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PARTY PLANNED FOR DEC. 18 MEETING

Seattle Chapter may not have an event earmarked to show appreciation for past officers and committee chairmen but on Friday, Dec. 18, we may just use this day for such an occasion. Social chairman is preparing a little party at the JACL office with assist from her many committee members. Refreshments will be served.

So remember, meeting is on Friday, Dec. 18 at the JACL office from 7:45 p.m. The social will follow immediately following a short meeting. All members and friends are invited to attend. Come and be prepared to have a good time!

Results of the election for 1971 officers will be released by the nominating committee. The JACL Board during November meeting went on record of joining the coalition made up of organizations such as the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith, Central Community Council, ACE, Seattle Urban League and many, many other action oriented group for the purpose of taking a stand on the H licenses for exclusive clubs only.

The Chapter has approved allocation of \$4.75 for the purchase of Robert's Rule of Order to be kept at the office.

Recognition committee meeting was called Nov. 24 by chairman Cherry Kinoshita. In attendance besides chairman included Connie Asaka, John Matsumoto, Eira Nagaoka, Kimi Nakanishi, Toru Sakahara, and Terrance M. Toda.

Kazama was in charge of this year's mailing crew which met each month. The November issue help was made up of Yone Nakako, Takako Yoda, immediate past Queen and Princess Karen Tsukiji and Christine Yamashiro, ~~Sam Shoji~~ Don Kazama and Eira Nagaoka.

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President Don Kazama will be presiding in his last regular monthly meeting for this year which for the most part stretched over two years.

Don's regime, as we would like to call it, has been filled with controversial moves. We have become thoroughly acquainted with the world of social services. The National JACL Inagaki award committee was so impressed with the Chapter activities that we were awarded a co-runner up for programming. In a sense, it may be said whether we like it or not, Don has helped us keep abreast with the liberal direction of National JACL. And why not for Don is a social worker as was the two-term National President Jerry Enomoto and President Raymond Uno now at the helm among other things.

Don has made up his mind to move the Chapter in a certain direction. He has accomplished his goal. Changes were made. There is no denying that we had a special program following each meeting, something which we had lacked in the past.

We are going to miss Don in conducting the meeting. He'll be back, however, in other key roles, possibly as a membership chairman as well as filling district delegate slot.

ENDOWMENT FUND APPLICATION MADE FOR JAPANESE AMERICAN MUSEUM PROJECT

Kenneth R. Hopkins, director of state Capitol Museum of Olympia, and Dr. Minoru Masuda, chairman of Issei Living History project, wrote a 34-page proposal for project fund grant application to the National Endowment for the Humanities of Washington, D.C. 20506. Results of the request will be known by next March. The plan calls for 2-year series of monthly exhibit, seminars and to be accompanied by exhibit team of lecturers. Much of the ground work will be done by the State Division of Public Relations in Olympia. Tomio Moriguchi is chairman of the Chapter cultural committee.

COUNSELLING SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH ASIAN DROP-IN CENTER

The Asian Drop-in Center sponsored by the Seattle Chapter continues to be utilized till late at night. Japanese conversation class taught by Shizuo Takeuchi now meets only on Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. at the Center. Takeuchi who teaches at Cleveland High School during day finds it necessary to budget his time more stringently.

The pool table which had seen almost continuous use since summer needs a new felt. We would appreciate any donors of used pool felt for replacement.

According to president Don Kazama, the Center has provided help to Asian students in need of counseling. There is an informal working arrangement with Asa Mercer Junior High School. Several professional social workers and doctors are alerted for referrals which may be received. The key to the program lies in the Center staff being able to communicate with persons needing help. Ruthann Kurose, supervisor, has ably managed to keep the Center alive and interesting. Many of the rooms are redecorated.

LOCAL SELF HELP AGENCY FOR BUSINESSMEN MAY HELP SPUR ECONOMY

Eric Inouye held a meeting at the JACL office Nov. 4 for the local businessmen to explain the local development program aid now available. The agency will provide strength to weak local economy and will tie in with the local lending institutions. The SBA organization when organized will have a minimum 25 members made up of business people and will become a vehicle to get a loan in behalf of the local business firms needing help. Inouye said, "We are probing for the best approach and to hold community meeting to see the scope of interest." There was even a hint that JACL might join in as member if sanctioned by the legal committee.

