket other racial slurs in any other location and resubmitted to national council for consideration.

In his travels to Texas and other states to campaign for the name change of "Jap Road" and "Jap Lane," JACL Executive Director John Tateishi said it was important to widen the scope of the resolution.

"I suspect that in many, many places around the country, we're

going to encounter this. Someone driving down some street somewhere or some country road will see a sign [with a racial slur] and it's important that it be open-ended for us to be able to have that flexibility," said Tateishi.

JACL is also focusing its attention on championing for the rights of Japanese Latin Americans (JLAs) with the passage of R5, which supports "The Wartime Parity and Justice Act" for proper redress of over 2,200 JLAs who suffered under WWII policies, but were not included in the 1988 Civil Liberties Act of 1988.

With R5 passed, the JACL will now actively campaign for the rights of JLAs through letter-writing and other organizing efforts. The Contra Costa chapter will forward a copy of the resolution to all members of the U.S. Congress and the President of the United States to urge the support of JLAs.

"Whenever we see in the area of social justice, an infringement or a limitation on the rights of any group in this country, we have an obligation to deliberate those issues and to make a decision whether or not we're going to pose a challenge on that," Tateishi said.

Tateishi calls these efforts fitting for the oldest and largest Asian American civil rights organization in supporting JLAs and other individuals victimized by racism. He told Attorney Dale Minami, "If not us, then who?" ■

## Snapshot of Other Resolution Proposals

### R2 Teaching of Japanese American History in Our Schools

The JACL National Education Committee will adopt a work plan

and budget\* to teach the lessons of JA history and wartime experiences to all students in all 50 states.

\* Denotes that program will be funded through grants raised

Passed by unanimous consent

### R3 Developing a Membership Program

The JACL will fill the currently vacant Youth Program Director position to seek new members.

### Withdrawn

### R6 Opposing the Federal Marriage Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

The JACL will oppose the Federal Marriage Amendment or any Constitutional Amendment attempt-

# AWARDS

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This year's runner up for the chapter award was the Lake Washington JACL chapter. Lake Washington saw a 7.5 percent increase in its membership from 2002-2003, and holds various events and programs, including the Sadako Fundraiser, a youth program, and a civil rights program.

"This is a recognition of the chapter and board who have worked so hard to make JACL what it is," said James Arima, who accepted a \$400 check on behalf of his chapter.

Also honored at the Awards Luncheon was Stan Nakazono who was this year's winner of the Ruby Yoshino Schaar Playwright Award. Although Nakazono was unable to attend the event, he was honored for his work as a filmmaker including such works as: "Much Adobo About Nothing," "Hang Your Dog in the Wind," and "First Love," a music

ing to define marriage and have the definition of marriage remain the responsibility of the individual.

## Rejected by committee

### R7 Opposing Any Amendment to the U.S. Constitution that Would Ban Gay Marriages

JACL opposes any amendment to the Constitution that would deny equal protection or rights to same-sex couples and opposes discriminations in marital law on the basis of sexual orientation. Also, JACL will support the efforts of same-sex couples to achieve equal rights and recognition.

Rejected by committee ■

video about the JA internment camps. He will receive a check for \$3,000.

Schaar was a vocal artist, a voice teacher and spent her life fighting for social justice. This award was established in 1984 by the JACL New York chapter to encourage talented playwrights to tell about the stories of JAs and Japanese Canadians.

Also recognized at the awards luncheon was Evan Okamura, one of this year's winners of the Mike M. Masaoka Congressional Fellowship Program, who recently served in the office of U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein. Carly Hamaguchi was unable to attend the event but served her fellowship in U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye's office.

"I've had a great experience as a Masaoka fellow," said Okamura. "I commend JACL for providing concrete leadership opportunities for young people like myself."

But he also encouraged JACL to create even more ways to get youth involved in the organization, noting that the current number of youth members of JACL is extremely low.

"If youth are the future, the future is looking dismal," he said.

The fellowship was established in 1988 in honor of Masaoka, a former JACL national secretary and JACL Washington, D.C. representative, for a lifetime of dedication to promoting justice and civil rights. ■

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# JACL COMMUNITY Calendar

## East Coast

### PHILADELPHIA

**Fri., Sept. 3**—Phillies baseball game vs. New York Mets; 7:05 p.m.; Citizens Bank Park, Pattison & Darien St. Info: Teresa Maebori, 610/215-5544.

