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## Asian American leaders meet to discuss Phoenix murders

LOS ANGELES—A group of Asian Pacific community leaders were scheduled to meet Nov. 5-6 with leaders of the Thai community and local officials in the aftermath of the recent murders at a Buddhist monastery near Phoenix.

The meeting comes in the wake of the recent arrest of three teenagers in connection with the execution-style killings of nine people at a Thai Buddhist monastery Aug. 10. Jimmy Tokeshi, regional director of the JACL Pacific Southwest District and a member of the delegation, said the main purpose of the visit is "a show of support for the Thai community."

Tokeshi added that there has been a great deal of concern about the handling of the investigation by local authorities. The delegation will look into ways of improving communication among the Thai temple and local investigatory and prosecutory agencies.

During the two-day visit, the delegation were scheduled to meet with Thai community leaders, Maricopa County Sheriff Tom Agnos; the county attorney prosecuting the case, Richard Romley; Phoenix Mayor Paul Johnson; and leaders of the Latino, African American, and Jewish communities.

Other delegation members include: Stewart Kwoh, executive director of the Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California; local Thai community leader Nampet Panichpant; Dennis Hayashi, newly appointed national director of JACL; Yvonne Lee, executive director of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance, and attorney Sukum Sai-Ngarm.

## JACL chapter leader Henry Taketa dies

SACRAMENTO—Henry Taketa, a founding member of the Sacramento JACL, died Oct. 20 of a ruptured aorta at Sutter Memorial Hospital after not feeling well while attending a dinner held in his honor. He was 77.

Taketa was regarded as "Mr. Sacramento JACL" and helped establish the chapter in 1931. He was the last surviving pre-war chapter president. Taketa was honored for his work in the JACL in 1958 by the Placer County JACL with the JACL Sapphire Pin for meritorious service and in November of 1977 with a testimonial dinner in Sacramento.

Longtime associate Toko Fujii said, "He was the person who did more for the community over a longer period of time than any single individual in the Japanese American community."

Taketa is survived by his wife Sally, sons Richard and David, four grandchildren, brother Tom, and sister May Shirai. Funeral services were held Thursday, Oct. 24, 7:30 p.m., at Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church.

## Peru President Fujimori to speak in Bay Area

SAN FRANCISCO—President Alberto Fujimori of Peru will visit UC, Berkeley, on Monday, Nov. 18, and San Francisco at the invitation of the Volunteers for Interamerican Development Assistance (VIDA). He is scheduled to speak at both sites: 10 a.m. at UCB's Zellerbach Auditorium and a black-tie \$100 charity dinner at 7:30 p.m. at the St. Francis Hotel.

VIDA's first program, focusing on Peru, had shipped 75 tons of medical supplies to fight cholera earlier this year. The group was formed to fight poverty and promote human dignity in the Americas.

Information: UCB Zellerbach Auditorium, free tickets at Cal Performances, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; VIDA dinner reservations, (510) 284-3744.

## Civil rights bill: relief and outrage

WASHINGTON, D.C.—While expressing relief over the recent Senate passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1991, JACL announced opposition to one of its provisions—the exemption of an Alaskan packing company from compliance with the law.

The suit brought against the Wards Cove Packing Co. was one of the Supreme Court decisions which initiated the two-year battle for a civil rights bill.

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Dennis Hayashi

The company's workforce, composed largely of Alaskan natives and Asian Pacific Americans, would be excluded from any compensation under the current Civil Rights Bill. The judge who presided over the case said that allegations in the suit of segregation in housing and job stratification along racial and ethnic lines "bear an unsettling resemblance to aspects of a plantation economy."

Dennis Hayashi, JACL national director, said, "For the Alaskan Natives and Asian Pacific Americans who for the past 17 years have fought for justice and fair-

## Groups oppose amendment

WASHINGTON, D.C.—A number of Asian American organizations and government officials scheduled a press conference Tuesday, Nov. 5, to announce their strong opposition to an amendment to the Civil Rights Act of 1991 that would exempt the Wards Cove Packing Company, Inc. cannery from the bill's anti-discrimination provisions.

Attending the press conference were, the JACL, the Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA), and the National Asian Pacific American Bar Assn. along with Sen. Brock Adams (D-Wash.), Rep. Jim McDermott, (D-Wash.), and Frank Atonio, the named plaintiff in the Wards

Cove case.

"This effort to amend the Civil Rights Act legitimizing Wards Cove's employment practices is nothing but an attempt to again relegate Asian Pacific Americans and Native Americans to second-class citizenship," said Dennis Hayashi, JACL national director. "Equal justice is not available to Asian Pacific Americans."

Other Asian Pacific American organizations which also oppose the amendment include the Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California, the Asian Law Caucus, and the Chinese American Citizens Alliance.

ness against discrimination, the passage of the Civil Rights Bill with the Wards Cove exemption would be nothing but an empty, if not hypocritical, victory for civil rights."

The bill, which passed the Senate last week by a 93-5 vote, reverses or modifies six Supreme Court decisions that made it more difficult to challenge business practices that allegedly harm women or minority workers. In cases of alleged job discrimination, the burden of proof will now be on the employer to prove that hiring

practices which could be deemed discriminatory are necessary.

