

1964

*Graduation Banquet*

WHITE RIVER VALLEY CIVIC LEAGUE CHAPTER  
of the  
JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE

"Better Americans in a Greater America"

6:30 P.M.

May 22, 1964

Rose's Highway Inn



## THE JAPANESE AMERICAN CREED

I am proud that I am an American citizen of Japanese ancestry, for my very background makes me appreciate more fully the wonderful advantages of this nation. I believe in her institutions, ideals, and traditions; I glory in her heritage; I boast of her history; I trust in her future. She has granted me liberties and opportunities such as no individual enjoys in this world today. She has permitted me to build a home, to earn a livelihood, to worship, think, speak, and act as I please--as a free man equal to every other man.

Although some individuals may discriminate against me, I shall never become bitter or lose faith, for I know that such persons are not representative of the majority of the American people. True, I shall do all in my power to discourage such practices, but I shall do it in the American way; above board, in the open, through courts of law, by education, by proving myself to be worthy of equal treatment and consideration. I am firm in my belief that American sportsmanship and attitude of fair play will judge citizenship on the basis of action and achievement, and not on the basis of physical characteristics.

Because I believe in America, and I trust she believes in me, and because I have received innumerable benefits from her, I pledge myself to do honor to her at all times and in all places, to support her constitution; to obey her laws; to respect her flag; to defend her against all enemies, foreign or domestic; to actively assume my duties and obligations as a citizen; cheerfully and without reservations whatsoever, in the hope that I may become a better American in a greater America.

.....Mike Masaoka

## PROGRAM

Seating of Guests

6:00 - 6:30

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Rev. Kenryo Kumata

Violin/Piano Solo by Master Nathan Sysrig

Dinner

Master of Ceremonies - - - - Mr. Frank Nishimoto

Introduction of Honored Guests:

Auburn High School - Shirley Hamakami  
Eileen Iida  
Arlene Murakami  
Jona Nishimoto  
Linda Nishimura

Kent Meridian High School -  
Paul Hiranaka  
Ronald Okitsu  
Chris Onchi  
Carl Tamura

Washington State University -  
Sharon Natsuhara

Introduction of Guest Speaker - - Dr. Melvin Lindbloom

Presentation of Scholarship by Mr. George Kawasaki

Magician - Mr. Wesley Orendorff

Benediction by Rev. Kenryo Kumata



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