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BOB SUZUKI  
Cleared of hiring moves

## College president Suzuki absolved of wrongdoing

After a two-and-a-half month inquiry, Cal Poly Pomona President Bob Suzuki was exonerated Sept. 2 from any wrongdoing involving the hiring of Henry and Jennifer Whang to develop the English Language Institute, according to a report in the *Rafu Shimpō*.

Suzuki called for an inquiry in a letter to the chancellor June 16 after news reports alleged that Henry Whang continued to receive a monthly salary of \$5,080 five months after he was terminated. Whang and his wife, Jennifer, were employed by the university to increase ties with Asian colleges and attract more Asian students to Cal Poly Pomona. The report defended the English Language Institute, with Noel Grogan, director, Human Resources Programs and Services, noting that the program has brought in \$60,000 to \$70,000 during its 15-month existence. The Whangs worked for the university from September, 1991 to October, 1992.

Suzuki was joined at the press conference by Barry Munitz, chancellor, California State University and Grogan.

Munitz said, "We have found no violations of state law and no misuse of state funds. We looked at the employment of Henry Whang, and found out that to the extent to which the president was involved, he clearly acted in accordance to university policies."

The report also cleared Suzuki of impropriety involving allegations that he accepted a \$1,000 per month off-campus housing stipend which he received even after moving into the university's Manor House.

Munitz said that Suzuki's housing allowance was used to reimburse him for items he purchased for Manor House refurbishing.

"Bob and Agnes Suzuki made a donation back to the institution for their allowance. They used about \$14,000 in housing allowances to furnish their on-campus home," said Munitz.

## Cleveland tri-district conference

# Leadership

Conference workshop focuses on qualifications but beyond that questions such as issues and chapter involvement arise . . .

By RICHARD SUENAGA  
Editor

CLEVELAND—Leadership is more than just pointing, directing or heading out one way or another. Leadership embraces certain qualities and qualifications; it has skills and an ability to assess and move ahead with purpose.

It's the principal ingredient in moving companies, corporations, countries and civil rights organizations.

And it was, appropriately, one of the workshop sessions at the Aug. 20 tri-district conference here.

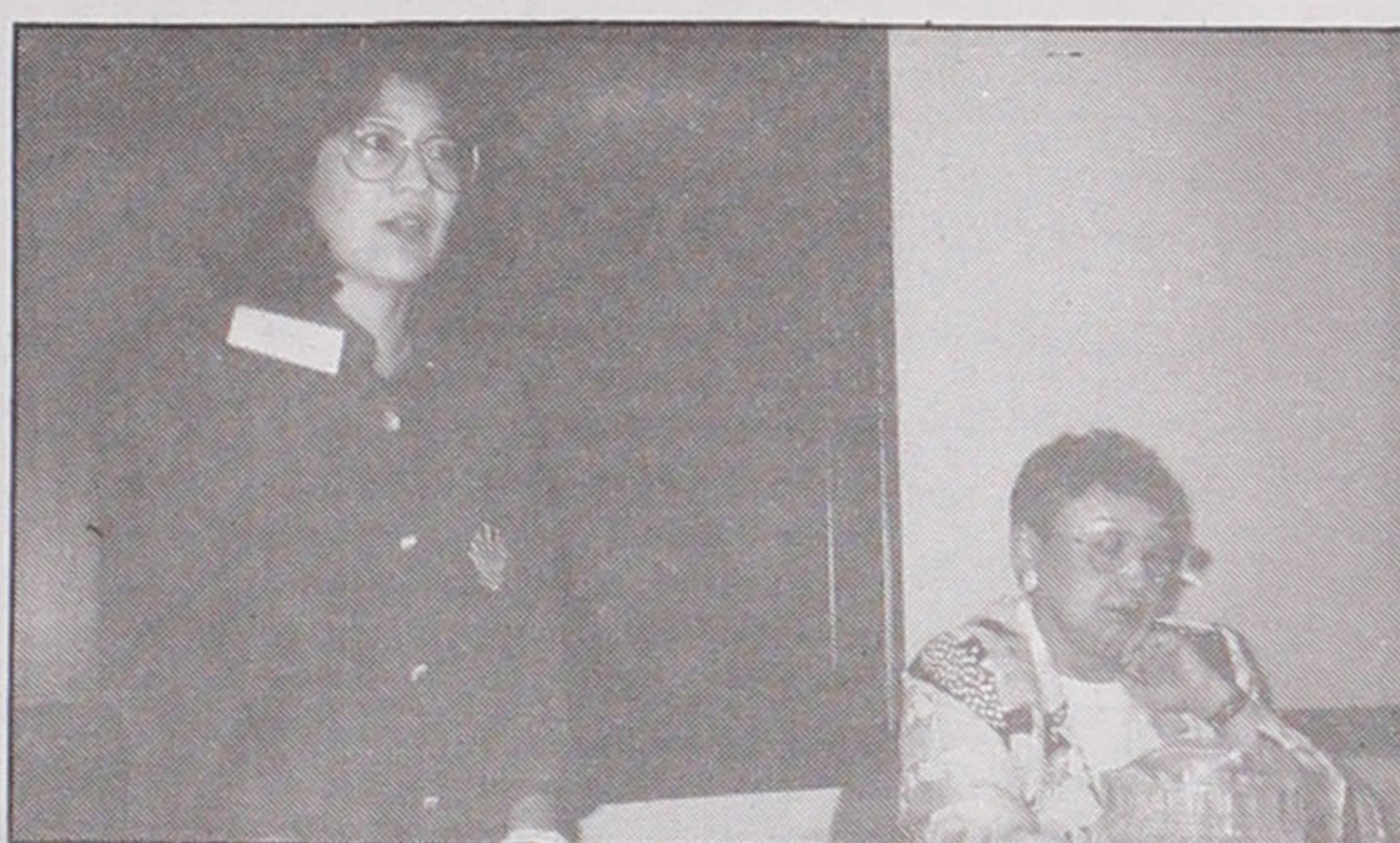
Leading the session was Lillian Kimura, JACL national president. The workshop moderator was Patricia Ikeda Carper, president of the Cincinnati Chapter.

The JACL leaders began the session by breaking audience members in groups to play the "Moon Game," designed to determine levels of leadership skills.

Kimura then asked JACL members in the audience for specific qualifications of leadership. Here are their calls:

- ☐ Communication skills.
- ☐ Cool-headedness, poise.
- ☐ Vision.
- ☐ Use of people.
- ☐ Analytical skills.
- ☐ Common sense.
- ☐ Risk-taking.
- ☐ Ability to organize.

- ☐ Ability to build coalitions.
- ☐ Political sense.
- ☐ Self-confidence.
- ☐ Doing your homework.
- ☐ Commitment.



LEADING THE WAY—Patricia Ikeda Carper, Cincinnati Chapter, JACL, president, introduces Lillian Kimura at workshop on leadership in Cleveland.

Referring to the book, *On Becoming a Leader*, by Warren Benes, Kimura added to the list:

- ☐ Ability to express yourself fully.
- ☐ Ability to assess strengths and weaknesses.
- ☐ Guiding vision.
- ☐ Passion.
- ☐ Integrity.
- ☐ Trust.
- ☐ Curiosity.
- ☐ Daring.

She asked members to consider how many of these qualifications they use as JACL leaders.

With these in mind, Kimura then opened the session up to a general discussion, including factors that thwart leadership.

First to be mentioned as an undermining of leadership was burnout, specifically, the situation in which a leader takes on too much responsibility.

Kimura asked: "Is this cultural?"

John Nakahata, president of the Washington, D.C., Chapter, said he didn't think it was neces-

Kathy Akiya Vaughn, president of the Cleveland Chapter, said that within JACL the biggest problem is "a lack of information passed down to new leaders. We have national handbooks but we never got them."

The workshop then focused on chapter meetings. "Do you prefer issue-oriented meetings or social events?" Kimura asked. "What brings new people to the chapter?"

Nakahata responded: "Multi-cultural, family issues."

Pat Okura, former JACL president and member of the Washington, D.C., Chapter, said that for his own age group, cultural aspects and issues such as health care were important.

Nakahata said that it was important to "market to your niche. The organization grows by fulfilling that niche."

Chiye Tomihiro of the Chicago Chapter said that civil rights should be the principal chapter concern. "In Chicago we have a Human Rights Committee," she

**"Do you prefer issues-oriented meetings or social events? What brings new people to the chapter?"**

—Lillian Kimura

said. "Culture is fine but what are we here for?"

Randy Shibata of the New Mexico Chapter said that "to sur-

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## EDC: Maebori re-elected, new internship added

Teresa Maebori was re-elected governor of the Eastern District Council, JACL, at its tri-district conference, Aug. 20-22. Serving as vice governors are Ron Uba, New York Chapter, Scott Nagao, Seabrook Chapter, and Lily Okura, Washington, D.C., Chapter.

Here are other highlights from the council's meeting:

■ **Internships:** The Washington, D.C., part-time intern has been conducting research on educational guidelines for four different states. According to EDC Gov. Maebori, none of these states have mandated guidelines. Each school establishes its

own policies. Intern Michael Yang had gathered information that will be valuable to JACL to address its concerns and needs in these states. His successor, Craig Tanabe, has continued that research, Maebori said.

Under new business, the council voted for the addition of another intern to finish up the project. With the passage of that motion, the council announced that applications would be considered for that position.

■ **Chapter reports:** Washington, D.C. Chapter—President John Nakahata said that members have been focusing on rebuilding a sense of community.

In this respect, he said he felt it was important to create many social events that would strengthen ties within the chapter.

