

MIS INTELLIGENCER

PROFESSIONAL TEAM, PES SUPPORT

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

There has been plenty of hype in the media about the beginning of the New Year, the New Century and the New Millennium. Thus, as we enter the Year 2000, we realize that there is a certain extra air of excitement about this new year.

Yes, there is also plenty of excitement, also, in our little corner of the

First of all, the production of our 60-minute TV documentary is moving on at a nice clip. Periodic reports from our producer, Gayle Yamada, are indicative of that. See Gayle's reports of Oct 27 and Dec 15, 1999, elsewhere in the Intelligencer.

As for finances, we have received the second installment of \$25,000 from the California Civil Liberties Public Education Program (CCLPEP). We now have \$75,000 of the \$100,000 grant. The final installment of \$25,000 will follow at the end of June, 2000.

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Additional money is coming in from friends and charitable organizations. We have been fortunate in receiving \$10,000 from the Takahashi Foundation (Mr. Henri and Tomoye Takahashi and Mrs. Martha Suzuki). Another \$2,500 has been forwarded by the Ninomiya Family. Also, another donor has sent in \$5,000 in care of Roy and Mary Takai.

Furthermore, 9 of the 27 Board members have given \$11,500 and pledged an additional \$3500 by yearend. The next Board meeting should add to this figure. Also, \$2,000 was donated by two non-Board members.

We will be making a concerted effort to obtain donations from our membership, as we plan more publicity on this matter.

Tom Fujimoto has been sending out letters to his friends and has gathered \$4,000 to date.

In summary, as of this writing, the total raised to date including the basic \$100,000 CCLPEP fund and fund from donations and the Oct 16th fundraiser now reach about \$160,000

At this juncture, the raising of another \$150,000 is critical. We humbly solicit your support to help us reach and pass this critical point. Once that point is reached, while more money need to be raised, the potential sale of the video and time will be on our side. (Con't on Page 2)

FUNDRAISING BY MIDYEAR # 150,000 - \$ 200,000

A Board Meeting was held on January 12 at the Berkeley Methodist United Church from 10 a.m., with a quorum of 16 attending, under the direction of Pres. Marvin Uratsu.

The Minutes, membership report and treasurer's reports were presented, discussed and approved.

The main discussion centered on the Oral History (and documentary project) contract and it was decided that an attorney will be retained to ensure that an acceptable contract is reached by the next meeting.

This was followed by a report on Public Law 105-84, Sec 576. on which much work had been done by Fukuhara, Roy Uyehata, Harry Akune, Skeets Oji and Alex Liosnoff. While final words have not been received, there is good chance that Presidential Unit Citations for MI teams will be approved.

The Board decided that the main effort which need to be made in the next several months is fund-raising to raise an estimated \$150,000 to \$200,000

Since this project will be handled by competent professionals and will be supported by KVIE in initial presentation and in widespread distribution to other PBS stations and to schools, the MIS Norcal board and members must make maximum effort to obtain donations and contributions. Also, efforts will be made to solicit funds from corporations and benevolent educational funds.

(See Page 5 re Letter from KVIE)

DONATES & 2,000 TO MORCAL

A \$3,000 donation was sent to MIS Norcal by the Gila River Reunion Committee towards the production of the one hour documentary on MIS Nisei soldiers during WWII and the Occupation. Forwarding the check was their Treasurer Ben Y. Tonooka, to whoma thank you letter has been sent by Pres. Uratsu.

PRESIDENTS LOPNER

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By the way, the committee has decided with the Board's concurrence that all donors of \$250 or over will receive a copy of the completed documentary free.

A special word about our producer, GAyle Yamada. For any endeavor to succeed, the leader has to have "passion". Without a doubt, Gayle has that "assion" to do justice to the story. Her father is Gordon Yamada, MIS vet, living back East. TV Station KVIE's letter about the video was written solely on the basis of Gayle's solid credential as a producer.