**Through March 6, 2005**—Exhibition, "The Poetry of Clay: The Art of Toshiko Takaezu"; Philadelphia Museum of Art. Info: Dominic Mercier, 215/684-7364 or dmercier@philamuseum.org.

### NEW YORK

**Sun., Aug. 22**—New York JACL Annual Picnic; 1 p.m.-6 p.m.; at home of Sumi and Sam Koide; 134 Lefurgy Avenue, Dobbs Ferry, 10522. Info: 914/693-2058 or sumikoide@hotmail.com.

**Sat., Sun., Tues., Aug. 28, 29, 31**—"Forgiveness/Mourning"; an evening of theatrical performances presented by Asia Society; 7:00 p.m.; 725 Park Avenue at 70th Street, NYC. Info: Elaine Merguerian or Jennifer Suh, 212/327-9271.

## Midwest

### CINCINNATI

**Sun., Aug. 22**—Cincinnati JACL Chapter Potluck Dinner; 1:30 p.m., board meeting; 5 p.m., potluck dinner; Hyde Park Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 3799 Hyde Park Ave. at Madison Rd.

**Sun., Sept. 26**—O-Tsuki-mi Festival; 11334 Pemmican Run; 3 p.m., social hour; 4:30 p.m., dinner buffet; \$35 per person; \$15 for those who donate a dish; reservations with check payable to Cincinnati Chapter JACL should be sent to Shiro Tanaka at the above address by Sept. 13. Info: 513/489-9079.

### LITTLE ROCK, Ark.

**Sept. 15-Oct. 15**—Exhibits, symposium, documentary and publications about the Japanese American experience at Jerome and Rohwer internment camps; Statehouse Convention Center, Markham & Main Streets; includes traveling exhibits from the JANM: "Going to Camp: The Japanese American Experience in World War II Arkansas," "Witness: Our Brother's Keeper," "Henry Sugimoto: Painting an American Experience," and "Beyond the Call of Duty"; produced by the University of Arkansas at Little Rock and funded by the Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation. Info: Heather Register, 501/569-8152; e-mail: hmregister@ualr.edu.

**Sat., Sept. 25**—All-day conference, "Camp Connections: A Conversation about Social Justice and Civil Rights in Arkansas" at the Peabody Hotel adjacent to the Statehouse Convention Center. Info: Jessica Hayes, 501/569-8391; jahayes@ualr.edu, or Nancy Araki, JANM, 213/830-5649; naraki@janm.org.

**Thurs.-Fri., Sept. 23-24**—Opening



The Shinzen USA Nikkei Youth Goodwill Basketball Program brings Nikkei youth and youth from Kobe and Osaka together.

of exhibition, "Arkansas and the Japanese American Story" at seven locations throughout Arkansas. Info: Jessica Hayes, 501/569-8391; jahayes@ualr.edu, or Nancy Araki, JANM, 213/830-5649; naraki@janm.org.

**Sun., Sept. 26**—Bus tour to Jerome and Rohwer campsites. Info: Jessica Hayes, 501/569-8391; jahayes@ualr.edu, or Nancy Araki, JANM, 213/830-5649; naraki@janm.org.

### ST. LOUIS

**Sat.-Mon., Sept. 4-6**—Japanese Festival at the Missouri Botanical Garden; 4344 Shaw Blvd; sponsored by Missouri Botanical Garden and the Japanese Activities Committee. Info: www.mobot.org.

## Mountain Plains

### ALBUQUERQUE

**Sun., Sept. 26**—Aki Matsuri; Park Square, in the courtyard of Japanese Kitchen (Louisiana Blvd. and Indian School Road).

## Intermountain

### DRAPER, Utah

**Sat., Sept. 11**—JACL Autumn Golf Classic Scholarship Tournament; 8 a.m.; South Mountain Golf Course; \$70 includes cart, prizes, awards and luncheon following play; supports JACL youth leadership development programs. Info: Floyd Mori, 801/572-2287.

## Northern California

### SACRAMENTO

**Sat., Aug. 28**—Luncheon, Get-together for Toko; 11:30 a.m.; Doubletree Hotel, 2001 Point West Way; \$25 per person. Info: 916/448-7777.