Nakahata also reported on chapter involvement in the movie *Karate Kid IV*. Some 30 to 40 members were hired as extras in the filming in Washington, D.C., recently. The money was donated to the chapter.

The president also announced the planning of a health care reform workshop to be conducted by Pat Okura.

Seabrook Chapter—President Ellen Nakamura reported on fund-raising events, including a

social event, a senior citizen appreciation night and one for June graduates.

New York Chapter—President Tom Kometani reported on members' involvement in a protest of the movie *Rising Sun*. Several members participated in the protest held April 30 in Times Square in New York City where the film premiered. Kometani said that media coverage was extensive and that the impact of the protest was significant.

The president also announced a planned September program on the "glass ceiling, and an up-

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## Racism worse than ever—everywhere, says U.S. commission report

While the areas are different, the feeling is the same—racism is getting worse, according to a report in *Civil Rights Update*, the newsletter of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. In reports to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights state advisory committees across the country reported on the state of racism in their areas. Overall, the news indicates a nationwide resurgence in racial tension. Following are some of the comments:

### ● Florida

"This city is sick with racism," said the Rev. John Newman from Jacksonville, Florida. "It oozes racism. In Jacksonville,

it's okay to be insensitive to African Americans."

The mayor of Jacksonville recently vetoed a set-aside bill which would have required a percentage of the city's contract work to go to African Americans and women.

### ● Kentucky

"I see Louisville as a slow, smoldering volcano, and the volcano is going to erupt in the West End," said Fran Thomas, executive director, the Kentucky Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression. He said Louisville is a city which is racially segregated and where little

progress in race relations has been made. Lexington Police Chief Larry Walsh conceded that police officers exercising bad judgment sometimes leads to harassment. "It unfortunately does happen," he said.

### ● Ohio

"We know for a fact that racial tension is increasing," said Arzell Nelson, director of the Cincinnati Human Relations Commission, speaking before the Ohio Advisory Committee. A recent survey by the Cincinnati Human Relations Commission on the racial attitudes of 350 to 400 is currently being prepared for release.

## Telecommunications study

The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will participate in a study of the "role of telecommunications in crimes of hate and violent acts against individuals based on ethnicity, religion, race, and sexual preference."

The study was ordered by Congress last year and is to be spearheaded by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration. See related story on page 3.



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## Calendar

### Northeast U.S. New York City

Sun. Sept. 19—Community tribute to Isaku and Emi Kida, publishers of New York Nichibei (1948-93), 2 p.m., Flower Drum Restaurant, 856 Second Ave. (btwn. 45th-46th Sts.), RSVP \$50, by Sept. 7 to: Steve Wada-Kida Tribute, 48 Grand St., New York, NY 10013. Information: Taxie Kusunoki Wada 212/255-1881 aft.

Sat.-Sun. Sept. 25-26—100th Anniversary reunion 3 p.m. Sat., worship service 11 a.m. Sun., Japanese American United Church, 255 7th Ave. (24th St.), New York City. Information: 212/242-9444. NOTE—Attendees of three mission churches, two Reformed and one Methodist, ME Kyokai, N.Y. Kyokai and Shudo-Kai, are marking the arrival in 1893 of evangelist Okajima Kinya from Portland, Ore., who opened a boarding mission house for Japanese seamen near the Brooklyn Navy Yard. To culminate year-long observance with a gala banquet in the fall of 1994.

Sat.-Sun. Sept. 25-26—Festival of Korea, nation-wide tour of traditional music and dance of Chongak and Eunyul Talch'um Co., Lincoln Center, Alice Tully Hall.

### Washington, D.C.

Tue. Sept. 28—Festival of Korea, nation-wide tour of traditional music and dance of Chongak and Eunyul Talch'um Co., 8 p.m. Lisner Auditorium, The Geo. Washington University.

Thu.-Sat. Oct. 21-23, MIS / Washington, DC Reunion—Crystal Gateway Marriott, Arlington, Va. THU- Panel discussions, golf tournament, sightseeing, buffet mixer, FRI - morning rites at Arlington National Cemetery, luncheon at Capitol Hill and tour of Congress, reception at the Japanese Embassy; SAT - boat cruise with lunch, grand banquet, presentation of Philippine campaign medals; Information: Japanese American Veterans Association, PO Box 391, Vienna, VA 22183. NOTE: Oral history workshop with Dr. Glenda Nogami, U.S. Army History Institute at Carlisle, Pa., to assist.

### Florida

#### Del Ray Beach

Sept. 14-Nov. 7—Smithsonian-NJAHS-Oakland Museum, exhibit: "Strength and Diversity, Japanese American Women 1885-1990," The Morikami, west of Jog Rd. (btwn Linton Blvd. and Clint Moore Rd.), 407/0233, closed Mondays. [Permanent exhibit on "Yamato Colony" to be added this fall.]

### Missouri

#### St. Louis

Sat.-Sun. Nov. 6-7—International Folkfest of 60 ethnic and international groups, Webster University, St. Louis. Information: International Institute, 314/773-9090.

### Illinois

#### Chicago

Sept. 11-Sept. 24—DESTINAsian: non-traditional art by pan-Asian Americans, South Shore Cultural Center, 7059 South Shore Dr. Information: Maureen Mark, 312/275-7101. [Opening reception Sat. Sept. 11, 2-4 p.m.]

### Oregon

#### Portland

Through Jan. 16—JANM exhibit: "Japanese Pioneers of Oregon," Oregon Historical Society, 1200 SW Park Ave., Portland. 503/222-1741. Thu admission free to seniors over age 60. Monthly lectures, all Thursdays, 7:30 p.m.: Sept. 16—"Oregon Issei Poetry," Lawson Inada; Oct. 14—"Issei Pioneers in Hawaii and the Mainland," Dr. Akemi

Kikumura and George Katagiri; Nov. 18—"Memories, Visions and Realities," Dr. Linda Tamura; Dec. 9—"Spacious Dreams," Dr. Lauren Kessler, Dr. Homer Yasui; Jan. 13—"Between Camp and Home," Dr. Robert Sims.

### Nevada

#### Reno

Fall Dates—Sun. Sept. 19—JACL fish fry, Knights of Pythias Hall; Sun., Oct. 17—JACL potluck, noon, Knights of Pythias Hall.

Sun.-Tue. Sept. 26-28, Tule Lake / Tri-State HS Class of '43, 50th Anniversary—Harrah's Casino Hotel, Reno; Mixer, dinner, golf tournament, Virginia City tour, get-away breakfast. Late registration call: Tom Fujimoto (916) 427-6839.

Fri.-Sun. Sept. 30-Oct. 3, Gila River / All Canal High School, Class of '43—Sands Regency Hotel Casino, Reno; Information: George Tamori (510) 685-4360, Merry Kurosaki (916) 395-3911, Jiro Fujii (510) 232-8154. For bus trip: Natsuko Kimura (209) 646-2787.

### Las Vegas

Sun. Oct. 10—JACL Luau, St. Viator's Comm. Ctr. Information: Marie Stapleton 702/648-3894.

Fri.-Sun. Nov. 5-7—JACL PSWDC Conference, Boardwalk Hotel, 3750 Las Vegas Blvd South (btwn Flamingo and Tropicana), 702/735-1167; SAT: dinner. Information: PSW JACL Office 213/626-4471, Bill Endow 702/878-1589.

### California

#### Sacramento Valley

Fri.-Sun. Sept. 17-19, Marysville Area Old Timers Nikkei Reunion—Events include Friday mixer, Saturday luncheon/banquet, Colusa visit, golf, fishing, Reno trip. Registration and information: Mazie Sasaki, 938 Chestnut St., Yuba City, CA 95991.

#### San Francisco

Sat. Sept. 11—Okinawa Dance recital by National Treasure masters Miyagi Noho and Shiroma Tokutaro, 5:30 p.m., Herbst Theater, 401 Van Ness Ave., S.F. Box Office: 415/392-4400. Information: Noriyoshi Arakaki 510/776-1999.

Sat. Sept. 25—JCCCNC Open House, 20th anniversary celebration: "Remembrance and Renewal," 12-5 p.m., 1840 Sutter St., S.F.; Information: JCCCNC 415/567-5505.

#### Eastbay

Sun. Sept. 12—Food fair, 12n - 5 p.m., Sycamore Congregational Church, 1111 Navellier St., El Cerrito.

Sun. Sept. 26—J.A. Diablo Valley Club old-timers get-together, 3105 Treat Blvd., Concord, 12:30 p.m. Information: Shoji Tamori 510/680-4571, 834 Tamori Ln, Concord, CA 94518.

Mon. Sept. 27—E.B. Nikkei Singles potluck dinner, Tower Club, 3600 Hillview Dr., Richmond, 6:30 p.m.; Mei Nakano, speaker, "Issei parents and their writings." Information: Millie Nakano 510/223-5619.

#### San Jose-Monterey

Sun. Sept. 12, Nikkei PreWWII Sports Reunion—6th annual barbecue, 5 p.m., S.J. Buddhist church Annex. Reservations and information: Japanese American Resource Center, c/o Ken Iwagaki, treas., 15292 Stafford Court, Monte Sereno, CA 95030.

Sat. Sept. 18, San Benito County Oldtimers Reunion—Luncheon, noon-5 p.m., Ridgemark Golf and Country Club, Hollister. Registration \$20 to: Mitsugi Hane, 778 N. 6th St., San Jose, CA 95112; Information: Amy Nagareda (408) 295-3710, Hiroshi Wada (213) 321-9761.

Fri.-Sun. Sept. 17-19, San Jose High '43 Alumni Reunion—Red Lion Hotel. Contact: Mrs. Hershella Oakes (408) 247-4133.