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION FOR MIS

There is a STRONG possibility of the MIS receiving a Presidential Unit Citation, For your information, Harry Fuku hara, Skeets Oji and Al Liosnoff worked on this project strenuously and the light at the end of the tunnel is now in view (See Secretary of Army Louis Caldera's letter to Sen Daniel Akaka, dated 12/16/99. Regardless of what decision is reached, we all owe a salute to Marry, Al and Skeets.

Finally, I want to thank all of you personally for your continuing support and cooperation during the past year and would like to ask you to continue

the same spirit in the new year.
We need to "WIN-WIN" on the video and the Presidential Unit Citation.
Happy New Year! and stay healthy!

was moved by Harry Tanabe, seconded by Fukuhara and approved.

Military Unit Citation The papers justifying the awarding of unit citation for MIS teams has been sent thru military channels and will be supported by Sen. Akaka and key Army officials. Final results are pending.

Fundraising

MISNorcal has received a letter from KVIE stating that they are interested in the projected video documentary and will support its showing and distribution on PBS channels throughout the Us.

Fred Kitajima reported on his attendance on Oct 21 to the "1999 Silicon Valley Media Day" in San Francisco where he attended three workshops on how and who to contact nonprofit folundations and organi-

zations.

Fred plans on contacting various organizations and Gayle Yamada is composing a solicitation letter for MIS, which can be used by board members to solicit donors.

Announcements

Gary Kadani is now in full care facility in Daly City. In the ab--sence of an elected secretary, Mary Takai is transcribing the report.

RENO TRIP OCTOBER BOYLD MEETING

On Oct 27, 1999, a Board meeting was held at the Alpine Room, Sundowner Hotel in Reno, with the meeting and dinner open to all members who participated in the two-bus, 84 person overnight trip.

A quorum of 15 attended the Board meeting, called by Pres. Marvin Uratsu at 5:35 p.m.

Minutes

Shiro Tokuno moved that the minutes be approved, which was seconded by Harry Fukuhara. The minutes of the July 14 meeting at Berkeley Methodist United Church was approved.

Membership Report

In the absence of chairman Tom Sasaki, the membership lists were given to all members in order to make corrections. While Tom was unable to attend due to illness, he sent words that he would be willing to continue as chairman for the coming year. He thanked the members for the get-well cards. All were in favor of his continued service. Treasurer's Report

Skeets Oji reported on the General MIS account as of Oct 18, as \$115.86. In the Oral History Account, the sum has risen from \$9,058.00 to more than \$41,379 (minus \$4,800 for the luncheon) after the recent fundraiser in San Francisco

Many sent in \$100 to \$200 for the luncheon altho they were unable to Others sent \$1000 and more as donation. It was suggested that all donors contributing \$250 or more be provided with a complimentary copy of the completed video.

Marshall Sumida suggested a more acceptable accounting standards be initiated to handle the increased flow of funds generated by the video project.

4. Old Business OLD BUS

A. Oral History: Project
A discussion on the contract prepared between Oji and Gayle Yamada was discussed. One question was whether the proposed contract would make all board members liable for any shortcomings. Sumida suggested that a lawyer be asked to provide expert opinion. Fukuhara and other Board members will seek legal advice pro bono from MIS members to evolve a suitable legal contract, satisfactory to both parties.

BoARD Members

Alex Liosnoff and Fred Kitajima were proposed, seconded and approved as new Board members. Roy Matsumoto who moved to Washington still has a home in the Bay area and would like to be reinstated on the board.

MIS VIDED DOCUMENTARY

MISUORCAL LAUNCHES MAJOR FUND DRIVE TO PRODUCE CLIPEP-SUPPORTED PROGRAM

Greetings from MIS Norcal!

We know that we have asked you to donate throughout the past years to numerous worthwhile programs, so we reluctantly are coming to you to request your help to complete an outstanding project once again.