Eric Inouye, cousin of Senator Dan Inouye, is the new staff worker of Interim (International District Improvement Association), a Model Cities social action and planning subcontracting agency in the International District. (Continued next page)

Inouye is one of the new breed of young men acquainted with the workings of government machinery and is motivated in improving the welfare of people living in the community.

The Interim address remains the same at 310 6th Avenue South (the ground floor of N.P. Hotel). His phone is MA 4-1802. Mike Conlon resigned from the job following the conclusion of Turnkey project.

FACES OF VIETNAM SHOWN BY EX-GREEN BERET PHOTOGRAPHY

Ray Ogasawara who was featured on the program following October meeting on his experiences during Vietnam conflict said, "I'm not here to give answers but to help you understand. I'm not here to give solution on ending the war or to advice on how we should pull out."

The two and a half year veteran in the elite Green Beret Special Service Forces assigned as advisor to Vietnam Special Forces, came upon the idea that if only the people can see for themselves and "the best thing to do was to take slide picture and let the slides do the talking," Ogasawara said. "It is a very complicated war. The mission during combat was to find, identify and destroy the enemy. And we can't tell whether they're enemy or friend until he starts shooting."

Ogasawara's job as depicted on the screen was to train the raw Vietnamese recruits into combat fighters in a four weeks crash training program. Some of the trainees were Viet Congs who would infiltrate into the class and disappear when the training is over. There were slides of Special Forces Camp, bunkers and trenches, air strikes only 200 yards away, the Vietnamese paratroopers, Vietnamese soldiers carrying live chicken to be used for foods and captured 14 or 15 years old Viet Cong guerrilla fighters.

But most of the pictures were focused on the people such as barfoot Montagnards, U.S. military medics treating children, and people working in the rice paddy. Village scenes show black markets stocked with luxury items as name brand American whiskies, huge Buddha Daibutsu, Catholic Churches, people going to market every day since there is no refrigerator, and people dressed in black for white clothes gets dirty so quickly.

Ogasawara stated that he really got attached to the Vietnamese people and he "thought that he could help them out." He had learned to communicate in their language.

A CHANGING CHAPTER TO KEEP ABREAST

(Editor's note: This may be considered as President's Message. Don deserves accolades for doing a commendable job. He has brought a breath of fresh air to the Chapter. And we hope the article may clarify some of the reasons for his program.)

By Donald Kazama, President

To take a chance brings about change. To bring about change, one must take risks. This, I think, to bring about change was a necessary thing for the Seattle Chapter to do. As President J believed that change was a very essential ingredient for our Chapter to remain vital and energetic. I also know that change can cause damage. Change can also be a very subtle thing. I do not know for certain whether this has taken place.

I do know one thing for certain. I do know that a goodly number of people within our community are talking about the impact of the Chapter in many areas. Many of the young people want a piece of the action now. The larger community is no longer asking what is the JACL. I believe that more different members and non-members became involved with things JACL than ever before. This I consider good.

I do not necessarily suggest that a new direction has been discovered for our Chapter. I do suggest that since something in the way of change has taken place that it is now up to the up-to-now silent group become active in making decisions for the Chapter activities and programs. We must involve more of the young and Sansei. We must involve more of the Asians who wish to join us. If we believe that we have a unique contribution to make then we must make our voices heard in matters of vital concern to our lives and our children's lives.

I want you to know that I shall continue to press for change and new directions and goals for JACL. There is too much at stake in our society for anyone to be complacent. There is too many ways in which too many people are wanting change. Recently, in a rap session with a small group of young and old, it was agreed that there is not necessarily anything wrong with the value system operant in our society. It was also agreed that the thing wrong was the application of that value system. For example, if you believe in human values and rights, then perhaps you ought to take another look at property rights. Think about it.

I want to thank the so many individuals young and old who supported me in so many ways. Your ideas, thoughts, suggestions, and encouragement buoyed my sometimes discouraged spirit. For that, thanks that I can never adequately express. You know who you are. For those of you who disagreed with me openly, I also thank you. You had the courage to do so. That is communication. Keep it open and honest differences can be resolved.

