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SEATTLE JACL MEETING SET FOR THIS WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

Of great interest on the agenda for the July JACL meeting will be a report from Rita Elway on the Women's Conference held at Ellensburg. A windup report on the Directory is expected from Chairman Jiro Namatame. The meeting of Don Kazama, Liem Eng Tuai and Cherry Kinoshita with Congressman Jack Cunningham will be reported by Don. Also "anything that needs discussing" will be in order as a flexible part of the agenda for the July meeting.

All members and friends are cordially invited. Mark it on the calendar - July 20, the usual 3rd Wednesday at 7:45 p.m. at 526 S. Jackson St. Refreshments, of course.

ADVANCE PROGRAM NOTICE FOR AUGUST MEETING

The Trident base is now under construction at Bangor, Washington (15 air miles from Seattle) and will be the home of as many as 16 submarines, each carrying 408 maneuverable nuclear warheads. This first-strike weapon is an environmental hazard in more ways than the obvious one, a violation of the Nuremberg Principles, and an economic fiasco. Cost of the program is now estimated at \$40 billion. A country spending 45% of every tax dollar on defense cannot afford essential health care. Yet only 20% of the proposed budget for the program has been spent. There is still time to call a halt to this wasteful and unnecessary weapons system.

JACL members should be better informed as to the purpose and effects of the Trident nuclear submarine base, i.e., what it is, why do we need it, economic fallacies and impact on the Northwest, its safety, etc. There will be a short slide presentation of the issues surrounding Trident to be followed by a question-and-answer period to be given by members of Live Without Trident as a program after the JACL Board meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 17, at the JACL office. All JACL members are invited to attend.

APPLICATIONS BEING RECEIVED FOR THOUSAND CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT SET FOR JULY 31

The sixth annual Seattle Chapter's 1000 Club Golf Tournament will be held Sunday, July 31 at the Jackson Club Golf Course. This fun day will be open to all 1000 Club members in good standing and their spouses. The starting time will be 11 a.m. with two flights, one for men and one for women rain or shine. After the tournament, a delicious family style dinner will be held at Sun Ya Restaurant. No host cocktail begins at 5:30 and dinner at 7:30. The dinner is open to all

Roy and Jo Sakamoto are co-chairpersons assisted by Fred Takagi in charge of trophies; George Kawachi and Kiyo Sakahara will be in charge of distributing the merchandises; Toru Sakahara and Kimi Nakanishi in handling the invitation. John Sato is the defending men's champion while Jo Sakamoto will defend the women's counterpart.

Entry fee will be \$5.00 per person. The cost of the dinner will be \$7.50. Green fees will be paid at the golf course. For further information call Roy Sakamoto (722-3998; Kimi Nakanishi 447-5220; Kiyo Sakahara 523-8417; or Fred Takagi 325-2525.

Make your check payable to JACL, Seattle Chapter and mail to: JACL Golf Tournament Committee, 526 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104.

JACL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Hideo Watanabe was pinch hitting for Ted Sakahara and Patti Shimomura, cochair, who were unable to attend the Chapter meeting for June. Mr. Uhachi Tamesa, who was instrumental in setting up the funds for Minoru Tamesa Memorial Scholarship which the Seattle Chapter administers, was present. Mr. Tamesa said, "Many thanks to the scholarship committee." Mr. Tamesa is 94 years old now and can still drive, although Hideo furnished the transportation at the request of the scholarship committee.

Receiving the awards were:

The Rev. Emery E. Andrews Scholarship Fund -- Melissa A. Nakamura \$200.00

Minoru Tamesa Memorial Scholarship -- Shirley S. Subala \$300; Sue M. Yamaguchi \$300.00; Kristine M. Kyono \$300.00.

All the girls are students of Cleveland High School. Shirley is daughter of Mr. Urbano Subala and Mrs. Seiko Miyabe. She studied chemistry, physics and math analysis I, II. Attended Japanese language school, grades 2-7, Seishin School (flower arrangement) 3 years and plans to attend the U.W. for ultimate goal to be a medical doctor, with a backup in field of medicine to serve the Asian community. She belongs to Japanese Baptist Church youth group.