Here is the full story about this MIS and other allied linguists, who participated during World War II, the Occupation of Japan and the Korean War, of which all of you are familiar in various phases.

The MIS story need to be told in the future. It may seem like an old story but it will be new to those who had not experienced it. There is also the need to tell the story in its entirety,

That's why MISNorcal applied for a grant to tell this story on videotape. We received a grant from the California Civil Liberties Public Education Program (CCLPEP) in June last year, with the stipulation that the video be completed by June 30, 2000.

We began by organizing a strong professional team, headed by Gayle Yamada, whose father is an MIS veteran, with Ken Kashiwabara to provide narration. Scott Tsuchitani is Associate Producer with Dan Kuramoto handling music composition.

Entitled UNCOMMON COURAGE: Patriotism & Civil liberties, this video will tell the story of 6000 Nisei, men and women, who played crucial role in winning the War and in establishing the peace that followed. Much of this story had been classified for more than three decades, even among those of Japanese ancestry. MIS was a part of United States' secret weapon. We need to tell this story now since much of the material have now been declassified. We want our children and grandchildren to take pride in what their forebears did and why. Yes, we want to capture for posterity the thoughts and feelings of wartime hysteria and loyalty, as well as the fear and patriotism.

THE JOHN BURDEN STORY

PRESIDIO ST MISLS SUVA - GUADAL CANAL 25TH INF DIV - PENTAGON We completed one tape in 1998, but a television program is not within our capabilities. Gayle's expertise is. She said that our story should be made for television so that the widest possible audience will see and hear the story. To have all Americans, not just the Nikkei hear the story, we formed and alliance with KVIE, the public television station in Sacramento to present UNCOMMON COURAGE nationwide upon completion.

Another aim is to reach the children in the schools. KVIE will advise us on the most effective and cost efficient way to show UNCOMMON COURAGE in schools. Also, NJAHS, who has supplied us with research material, will distribute the tape to the general public.

The entire project including publicity and distribution will cost about \$370,000. Our fund-raising programs last year have raised more than \$60-000. By June of this year, we need raise more \$200,000. It is a daunting task, but our wartime experience has taught us that odds may seem insurmountable, but we also believe that we can overcome them together.

UNCOMMON COURAGE is a legacy we are leaving behind for the current and future generations, as part of American history.

We remember with pride and passion, the times when we were young and how we agonized over the meaning of freedom and civil rights as we served our country, aware that our families were living behind barbed fences.

Help us make sure that it doen't happen again, by helping us complete the story of UNCOMMON COURAGE.

Sincerely

Marvin Uratsu
Project Director, UNCOMMON COURAGE.

With the passing of John Burden, another MIS legend has gone, but the DLI Globe, Sept/Oct 1999 edition carried an article written by Shig Kihara, longtime MIS and DLI instructor, which highlights the importance of Burden during the Pacific War.

The article will appear in the next issue of the Intelligencer in entirety or condensed, space permitting. It adds a stirring chapter to the history of MISLS and its personnel.

EDITOR'S POTPOUR!

The past year ended with the publication of only two issues of the Intelligencer, somewhat due to the paucity of interesting news but mostly because of the mixed up schedule of the editor who got involved in too many activities.

The plus side of the reduction was that our organization saved about \$500 in expenses, the cost of two issues.

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Although planned to be issued in late November, the delay was caused by my trip to Washington DC on Oct 21-23 in order to participate in the Ground-breaking Ceremony for the NJAMF Monument, which I attended as the representative of Rohwer Relocation Center.

This was followed bymy trip to Japan to attend the 40th Aniiversary of Shimizu-Stockton Sister City affiliation from Oct 25 to Nov 4, during which I also attended the opening ceremony of the NJAHS-supported Nisei Baseball Exhibit at the Japan Baseball Hall of Fame in Tokyo, along with Harry Fukuhara, Rosalyn Tomai and Kerry Yo Nakagawa: Luncheon reception after the ceremony was sponsored by the Japan Chapter JACL.