It has been a tiring, discouraging, heartening and enjoyable year all rolled in one. I recommend the experience to everyone.

And finally I want to thank my family Sally, Nancy, Alan, Larry and Patty for their empathy, understanding and help.

INSTALLATION DINNER SET FOR SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

Most of the preliminary plans being crystallized shows installation date to be held on Saturday, Jan. 23 at the Royal Fork Buffet Restaurant on Mercer Island. The committee is contacting Representative Brock Adams to keynote the installation. Judy Miyata Motomatsu is chairman.

NEWS JOTTINGS: On Turkey Day, Seattle's Ingraham High Rams, the Metro League champ, beat the Kent-Meridian High 22-0 in football rivalries. Jim Namba of the Rams caught a 27-yard touch-down pass from quarterback Bill Rehn . . . The Rainier Optimists Club named Marilyn Akutsu as Girl of the Month for Franklin High. Marilyn has been member of Honor Society, Girls' Club, Tolo Annual Staff, chairman of a Sr. Class committee and greatly involved in Foreign Exchange. After graduation Marilyn plans to pursue a career a clothing designing. She would also like to attend beauty school . . . Clyde Steven Fugami, son of George S. Fugami, recently enlisted for three years in the U.S. Army under the Army's Medical Skills Enlistment Option. Fugami, a 1964 graduate of Franklin High, received his B.S. in Pharmacy from the U.W. and completed his internship with the Pay 'n' Save Stores. Sgt. Mike Yoneyama, local Army Recruiter at 108 Union Street, stated, "Fugami possesses civilian skills needed by the Army and as a licensed pharmacist both the Army and the individual will benefit from his training. He will be utilized by the Army as a pharmacist immediately upon completion of basic training and the basic medical course." . . . Navy Lieut. (jg) James Ishihara, husband of the former Miss Mary T. Uchida, was presented the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V" at the Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, CA. He received the award for meritorious service while serving in the Public Works Dept. at the naval support activity, Danang, Vietnam from June 1969 to June 1970 . . . U.S. Air Force Sgt. David J. Nakagawa, son of Nobushi Nakagawas, arrived for duty at McChord AFB, WA. An air operations specialist, he is assigned to a unit of the Military Airlift Command. He is 1965 graduate of Franklin High, and attended the UW. His wife, Jerre, is the daughter of Joe Ko asms . . .

U.S. Air Force Captain Terry Sao, son of Toraichi Saos, has arrived for duty at Ching Chuan Kang AB, Taiwan; Captain Sao, and-130 Hercules cargo-troop carrier navigator, is assigned to the 346th Tactical Airlift Squadron. The 346th is part of the Pacific Air Forces, headquarters for air operations in S. E. Asia, the Far East and Pacific area. He previously served at K.I. Sawyer AFB, Mich. A 1961 graduate of Garfield High, the captain received his B.A. degree in 1965 from the UW where he was commissioned through the Air Force ROTC program . . . William K. Nishimura, son of George F. Nishimuras, and Franklin High graduate, is now designated Midshipman, USNR. He recently received the oath of acceptance administered by Capt. Richard B. McNees, professor of naval science, in ceremonies on the UW campus. He will be commissioned as an ensign in the regular navy upon graduation and completion of naval science requirements . . . Spokane: Inland Empire Council of Boy Scouts of America, awarded Silver Beaver Award to Joe Mukai, formerly of Seattle. He works with Pack and Troop 312 and worked up from troop committeemen to neighborhood commissioner in 1965. He is in Order of Arrow member as well as its advisor. Last summer he served for a week at the Buckskin Trail Junior Leader Training Camp. Mukai is a carpenter and was able to have several pieces of construction equipments available for work on camp sites . . . Frank Nishimura, Scoutmaster of Troop 53, received his Woodbadge Award at the November Thunderbird District committee meeting. He has been Cubmaster of Pack 53 and has served as assistant scoutmaster and scoutmaster for 9 years of Troop 53 sponsored by Japanese Baptist Church. Woodbadge can be considered to be advanced training for Scout leaders . . . A Chinese luncheon and docent tour of the Seattle Art Museum was scheduled for members of the Seattle-King County Dental Society Auxiliary Nov. 23. Mrs. Yosh Ogata was among committee in charge of arrangements . . .