### SALINAS

**Through Nov. 7**—Exhibition, "From the Sierra to the Sea: The California

Landscapes of Chiura Obata"; National Steinbeck Center, 1 Main St. Info: 831/796-3833 or www.steinbeck.org

### SAN FRANCISCO

**Sat.-Mon., Sept. 21-23**—Shinzen USA Nikkei Youth Goodwill Basketball Program of Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California (JCCNC). Info: JCCNC, 415/567-5505 or www.jccnc.org; Karl Matoba, lmatoba@jccnc.org.

**Fri.-Sun., Sept. 24-26**—"In Need of Goddesses"; a new play by Nancy Wang; Fri. and Sat. at 8 p.m.; Sun. at 2 p.m.; Magic Theatre, Bldg D, Ft. Mason Ctr., SF; \$23 general, \$18 advance; order online www.manja.org; \$16 group rate (8/more), \$14 community partner special. Info: 415/908-3636.

**Through Sept. 26**—Exhibition, "Geisha: Beyond the Painted Smile"; Asian Art Museum, 200 Larkin St.; \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$6 for youths 12-17 and free for children under 12, museum members are free. Info: 415/581-3500 or www.asianart.org.

**Sun., Sept. 12**—Nikkei Widowed Group monthly meeting; new members, both men and women, are welcome. Info: M. Kusaba, 415/333-5190; Kay Yamamoto, 510/444-3911.

**Sat., Sept. 18**—Reunion, Buchanan YMCA; a nostalgic reunion of former Japanese YMCA members and participants at two sites in Japantown; the planning committee is requesting old photos of Buchanan YMCA sports teams, clubs, and social events for a visual display at the reunion. Info: Alexander Vaughan, 415/931-9622.

### SAN JOSE

**Through Sept. 2004**—Exhibit, "Beyond Manzanar"; San Jose Museum of Art, 110 S. Market St.; 3-D interactive technology casts viewer in the role of an internee inside the camp;

free. Info: 408/294-2787, www.SanJoseMuseumofArt.org

**Sun., Sept. 26**—Book signing and reception, "Nisei Voices" by Joyce Hirohata; 2 p.m.; Wesley United Methodist Church, 566 N. 5th St. Info: Japanese American Museum of San Jose, 408/294-3138.

**Through Feb. 27, 2005**—Exhibit, "Jack Matsuoka's Cartoons: Making the Best of Poston"; Japanese American Museum of San Jose, 535 N. Fifth St.; co-sponsored by Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL. Info: 408/294-3138; www.jamsj.org.

### SAN MATEO

**Sun., Aug. 22**—Movie matinee, "Lost in Translation"; 1:30 p.m., JA Community Center, 415 S. Claremont St.; starring Bill Murray and Scarlett Johansson; free. Info: 650/343-2793.

**Thurs., Sept. 2**—Yu-Ai-Kai's 30th Anniversary Celebration; 6 p.m.; Fairmont Hotel; special performance by Jon Nakamatsu; Doug McConnell, of KRON'S Bay Area Backroads and Jan Yanehiro, radio and television personality, as masters of ceremonies. Info: Yu-Ai-Kai office, 408/294-2505.

### SARATOGA

**Sat., Aug. 21**—West Valley JACL 27th Annual Daruma Craft Boutique; 9:30-4:30 p.m.; Saratoga Community Center, 19655 Allendale Avenue. Info: 408/253-0458 or www.darumafestival.org.

## Southern California

### GOLETA

**Sat., Oct. 9**—2nd Annual Golf Tournament / Fundraiser; noon shotgun start; Glen Annie Golf Club; \$125/golfer (includes green fee, cart, and barbecue); bbq only, \$25/person. Info: Wade Nomura, 805/488-9912.

### IRVINE

**Sat., Oct. 9**—First Annual JACL Golf for Youth; Strawberry Farms Golf Club; 10 a.m. registration; \$300/golfer (includes luncheon, cocktail hour, awards dinner, discounted future round, range balls, shotgun start); supports JACL youth leadership development programs. Info: 213/626-4471, psw@jacl.org or 4thforrest@msn.com.

### LONG BEACH

**Sat.-Sun., Aug. 21-22**—Asians for Miracle Marrow Matches; blue pyramid building on Cal State Long Beach campus, Bellflower & Atherton Blvd.; Sat. from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Sun. from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Info: Jennifer Heinly, 949/716-9829 or www.asianmarrow.com.