In a clause that has upset many Senate Democrats, the bill puts limits on compensatory and punitive damages for women and the disabled from \$50,000 to \$300,000 depending on the size of the firm. Such restrictions do not apply to ethnic or racial minorities because of a law passed right after the Civil War.

The bill also eliminates "race norming," or adjusting employment scores on the basis of race, color, sex or national origin.

## Salute

### Nikkei gather in San Francisco for 50th year MIS anniversary

Story  
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**REUNION**—George Kanegai (standing at left) exchanges greetings with Loni Ding of San Francisco, film producer, and Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Calif.) of Sacramento, main speaker at the opening MIS 50th Anniversary Reunion reception dinner, Oct. 29. Seated at right is Judge Robert Thornton, senior judge of the Oregon Court of Appeals, Salem.

**PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY**—The blasts of thunder with billowy white smoke of the 21-gun artillery salute said it all for the Nisei of the Military Intelligence Service in commemorating the 50th anniversary of the founding of MIS Language School to the day (Nov. 1, 1941) in a Crissey Field hangar at the Presidio of San Francisco.

The corps of Defense Language Institute of officers, cadre and students, the MIS veterans, their spouses, guests and friends — estimated at 2,500 — witnessed the DLI command parade

and ceremonies under a cloudless sky against the picture blue of Monterey Bay and gentle brown of the Santa Cruz range.

One of the first MISLS instructors, Shigeya Kihara, commanded to chop his 20-minute speech in half for the program (so he told the *Pacific Citizen* as the other guest speaker, Brig. Gen. James Collins Jr., was only given four minutes for his), expressed his gratitude to the War Department "for making its courageous decision to place its faith and trust in the Nisei soldier in

1941" and override the outrage of E.O. 9066 by maintaining the school, the honor and integrity of its MIS men to "shorten the Pacific War by two years at a savings of thousands of American casualties."

Of the 58 Nisei and two Caucasian students who comprised the first and only class to graduate from the Presidio of San Francisco MIS class, Kihara looked back to say there was no indication in 1941 that MISLS teaching one

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**Sunday, November 10**—Japanese American Service Committee's Fuji Festival, Chicago Marriott O'Hare. Guest: Lane Nishikawa in his one-man show "I'm On A Mission From Buddha." Information: JASC 312/275-7212 ask for Lynn.

### New York

#### New York

**Saturday, December 14**—The New York JACL's annual Holiday Bazaar, Japanese American United Church, 225 Seventh Ave., 1 pm white elephant sale, 4 pm potluck supper, 6 pm silent auction. Information: 908/356-5484.

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**August 3-8, 1992**—JACL's 32nd Biennial National Convention, "JACL: Solid as the Rockies," Denver. Information: 303/892-6003.

### Washington

#### Seattle

**Through Saturday, November 16**—"Japanese Prints: Ukiyoe and Modern," Carolyn Staley Fine Prints, 313 First Ave. So., Tuesday through Saturday 11 am to 5 pm. Information: 206/621-1888.

### California

#### San Francisco area

**Sunday, November 17**—The Peninsula Widowed Group's monthly meeting, San Mateo JACL Community Center, 415 So. Claremont St., 2 to 4 pm. Information: 415/343-2793, Nancy Hirabayashi 415/583-9378.

**Sunday, December 8**—Diablo Valley and Berkeley JACL's 15th Annual Installation Dinner, Amato's/La Beau's Restaurant, 414 Ferry St., Martinez, 5 pm. Keynote speaker: Dennis Hayashi. Cost: \$20. Information: 415/680-2621, 415/937-4478, 415/838-9148.

#### Sacramento

**Saturday, November 16**—The Florin JACL's Annual Spaghetti Dinner Dance, Florin Buddhist Church Hall, 7235 Pritchard Rd., 5:30 to 11 pm. Music by DJ Henry and Peter. Cost: \$10. Information: James Abe 916/363-1520.

**Saturday, November 23**—The Sacramento JACL's 60th Anniversary dinner, the new Raddison Hotel. Cost: \$25 per person (includes prime rib dinner). Information: 916/447-0231.

#### San Jose

**Saturday, November 9**—Yu-Ai Kai's Japanese Conference on Aging, Wesley United Methodist Church, 566 No. 5th St., San Jose, 9 am to 3 pm. Keynote speaker: Dr. Reiko Homma True. Cost: Free for attendees over 65 (lunch included), \$8 with lunch, \$5 without for attendees under 65. Information: 408/294-2505.

#### Fresno

**Saturday November 9**—Central California District Council JACL's 42nd Annual Installation Banquet, Holiday Inn Centre Plaza, 2233 Ventura at "M" St., Fresno, 6pm. Keynote speaker: Actor George Takei. Cost: \$25. Information: Larry Ishimoto 209/627-0442.

**July 31, August 1-2, 1992**—50th Anniversary Canal Camp Reunion, Fresno, California. Information: James Yamamoto: 2253 S. Temperance, Fresno. 93725, 209/264-7924 or Yo Misaki, 8128 S. Bethel, Selma, Ca. 93662, 209/896-2605.

#### San Luis Obispo

**Saturday, November 9**—Bud Dry Concert Series, B.B. Chung King and the Screaming Buddha Heads, the Slo Brew, 1119 Garden St., San Luis Obispo. Information: 805/543-1843.