Among the attendees were MISer Ted Shigeno, widely known Sen Nishiyama, who interpreted the Apollo landing for NHK plus US Ambassador Thomas S.Foley.

Back in Stockton, we prepared to receive 40 visitors from Shimizu for two days of activities, a luncheon and two official dinners on Nov 10 and 11.

On Nov 18, we joined the local ABA group's one week trip to Branson, MO to see the Christmas shows.

This was followed by the preparation for Christmas and New Years, to which was added the Bonenkai for Stockton's Tomonokai as past president for 250 and a Dec 26 visit from Japan, of a four member family, who was taken on a tour of San Francisco, Sausalito and Berkeley. Calvin Kuniyuki of Hawaii was past president of Japan JACL.

ON HONORS AND FUNERALS

In the past year, we have lost more familiar names and faces, as the relentless flow of time adds the signs of age, and with it, traces of illnesses which slows down our activities, and occasionally, one's mental performances.

Thus each issue brings the unwelcome list of name or names of comrades or family. Sometimes we are uninformed or unaware so that the obituaries are delayed.

The list of recent deceased are as follows:

Goro D. Yamamoto. 83, Seaside, Jan 19, prewar Berkeley, Prof of Japanese, DLI for 43 years, survived by wife Hideko, daughters Marsha Yoneda, Watsonville & Janice Yamamoto, San Jose; sons David Yamamoto, Sand City & Gordon Yamamoto, San Jose; 5 bros, 2 sisters. (By Shigeya Kihara)

PLAYING THE BLAME CAME

Two recent items of JA interest are the furors over the NJAMF's Masaoka Creed and Wen Ho Lee's security case.

Both cases have parallels since they involve Japanese American and Asian protestants, seeking to bend Asian public opinion towards their opinions.

Though the fund drive was delayed by bureaucratic proceedings NJAMF was able to attain its funding goal. Concurrently, the critics began to attack. First, it was over the design which was cited as being too Japanesy. Then, the opponents began a letterwriting campaign.

The acceptance of the Masaoka Creed brought out the entire range of anti-JACLers, determined to leave their own imprints. The public attacks did little to improve JA image. It sated the envy, jealousy and ego of the accusers.

The Wen Ho Lee's case has become an attack on the government's security system. The basic question is not whether Wen has committed espionage. The fact is that he has broken security regulations by mishandling classified material, to include unauthorized access to his daughter Alberta, a UCLA student.

Any CIC agent knows AR 380-5, dealing with security. While violating security rules does not mean espionage it does open the way for such acts.

All Nikkei should evaluate unsupported charges carefully before taking action. And especially, MISers.

OBITUARIES

Dr. John Burden, 98, Nashville, Tenn, Jan 2, Life Member 009, Tokyoborn son of missionaries, was in 1st MIS language school at Presidio, in charge of monitoring enemy communications in Fiji, credited with giving Nisei chance to show their wartime loyalty.

Kazuo Z. Ninomiya, 79, Sacramento July II, Life Member #121, OR-born retired professor of Cal State, Sacramento, received Order of Sacred Treasure, Gold Rays with Rosette from Japanese government in 1996, for outstanding contributions in promoting goodwill between US and Japan.

Torao Sakamoto, Sacramento, Jan 4, 2000, Life Member 147, 81, brother of Fumi Locke, Green Valley, AZ; Edna White, Murrieta, CA; and Dr Bill Sakamoto, Kensington, CA.

Karl Goso Yaneda, 92, Ft. Bragg, May 9, Glendale-born, labor union organizer in Japan & Us, interned in Manzanar, human rights and redress activist, author of "Japanese Labor History in USA." Life Member #225.