### LOS ANGELES

**Sat., Aug. 28**—Visit to the 442nd Monument and tour of the Japanese American National Museum with Orange County Sansei Singles; meet on

steps of the JANM (369 E. 1st St., LA 90012) at 11:00 a.m.; Lunch will follow at Restaurant Oiwake. \$17 for members, \$21 non-members; optional lunch only (no tour) \$9 for members, \$12 non-members; meet at 12:30 p.m. at Restaurant Oiwake, 122 Japaense Village Plaza, L.A. R.S.V.P. by Aug. 21. Info: Gordon, 310/973-2574 or Wayne, 626/457-2375.

**Sat., Sept. 11**—Dodgers vs. St. Louis Cardinals with the Orange County Sansei Singles; 7 p.m.; \$16 for members, \$20 non-members; R.S.V.P. by Aug. 9. Info: Lary, 310/649-5293 or Peggy, 323/727-9989.

**Wed., Sept. 15**—"Manzanar: An American Story"; an evening with conductor Kent Nagano and playwright Philip Kan Gotanda; 6 p.m. reception for Annual Giving Circles Members and Arts Patrons, 7 p.m. panel discussion with David Sefton, Director, UCLA Live; JANM, 369 E. First St. **Sun., Sept. 26**—Annual Aki Matsuri boutique by the WLA JACL Auxiliary; 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Venice Japanese Community Center, 12448 Braddock Drive, Los Angeles.

**Sat., Nov. 6**—Go For Broke Educational Foundation 3rd Annual Evening of Aloha Gala Dinner; Westin Bonaventure Hotel; for sponsorship opportunities: Martie Quan, 310/328-0907 or eveningofaloha@GoForBroke.org. Info: www.GoForBroke.org/EOA.

### NEWPORT BEACH

**Mon., Sept. 13**—2004 Go For Broke Golf Tournament; Newport Beach Country Club. Info: Abe Tsuboi, 310/329-1700 ext. 15, Steff Tamehiro, 310/222-5706 or Golf@GoForBroke.org.

### PASADENA

**Through Sept. 20**—Exhibition: "Chinese Art from the Permanent Collection"; Norton Simon Museum, 411 W. Colorado Blvd.; \$6 for adults, seniors, \$3. Info: 626/449-6840 or www.nortonsimon.org.

### VENTURA

**Sat., Aug. 28**—JACL Picnic/Beach Party; Marina Beach Park; 11-3 p.m.; potluck. R.S.V.P. by Aug. 21. Info: Betty Wakiji, 805/383-2703.

## Arizona - Nevada

### LAS VEGAS

**Sat., Sept. 18**—Las Vegas JACL's civil rights program 2004; 2-5 p.m.; Riviera Hotel and Casino, 2901 Las Vegas Blvd.; featuring keynote speaker, Bruce Yamashita and screening of "A Most Unlikely Hero." ■

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**Abe, Michiko, 74**, Lomita, July 11; Tokyo, Japan-born Issei; survived by sons Ronald (Machiko) and Ray (Christine) Goto; 1 gc.

**Animoto, Hisa H., 86**, May 28; Baldwin Park-born; survived by brothers George Y. Hirashiki (Irene Aiko) and Tami Hirashiki ("Y" Yayoi).

**Arai-Bartholomew, Yone, 98**, Seattle, Wash., July 5; Nisei; interned at Minidoka WRA camp in Idaho; widow of Clarence Arai.

**Asano, Fujio Fred, 86**, Los Angeles, July 8; Seattle, Wash.-born; survived by wife Kazuye; daughters Michiko Asano and Jane (Jim) Kenreich; 1 gc; brothers Mikio Asano and Katsunobu (Shizuye) Asano.

**Eno, Takeru, 91**, Gardena-born; assigned to 100/442nd RCT.

**Fincher, Kazue Terai, 75**, Hacienda Heights, July 27; Shimane-ken, Japan-born; survived by daughter Michele Sakuyako Fincher; sister Fujie (Shigeharu) Tamura.

**Fukukai, George Masanobu, 87**, Spokane Valley, July 30; Monrovia-born; survived by wife Kimi Fukukai; daughter Eileen Garcia; son Randall Fukukai; sister Haruko; 2 gc.

**Fukunaga, Debra Seiko, 53**, Los Angeles, July 2; Sansei; Los Angeles-born; survived by mother Lily M. Fukunaga; sister Roberta (Edward) Miyashiro; brother, Mickey (Christine) Fukunaga.