#### Los Angeles area

**Friday, November 8**—The Orange County Sansei Singers' Theatre Night to see Amy Hill in "Tokyo Bound," 8 pm. Cost: \$13.50 for members, \$15 for non-members. Information: 714/496-7779.

**Sunday, November 10**—West Los Angeles JACL's 50th Anniversary Champagne Luncheon, Holiday Inn Bay View Plaza, Santa Monica, noon. Special tribute to those leaders from 1941 to the present. Information: Toy 213/820-5250 or Virginia 213/820-3365.

**Sunday, November 10**—California State University, Long Beach's 5th Annual Koi Auction, Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden, CSULB campus, 1250 Bellflower Blvd., Long Beach, 11:30 am. Auction conducted by Zen Nippon Airinkai Koi Club of Southern California. Information: Barbara Holden 213/985-4126.

**Sunday, November 10**—The Nikkei Widowed Group's annual Pot Luck, White Elephant, Bake and Craft Sale, JACCC, 244 So. San Pedro St., Little Tokyo, 1 to 4:30 pm. Information: Jim Oka 213/327-8684, Geri Oda 213/327-2280.

## Reminders

### PHOENIX:

● Japan-America Society of Phoenix is holding its annual banquet, Thursday Nov. 14 at the Phoenix Country Club, 2901 N. 7th St. Thirty-five dollars per person. No host cocktails start at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m. The keynote speaker will be Kiyohiko Arafune, consul general of Japan at Los Angeles. Reservations must be made by Nov. 10. Information: The Japan-America Society of Phoenix, 10827 S. 51st St., Suite 203, Phoenix, Arizona 85044. Phone: 893-0599.

### SEATTLE:

● 10th annual Ayame Kai Holiday Craft Faire, Saturday, Nov. 16, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Seattle Buddhist Church, 1427 South Main St. Craft from 50 Asian craft designers, baked and other food items on sale. Proceeds benefit Seattle Keiro Nursing Home. Information: 206/323-7100.

### PORTLAND, ORE.:

● "Strength and Diversity, Japanese American Women, 1885 to 1990, exhibition at the Oregon Historical Society, running through March 1, 1992. Exhibit is produced by National Japanese American Historical Society, co-sponsored by the Oakland Museum. Local participation and sharing of collections are encouraged. Information: National Japanese American Historical Society, 415/431-5007.

### SAN FRANCISCO:

● Discussion of biracial families, San Francisco Chapter, JACL, 7 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 13, national JACL headquarters, 1765 Sutter St. Free. Information: Greg Marutani, evenings, 415/641-1697.

● Lecture by Li Lu, Tiananmen Square activist on update on developments in China. Free. University of San Francisco, Friday, Nov. 15, noon, McLaren Center. Information: 415/666-2514.

### GARDENA, Calif.:

● Poston Camp I reunion tentatively scheduled for Oct. 3-4, 1992. Planning meeting scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 23, 1:30 p.m., Japanese Cultural Institute of Gardena, 2nd floor, 162nd St. and Gramercy Place. Information: Kei Higashi, 818/337-5707; Liz Tsuchiyama, 818/281-6136; Kaz Tsuchiyama Oye, 805/937-5776; or John Saito, c/o JACL, 244 So. San Pedro St., #507, Los Angeles, 90012.

### FREMONT, Calif.:

● Eden Township and Fremont JACL, joint installation dinner, Saturday, Nov. 9, Sergio's Supper Club, 3890 Mowry Ave. Guest speakers: Dale Shimasaki and Neal Taniguchi. No-host social time 6 p.m. \$25 per person. Information: 510/276-6292.

### LOS ANGELES:

● "Aging Parents: Who's Going to Care for Them?" Seminar, Saturday, Nov. 16, Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, 244 So. San Pedro St. June Simmons, director of Social Work and Senior Care Network, Huntington Memorial Hospital and a representative from Keiro Services, guest speakers. Free. Information: 213/680-3729.



## Student essay contest on internment announced

LOS ANGELES—A student essay contest to commemorate the 50 year remembrance of the Japanese American internment is being sponsored by the Los Angeles Community Coalition. Students are asked to write an essay about the internment

experience of a friend or member of the family. Cash prizes will be awarded in two categories, \$300 for first place, \$200 for second place, \$100 for third place. The essay contest is part of a year-long series of events in 1992

to commemorate the 50 year remembrance. Send submissions to: DOR '92 Essay Contest, 244 S. San Pedro Street, Room 507, Los Angeles, California 90012. Information: Ken Wada, 50 Year Remembrance at 213/626-4471 ext. 13.

## N.Y. Chapter announces 1992 playwright award

NEW YORK—To encourage young Japanese American and Japanese Canadian playwrights, the New York chapter of JACL is accepting applications for the 1992 Ruby Yoshino Schaar Biennium Playwright Award.

The fund was established in 1984 in the memory of Ruby Schaar, a longtime JACL member and chapter executive who nurtured Nikkei in the performing arts and encouraged many to become playwrights.

Those interested in applying for the award must be playwrights of Japanese descent, either of American or Canadian citizenship, and sponsored by an active JACL member or chapter.

Applicants must have had at

least one play presented in a public forum, such as at a theatre, workshop or formal reading.