### Fresno-Central Cal

Sun. Sept. 19—JACL Fresno/CDCD 8th annual Shin Zen Run, Woodward Park; all starts & finish near Shin Zen Garden; 8 a.m.—10-K run, 7:30 a.m.—2-mile run, 7:30 a.m.—2-mile walk, 7:15 a.m.—1-K race for kids. Entry fee until Sept. 7: \$10 (\$5 for 1-K Kids run), thereafter \$13 (\$7 kids). Registration forms, Central San Joaquin Valley sporting goods stores, JACL CDCD office. Information: JACL 209/486-6815, Debbie Ikeda 209/434-1264. [\* A triple-point event in the Bud Light Runner of the Year series.]

### Los Angeles-Orange

Through Oct. 17—Japanese American National Museum Jack M. Iwata photo exhibit, "One More Shot: Documenting Changing U.S.-Japan Relations," 369 E. First St., L.A. Information: 213/625-0414.

Fri. Sept. 10—JACL Greater L.A. Singles dinner, 7 p.m., Marie Callender's, Redondo Beach Blvd. and Western, Gardena. Information: Joyce Kuruma 310/691-9686.

Sat. Sept. 11—Church Faire, food-bazaar, Union Church of L.A., 401 E. 3rd St., 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sun. Sept. 12—"Financial Planning," Richard Nakawatase, speaker, 1:30 p.m., Nikkei Widowed Group, JACCC Pioneer Center, information: Karl Oike 310/837-7662.

Sun. Sept. 12—Jazz pianist/composer Glenn Horiuchi's Quartet concert of "Precision" with saxophonist Francis Wong, percussionist Jeanette Wrate and bassist Anders Swanson, 7 p.m., Harbor College Recital Hall, 1111 Figueroa Pl., Wilmington. Tickets: 213/913-0817.

Sat. Sept. 18—Hiroshima Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission, 5th annual luncheon 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Fu-Shing Restaurant, 3500 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena, CA (818) 792-8898; Roster and information: Frank Oshita, 1708 Sierra Vista Ave., Alhambra, CA 91808, (818) 281-4757.

Sat. Sept. 18—Japanese American Historical Society of Southern California awards dinner; Nobuko Miyamoto, Harold Muraoka, Helen Nakano, Glenn Omatsu, Visual Communications, honorees; Torrance Holiday Inn, Del Amo, \$35 dinner. Information: RSVP by Sept. 10, Iku Kiriya 310/326-0608. [Date Corrected]

Sun. Sept. 19—O.C. Sansei Singles picnic, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Liberty Park, Studebaker Rd. south of South St. and north of 195th St., Cerritos. RSVP by Sept. 10 to save \$3, call Dix: 310/516-8762. Cost - \$7 members, \$5 children, \$10 non-members.

Wed. Sept. 22—Festival of Korea, nation-wide tour of traditional music and dance of Chongak and Eunyul Talch'um Co., 7 p.m. UCLA Royce Hall, Tickets: 310/825-2101.

Thu. Sept. 23—Asn Amer Adv and Pub Rel Alliance mixer-seminar, "Target: The U.S. Asian Market," Ms. Angi Ma Wong, speaker; Information: Lynne Choy Uyeda, 213/939-9088.

Fri. Sept. 24—Little Tokyo Service Center 14th annual awards dinner, The Rafu Shippo's 90 Years, 6 p.m., Westin Bonaventure Hotel, Information: 213/680-3729 weekdays.

### Southern California

Sun. Sep. 19—JACL San Diego / Union of Pan Asian Communities classic film series: "Autumn Afternoon" by Ozu; 2 p.m., Kiku Gardens Senior Housing Project, 1260 Third Ave., Chula Vista. Information: Kiku Gardens 619/422-4951, free to seniors, others \$2 donations. Coming: Oct. 17—"Kwaidan," Nov. 21—"Kagemusha" by Kurosawa.

Sat. Sept. 25—San Diego Buddhist Temple fashion show, 2929 Market St., 11 a.m.-4 p.m., featuring Kanajo's "Fall Collection." Information: Ben Honda 610/277-8082, Tsune Hashiguchi 619/278-7630, free.

### Small kid time



Gwen Muranaka



## More laws needed to fight hate violence, says California official

SACRAMENTO —California Lt. Gov. Leo McCarthy said California must step up its assault on crimes of hate in the face of a mounting epidemic of hate-motivated assault and vandalism.

At a Sept. 7 State Capitol news conference with legislators, educators and representatives of several minority community organizations, McCarthy called for enactment of a series of measures designed to help promote intergroup tolerance and to monitor better the incidence of hate crimes. "California can and must do more to push back the poisonous tide of bigotry and hatred that is flooding our state. As the recession lingers and economic stresses mount, so does the occurrence of scapegoating that often results in violent attacks, threats and vandalism," McCarthy said, adding "While we've given law enforcement the tools to go after and

punish hate criminals, we now need to focus on deterrence—preventing hate crimes through education and community vigilance." McCarthy joined State Sen. Diane Watson (D-Los Angeles) and Assemblywoman Barbara Lee (D-Oakland) in calling for passage and enactment of SB 559 (Watson) to fund a statewide hate crime reporting database; AB 1296 (Lee) to develop a model program for community-based hate violence prevention; and AB 1299 (Lee) to establish the California Schools Human Rights Advisory Commission. The commission would identify and develop anti-hate curriculum and hate-conflict resolution guidelines for California schools. The measure would also require schools to report hate motivated incidents. The legislation is based in part on the recommendations of McCarthy's Commission on the Prevention of Hate

Violence, which issued a report last year recommending a number of state and local responses aimed at hate violence prevention and the promotion of intergroup harmony.

McCarthy said reports by community groups like the Los Angeles County Human Relations Commission, the Anti-Defamation League and the Community United Against Violence have documented steady increases in hate crimes over the past several years.

McCarthy noted that documented hate crimes in Los Angeles, the most populous county, hit an all-time high in 1992 with a record 736 reported incidents of criminal bigotry based on the victims' race, sexual orientation, religion, gender, ethnicity or disability. The number represents an increase of 11 percent over 1991 figures.

## Illinois ethnic group to discuss negative images in film, TV

Many of Chicago's ethnic groups have responded angrily to what they perceive as negative images in film and on television—images that play on damaging stereotypes and reinforce racist beliefs, according to the Illinois Ethnic Coalition (IEC).

To address these concerns, the IEC sponsors its second open forum, titled *Ethnic Images in Hollywood: Presumed Innocent or Lethal Weapon?*

The forum is scheduled for Sept. 23, at Reza's Persian Restaurant, 432 W. Ontario, Chicago.

Films such as *Rising Sun*, *Falling Down*, *Menace II Society*, and Disney's *Aladdin*, as well as television series such as *The Untouchables* and even *The Cosby Show*, have raised important questions about Hollywood's effect on the

way ethnics relate to one another and how others view minorities.

"Is Hollywood responsible for contributing to racism and bigotry in our society or is the movie and television industry an easy target for our frustrations? Have we become so politically correct that we can no longer be entertained?" the IEC asked.

Does diversity within the ranks of the Hollywood elite mean that ethnic groups are portrayed in a more positive light or more realistically?

These are some of the questions the forum will explore, the IEC says.

Tia Carrere, an Asian American actress, said that she relished her leading role in *Rising Sun* because her character challenged traditional stereotypes of Asian

women, the IEC says. The universally acclaimed *Godfather* movies which in many respects made the Mafia simultaneously feared and admired—were directed by Francis Ford Coppola—an Italian American. Even images that feature overwhelmingly positive characters, such as those projected by *The Cosby Show*, have been criticized for sending the message that everything's okay in black America.

Speaking at the event will be Jonathan Rosenbaum, film critic for the *Chicago Reader*, Ginny Holbert, TV critic for the *Chicago Sun-Times*, and Chicago filmmaker and executive director of the Blacklight Film Festival, Floyd Webb.

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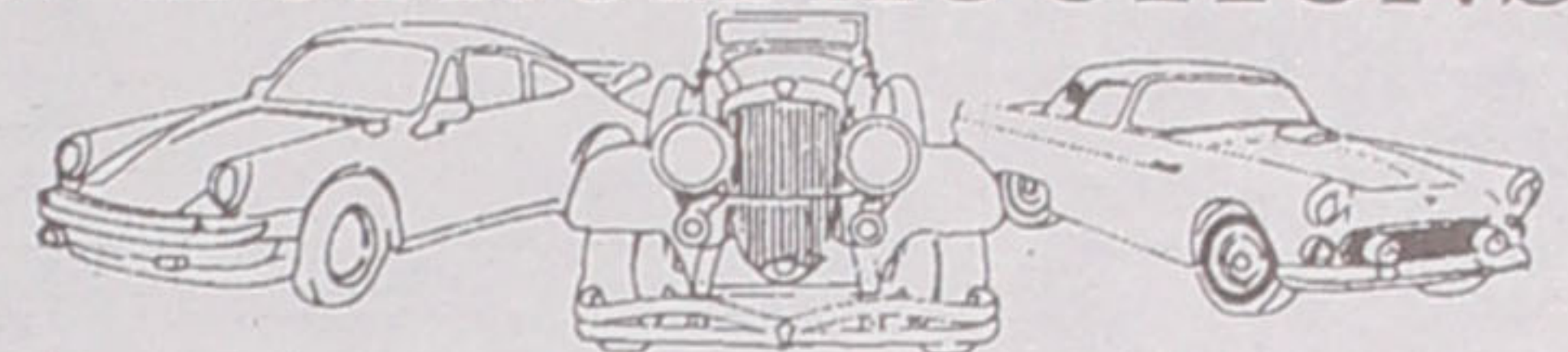
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## 1994 JACL convention previews

### Salt Lake City offers variety of activities

Participants attending the 1994 National JACL Convention will have the opportunity to personally experience the acclaimed music of the famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir. The choir practices and performs each week across the street from the Convention site at the domed Tabernacle located on Temple Square. The choir's rehearsal is open to the public on Thursdays at 8 p.m. The network choir broadcast is held Sundays at 9:30 a.m. The public is invited to attend either event free of charge.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon) offers many interesting events to the public daily. Free guided tours are conducted from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. in the summer. Free organ recitals are held at noon and at 2 p.m. Monday through Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday.