**Furuiye, Nobuo, 85**, Thornton, Colo.; survived by wife Toshie; daughter Carol Yamamoto; 3 gc; 1 ggc; brothers Nobori (Muneko), Yukio (Massako), Yoshi (Jean); sister Haruko Roberts.

**Hanami, Tomeo Francis, 92**, Monterey Park, July 27; Rexburg, Idaho-born; survived by sons Dr. Ichiro Leo (Chie) Hanami and

Clement Shuji Hanami; daughter Makiko Annette Hanami; 3 gc.

**Hata, Teruo "Don," 90**, July 25; San Gabriel-born; survived by wife Mary; sons Donald Hata, Jr. (Nadine) and Dale Hata (Ruth); 4 gc; brother Haruo Hata.

**Hata, Katsumi, 91**, Inyokern, July 11; San Gabriel-born; survived by sons Kazunari (Rosalio) Hata and Mitsuyoshi (Etsuko) Hata; daughters Sumiko Kim and Ayako (Douglas) Davis; 11 gc; 5 ggc.

**Hokoda, Hideo "Jerry," 82**; survived by wife Rosary Koharu; daughters Adrienne (Jim) Nishimoto and Jani Tsuchiya; 1 gc; brothers Mas (Margaret) Hokoda and Kats (Mary) Hokoda; sister Teri (Tug) Tamaru.

**Kageyama, Hideko, 85**, Los Angeles, July 21; Los Angeles-born; survived by husband Tetsu Kageyama; sons Steve, Melvin and Robert Kageyama; daughters Carol and Lori Kageyama; 4 gc; sister Fusae Watanabe.

**Kaneko, Hisako, 66**, Seal Beach, July 16; Osaka, Japan-born; survived by sons Glenn (Jung Min) Kaneko and Brian Kaneko; daughter Denise (Curtis) Anderson; 2 gc; brothers Hiroshi (Emi) Taru, Shoji (Kazuyo) Taru and Kengo (Chizuko) Taru; sister Eiko (Ken) Nagata.

**Katsuda, Lester Kiyoshi, 90**, Oxnard, July 26; Baldwin Park-born; survived by wife Tomie Katsuda; daughters Suzy Katsuda (David Urnston) and Sally Katsuda (Wakatsuki) (Greg); son Richard Katsuda; 1 gc; sister Kyoko Noro.

**Kawai, Kiyoshi, 95**, Los Angeles, July 15; Los Angeles-born; survived by daughter Kyoko (Thomas) Torigoe; 6 gc; 11 ggc; sister Chiyoko Nitta.

**Kiyoshi, Lester Katsuda, 90**, Oxnard, July 26; Baldwin Park-born; survived by wife Tomie;

daughters Suzy and Sally; son Richard; 1 gc; sister Kyoko Noro.

**Kurahara, Louis, M.D., 80**, July 22, Vashon Island-born Nisei; survived by wife Dorothy; daughter Tami; 1 gd; sister Shizuka Okazaki; brother Ted Kurahara.

**Maruyama, Osami, 66**, Huntington Beach, July 8; survived

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by wife Dorothy; daughter Teri (Neil) Kobayashi; sister, Hideko (Jim) Ikehara, Chizuko (Hisaichi) Higashi and Sachiko (Boyce) Burns.

**Nagata, Marge Masako, 81**, Alhambra, July 4; Los Angeles-born Nisei; survived by son Robert Y. (Gwen) Nagata; 4 gc.

**Nakamura, Dick Rikito, 88**, Los Angeles, July 26; Fowler-born; survived by son Richard (N.J.) Nakamura; 1 gc.

**Nakashima, George Masayoshi, 84**, Gardena, July 9; Selma-born; survived by wife Mitsuko Nakashima; sons Terry Teruo (Taeko) Nakashima and James Seiji (Yoshiko) Nakashima; daughter Doris Midori (Yuzo) Ito; 6 gc.

**Oshiro, Jane Nako, 61**, Torrance, July 6; Puunene, Hawaii-born; survived by husband Masanobu Oshiro; daughters Daphne (Kevin) Tanimitsu and Audrey Oshiro; 1 gc; sisters, Sumiko Nakasone, Amy Nako, Betty (Paul) Hirata, Shirley (Warren) Sakamoto, and Harriet (Herman) Kam.