LETTER POOM KVIE STRONG AND FIRM INTEREST IN PROPOSED VIDED

Dear Mr. Uratsu, Project Director, Uncommon Courage: Patriotism and Civil Liberti Liberties

Dear Mr. Uratsu:

KVIE is pleased to present on public television, your documentary Uncommon Courage: Patriotism and Civil Liberties. story of the Military Intelligence Service during World War II and the Occupation of Japan is an important one that has never been fully explored in a teleavision documentary, so we wopuld be bringing new material to the American public. In addition, you have assembled an outstanding production team. Producer and Director, gayle yamada, has worked on many national documentaries that have aired on PBS and I know she has a strong personal as well as professional interest and knowledge about the Japanese American story. . Your Associate producer, Scott Tsuchitani, has worked on historical documentaries such as meeting at Tule Lake which aired on public TV. Ken Kashiwabara, who is narrating Uncommon Courage, has a national reputation as an ABC newsman. And perhaps more than anything, you have an extremely strong advisory board composed of men who were there; they know the MIS story from personal experience.

As you know, KVIE has a strong track record for successfully distributing programs nationally to public television. The station distributes its own programs and selectively represents projects produced by independent producers. Programs are distributed through PBS and other national distributors such as American Program Service out of Boston to the 300+ station. Currently, we are distributing one of our own series through PBS entitled Money Moves. We were the Presenting Station for Children of the Camps, a documentary about Japanese Americans who were internees as children during World War II. That documentary was produced by a local independent, and we arranged for national distribution through PBS. The documentary had strong publicity and promotinal support and was seen throughout the country

As part of the presentation package, KVIE will be involved in providing post-production support. While a formal agreement will be drawn up at a later time, you will be responsible for the hard costs, such as an editor's time, but KVIE will provide the equipment in-kind.

KVIE will also help distribute Uncommon Courage to schools . addition to editing the program for schools, we will make it a-vailable on videotape to educators. We will advise you on internet possibilities, including Web site placement and a teacher's guide.

Let me emphasize once again, KVIE's interest in Uncommon Courage. It is a story of great appeal ito our audience in northern Califormia; it is a war story that needs to be told first-hand; it is a story of our American history we should all know. KVIE would like to help you presnt that story to as broad an audience as possible.

Sincerely,

Jan Tilmon, Executive Director Programming and Production, KVIE, Inc.

Cc. gayle k. Yamada

The above letter verifies the great interest that KVIE of Sacramento has in our projected documentary. We want our readers and members to be ware that the documentary will be solid-ly backed by public televison once it has been completed, to include support as reflected in the correspondence

DR SWIFT STILL LOOKING FOR FIRST CLASS INPO

CONTINUING INQUIRY FROM HAWAII

Dr. David Swift, Jr, son of David Swift, Sr, a member of the first Presidio MISLS class, send his latest letter on Nov 3 in which he asked if firther information can be provided by any readers on five 1st Class members and one instructor.

The five are James Fujimura, Jake Ohashi, Hiromi Oyama, Kaye K. Sakamoto and Ryuichi Shinoda; and instructor Tom Tanimoto, last reported to be living in Kumamoto.

Dr. David Swift, Jr, son of David He is also trying to confirm whe-Swift, Sr, a member of the first Pre- there the first class graduated 47

If you have any information on the above or those listed on Page 8, of the Intelligencer, Volume 31, Number 1, dated Feb-Mar 1999., write to

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of Northern California, Inc.

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ADBRESS

Dear Member and Supporter,

As previously reported to you in our newsletter and in news releases, MISNorcal has received a \$100,000 grant from the California Civil Liberties Public Education Program (CCLPEP) to produce a 60-minute, TW/quality documentary on the activities of Japanese American veterans who served in the Pacific War and the Occupation of Japan

In keeping with the goal of CCLPEP, our story will fill in the context of exclusion, forced removal and incarceration of civilians and permanent resident aliens of Japanese ancecestry, so that the causes and circumstances of this and similar events are illuminated and understood by the general public.