The Visitors' Center on the Square offers films and other information about the church and area. The peaceful beauty of the Temple Grounds make the visit worthwhile. Museums are close by.

The new Joseph Smith Memorial Building (formerly the Hotel Utah) offers a film showing the

### Trace your roots ...

One of the workshops requested by JACL members and being planned by the 1994 Convention Committee will be one on family history. Shake Ushio, a long time JACL leader from the Mount Olympus Chapter, is a vice chairman of the 1994 convention. He was chairman of the convention held in Salt Lake City years ago and was instrumental in encouraging the chapter to bid to host the convention again. Shake has been busy writing his own family's history in the Salt Lake Valley and is in charge of the workshop on family history. Whether or not you attend the family history workshop, a visit to the Family History Library may be interesting.

Anyone familiar with genealogy will know that the Mormon Church, with headquar-

ters in Salt Lake City, is at the forefront of family history issues. The Family History Library is located just steps away from the JACL convention site and has the world's largest collection of genealogical materials. The library welcomes the public to browse or to do genealogical research. No fee is charged to use the collection. The library is open daily except Sundays, most evenings until 10 p.m.

The new Joseph Smith Memorial Building also has computers for use by the public. Information may be found on your own family members, such as death dates and social security numbers. Learn more about your own family by attending the 1994 JACL National Convention.

trials of the Church's early pioneers.

Start making your plans now to

join your fellow JACLers in Salt Lake City, Utah, for the 1994 National Convention.

### Take a trip to Topaz ...

The 1994 Convention Committee has received member inquiries into a trip to the Topaz Camp near Delta, Utah, during the 1994 Convention in Salt Lake City.

Topaz, which housed primarily people from the San Francisco Bay Area during the war, was one of the 10 World War II internment camps run by the United States government. The barren, dusty desert area camp became home to 8,000 internees.

The Return to Topaz '93 excursion held in May, 1993, by former

Topaz internees, families, and friends was apparently entirely worthwhile—although emotional, moving, and difficult.

A similar excursion is being planned for 1994 Convention participants and boosters. Because of tight schedules and the distance from Salt Lake City, it will probably be necessary to plan the outing for the Sunday following the business sessions and Sayonara Ball, after the official convention has concluded. It will be an optional full-day event.

This is a major part of the Japanese American experience and history. With the redress movement, which officially became a JACL issue at the last National Convention held in Salt Lake City 15 years ago, has come an increased interest in and awareness of the Japanese American camp years.

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## Mike M. Masaoka Fellowship

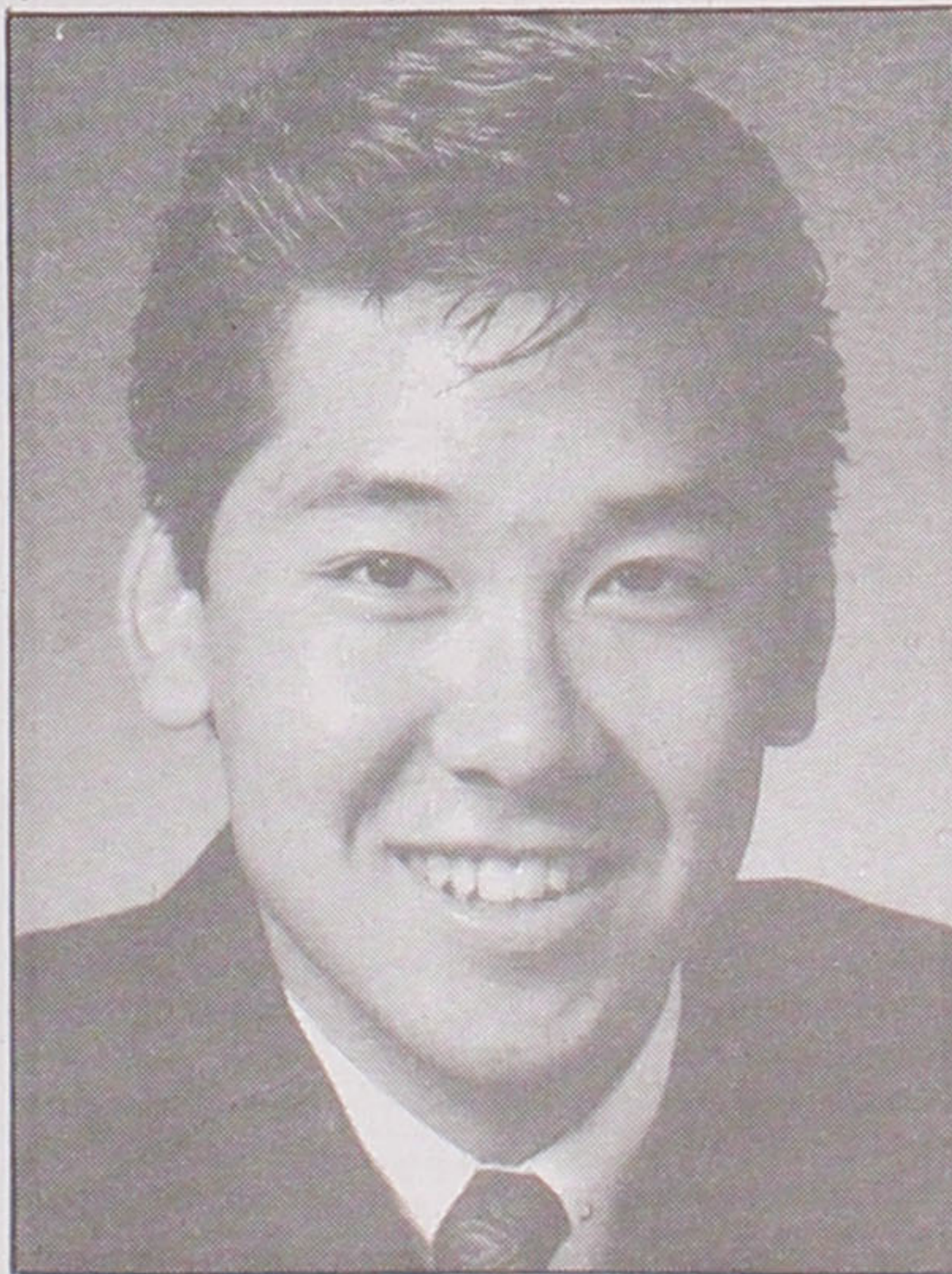
Joseph Horiye

### The D.C. experience

"When people see us together they assume he's related to me," said Congressman Norman Y. Mineta of young Joe Horiye, a fourth generation Yonsei from San Diego. But Mineta, the powerful chair of the House Public Works and Transportation Committee, said he straightens people out real quick. "I tell them, 'no, that's Joe, one of my best staff members—the Mike Masaoka Fellow.'"

On Capitol Hill, Joe Horiye wears the distinction well. The fellowship program, sponsored by the Japanese American Citizens League, was designed to encourage public service among young people in the community by exposing them to the inner workings of a congressional personal staff office. The fellowship is named in honor of the late Mike M. Masaoka, who served as the JACL's first Washington, D.C., representative. Masaoka left his imprint on more than 500 pieces of legislation, including laws that gave all legal resident Asians the right to become naturalized American citizens, and the repeal of the Japanese Exclusion Act. It was only fitting that the first fellow was to work under Congressman Mineta, the principal author of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, the law that redressed the internment of Americans of Japanese descent during World War II. It could have

been a daunting and intimidating situation. Joe Horiye, 24 years old, was well qualified for the task. He graduated from San Diego State University with a bachelor of science degree, business admin-



istration, finance, December 1990. During that time he served as his university's first Asian American student body president and CEO for the \$7 million corporation, Associated Students in 1990.

Before coming to Washington, D.C., Horiye worked for the Greater San Diego Chamber of Commerce and held positions on the San Diego County Alcohol and

Drug Advisory Board and the San Diego Board of Directors, JACL.

His varied experience in business and student government has helped him adapt to the rigors of Congress. In Mineta's office,

Horiye serves as the Congressman's Legislative Assistant for agricultural issues, and works closely with senior staff members on science, space, and technology issues, campaign finance reform, trade, and Asian Pacific American community issues. Also, he is responsible for an English language education project and researches and formulates position papers for communicating with constituents.

"I have had the opportunity to do so much," Horiye says. "Among things I do is advise the congressman co-sponsoring amendments, recommend voting positions on bills and bill work on drafting bills, assist in the passage of agriculture appropriations, meet with special interest groups, and witness the effects of the decisions. There really is so much to do."

"Joe is genial and hard-working," Congressman Mineta said, speaking of the performance of the first Masaoka Fellow. "He's such a quick study, we were able to throw him right into the mix. He's been a real asset to my total office operations and sets a high

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## Legacy Fund

### Campaign reaches \$4,240,000 mark

It's a familiar lament: good news tempered by bad. The good news, said Grayce Uyehara, chairwoman of the Legacy Fund Campaign Committee, is that the organization has been able to raise more than \$4,240,000 in contributions and pledges as of July 30, 1993. Reporting to members at the Aug. 20-22 Cleveland tri-district conference, she said, "It's great work accomplished by about 20 chapters. Many achieved 42% to 150% of their assigned goals."