Sue M. Yamaguchi is the daughter of Jack and Dorothy Yamaguchi. She is top ten in honor roll, student body secretary in senior year, and plans to attend UW in premajor.

Kristine is the daughter of Noboru and Aiko Kyono. She has taken advanced math I, II; calculus I, II, physics, chemistry and volunteered in Kiwanis sponsored program helping handicapped.

Melissa is daughter of Terushi Nakamura and Halu Nakamura. She was top eleven student in area of social studies and hopes to enter the U.W. in field of psychology. She is in the youth group for Faith Bible Church.

Minoru Tamesa was the son of Mr. Uhachi Tamesa, who was class valedictorian at Highline High and died in his prime of life. He was South Park Dojo judo instructor and trustee of South Park Japanese Language School.

SEATTLE KEIRO NURSING HOMENeed to Reach Fund Goal is Urgent

by Tosh Okamoto, Campaign Chairman

The last Keiro Newsletter article by Administrator Russ Akiyama stated that the large percentage of patients who are taken to the dining room for meals, as well as activities for the prevention of mental and physical deterioration, is quite high compared to some other nursing homes. The good care that is given to the patients and their physical and mental improvement reflects upon the dedication of the staff and volunteers.

At the time of the purchase of the nursing home we planned for the expansion of the dining-activity room at some future date. The need to expand, much to our surprise, has arrived much sooner than anticipated. Issei Concerns has also purchased an adjoining property for approximately \$19,000, with about \$4,000 down payment, for future expansion due to the property's becoming available at this time.

With the generous cash contributions and pledges by individuals, businesses, service organizations and churches, approximately \$425,000 of our \$500,000 goal has been raised. With the need for expansion and acquisition of additional property coming sooner than expected, it has become extremely important to attain our goal of \$500,000.

Although some of you may have recently experienced some pain in meeting income-tax obligations, we would ask you to open your hearts and support Seattle Keiro financially for future tax-deductible contributions. Your contributions can be made in cash or in the form of pledges up to five years or more upon request. The transfer of appreciated properties or securities may be an economical means of contributing.

EASTERN WASHINGTON PROMOTION TOUR

A team of six representatives from Seattle Keiro visited Spokane, Moses Lake and Wapato on the weekend of Mar. 12-13 to acquaint Nikkei residents with the Seattle Keiro project and to encourage Issei nursing-home patients to avail themselves of the unique services offered by Keiro.

Those making the trip were Russ Akiyama, Jom Komura, Tomio Moriguchi, Ken Nakano, Tosh Okamoto and Masato Uyeda. The presentation in the three cities consisted of talks by team members and showing of slides depicting Keiro facilities and activities. The delegation drew the largest audience at Sookane, where nearly 50, mostly Issei, attended. Mas Wada of Wapato volunteered to help raise funds for Keiro in his area. Tomio acknowledged the receipt of a contribution of \$1,000 from Ed Yamamoto, Moses Lake businessman, following the team's visit to that city. Mr. Yamamoto also donated an electric wheelchair to Keiro.

COMMISSION ON ASIAN AMERICAN AFFAIRS SEEKS NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMISSION

The State Legislature has extended the life of the Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs until 1983. The Commission is in the process of making recommendations to Governor Ray (in accordance with RCW 43.117.040) to fill vacancies on the Commission, and were requesting assistance in identifying Asian Americans who could represent your community and its concerns.

Section 6 of the Commission's rules specify that, the selection criteria shall be based upon a combination of: the candidate's involvement in community activities, candidate endorsement from Asian groups or organizations, and Commission makeup to insure ethnic, geographic, sex, and age representation.

Please send a resume or appropriate background material on persons you would like to nominate who are willing and able to serve as a State Commissioner on Asian American Affairs by July 8, 1977 to: Commission on Asian American Affairs by July 8, 1977 to: Commission on Asian American Affairs, 1417 Columbia Street AE-11, Olympia, WA 98504.

INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Residents Sought for Health Clinic Board: Any resident user of the I.D. Health Clinic is encouraged to become a Board Member. Board meetings are held every month and you can contact the staff at 416 Maynard South or call 622-9650.

"Cultivators of Change": The Hunger Action Center presented its second annual "Cultivators of Change" award in May. The I D. Community Garden was one of the nine recipients in recognition of their contribution to "solving the food problems in Washington State."

--Inter-Im Newsletter

CLEVELAND HIGH STUDENTS EXCEL IN WASHINGTON STATE MATH EXAMS

In the recently held Washington State Annual Mathematics Examinations, Cleveland High School students did extremely well to display their academic skills. Finishing first among the Seattle Schools and second in the State standings was Tanar Ulrich. Coming in second to Tanar was Michael Chan. Both the boys had their names added to the 1977 National Honor Roll for individual students. Cleveland students that ended up in the State Honor Roll were: Hubert Chew and Terry Ding tied for 7th highest in the city; Ken Li, Roger Yamaguchi and Dick Chan. State Honorable Mention went to Steven Yee and Sandra Kessler. Cleveland High School ended up with State School Honors by placing second only to Sammamish High, and first for the high schools in the City of Seattle including all the parochial and private schools. The mathematics department is headed by Emmett Kinkade and team manager for the exams was Dennis Dong.

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When the JACL Scholarship Committee asked the Cleveland High School counselors to look into the names of all Japanese American Seniors with a grade point of 2.5 and above so that they could be given scholarship applications, it was discovered that all the Japanese Americans

qualified. Even with the large number of Nikkei students at Cleveland, the members of the class of 1977 has done well academically.

NEWS JOTTINGS: Sandy Hirano, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hank Hirano of West Seattle has been awarded National Merit Scholarship based on academic achievement. Hiran received non-renewable Merit Scholarship sponsored by United Air Lines. She was one of 1000 students nationwide to be awarded scholarship of which financial need was not a criterion . . . 34 Univ. of Washington seniors, including nine alumni of Seattle public high schools, received baccalaureate degrees with highest honors at June 11 commencement. The summa cum laude graduates had accumulative gpa of at least 3.9 out of a possible perfect 4. The scholars were tops among about 5,800 seniors graduating. The Seattle high school graduates included Jody H. Yamanaka of Roosevelt; Carol N. Akada of Cleveland; and John H. Shibata of Queen Anne . . . Twenty-seven students have been tapped for membership in the Univ. of Washington chapter Mortar Board. The organization is a senior year honorary based on scholarship, leadership and service. Paul Kurose, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jun Kurose, has been among those tapped and became member of Mortar Board . . . Administrative reassignments in Seattle School District, recommended by Hal Reasby, associate superintendent, will become effective next fall. The recommendations include Ken Seno, from special education administrator to Beacon Hill Elementary School principal; Alan Harada, from acting vice principal to vice principal at Mercer Junior High . . .

Oran Webb, director of Randolph Carter Industrial Workshop, has been reelected president of the board of trustees of Senior Services and Centers. Newly elected board members include Shiz Sata and William Sing. Senior Services establishes programs and policies for 26,000 senior adults in King County . . . Annie Sakaguchi, head nurse of the Virginia Mason Cancer Detection Clinic, is training breast self-examination instructors in 13 Washington Cities as part of a program cosponsored by the Washington Division of the American Cancer Society and the Virginia Mason Medical Center. One woman in 13 will contract breast cancer, but if it is detected early, chances of survival are greatly increased, according to the American Cancer Society . . . In June 17 P.I. article by Susan Phinney on feminine viewpoints on the favorite Haunts: "Wendy Tokuda said she is usually so tired after her day as a news reporter for KING-TV, that she rarely goes out. 'My favorite thing is to go home and veg out (Tokuda's term for doing nothing).' She added, however, that she goes to lots of movies and often can be found riding horseback in Issaquah. When she goes out for a meal, it's likely to be Jake O'Shaughnessey's or the Kau Kau in the International District" . . . The Westgate Chapel in E Edmonds was the setting July 1 for the marriage of Jeanne Elizabeth Lingerfelt and Andrew C. Yasuda. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Boone of Lynnwood. Yasuda, son of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Yasuda, attended Shoreline Community College and the Univ. of Washington . . . The late Richard E. Fuller, who served as president and director of the Seattle Art Museum for 40 years, was honored by the Japanese government July 6 for his contribution to understanding and friendship between Japan and the United States. A medal of The Order of the Sacred Treasure was given to the museum in Fuller's honor by Sono Uchida, consul general of Japan. The presentation took place in the museum's Garden Court . . .