**Sakaguchi, Kazuko Furuta, 84**; survived by husband Dr. Sanbo S. Sakaguchi; sisters Etsuko Fukushima and Grace (Yutaka) Shiraishi.

**Sato, Atsuko, 69**, Monterey Park, July 24; Japan-born; survived by son

Brian (Lisa) Sato; daughter Laura Munoz; 9 gc; parents Bunkichi and Kiyomi Suzuki; brother Bunji Suzuki; sisters Urana Takano, Tsutae (Hiroto) Tanaka and Fumiko Hitoshi.

**Shiroma, Takeo, 79**, Monterey Park, July 14; Sanger-born; survived by wife Roberta Shiroma; daughters Julie (Douglas) Hom and Joanne (Karsen) Luthi; 5 gc; sisters Rose Ohye, Mary (Kay) Tagami, Chiyo (David) Ikefugi and Sue (Togo) Taira.

**Tabuchi, Helen Masako, 92**, Monterey Park, July 10; Courtland-born; survived by sons Donald (Alyce) and Kenneth (Mary) Tabuchi; 5 gc; 5 ggc; brother George (Yuri) Fukuda; sisters Sumako Yoshiyama, Joan (Ken) Onodera, Clara (Dr. Henry) Sanematsu and June (Ben) Yamada.

**Takahashi, Larry Shinji, 60**, Los Angeles, July 9; Denver, Colo.-born; survived by mother Miyoye; sisters Nancy (Shig) Yoshida and Jean Fujita.

**Tamaki, Tom Masaji, 84**, Los Angeles, July 11; El Monte-born; survived by wife Hamayo; daughters Alyce (Dr. Gary) Tanouye and Nadine (Ed) Takei; 4 gc.

**Tanibata, Masaharu, 83**, Torrance, June 25, interned at Manzanar Relocation Center; Terminal Island-born; survived by wife Aiko Tanibata; daughter Sheri

#### DEATH NOTICE

##### MABEL INOUE SUZUKI

WALNUT CREEK, Calif.—Mabel Inouye Suzuki, 90, passed away Aug. 8. Born in Portland, Ore., she was predeceased by husband, Fujitsugu; parents, Yasuzo and Mitsuye; brother, George; and sister, Martha Oye. She is survived by son, Robert; daughters, Evelyn Chuang, Reiko Ouchi and Hiroko Suzuki; 8 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; and siblings, Mary Katsuro and Henry Inouye. A memorial service will be held Sept. 4 in Chicago.

Tanibata; 1 gc; brother Seizo Tanibata.

**Teruko (Don) Hata, 90**, Los Angeles, July 25; interned at Gila River (Canal); survived by wife Mary; sons Don Jr. (Nadine) and Dale (Ruth); 4 gc; brother Haruo.

**Yoshikawa, Grace Kiyako, 85**, Los Angeles, July 15; San Francisco-born; survived by husband Isao Owen Yoshikawa; daughter Alice Akemi McGhee; sons Thomas Toyakazu (Catherine Keiko) Yoshikawa, M.D. and Harold Takashi (Marcia) Yoshikawa, D.D.S.; 3 gc; 3 ggc.

**Yamasaki, Mary Yoshiko, 80**, Torrance, Aug. 14; interned at Green Hills Memorial Park; Stockton-born; survived by sister Ellen F. Misawa; brother Fred Takeru Sako. ■