Now, the bad news. Uyehara said that many chapters have only raised 1 to 2 percent of their goals. "That's why we haven't gone to the \$5 million mark," she said.

And with the absence of a national director, a director of development and a noticeable slowdown in fund-raising, Uyehara announced that the Legacy Fund campaign will be officially closed by the fall of 1995. The goal of the campaign, begun in October of 1990, was to raise \$10 million "to ensure that future generations will have the financial support to continue the JACL's mission and to fund new programs which will benefit our community."



**WELL DONE**—Grayce Uyehara, Legacy Fund Campaign Committee chairwoman, presents plaque to Hank Tanaka of the Cleveland Chapter for the group's highest achievement in fund-raising.

#### Legacy Fund: outstanding chapter performances

Chapter	Percent	Membership	Amount
Cleveland	159%	127	\$ 78,785
Mt. Olympus	155%	122	15,520
Philadelphia	148%	143	103,425
Seattle	140%	448	280,765
Selma	128%	91	37,110
Wisconsin	128%	109	67,666
New Mexico	101%	63	18,550
San Luis			
Obispo	100%	68	27,400*
Twin Cities	100%	137	51,047*

\*These figures are based on contributions recently received at National Headquarters through July 30, 1993.

## Grants give chapters creativity to tell Japanese American story

"While I was growing up in Riverside I felt a real void, but wasn't quite sure what it was," Joyce Higashida, an undergraduate counselor at the University of California, Riverside, is now hoping to eliminate that void for other young adults through "The Asian Pacific Youth Education Program." The year-long project provides monthly highlights of Asian Pacific ethnic groups and teams university students with Riverside youths. It is one of the projects to be funded by the 1993 JACL Legacy Fund Grants Program.

With a total of \$12,000 available this year, eleven projects were selected for awards ranging from \$500 to \$2,000. "We were pleased and encouraged by the enthusiastic participation this year," said Trisha Murakawa, JACL vice president of Planning and Development and Grants Committee chairwoman. Twenty-three applications were submitted from various chapters, nearly three times as many as last year. The Grants Program, according to Murakawa, is what makes the Legacy Fund successful: a positive way to give back to the chapters and ensure the carrying out of the JACL's Program for Action. Along with the Riverside Chapter project, this year's recipients cover a scope of diverse topics, exciting and ambitious, that when complete will have an equivalent effect. In Cincinnati, an exhibit to commemorate the 50th anniversary of resettlement of Japanese Americans following internment is being developed for display at the next Cincinnati-Dayton installation dinner and to be donated later with an accompanying brochure to the Cincinnati public library. Chapter President, Patricia Ikeda Carper recently wrote to say, "We already have begun some

By DONNA J. CHOO

of the groundwork for our celebration in January."

At the recent tri-district conference in Cleveland, "Issues of Asian American Retirees," a featured workshop covered concerns regarding housing, health care, socialization and personal finances. "Leading the Future," a one-day youth conference sponsored by the Fresno Chapter, will have among its workshop topics, inter-racial relationships, gender stereotypes, glass ceiling, media imagery and more.

A public announcement and display of the late Mike Masaoka's papers and memorabilia is being donated to the University of Utah Library. This Mount Olympus Chapter project will coincide with the 1994 National Convention in Salt Lake City.

Recognizing the need for early childhood training in cultural diversity, the Olympia Chapter will work on establishing, in conjunction with local elementary school officials, a civil rights curriculum focusing primarily on the internment of Japanese Americans. Also encompassed in the project goals is to develop a resource packet and training program for local resource people.

A comprehensive book, *The Oregon Nikkei Story*, that covers 100 years of the Nikkei experience, is the Portland Chapter project. According to Harold Onishi, the project's chairman, work is already being done on a second draft and hopefully the book will be completed by the end of the year as scheduled.

In collaboration with the Salt Lake Art Center, the Salt Lake City Chapter will organize the display of two art exhibitions,

*The View from Within: Japanese American Art from the Internment Camps, 1942-1945 and Framed*, a video installation critical of WRA sanctioned footage of daily life in the camps. The exhibits should coincide with the 1994 National Convention.

To work toward a mutual understanding that results in a solid, cohesive relationship, the Seattle Chapter will develop, "Building Bridges," a collaborative project that brings together the African and Asian American communities.

The SELANOCO Chapter will sponsor a two-week, five-day summer activity program for Japanese American children to learn about their culture and heritage and ensure growing up with a positive ethnic self-image.

Scripted by the award-winning author Velina Hasu Houston and sponsored by Southern California American Nikkei Chapter, a docudrama titled *Nemawashi, Protect the Roots* will, on one level, be about three young people who become concerned that their family stories will be lost when their grandmother dies. Woven into the story, however, will be explorations of key topics such as reasons behind the formation of the internment camps and the execution of Executive Order 9066, the chronology of events throughout the incarceration and the nature of life in the camps.

Serving along with Murakawa on the Grants Committee were co-chair John Hayashi, Fuzzy Hisamoto, Tom Kometani, June Schumann, Yas Tokita, Kathy Akiya Vaughn and Kelly Wicker.

Choo is JACL Legacy Fund administrator

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## Opinions



## From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

## Cracking the glass ceiling

While Japanese Americans have excelled in many professions, some have complained that a glass ceiling continues to keep them out of corporate board rooms and the top echelons of big business. This is probably true to some extent.

But I've contended for some time that there probably are more Nisei and Sansei in top jobs in the great wide world of business than we realize. We simply don't hear about them because we have been so busy with community activities and community controversy, of which we have plenty, that our press doesn't have much time to scan a broader horizon.

In a column called "Personally Speaking," *Pacific Citizen* used to recognize Japanese Americans who had been honored or were doing interesting things, but it hasn't appeared lately. (Editor's note: "Personally Speaking" returns this issue. See page 7.) That being the case, let me share with you some items I've picked up in recent reading.

When the chief executive of the huge Rocky Mountain Health Care Corp. was ousted recently for some dubious business practices, the senior vice president, David

Kikumoto, was put in charge with instructions to clean up the mess. He must have impressed the board. Late in August Kikumoto was named chief executive officer and president of the corporation as well as of its subsidiaries, the Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans for Colorado, Nevada and New Mexico.

Rocky Mountain Health Care has 2,300 employees and serves nearly 700,000 subscribers. Revenues last year totalled \$659 million. Rocky Mountain Health Care's family of companies also administers Medicare for Colorado and New Mexico, Medicaid for Colorado and Nevada, and the nationwide Indian Health Services program. In all, says a press release, the corporation purchases \$4 billion worth of health care services each year for these government programs.

Kikumoto, 44, was born in Nevada, was graduated from the University of Utah with an accounting degree, and is a graduate of the executive development program at the University of Chicago. He was executive vice president of the Blues in Utah before moving to Denver in 1987.

Let's look at two other Japanese Americans in business.

Scott Oki, also 44, was with the Microsoft computer software folks from 1982 until he resigned last year. In his last five years with the company he ran the software giant's domestic sales and marketing divisions. He also helped develop international sales which now account for more than half the company's profits. Earlier this year Oki was appointed to the University of Washington's board of regents. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Colorado.

Dr. Stuart Takeuchi, vice chancellor for administration at the University of Colorado, recently was elected president of the Association of University Related Research Parks. Its 290 members represent 80% of research parks in North America and 18 other countries.

Impressed? You bet I am.

And don't bet that there aren't a lot of other Japanese Americans similarly successful in business. ☐

*Hosokawa is the former editorial page editor of the Denver Post. His column appears weekly in the Pacific Citizen.*

## Letters

## Hayashi issue overblown, says former national director

PC's reporting on the allegations of weak support from National JACL Headquarters on the "Jap Road" issue places larger focus on the issue than it warrants. Clearly there is a difference of opinion on what support was provided (read: each side claims the other is lying). Absent some sort of formal investigation (Is that necessary or smart?) those of us not in the very limited conversations that took place will never know what took place (Read: Who is lying?)

Having been national JACL staff, I acknowledge bias on the staff side. There are two aspects to this bias. First, I may be overly sympathetic to the circumstances and conditions that face JACL staff. Second, having been there, I may know a little more about what kinds of things go on. A third element, not from my JACL staff experience, is that I have continued to be professionally involved in Japanese American issues and have a couple continuous decades of participating and monitoring ethnic issues.

Dennis Hayashi's short tenure with the JACL served the organization and the JACL community well. He re-established the organization as a central player in issues related to the Japanese American community, not by the default that the JACL is the largest player, but by consistent and thoughtful leadership that had a broad base of respect among major players in this arena. He served us well and I have a deep appreciation and gratitude to him for identifying and managing many complex and important issues.

I can only share that the job of JACL national director as it has been and is configured is an extraordinary experience and challenge. Dennis did it as well as it can be done.

*Ron Wakabayashi*

Los Angeles

## Clarification on immigration reform and control act

An article in the Aug. 20-26 edition called "Discrimination by national origin defined" (page 3) may deserve clarification. The Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA) makes it unlawful for employers, who employ at least four employees but less than 15 workers, to discriminate on the basis of national origin. IRCA therefore covers only a minority of the American workforce. The federal Office of Special Counsel, which enforces IRCA, does not have jurisdiction to pursue national origin claims against employers outside IRCA's limited coverage.