Each manuscript must be a clearly printed original, all applications must be postmarked no later than April 1, 1992. Any play theatrically produced before Jan. 1, 1992 does not qualify. Judges will weigh dramatic excellence and insight into the Japanese American or Japanese Canadian experience, which bear historical or sociological themes.

Interested applicants can obtain a brochure from their local JACL chapter or write to the New York JACL chapter at 7 West 44th Street, 6th floor, NYC, NY, 10036, Attention: Ruby Schaar Playwright Fund.

## Actress McCarthy honored with achievement award

SAN FRANCISCO—Nobu McCarthy, artistic director of the Los Angeles based East-West players, received the first annual career achievement award from On Screen: Celebrating Women's Work. Other recipients of the award were Dyan Cannon, Virginia Capers and Mary Lambert. On Screen is a 4-day festival devoted to the work of women in film, video and television co-spon-

sored by Northern California Women in Film and Television and Union Bank. The awards were presented on Oct. 20 at the Mission Cultural Center in San Francisco.

McCarthy, in addition to her work at East-West Players, also teaches and directs at California State University Los Angeles as part of CSULA's Asian American Theatre Project. McCarthy has ap-

peared in such films as *Wake Me When It's Over*, *Farewell to Manzanar*, *Karate Kid*, *Pacific Heights* and *The Wash*.

On the stage, she created the leading role in David Henry Hwang's *As the Crow Flies* and the role of Masi in *The Wash*. For her work, she has won the Los Angeles Drama-Logue Award and the Bernie Award from the San Francisco Chronicle.

## MIS

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language then would rise to a world-class academic institution, the DLI, with 50 languages and dialects.

"Only in America could this have happened," Kihara commented of the racist policy in the War Department's policy to remove the 112,000 persons of Japanese to relocation centers and then show up to recruit Nisei volunteers for the hush-hush intelligence schools during World War II.

Kihara recalled the performance of the MIS men on Guadalcanal in the summer of 1942 demonstrated the "competence and loyalty" of Japanese Americans in combat to

prompt Col. Moses Pettigrew of Military Intelligence to propose the formation of an all-Nisei regimental combat team and he persisted until it was approved in February, 1943.

Some 6,000 Nisei graduates from MISLS—Presidio of San Francisco, Camp Savage and Fort Snelling—in the Pacific War and the Occupation of Japan were remembered by DLI dedicating a campus building as Nisei Hall in 1969.

On Thursday, Oct. 31, at DLI's outdoor stage by the (Sgt. George I.) Nakamura Hall, a model created by Brian Buhl of the Crissey Field hangar with a roof cutaway showing the interior scheme of bunks, classrooms and offices was

presented with military pomp to the DLI. Longtime Berkeley JACL member Gene Uratsu, a first MIS class graduate, made the presentation to the commandant, Col. Donald C. Fischer Jr., on behalf of National Japanese Historical Society, San Francisco, which has its "Yankee Samurai" pictorial on exhibit at Nakamura Hall.

A walking tour covered other buildings named in memory of Nisei linguists, Sgt. Frank T. Hachiya and Cpl. Terry Mizutari, the John Aiso Library, and the longtime instructor Yutaka Munakata.

Loni Ding's documentary, *Color of Honor*, in Japanese for NHK-TV, was also shown; while under a canopy, refreshments were served.



Photo: Harry Honda

'YANKEE SAMURAI' — Paul Bannai (left) of Gardena and Min Hara of New York view the Japanese American Historical Society's pictorial history of the MIS at the 50th anniversary celebration of the group.

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From the frying pan

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**Error of Evacuation**

Even if Japanese Americans wanted to forget about what is called the Evacuation with a capital "E," which doesn't seem likely, the American public isn't ready to let them.

There still are many people who don't know about this episode of history, are horrified when they get an inkling of what happened, and want to learn about it. Still others know a little and have a morbid fascination about hearing more. In these precincts hardly a month goes by without someone calling for a speaker. It is not always easy to find one. There are other things to do.

A library in a local suburb scheduled a speaker one recent day and I would like to tell you about an interesting sidelight. The sponsors titled the presentation "A Mistake of Terrifically Horrible Proportions," which would indicate a sympathetic viewpoint.

A neatly printed flier with appropriate text was prepared to publicize the event. And then, to make the flier more attractive, someone at the library sought out a

Japanese woman and asked her to take brush in hand and produce some appropriate *kanji* calligraphy.

She brushed two characters which, I am told, together mean *machigai*, which means mistake or error. I do not know whether she chose the word or it was suggested to her, but that is not important. The characters were reproduced in bright red ink and took up about half the space on the flier. The effect was startling which, of course, was the objective.

But it didn't occur to anyone that the whole story of the Evacuation was distorted by illustrating the flier, 50 years after the event with Japanese characters. Why? More than two-thirds of the imprisoned were not Japanese, but Americans. The greatest number of victims of the outrage, the mistake, were Americans and to indicate they were Japanese, by using Japanese characters to refer to them, was to extend the error.

Would anyone think of using Spanish to decorate a poster promoting a talk by

Federico Peña, Denver's Hispanic ex-mayor? Of course not. Would anyone come up with Gaelic lettering to publicize an appearance by Senator Ted Kennedy? Be sensible. Why then is it simply natural, almost obligatory, to link *kanji* to Americans of Japanese origins?