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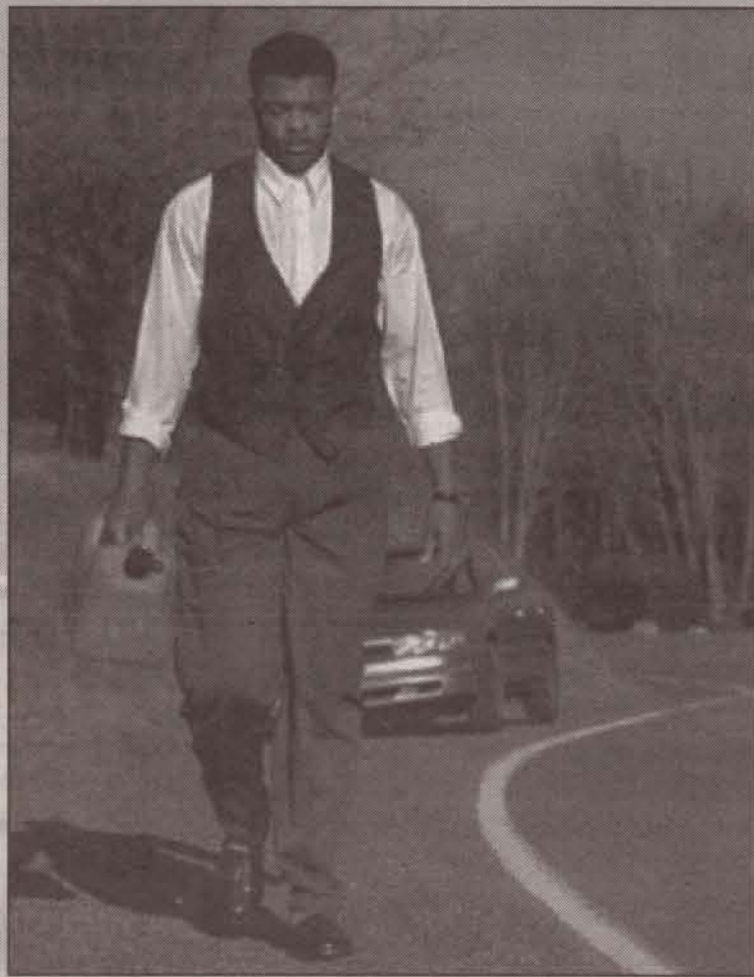
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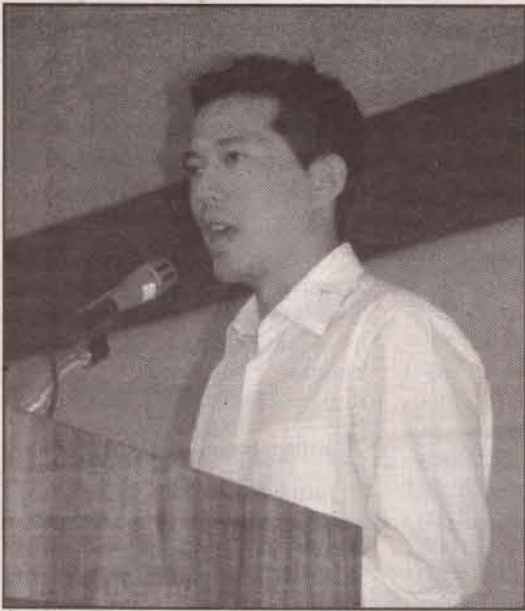
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MAVIN's Matthew Kelley addresses the crowd.

## MAVIN

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American heritage, still has a lot of things he'd like to sink his teeth into.

"I keep on saying I'm not going to be at MAVIN in a couple of years but we're going on our seventh year and I'm still there," said Kelley, whose hectic schedule keeps him on a plane once or twice a week. "I'm really interested in human rights issues, politics. There are so many things I would like to do."

In its seven years of existence, MAVIN has gone from a magazine focusing on multiracial and transracially adopted communities to a national nonprofit organization. And in two years MAVIN plans to launch regional chapters across the country.

But even with all these accomplishments under his belt, Kelley remains modest. "I get a lot of undue praise," he said. "I started

MAVIN because I was responding to a selfish need. I grew up without a clear sense of community or identity. Once I realized I had an opportunity to create that, I think it's only natural that I did everything I could to fill that void."

And the support he has received from the multiracial community keeps him going. "We get e-mails, letters, phone calls from people so thankful that we exist," said Kelley. "I grew up in Seattle where things are pretty good but we get letters

from other parts of the country that are really tragic. And that definitely keeps our motivation going."

Kelley was honored as this year's Vision Award recipient at the National JACL Youth Luncheon Aug. 11 during the organization's national biennial convention. The award is given to an Asian American who has made strides in an unconventional field.

Kelley was a 19-year-old freshman attending a sociology class at Wesleyan University when he came up with his idea for MAVIN magazine.

He posted a notice on an e-mail chat board and immediately received more than a hundred responses of interest.

"Initially the idea for the magazine was to create a sense of community amongst these diverse groups and foster communication so that ultimately we didn't have to

recreate the wheel," he said.

But after a couple of years struggling to find enough ad revenue to keep the magazine afloat, Kelley decided to make MAVIN a national nonprofit foundation fostering diversity through innovative programs.