MILESTONES: Roy Tanagi 54, June 3. Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. Served with Co. F, 442nd RCT. In 1943 was wounded in his left arm during assault on Hill 140 in the Rome-Arno campaign. Graduated from Roosevelt high and Burnley School of Professional Art in Seattle. Survivors include: wife Mariko; daughters Mrs. Jeffrey (Christine) Yada, Spokane; Carolyn L. Tanagi and Julie M. Tanagi, both Seattle; brothers John Tanagi, Chicago; Rick Tanagi and George Tanagi, both Seattle; sisters Mrs. Isao (Chiyo) Kurobe, Tokyo; Mrs. Sheldon (Sayo) Harmeling, Bothell; Mrs. Eddie (Aya) Shimomura, Seattle . . . Kiku Shirakata 86, May 25 . . .

Funeral services for Kamekichi Shibayama, 84, longtime Bainbridge Island resident and owner of apartment buildings and other real estate in Seattle, were held June 9 at the Seattle Buddhist Church, with burial the next morning in Sunset Hills. He died June 4. Born in Japan, Mr. Shibayama came to the United States in 1911 as a teen-age apprentice cook on a freighter. He jumped ship near Port Blakely with only about \$2.50 in his pocket and unable to speak English. During his early years here, Mr. Shibayama worked at odd jobs, lived frugally and made successful real-estate investments. For a time he owned a restaurant on Occidental Ave. S. and the old Right Hotel, Stewart Hotel, OK Hotel and Bush Hotel. He lived in San Francisco and Tacoma before resettling in the Northwest. During WW II when many Northwest Japanese residents were sent to relocation centers, Mr. Shibayama purchased a 255-acre farm in Moses Lake and moved his family there while a Seattle firm managed his hotel properties. The family raised onions and other vegetables from 1942 to 1945, returning to Bainbridge Island after the war. For years, Mr. Shibayama owned the Decatur, 1105 Spring St., Laurel Terrace, Lincoln, Dover and Terry-Stewart apartment buildings here. He also had owned shopping-center property in Burien, Richmond Beach and Winslow. Mr. Shibayama was a member of the Japanese Community Service, the Seattle Japanese Hotel and Apartment Association, Hyakudo Kai and the Seattle Buddhist Church and its men's club. He is survived by three sons, Zenji, Mercer Island, Masaru, San Francisco, and James S. Shibayama, Seattle; two daughters, Mrs. Takashi (Kimiko) Momoda, Mercer Island, and Mrs. Hatsumi (Michiko) Tsukada, Bainbridge Island, and four brothers in Japan . . .

Yoshitsuke Kawahara 79, June 6. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Men's Fellowship, Hiroshima Club, Bldg Service Union No. 6. Survivors include: wife Masano Kawahara; sons Yoshinori Kawahara, Yasunori Kawahara, all Seattle; Frank S. Kawahara, Chicago; brother Masao Kawahara, Seattle . . . Same Akada. Services June 11. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship and Shiga Kenjin Kai. Survivors include: sons Shigeo Bill Akada and Tatsuo Akada; daughters Mrs. Shin (Helen) Adachi and Mrs. Johnny (Shizuko) Fujita, all Seattle . . . Takeo Nakawatase 61. Services June 10. Member Japanese Gardeners Assn., NVC and Nisei Businessmen's Bowling League. Takeo served with Co. G, 442nd RCT in the Rhineland, Po Valley and

NEWS JOTTINGS (Cont'd): Northern Apemines. Nakawatase was in the landscape gardening business. Survivors include: wife Shizuyo; son, Thomas R. Nakawatase, Seattle; daughters Mrs. Ronald (Juliane Aiko) Tada, Mountlake Terrace; Mrs. C. Dean (Patricia Ann) Little, Mercer Island; and Mrs. Joe (Diana Dee) Ohashi, Seattle; mother Shio Nakawatase; sisters Mrs. George (Michiko) Osawa, both Seattle; and Mrs. Jeanne Martin, Sunnyvale, CA . . .