*Kanji* undoubtedly looked like a good idea, and that's more disturbing than the fact that they were used. We were regarded as "Japanese" in 1942. That was the public's mindset. That's what enabled the authorities to get away with referring to citizen Nisei as "non-alien" in the documents that authorized our confinement, and the public to accept the outrage.

Now a half century later, in the public eye, we are still linked with characters that few of us understand and none of us use. In its place the linkage to Japan and Japanese culture is quite proper but not in this context.

Something is wrong with the way we are identifying ourselves and it needs to be corrected. ☐



East Wind

**BILL MARUTANI**

**'Sick stomach'**

THE RECENT HEARINGS before the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee focusing upon the allegations of sexual harassment directed against then-nominee Judge Clarence Thomas, received prominent play on and in Nippon's television and newspapers. TV news provided daily coverage and prime time programs featured feminists, sociologists and legal experts on the subject of what may constitute sexual harassment. Among no-no examples of condemned conduct (often depicted by cartoon illustrations) were patting a female worker on the fanny, providing unsolicited massage to the shoulders, insisting that the female employee look at photos in *Playboy* magazine, and so on. So much has the subject matter of sexual harassment preoccupied Nippon's mass media that they've coined an abbreviated phrase for the term: it's "*seku-hara*," adopting a portion of each English word. To remember the adopted term, I thought of the Issei's practice of combining and corrupting Japanese and English words.

Hence this column's title for "*seku-hara*."

THAT THE JAPANESE devised a

term from English words may suggest that the concept of sexual harassment may be non-existent in Nippon. At least among the men here. This should come as no surprise, Japan historically having been and continuing to be is very much a male-dominated society wherein women are relegated to a lesser, subservient role. Whether it be language and forms of speech (women are assigned to a servile speech both in the speaking and hearing ends), roles in society (I've yet to see a male escalator attendant, for example), manners (only women and underlings kneel to open/close the *fusuma*, sliding screen door). In short, if one is to be frank, sexism is deeply ingrained in the every fabric of Japan's society. So much so that it is deemed "natural" as part of everyday life, hence conduct that might be labelled sexual harassment is non-existent in Nippon. Indeed, during a recent press conference, Chief Cabinet Secretary Misoji Sakamoto responded that he had not heard that sexual harassment was a serious problem in Japan, that therefore, the Japanese government was not contemplating any legislation to prevent or discourage sexual harassment. And thus, although a group of conscientious Tokyo lawyers had drafted proposed legislation

aimed at strengthening existing laws in Japan, no political party or figure has taken up the cause. Yet a survey by a trade union institute reported that some 85% of the women experience discrimination at their places of employment. In another survey in Tokyo resulted in 41.5% of the women reporting sexual harassment in the work place.

ONE TV DEPICTION was expressly aimed at *kaisha* men who, at least in the depiction, work with foreign women employees. The depiction was preceded by a reference to the pocketbook: namely, that in the U.S. *seku-hara* is actionable and a jury can return a damage verdict as \$200,000 (about \$15,500 U.S.). The dramatization showed a *kaisha* executive summoning an assistant, and in walks a tall blonde woman, just as the *kaisha* guy puts down a copy of *Playboy*. Mr. *Kaisha* urges a date for the evening, adding that the assistant might greet Mr. *Kaisha* wearing "something comfortable." The next scene shows the blonde on the phone to her lawyer with a sexual harassment claim.

Exposing the pocketbook can be effective medicine for a "sick stomach." *Seku-hara*. ☐