The outline of our story was powerful enough to gain the CCLPEP grant. However, we have learned that thea total cost will be about \$350,000. Our top quality production team will include Gayle Yamada as producer/director, who has done this types work for 22 years. The nargator will be Ken Kashiwabara, formerly with ABC News, SF.

The completion deadline is June 30, 2000, but we are trying to complete the fund drive as early as possible, no later than May 31, 2000.

Our first step was the "kickoff" luncheon on Oct 16, last year, and our current campaign to solicit donations from members and friends. Our Board members and friends are taking the lead by donating or pledging \$1000 or more.

Your contribution is tax deductible. Donors of \$1,000 or more till be listed in the instruction pamphlets

Sincerely V<u>ideo Committee</u>

PLEDGE FORM

Please make checks payable to MIS Norcal

Name:

Date

Address:

Phone

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT FOR VIDEO PROJECT, BASES

BANBRIDGE REVIEW AND WOODWARDS THEIR SUPPORT OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY

BAINBRIDGE REVIEW December 29, 1999

(An editorial from the Bainbridge Review was forwarded by Paul Ohtaki to our Intelligencer via Harry Fukuhara, which has been digested as follows:

Former Islander Paul Ohtaki wrote from his Bay Area home to call our attention to a new foundation on Bainbridge Island to promote multicultural eduction and civil rights, and honor Walt and Milly Woodward.

Paul had worked for the prewar Bainbridge Review, initially cleaning the office, and later sending information as a reporters on internee camp life to the paper which kept the strong bonds of the islanders to those who had been evacuated.

Ohtaki, then 18, was one of the 375 Japanese Americans removed from Bainbridge and interned in Idaho. Now, Paul and others composed of Frank Kistamoto, Ron Nakata, Nunko Harui and more have started a Woodward Foundation to honor the Woodwards for their tireless support of the internees throughout the war.

Writing to the current editor of the Review, Paul wrote, in part as follows:

"I was also hoping that you perhaps can feel the pride and honor of working for a newspaper with a history that has truly practiced American democracy at a time when all other newspapers took the easy way out...

To my knowledge, the Orange County Register, in Orange County, CA, is the only other newspaper that took the stand that Evacuation (Executive) Order 9066 was a violation of citizens' rights guaranteed under the Constitution of the United States.

"But to my knowledge, after taking their stand, they gradually let the thing fade away, whereas the Review kept it up throughout the war's end. They lost subscriptions and advertisements, but as a result, many of Bainbridge Island's citizens of Japanese ancestry were able to return to their homes without unpleasant incidents.

"Could we say that this is a legacy that has been left for you?"

To which the current young editor replied in the editorial column...

"Indeed you can. We stand on the shoulders of giants-and not least of them yours, Mr. Ohtaki".

PAUL CHTAKY 2318 39TH SF. CA 94116

Bainbridge is historically important to Japanese American experience in that along with Terminal Island, it was one of the two areas from which the Nikkei residents were initially removed.

Both were seaside communities, and were suspected of potential spying activities, almost immediately after Pearl Harbor. However, Bainbridge was largely an agricultural area, growing berries and produce for the Seattle market.

Both were targeted for removal in February 1942. Bainbridge was evacuated by the Army on March 24. Terminal Island was notified of evacuation orders on February 14 but were ordered out on February 27 instead of the initial date March 14. In fact, the current movie "Snow

In fact, the current movie "Snow Falling on Cedars" by David Guterson is based on a book written by him in 1995, in which the Review is spotlighted as part of the story.

While Millie Woodward is deceased Walter, in his 90s, is in a convalescent home. Paul and his old Bainbridge evacuees have started a fundraising drive to honor WAlter while he is still living.