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Abe announce the engagement of their daughter Linda May, to Sgt. James B. Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Davis of Oak Harbor. The bride-elect attends the UW and is a 1969 graduate of Cleveland High. Her fiance is stationed at Travis Air Force Base, CA . . . Miss Judy Miyata, Seattle Chapter board member, became the bride of Bob Motoyama at the Seattle Buddhist Church Oct. 17. Judy is the daughter of Mrs. T. Miyata and Bob, is the son of Shiuji Motoyomas of Kilauea, Kauai. Judy is a staff pharmacist at the U.W. Hospital and Bob is an engineer at Boeing. Both attended the UW . . . Mr. and Mrs. Teruzo Mimbu, have marked their 60th wedding anniversary. Mimbu, a native of Kagawa Prefecture, came to the United States in 1903. She came here in 1906 from her native Shimane Prefecture. They were married in the Japanese Baptist Church Nov. 13, 1906. Mimbu was in the grocery business for more than 35 years until 1942. Mimbu is 87. Mrs. Mimbu is 85. They have a son, William Y. Mimbu, Bellevue, and four grandchildren . . .

MILESTONES: Sutejiro Saito, 75, Nov. 12. Seattle Buddhist Church, Okayama Club. Survived by w Koshige; s Dr. Kaichi Kay Saito, Seattle; d Mrs. Tosh (Kikue) Konishi; Mrs. Aizo (Yoshie) Kosai, both Seattle; Mrs. Matsu (Masae) Sakagami, Auburn . . . George Yoshiro Kimura, 52, Nov. 20. Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, Allied metalcraft. Survived by mother, Mrs. Tamiyo Kimura, Seattle; sisters Mrs. Yaeko Niimi, Mrs. George (Misae) Honda, both Seattle . . . Shizu M. Kato, 77, Nov. 30. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Hiroshima Club, Sagamisho Onryu, International Flower Arrangement Club and Shiso Kai. Survivors include: s Nobuo and Kazumitsu Nakamoto; d Mrs. Miyako Otani, Mrs. Haruko Watanabe, Mrs. Yukie Marui, all Brazil. Also, 1 niece: Mrs. Sekiko Yates, Seattle . . . Sengoro Miyoshi, 91, Nov. 30, Auburn. White River Buddhist Church. Survivors include: h Haru, s Henry, Auburn; Fred and Edward, Seattle; James of Puyallup and Charles of Chicago; d Mrs. Henry Shimizu, San Diego . . .

BUSINESS AND FINANCE: Seattle-First National Bank announces Glenn A. Yamada as being elected manager of the Second and Stewart Branch . . . Coast Investment Co. announces additional commercial sales staff including Mrs. Rose Hashimoto . . . Dick Matsuoka of International Realty and Seattle Chapter Board member, recently completed the professional selling skills seminar at Western management institute, a Xerox learning center in Seattle . . . The Seattle Chapter of American Institute of Architect has named Donald D. Sakuma, ASIA of Sakuma/James Landscape Architect, as member of the jury for Honors Awards Program . . . Dec. 4 P.I. carried story on Ken and Kay Maekawas' \$20,000 experiment in growing chrysanthemums in the greenhouse under artificial lights using General Electric (cont'd next page)

NEWS JOTTINGS: (Cont'): Lucalox lights for their winter crop. "In the first three months," the article said, "the added quality has won acclaim from both growers and consumers." All chrysanthemum plants are grown under normal greenhouse conditions until the last three weeks of their growing cycle. . . Port of Seattle's Terminal 18 containership terminal was dedicated Nov. 23 to coincide with the arrival of the Beishu Maru, biggest of the three containerships built by the Japan Six Lines for service here. Frank R. Kitchell, president of the Port Commission, presided at the dedication. Speakers included Mayor Wes Uhlman; James G. McCurdy, immediate past president of the Chamber of Commerce; Jutaro Yamashita, general manager of the Bank of Tokyo and president of the Shinju Club, and a representative of the Japan Six Lines . . . Drs. Terrance M. Toda and Lund W. Chin announced their association as partners in the general practice of optometry and the opening of their new office at 677 South Jackson Street, Seattle 98104, across the street from the previous office. Dr. Jerrilyn C. Chin is also on the staff. Office hours are 9-5:45 daily and 9-5 on Saturdays . . .