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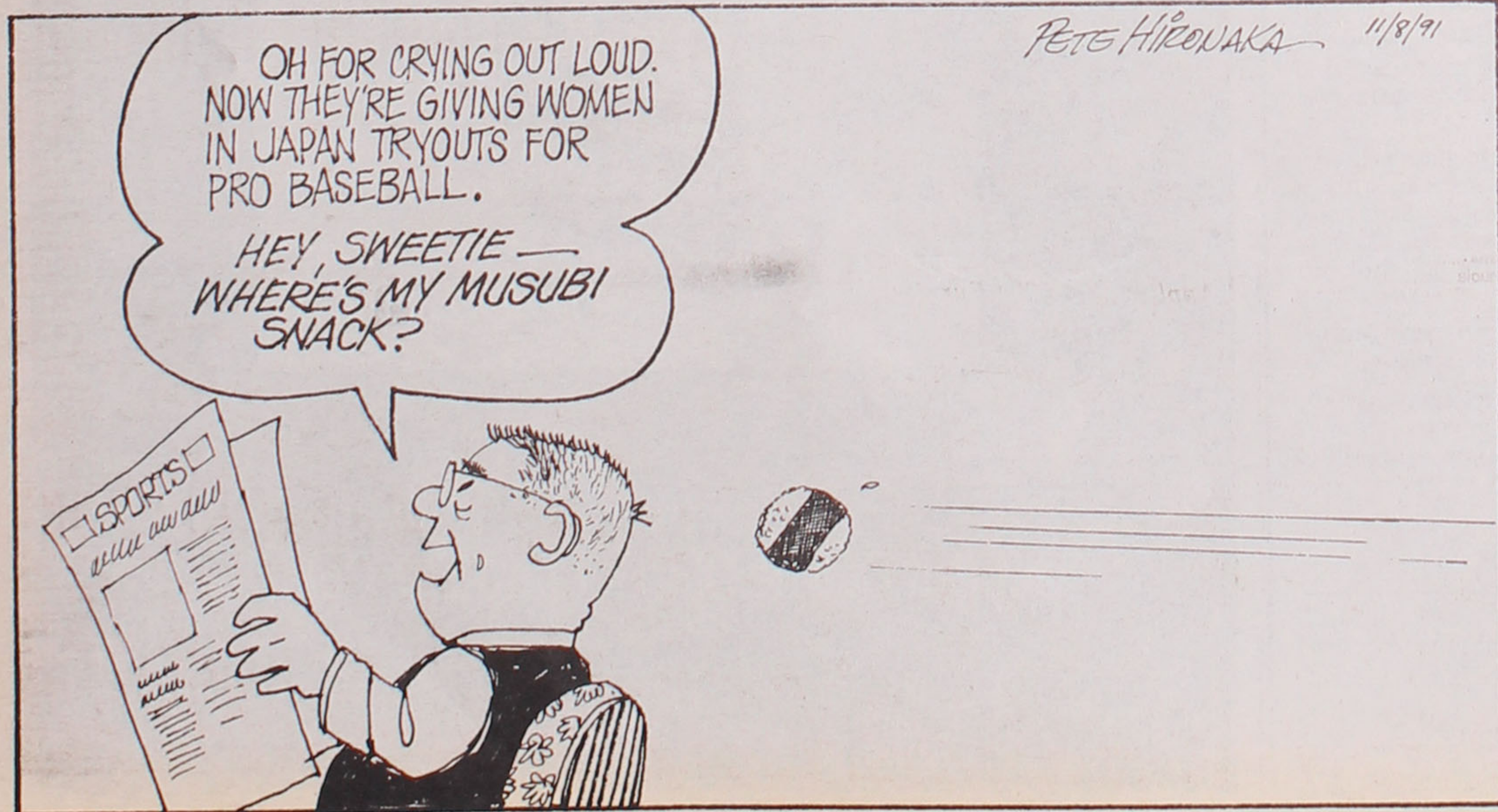
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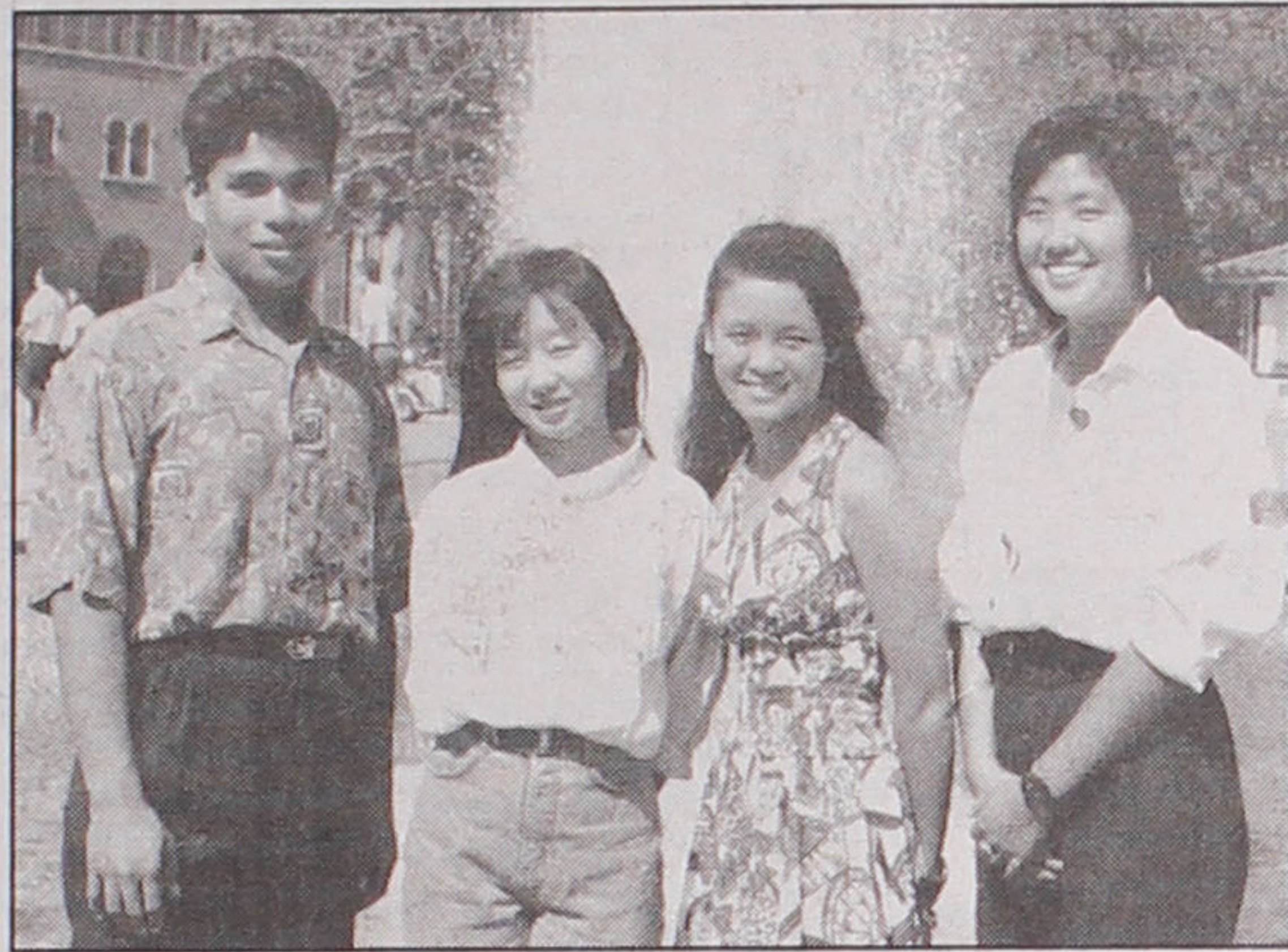
## Scholarships