"I realized it was so difficult to find advertising revenue to keep the magazine afloat," he said. "I realized that what I wanted to do with MAVIN magazine fit more with a nonprofit organization."

Through the MAVIN Foundation Kelley has donated thousands of volunteer hours to various causes and has played an important role in bringing attention to the issue of bone marrow donation in the Asian Pacific American community.

"This was in many ways an issue that impacted all people of color but especially people of mixed race heritage," said Kelley, who noted that

since 2001 the MAVIN Foundation has registered more than 7,000 donors. "Someone of mixed race heritage is most likely going to find a match with someone of similar mixed race heritage. None of the other organizations were specifically trying to recruit people of mixed race heritage."

The organization's latest project is Community MAP (Mixed Race Action Plan) raising awareness of multiracial issues on the college campus and in the community.

"I think it's exciting that someone his age has been so successful and has done something that's non-traditional, something he built from the ground up," said Maya Yamazaki, outgoing national JACL youth/student chair.

As a Hapa who grew up in Utah, Josh Mizutani Spry, JACL national youth/student chair, was inspired by

Kelley's message.

"It was kind of mind blowing to hear about his experiences being Hapa," he said. "For me Hapa was Hapa and that was it. But being Hapa can be such a diverse experience for so many different people. So that was definitely enjoyable."

"You look at the [JACL] youth board and I think maybe 8 out of 10 appear to be Hapa," said Kelley, who was happy to see so many mixed race youth involved in the organization. "This is the future leadership of JACL. So in some ways this says to me this is the JACL."

"Young people possess ... more of everything that past generations possessed to solve the problems we face today," said Floyd Mori, outgoing JACL national president. "The future of JACL is our young people." ■

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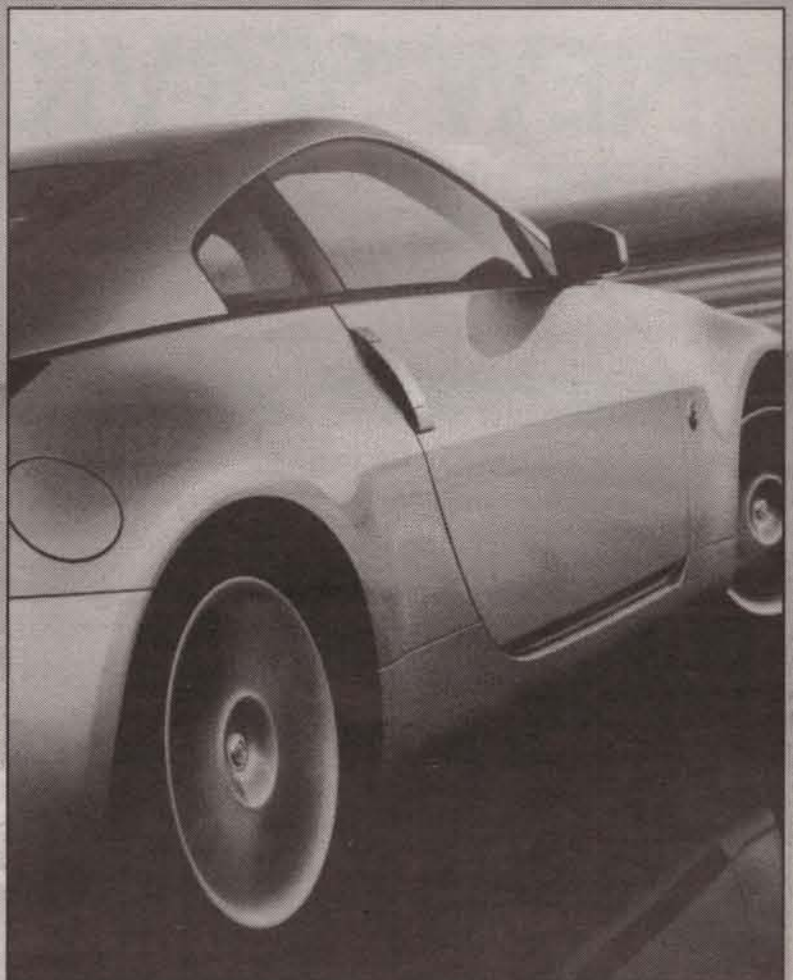
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