VOTERS TURN DOWN PROPOSAL TO GIVE ALIENS CIVIL SERVICE STATUS

Charter Amendment No. 3 to give aliens civil service status while working for the City of Seattle went down to defeat during Nov. 3 election. A check this week at the King County registration office disclosed that final tally following absentee count showed 98,570 "no" and 65,694 "yes." In Olympia, the final hearing has been completed with the State Supreme Court and the decision is being delayed for the writing of brief for dissenting vote or votes. No attempt was made to organize any campaign for the city election.

SKI CLASSES TO START JAN. 3: Rokka Ski Classes registration deadline is set for Dec. 11 with application blanks available at Imperial Lanes. Classes are being conducted at Snoqualmie Summit and Crystal Mountain. Chet Murakami will be in charge of Crystal Mt. classes set to begin Sunday, Jan. 3. Watson Asaba is administrator of the Rokka School and Tom Kusakabe is president of the club. Other officers are Tom Ohtani, vp; George Yoshida, treas.; Neva Kawahara, sec; Kich and Bobbie Ishimitsu, historian.

IMPERIALS DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS FUND RAISING PROJECT ANNOUNCED: Benefit movies for the Imperials will be shown at the Kokusai Theatre on Dec. 25-27 inclusive. Tomio Hamasaki said that they were fortunate in being able to show the movies during this holiday season for the best titles are reserved for this occasion. Starting Jan. 4, the Imperials will be selling automobile license tabs in the booth to be set up in Uwajimaya. The sale of tabs will continue through Feb. 3. This is also a reminder that JACL give full support to the Imperials for we are one of its sponsors.

MOCHI SALES SLATED FOR BAPTIST CHURCH DEC. 27-29: Remodeling fund benefit mochi sales will be held Dec. 27-29. Tickets are being sold at \$1.00 per plate, and must be presented at the time of pickup at the church. Special orders of Okasanae at \$1.00-\$3.00 per set are also available by placing the order with Massie Tomita, PA 2-0496, or at the church office MA 2-7351, before Christmas. For the shut-ins and those without transportation, delivery will be made, according to Taneichi Ota.

Calendar of Events

- Dec. 18--Regular monthly members meeting and social 7:45 p.m. JACL office
- 25-27--Imperials benefit movie at Kokusai Theatre
- 27-29--Benefit mochi sales at the Japanese Baptist Church
- Jan. 8--News deadline for JACL Reporter, mail articles to:
c/o (Editor) Eira Nagaoka, 151 11th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98122
- 13--Newsletter mailing night 8:00 p.m. JACL office
- 23--Seattle Chapter installation dinner and social at the Royal Fork Restaurant

ASIAN TEA FOR THE SENIOR CITIZENS PROVES POPULAR: What may have surprised the many observers the first annual Asian tea sponsored by Young Asians for Action (YAA) held at the Collins Recreational Center was a tremendous success. The hall was packed with Chinese, Filipinos, Koreans and Japanese, about 130 total. Entertainments included native dances and skits from their respective homelands. There were plenty of foods. Those needing transportation was furnished by the YAA. Susan Tomita was M.C. Alan Muramoto is the president of the sponsoring group. YAA held potluck dinner for Seattle visitor Mo Nishida from Los Angeles. He is in charge of Pioneer Center providing services for the elderly as well as accommodating the Asian Sansei. YAA Christmas cards are still on sale for \$1.75 per package and may be purchased at Uwajimaya.

MEMBERS DRIVE: Single dues are \$10.50 and husband or wife of member \$8.50. The national JACL weekly and the Chapter monthly publication comes with membership. Checks shall be made out to JACL and sent to 526 South Jackson Street, Seattle 98104.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ADS FOR PACIFIC CITIZEN: Fred Takagi reports that a full page of advertisements will be included. Sam Shoji is taking care of the personal greeting solicitation.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

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