### USC students awarded scholarships

LOS ANGELES—Seventeen students at the University of Southern California have received 1991-92 Asian Pacific American Support Group Scholarships.

Honored at a reception Thursday, Nov. 7, were: (undergraduates) Denise Kato, Oxnard, Calif.; Helen Kim, North Hollywood, Calif.; Mary Kim, Kailua, Hawaii; Yae Ri Kim, Kailua, Hawaii; Lindsay Po-Suen Lau, Redondo Beach, Calif.; Minh Quang Le, Annapolis, Md.; Valerie Tse Lee, Northbrook, Ill.; Lena Rathana Nouth, Aloha, Ore.; Denise Alane Quan, Los Angeles; Allyson Ngoc Tang, Baldwin Park, Calif.; Jason Eric Tayros, Pearl City, Hawaii; Anh Ngoc Truong, La Puente, Calif.; Laura Wu, Laguna Nigel, Calif.; and Christine Yabu, San Francisco; (graduate and professional) Victor Murray Hwang, Warren, N.J.; Quang Nguyen, Westminster, Calif.; and Kimberley Nobles, Hacienda Heights, Calif.

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**TOP STUDENTS**—from left, four of the 1991-92 APASG scholarship recipients at the University of Southern California, Jason Tayros of Pearl City, Hawaii; Anh Truong of La Puente, Calif.; Lindsay Lau, Redondo Beach, Calif. and Yae Ri Kim, Kailua, Hawaii.

scholarships, including the Mr. and Mrs. George Aratani Scholarship, the Soichi Fukui Memorial Scholarship, the Edna and Yu-Shan Han Memorial Schol-

arship, the Mary Lee Shon Scholarship, and the Carl M. Tamaki Memorial Scholarship. Information: Jeff Murakami, 213/740-4999.



**WINNERS**—Attending a recent scholarship awards dinner were, from left, Mo Noguchi, California Japanese American Alumni Assn. president, Carol Fujimura, Doug Sugimoto, Yumie Hosaka, Wendy Tanabe, Laurel Hamlin, Janet Lawrence and Neal Taniguchi, scholarship chairman.

### California group awards scholarships

SAN FRANCISCO—Scholarships were recently announced by the California Japanese American Alumni Assn. (CJAAA) at a recent event held here.

Mo Noguchi, CJAAA president, and Neal Taniguchi, scholarship chairman, made the presentations to local winners from UC, Berkeley, and UC, Davis, at the event.

CJAAA scholarship winners from other campuses will be awarded at dinners in their respective areas.

Those who have or will receive scholarships are: undergraduates (\$1,000 each)—Yumi Hosaka, Travis Kyota, Douglas Sugimoto, Loren Matsumura, Janet Lawrence, and Susan Ono; graduate

students (\$1,500 each)—Wendy Tanabe, Laurel Hamlin, Dale Shimasaki, Tina Yamano and Richard Shintaku.

The scholarship program is one of the activities of the California Japanese American Alumni Assn. whose membership is made up of Nikkei alumni from the University of California system. Another future project of the organization will be an internship program.

Michael Omi, UC, Berkeley professor, spoke on diversity on campus and the need for a more multicultural curriculum and faculty to reflect the support of the student population.

Information: Mo Noguchi: 415/499-1666.

### Contributions sought for Yasui fund

Donations are still being accepted for the Minoru Yasui Memorial Scholarship Fund, according to Tom Masamori, chairman of the project.

A civil rights advocate and attorney, Minoru Yasui was one of three Nisei who challenged the imprisonment of Japanese Americans during World War II. By taking a stand and defying the illegal curfew, Yasui was arrested and sentenced to nine months of solitary confinement. During the years that followed, Yasui practiced law, served as legal counsel and leader in dozens of community organizations and traveled extensively around the country supporting the JACL redress committee.

The fund was initially organized by the Mile-Hi JACL Chapter in conjunction with Nisei Post #185, American Legion of Colorado and other JACL chapters and community organizations in the Colorado area.

The fund will award a 1992 JACL national scholarship to a deserving undergraduate or graduate student.

Contributions to the Minoru Yasui Memorial Scholarship Fund may be sent to JACL national headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA, 94115. Students may apply for the scholarship by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to JACL headquarters, attention: national scholarship committee.

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**Hamasaki, Fred U, 70**, Los Angeles, Sept. 29; Long Beach-born, survived by wife Yoshiko, brothers Tamikazu, Charlie O, brother-in-law George Seko, sister-in-law Florence Kitabayashi.