LIKE FATHER - LIKE SON

DONATION FROM T. YOSHIMURR

Noby Yoshimura, who has been undergoing continuous pain from the nervestressing ailment, which necessitated his resignment as treasuer of our organization last year, was well enough to attend our last Board meeting.

He presented a \$1,000 check sent in by his son Terry, now living and working in Bellevue, Washington to him, with the following letter:

"Dear Dad,

Thank you so much for sharing with me the Hokubei article on the MIS project to produce a video entitled, "Uncommon Courage: Patriotism and Civil Liberties"

I'm enclosing a check for \$1000 to help the production of this video.

I certainly appreciate the pioneering, courage and role modelling that the Nisei did for me and my generation and the Yonsei.

If the check is made out incorrectly, please let me know so I can correct it.

With love, (Terry)

ARE THE WHERE LYING EIGHT BALL?

Larry R. Tart, 562 Brittany Dr., State College, PA 16803, Tel (814) 238-7067, is currently doing a research on airborne signals intelligence reconnaisance activities performed by the U.S. Air Force.

During the closing period of the Pacific War, the Army AF's 8th Radio Squadron Mobile (8th RSM) used Nisei soliders in intelligence operations as translators and interrogators in Project "The Flying Eight Ball".

The Air Force unit asked for Nisei volunteers to be on board B-29 raids on Japan, and selected ten out of the many who volunteered.

Tart has a list of these men, but most of their full names are unknown: He wants to located the men so he could pay tribute to

their courage.

Jimmy Yoshioka and Johnny Okada were two of them. The others were Deguchi, Hanafusa, Hoshide, Ishii, Ishisaka, Kawashima, Kimoto and Tanouye, first names unknown.

Anyone who worked for the 8th RSM during World War II as AAF Nisei airborne intel specialists/intercept olperators are requested to contact Larry Tart.

Also those who are family members or friends of these Nisei are asked to forward information.

(Submitted by Gary Otake of NJAHS based on Website via Uratsu)

LETTER FROM LOUISIANA

Note to Ted Yenaire, our member in faroff Metaire, Louisiana, who wrote about the National D-Day Museum in New Orleans.

Evidently, almost all MIS chapters did not take action due to short notice or other activities. Nonetheless, we thank him for keeping us posted on potential subjects of interest to us.

REMOWN SAVAGE GRADUATE NOV 16 1999

Faubion Bowers, 82, Manhattan, a Sayage MIS graduate. Faubion earlier (1940-41) had mastered Japanese reading and writing in Japan. Was linguist, writer and critic of Japanese arts, and was credited with helping to preserve Kabuki during Occupation. Was fluent in Russian, Japanese, French and Indonesian and many books of Asian art such as "Japanese Theater", "Dance in India", Theater in the East" and "Broadway, U.S.S.R.". Variously participated in more than 50 television programs. Received Order of Sacred Treasure in 1984; US Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster; Born in Okla, went to UNiv Okla, Columbia, Univ Poitiers, France, Juilliard School of Music. (Submited by Mas Yonemura)

Mrs.Sachie Uratsu, widow of the late Kiyoshi Rusty Uratsu was informed that her husband's name was recorded in his memory by Assemblyman Thomas TRico Oller, 4th Dist,, CA Leg., on Page 1532, of the Assembly Journal, dated May 21, 1999.

(Submitted by Gene Uratsu)

CHALLENGE TO GOLFERS

In spite of age, our veteran golfers in both age and experience are continuing to show their skills or luck by Hole-in ones.

George Shimizu had one on par 3, 7th hole at Peacock Gap Golf and

Country Club, 158 yards.

PM

This was his third ace. It was witnessed by George Sakanari of San Rafael and Henry Randall of Mill Val-He is 79 and he wonders if he is the oldest Ser to get a hole in one.

Shimizu who lives in Graenbrae also wrote that Dick Hamasaki has also made three hole-in ones. He wonders if the are others with 3 or more among MIS vets? We will print other claims, space permitting, so send in your tidaits.



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