IRCA's national origin discrimination provision was intended to close a gap in the coverage of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act

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## Come-on Sense

KARL K. NOBUYUKI

## Communication and the League

Most people would agree that electronic communication has come a long way. The personal computer has revolutionized the way most of us do business and communicate our messages. In fact, the personal computer has developed to the point that many of the special effects that one sees on the television are handled in part by the personal computer. Today, to succeed in the employment market, one must be "computer literate" and demonstrate a familiarity with computing. In many companies where communication is considered critical a wide range of communications equipment is used. This includes the telephone, U.S. mail, personal computers, videotape systems, faxes and video teleconferencing equipment. The list goes on...

Of course, the range of communications equipment is dependent upon the resources of a given organization and/or that organization's commitment to communicating. Further, because of the advent of electronic communications the speed of communication has become more important.

It is a widespread belief that the absence of communication is most frequently a symp-

tom rather than a cause. Consequently, organizations study various methods to facilitate an organization's communication system and of course, those entities or components that are priority areas for dialogue and information exchange.

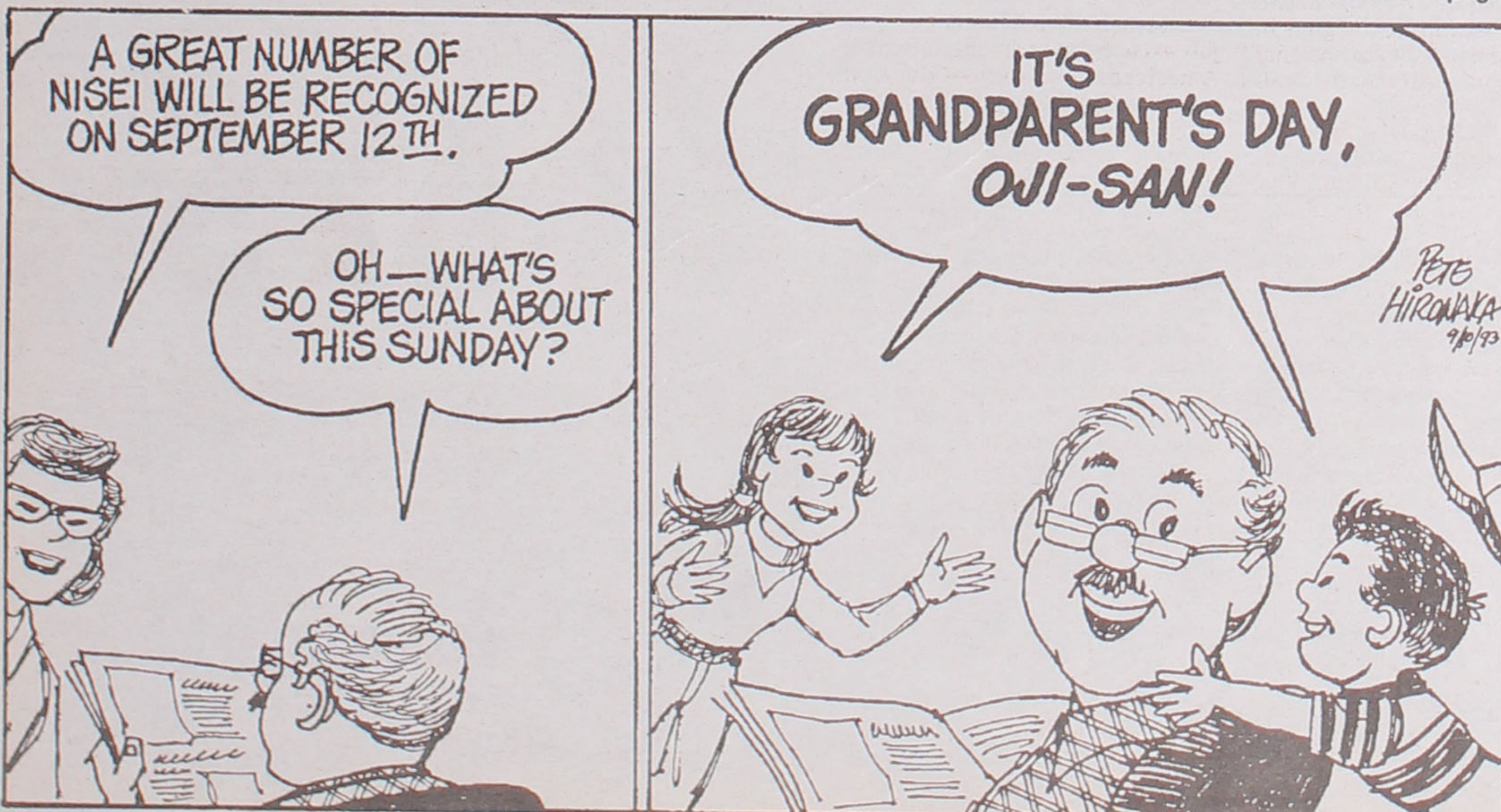
JACL is no different. The importance of the national structure to relay its messages of importance to its constituency is vital if the League is to remain viable. Historically, the *Pacific Citizen* was the chapters' and membership's vehicle to communicate its messages to the national structure. In the formative years of the League, and longstanding in the Masao Satow era, the national director's visitation to the chapters was a priority, and provided a basis for dialogue, interaction and camaraderie between the local chapters and the national network. The *Pacific Citizen* was a critical vehicle for reinforcing the rationale of the national organization and to facilitate the local chapters' involvement in the communication process. This should continue.

Perhaps it is time for the JACL to consider other methods of updating its communication process; particularly with the local chapters. At the risk of oversimplification,

it would seem that local chapters could be asked to participate in a method of electronic dialogue with the national offices via the personal computer and fax/modems. Chapters would have to be asked to participate and identify a source from which chapter communication could be exchanged. Most likely, the chapter will have a "computer person" with all the hardware and software in place that would be more than happy to volunteer his/her services for this mission. (A pilot project could be tried first to demonstrate the effectiveness of such a system). This approach would have to be studied carefully, but if it works this will prove to be an effective way to generate invaluable feedback and... communication.

National leadership could be asked to develop a "standard" for dialogue, and pending an initial inquiry could even recommend computer system requirements. Better yet, National might even be able to arrange a "group purchase" of hardware/software for interested chapters, as a chapter Service, that may wish to adopt electronic communications as the way to go.

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## Personally speaking

### Business

**Taul Watanabe**, a 1941 graduate of Willamette University in Salem, Ore., returned to the 1993 commencement to receive his doctor of law degree from the college he started to attend when the war and Evacuation interrupted his schooling. With help of then WU president Bruce Baxter for placement, he completed his studies at University of Denver law school.

Until his recent retirement, he was executive vice president of Burlington Northern Railway, a resident of Bellevue, Wash., and was a staunch supporter of the law school building project. He also established an endowment fund in his name in gratitude for what Willamette University had done for him and his family. His grandson, daughter and son-in-law are also Willamette graduates. The income from the fund will be used to assist Japanese Americans in attending any undergraduate or graduate program at Willamette.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Colorado, under fire after a dispute with the state insurance commissioner, has fired its chief executive **Tom Levin** and **David Kikumoto**, 43, was appointed by Gov. Roy Romer in mid-July as interim CEO. (See Hosokawa column, page 6.) A senior vice president with Rocky Mountain Health Care Corp., Kikumoto told the *Rocky Mountain News* he wanted the job permanently. Levin's ouster came in wake of the feud over merging plans of the Blues group in Colorado, New Mexico and Nevada.

The changing business demographics, a shrinking labor market and increasing minority population, will require an increasingly diverse workforce, according to **Gary Ikeda**, vice president and general counsel of Group Health, Seattle. He cited the need for law offices to recruit and retain a multi-ethnic legal staff.

### Politics

Canyon County (Idaho) Republican Central Committee unanimously elected **Patrick A. Takasugi**, past JACL Snake River Valley Chapter president, chairman. He is believed to be the first Sansei to head a political GOP grassroot group. The agriculturally-bent county in the southwest corner neighboring Boise ranks 42nd nationally, marketing in excess of \$240 million, it was pointed out. He is the son of Michio and Ayako Takasugi.

### State government

State government Olympia Chapter, JACL, member **Gene Liddell**, a Lacey city council member since 1987 and chosen mayor following her re-election in 1991, was appointed by Washington Gov. Mike Lowry to head the new Department of Community Development as director. Of Filipino descent, she succeeds two former directors who retired when their particular agencies, Community Development and Trade and Economic Development, were merged July 1. Gov. Lowry also appointed **Edward Mayeda** to the South Puget Sound Community College board of trustees, filling a vacancy ending September, 1994. A company executive with Sunset Life Insurance, he is also an Olympia Chapter member.