**Hanaoka, Yoshinobu, 93**, Mission Hills, Sept. 27; Wakayama-born, survived by sons George, Roy, Bill, daughters Michiko Kosha, Yaeko Tanaka, 14 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, brothers Takaichi (Kingsburg), Masao (Brazil), sisters Ofumi Taniguchi, Fumie Hanaoka (both Jpn).

**Harada, Kiyo S, 76**, Seattle, Aug. 16; survived by husband Yoshito, sons Roger, Alan T, daughters Sanaye Nagai (Issaquah), Linda Kataoka, brother Shig Ishikawa, sisters Miye Ishikawa, Fumi Nishimura, 10 grandchildren.

**Hayashi, Asaki, 91**, Los Angeles, Oct. 6; Okayama-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by her son Noboru, 2 grandchildren.

**Hoashi, Hina, 94**, Alhambra, Sept. 6; Fukuoka-born, survived by daughter Etsuko, 2 grandchildren.

**Ihori, Fred T, 81**, Torrance, Aug. 17; Hawaii-born, survived by wife Sumiye, sons David, Steven, 5 grandchildren, sister Kikuyo Murai (Jpn), mother-in-law Suga Hatano, brothers-in-law Tom, James, Louie, Richard (Bonsall, Calif.), sisters-in-law Hideko Takamatsu (Jpn), Masako Nozu (Reno), Kuniko Higashi (Jpn), Chisato Kaneyuki (San Diego).

**Ishibashi, Kiyoshi, 74**, Inver Grove Heights, Minn., Sept. 13 (corrected: as noted in Oct. 11 P.C.)

**Kaida, Isami, 87**, Gardena, Oct. 9; Fukushima-born, survived by sons Jim Y, Akira, 2 granddaughters.

**Kaneshiro, Haruo 'Papa,' 84**, Honolulu, Sept. 23; Okinawan-born bonsai fancier who pioneered tropical and Hawaii plants (ironwood, ohia trees) since picking up the art in Hilo after WWII, a 31-inch Japanese black pine he had grown since 1950 was among four selected from Hawaii in 1990 for display at the National Arboretum, Washington, D.C., which has announced the museum's tropical greenhouse would named in his honor; founded Hawaii Bonsai Association in 1971 with attorney Ted Tsukiyama; survived by wife Masako, son David, daughters Jane Nakama, Muriel, Shirley Yamanuha, Deanne, Carol Ann Chang, 5 grandchildren.

**Kasugai, Yayono, 93**, Los Angeles, Oct. 8; Hiroshima-born, survived by her daughters Tazuko Hagiwara, Rikie Minato, 8 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren.

**Kawaguchi, Mary T, 67**, Ogden, Oct. 5; Compton-born, survived by husband Henry, sons Glen (West Jordan), Bob (Sandy), Gene (Centerville), daughter Nancy Yonetani, 8 grandchildren, brother Raymond Iriye (Yorba Linda, Calif.).

**Kitagawa, Mitsuzo, 89**, San Mateo, Oct. 8; Mie-born, survived by wife Sadako, sons William, George, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, sisters Yoshiko Takashi, Chiyo Inaba (both Jpn), sister-in-law Miyoko Kitagawa.

**Kobata, Kiyoko, 86**, Santa Clara, Sept. 11; Wakayama-born, survived by sons Ben, Hiroharu, daughters Alice Nakamura, Grace, Joyce, Kathryn Fujii, 11 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren.

**Kochiyama, Frank I, 81**, Gardena, Sept. 29; Long Beach-born, survived by daughter Teruko Okabe, 9 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, sisters Shizuko Asahi, Sueko Tsuye.

**Komoto, David T, 66**, San Dimas, Aug. 16; Hiroshima-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by wife Kimiko, son Yoichi, daughter Yoko, 3 grandchildren, stepbrother Tadao Komoto (Jpn), sisters-in-law Tamaki Keda, Rose Sakurai.

**Matsushima, Isamu**, Gardena, Aug. 12 (funeral); longtime Gardena realtor, survived by wife Sumie, sons Glenn, Dr. Robert, daughter Julie Miyamura, 5 grandchildren, brothers Dave, William, sister Hatsuko Fujii, sisters-in-law Gladys Tanamachi, Martha Kawada, Kimi Nakaoka.

**Matsuura, Stanley**, Honolulu, April 14 of lung cancer; Hawaii-born dental technician in New York and San Francisco (1966-1985), survived by wife Jean Seiki, daughters Carolyn Hosoda (San Francisco), Jane Matsuura-Rogers (Mililani Town, Oahu), 5 grandchildren.

**Mayeda, Yoshiko, 73**, Oceanside, Oct. 5; Pasadena-born, survived by husband Tetsuya, sons Jon, Paul, 1 grandson, brother Tom Homma (Illinois), sisters Emiko Sawanaga (Jpn), Teiko Homma.

**Nakamoto, Matsuye, 67**, Los Angeles, Oct. 11; Fresno-born, survived by sons Stanley K, Donald J, 1 granddaughter, 6 brothers Harry, Ken, Dan, Leo, Floyd, Victor (all Fresno), sisters Amy Mikuni, Erma Aoki (both Fresno), brothers-in-law Kenichi Nakamoto, Morito Nakamoto (Fresno).

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