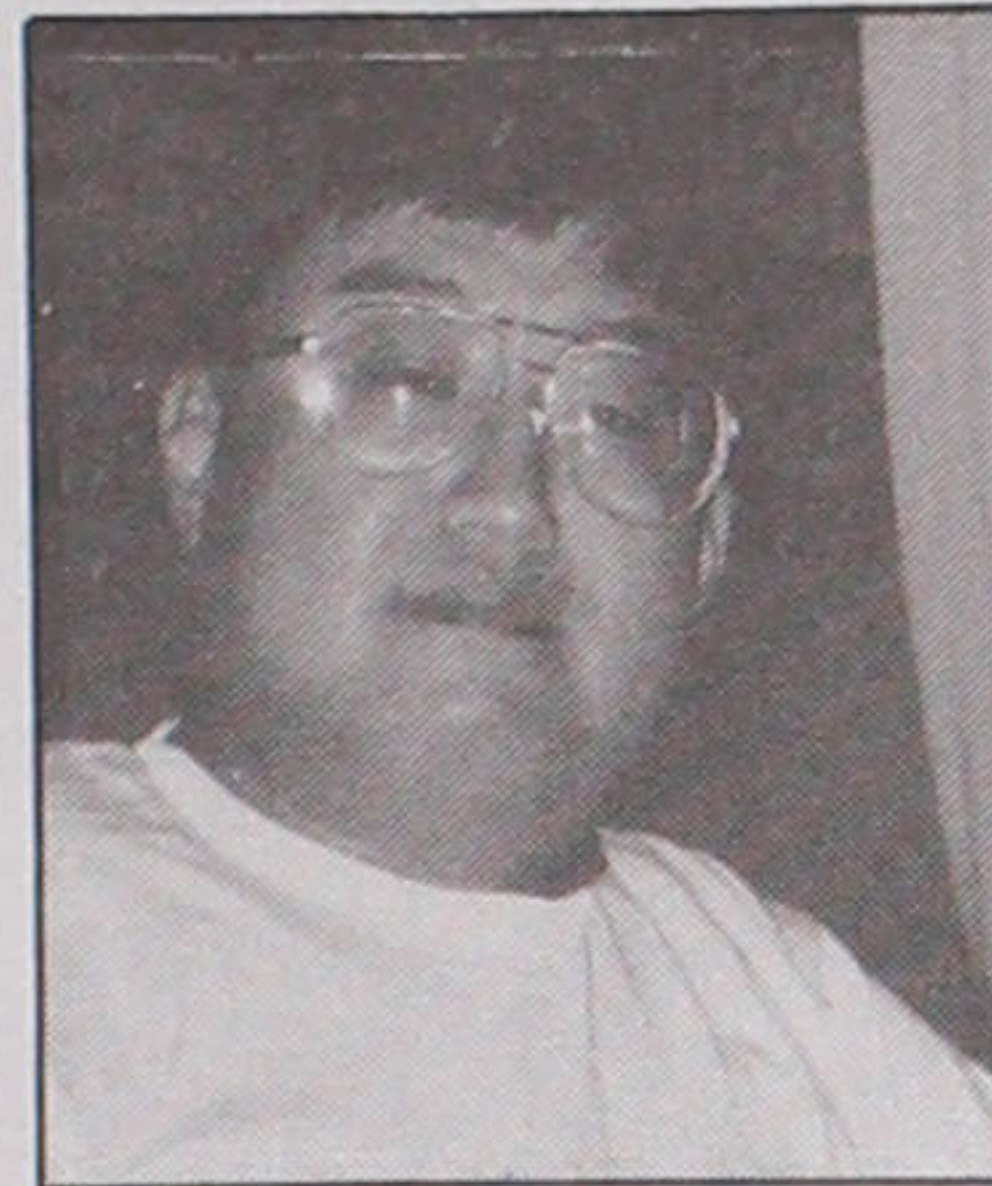
### Service recognition

**Marsha Tadano Long**, deputy supervisor in administrative services with the Washington State Department of Natural Resources at Olympia receive the Governor's Distinguished Management Leadership Award for her long-time record with the Department of Licensing.

### Youth in the News

**Douglas Aoyama** of Alameda High was picked to the American Legion Boys State program (his

## Randy Shibata gets award for human rights achievements



The Albuquerque Human Rights Board recognized Randy Shibata for "his consistent and diligent work in promoting human rights on behalf of Japanese Americans and members of other minority groups" at the group's June 5 ceremony.

A former JACL governor of the Mountain Plains District Council and current chairman of the JACL Awards and Recognitions Committee, Shibata has been involved with law enforcement agencies dealing with situations affecting Japanese Americans.

Shibata also participates in the Kirtland Air Force Base's Minority Outreach Coalition and the Asian Outreach Group of Sandia National Laboratories.

sister Lisa attended Girls State in 1988) to learn about state government with a week stay at Sacramento State campus.

He is the son of Calvin and Emily Aoyama of Alameda

Kimura: But you'll never know about them unless you're told. We have to get beyond what affects us directly. You have to care about others. You have to get beyond the 'Me Generation.'

Emily Durham, youth representative from the Midwest District Council: "There are two different JACLs. National takes care of political problems. But the strength is grassroots involvement, where the support is. You have to be proactive on the grassroots level."

Tomihiko: "JACL is primarily a civil rights organization. But does it have to take a stand on practically every issue? Some feel (some stands) are counter to the JACL position, for example, the gays in the military issue. Maybe national needs to be more selective in dealing with issues."

Kimura: "We have a Program for Action, with six goals. We are

a civil rights organization. It was voted on at convention. The people spoke . . . People have opinions (about issues) but as an organization we are told to take action. We should take on issues—if it's right we'll take it on. Time and money are legitimate concerns and things should not be done in a vacuum but rooted.

"One of our problems is that we don't tell our story very well. We should use the PC."

Okura: "It was a lukewarm situation to take a definitive stand on gays in the military. It wasn't that burning an issue."

Kimura: President Clinton made it so. It's within our civil rights function."

Okura: National has done a poor job except for redress. Japanese Americans tend to take the easy way out; they're too well off. They have no concern for the less fortunate."

ducted in the background.

National would be able to correspond with chapters by grouping each of them in a pre-determined list. National officers would be able to communicate with their corresponding committee chairs regularly and simultaneously, and a major portion of the committee's agenda could be resolved electronically.

The possibilities of communication would only be limited by the imagination, and hard copy would help reinforce the dialogue.

In retrospect, I can see how valuable the personal computer and fax/modem would have been in helping me address budget matters with the chapters and facilitate consensus within the League. We would be better prepared to

discuss matters of importance at the convention and be ultimately more cost-effective in addressing post-convention matters with national committees and the general business of the JACL.

The come-on sense line for this column is: We are blessed with a dedicated and talented national staff in the *Pacific Citizen* and the national and district offices. Its time for JACL to work smarter, not just harder.

By the way, my home fax number is (818) 891-6960. ☎

*Nobuyuki serves on the San Fernando Valley Chapter, JACL, board. He was JACL national executive director from 1977-80.*

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## LEADERSHIP

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vive we must meet the needs of the customers, that is, members. Some are committed to civil rights in New Mexico; some just when there's a problem."

Shibata said that it was important to keep the chapter together and to develop an infra-structure capable of dealing with problems at the local level.

Kimura then asked: "What about the national factor? JACL for 64 years has had a tremendous legislative record."

Ikeda Carper responded by saying that chapters need both cultural and issue-oriented meetings. The discussion of chapter meetings then grew livelier:

Shibata: "We have two levels: national which handles issues and the hinterlands where they have little meaning unless they affect you."

## NOBUYUKI

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(Passing the laptop on to the next contact person has possibilities).

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## INTERN

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standard for future Masaoka Fellows."

Horiye admitted the program is more intense than he expected. "I really didn't expect to be given that much responsibility," he said. "It's been both an honor, and a challenge to be asked to do so much. To top it off, it's also been a lot of fun." Part of that fun is meeting so many different kinds of people on Capitol Hill of all backgrounds. "I have met the Ambassador of Japan, Labor Secretary Reich, and a lot of members of Congress I recognize from C-SPAN," Horiye said about the many networking opportunities he's had.

If Horiye had hoped to learn more about the federal government through firsthand experience and exposure, it appears to be working. More importantly, through the program, he has been given the opportunity to follow the footsteps of the program's namesake. Horiye has definitely become much more insightful and philosophical about politics and government.

"I've come to realize that people are just people," he said. "These people do have a special task of solving the nation's problems. But they're also just regular folks trying to find solutions. Another thing I've learned from my short stay is that things don't get fixed overnight, or in a year. The legislative process is often a long one. But good things often take a long time."

"I've also noticed how there could be more Asian Pacific Americans up here—as both members of Congress and staffers," Horiye added. "It's no wonder when I'm walking with Congressman Mineta, people often just assume I'm just part of a big family."

The Masaoka Fellowship is a reminder to Horiye that his life has changed for the good since his adolescent days. Then he was known as a street-tough kid with a bad attitude, whose friends at school were betting he would not attend college.

"For a kid who was consistently told that there was nothing to look forward to, the beginning of the rest his life isn't looking so bad," Horiye said recently. Opportunities like the Mike M. Masaoka Fellowship have really given me a sense of what's possible in life and for that, I'm grateful."

After the fellowship, Horiye says he wants to consider graduate school, maybe business school. "But I've learned so much about myself here," he said. "I am now considering getting even more work experience, perhaps related to government."

## LETTERS

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of 1964 ("Title VII"). Title VII prohibits national origin discrimination by employers who employ 15 or more employees. Title VII therefore covers a much broader spectrum of the workforce. The federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) is charged with enforcement of Title VII. Accordingly, because of IRCA's limited coverage, it would be advisable for most employees, who believe they have been subject to national origin discrimination, to contact the local office of the EEOC.

Allen Kato

San Francisco

**Editor's note:** Kato, an attorney with Schachter, Kristoff, Orenstein & Berkowitz, is legal counsel for national JACL.

## EDC

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coming session on "How To Use the Media."

Philadelphia Chapter: President Bill Kishi reported on the chapter's involvement with Chinese Americans in Philadelphia who are protesting the Board of Education's handling of services for Asian American teachers.

Grace Uyehara recommended that chapter bid for the 1996 JACL national convention. A motion was passed in which the EDC supported the chapter's bid.

In other council business Maebori reported that the Atlanta area now has 29 members, which makes them eligible for acceptance as a chapter at the Sept. 24-26 national board meeting in San Francisco. Bill Sakamoto White has been elected president.

## Whereabouts

● **Mary Arata:** Prewar San Diego, to Brooklyn and Omaha, Neb. Contact Jean (Morita) Yen, 5040 Hillard Wy, Sacramento, CA 95822.

● **Of Jeanne Patterson:** Also known as Teyo Ishii, 62, of Akita-ken, last known address was 3038 El Camino Ave., Las Vegas, NV. Lawyers in Japan are trying to locate her because of some land she has inherited. Call: The Japanese Consulate in San Francisco, 50 Fremont St., #2200, 415/777-3533.

● **Of Dale Takeuchi:** His father, Sgt. Ichiro Takeuchi, died June 7, 1946, in Berlin, Germany; his mother Mary, I believe, died while in Topaz, Utah. Information of Dale is appreciated by Katherine S. Sugimoto (member of Detroit JACL), 1822 Hamlin Valley Dr., Houston, TX 77090.

## Obituaries

**Fujii, Hiroshi, 65,** San Gabriel, July 3; Seattle-born, survived by wife Dorothy, mother-in-law Mary Takeyama, sisters-in-law Masako Fujii, May Yamaguchi (San Diego), Patricia Murakami (Thousand Oaks), brothers-in-law Wallace (Ore.), Frank and Glenn Takeyama (Mo.).

**Fukumoto, Hayao, 66,** Oxnard, July 2; Kagoshima-born, survived by wife Miyoko, sons Robert, Koji, Dr. Daniel, Mark, 3 gc.

**Harada, Norman B, 35,** Los Angeles, July 3; Los Angeles-born Sansei, survived by parents Fred and Aiko, brother Ronald (Danville), sister Jeanne.

**Hiramoto, Peggy N, 79,** Los Angeles, July 14; Los Angeles-born, survived by son Bob, 2 gc., 1 ggc., brother-in-law Keiso Hiramoto, sisters-in-law Sumiko Hiramoto, Sumiye Sasahara, Eiko Mukai (Jpn), Utako Hiramoto (Jpn).

**Ida, Helen Koya, 79,** Long Beach, July 12; Calif.-born, survived by daughters Jean Akiyama, Susan Baker, June Desfor, Venus Williams, 6 gc.

**Ito, Kaiji, 63,** Vista, May 20; Venice-born prewar Oxnard resident, survived by wife Takako, daughters Tomoko, Yasuko, brother Kenji (Camarillo), sisters Etsuko Ito (Encinitas), Junko Ito (Cerritos), mother-in-law Shizue Oyama, brother-in-law Yukio Oyama, sister-in-law Shigeko Ichikawa (Jpn).

**Kanow, Taro, 92,** Pasadena, July 2; San Francisco-born USC graduate and son of Issei pioneer art goods dealer Fusakichi Kanow in Long Beach, first Japanese American hired by California State Civil Service, retired 1961 as L.A. county engineer, first Nisei to serve U.S. petit grand jury, '67, survived by wife Shige, daughter Joy Noble, son Terry, 1 gc., brothers Rev. Shinpachi (Salinas), Frank S., Hachiro, sister Helen Fujikawa, brother-in-law Larry Takai (Sacramento).

**Kato, Wayne M, 79,** Whittier, July 14; Firwood, Wash.-born, survived by wife Eva, son Winfield, daughters Wayna Kato-Schroeder, Karen Kato-Potts, 1 gc., brothers Tsuneo (Wash.), Haruo (Oregon), Toyoki (Jpn), sisters Fumiye Toyooka (Ore.), Haruko Shimizu (Wash.), Chizuko Sano (Jpn), sister-in-

law Masaye Kato.

**Kitahata, Seito, 78,** Sherman Oaks, July 6; Anaheim-born, survived by wife Aiko, daughters Susanne Wedel, Vivian Ihori, 4 gc., brothers Jack, Frank Kitahara (Chicago), sisters Sally Mayeda, Tomiko Fujitani (Hawaii).

**Kobayashi, Takashi, 72,** San Clemente, May 19; Salt Lake City-born, survived by wife Mutsuyo, mother Chie, sons Gary, Bruce, 1 gc., brother Tom, sisters Tsutako Isomoto, Fujiko Nishifue.

**Mitsuuchi, Roy K, 73,** Santa Ana, July 7; Los Angeles-born, survived by wife Nancy, daughters Margaret Suzuki, Beverly Siow (Carlsbad), Martha Hosoda, mother Kuma Mitsuuchi, 2 gc., brothers Yukio (Camarillo), Jim (Mission Viejo), John (Camarillo), sister Mary Sakioka, parents-in-law Roy and Tomio Sakioka.

**Morioka, Katsuuchi, 87,** Gardena, July 9; Hawaii-born, survived by sons Calvin, Alan, Dennis, daughter Joyce Wong, 5 gc., sisters Shizuyo Watahira, Chiyo Honbo, Kimiye Nomura.

**Mutow, Yutaka H, 90,** Venice, July 8 (rites), Fukushima-born, survived by wife Haruye, son Robert, daughter Junko Fujisaki, 3 gc., sisters-in-law Molly Itow (Penryn), Yasuko Kawaguchi (Fresno), brother-in-law Bob Hata (Fresno).

**Nakagaki, Hitoshi 'Dick', 78,** Los Angeles, July 2; survived by sons Larry, David, stepdaughter Kathy Nakamura-Lemon, 7 gc., 7 great-gc., brothers Shoichi Wakida (Jpn), Shig Nakagaki (Minh.), Eiko Dotemoto.

**Nakase, Pauline, 85,** Watsonville, June 25; Fife, Wash.-born JACLer, survived by husband Tetsuo, daughter Marian Sato, 1 gc., 3 great-gc., sister Masano Tanaka.

**Nakashimo, Hirose, 78,** Santa Barbara, May 19; survived by wife Yoshiko, son Kazunobu, 5 daughters Kiyomi Oyama, Noriko Kamei, Yoko Shibao, Mayumi Hori, Shizue Mizuno, gc. and great-gc., brothers Hideo, Minoru, Eiji, Keiji (latter 3 of Jpn).

**Nishimoto, Maki, 97,** Los Angeles, June 25 (rites); Shizuoka-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by daughter

## Death Notice

## YUKIMI NAKASHIGE

Chicago - Mrs. Yukimi Nakashige, 92, passed away on April 11, 1993. Memorial services were held at the Buddhist Church of Ogden, Utah on May 26, Fujikawai on May 29. She is survived by her brother, Jiro (Hatsuno) Naito; daughters, Sally (Hiromi) Nishi, Mary Kono & Jean Oki; sons, Masami (Rita) Nakashige, George & Kazuo Nakashige, 5 grandchildren & 2 great grandchildren.

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**Okahara, Sumi, 73,** Los Angeles, July 12; Chula Vista-born, survived by brother Bill Miyamoto, sisters Yoshie Kikkawa, Tobie Shinpo, Fusako Imada, Mitsuko Uchida.

**Sumida, Nora Reiko, 65,** Monterey Park, June 28; Honolulu-born, survived by son Karl, brothers George Nagao (Texas), Henry Afuso.

**Takamine, Masayoshi M, 47,** Montebello, July 5; Kumamoto-born Sansei, survived by wife Miyuki, son George, daughter Kristina, parents Yoshinori and Yukiko, sisters Kyoko Kubota.

**Takeuchi, Fred K, 81,** Pasadena, July 14; Portland-born, survived by sons Bob, Russell, Ron, daughter Judy Kosobayashi, 4 gc.

**Takigawa, Shigeo, 77,** Los Angeles, July 8; Montebello-born, survived by wife Nobuko, daughter Ikuko Migita, 1 gc., brothers Yoshio and Masakazu Takigawa, sister Fumiko Kitagawa.

**Yamaguchi, Eiso, 75,** Los Angeles, July 12; Los Angeles-born WWII veteran, survived by wife Yuriko, son Takeshi, daughters Lynn Emi, Wendy Miyazaki, 8 gc., brother Takeshi, brother-in-law Henry Yoshii, sister-in-law Chiyeo Kimura.

**Yamaguchi, Hide, 87,** West Covina, July 19; Kagoshima-born, survived by son Ko, 4 gc.

**Yamaoka, Terumi, 92,** Culver City, June 16; Hiroshima-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by sons Tony Yamaoka (Sacramento), George T. Doi, daughters Michika Ishii, Mary Matsuura (Hawaii), 7 gc., 7 great-gc., sister Shimako Shiraishi (Jpn).

**Yanaiharu, Tatsuo, 80,** Los Angeles, July 8; Ehime-born naturalized U.S. citizen, survived by wife Kikuye, son Dennis, brother Katsuo (Jpn), sister Kimiko (Jpn).

**Yasutake, John H., 73,** Long Beach, June 27; self-employed barber of 50 years, survived by son Jim (Fullerton), daughter June Page (Torrance), 1 gc.

**Yonemoto, Misao, 93,** Los Angeles, June 19; Tottori-born, survived by son Dr. Robert, daughter Eiko Ito (Jpn), grandson Rev. Robert Jr., 5 gc., 2 great-gc.

**Yoshii, Toshiko, 88,** Los Angeles, June 10; San Francisco-born, survived by sons Michio, Victor, daughters Shizuko Kamiya, June Bingo, 2 gc., sisters Sumi de Queiroz, Sue Nakagawa, Mary Miyaji.

**Yoshiwara, Daisuke Oscar, 77,** Sherman Oaks, June 10; Oakland-born, survived by wife Joann, son Dale S, brother Ted (Las Vegas), sister Mitsuko Okuhara (Lodi).

## Death Notice

## PETER I. YAMAMOTO

Walnut Creek, CA - Peter Yamamoto, 69, passed away on July 30, 1993. Salinas born. He is survived by wife, Midori; brother, Joe; sisters, Fumikita & Kiyo Yoshida. Memorial was held in Salinas, CA.

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