Misanu Kawai. Services June 25. Japanese Presbyterian Church, Hiroshima Club. Survivors include: sons Jack S. Tanaka, Seattle and Ken Tanaka, Los Angeles; daughter Mrs. Tosh (Yaeko) Funai, Redmond . . . Scott Hiroshi Yamamoto 16, July 6. Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. Survivors include: parents Mr. and Mrs. Hiromi Yamamoto; mother Harumi Yamamoto, Seattle; sisters Mrs. Steven (Heidi) Shimamoto, Bellevue, Mrs. Frank (Mary) Yanagimachi Jr., Mikki Koda and Stacey Koda, all Seattle . . . Seiji Yasunobu 91, July 3. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Men's Fellowship, Okayama Club, Seattle Dojo. Survivors include: wife Mrs. Chiy Chiyono Yasunobu; sons Kerry Tsuyoshi Yasunobu, Honolulu, Bob Akira Yasunobu; daughters Janet Chicko Yasunobu, Mrs. Saibo (Phyllis) Fujii, all Seattle; Mrs. Joe (Betty) Takagi, Albertson, N.Y.; sister Mrs. Hisano Hori, Japan . . .

BUSINESS: June 23 P.I. Emmett Watson column wrote: David Ishii, the industrious Pioneer Square book dealer, has bought up a rare collection of 120 books--all written around the turn of the century, all devoted to some aspects of horsemanship (racing excepted). One charming manual written by E. Howlett and published in 1894 is titled "Driving Lessons." Books may be bought separately . . . Colin T. Tsuchikawa, a graduate of Franklin High and the U.W., has been named manager of the Beacon Hill branch of Sea-First National Bank. He replaces Mae Natori who is retiring this month . . . Goro (Peter) Tokita has been named general manager of Uwajimaya, Oriental supermarket-bazaar in Seattle's International District. He formerly was manager of Uwajimaya-Southcenter. Judith Nakagaki replaces Tokita at the Southcenter store . . . 17 new trustees of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce were elected to the three-year terms at Chamber's regular board meeting. The new trustees included John Y. Sato, owner of architect firm John Y. Sato and Associates. He is president of the Sato Corp, contractor and member of JACL's Fifty Club . . .

JAPAN TRAVELOGUE--The Sandhill in Tottori

(Ed. Note: This is one of the stops for Japan Adventures guided tour JACL 1978 Spring Trip)

The small prefecture of Tottori, facing the Sea of Japan, is noted for its "20th Century" brand pears and its vast sand dunes. The sand dunes are immensely popular--visited by 2,300,000 tourists each year--and were formed by the Sendai River that flows through the eastern part of the prefecture. From east to west, the dunes stretch 12 kilometers and from north to south, on both sides of the river, 2 kilometers. A part of the sand dunes is now used in the cultivation of scallops, and an airport has also been built there. --NHK

NEW JAPANESE COMMUNITY QUEEN

Beverly Reiko Akada, a 1976 graduate of Cleveland High School, was selected as the Greater Seattle Japanese Community Queen on June 11 at the Bush Garden Restaurant. Beverly, 19, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Riyoichi Akada. She was president of the senior class at Cleveland in 1976. She now attends the U.W. and is majoring in communication. According to Beverly, the Asian should get involved in the mass media to inform the public and to gain a voice for the Asian community. Beverly is also a color guard captain of the Seattle Buddhist Church Drum and Bugle Corps.

The First Lady-in-Waiting is Cecilia Kanako Egashira, 22, the daughter of Mrs. Sumako Egashira and the late Dr. Elmer T. Egashira. She is the second of nine children. Cecilia graduated from Holy Names Academy in 1973 and is now in her fourth year at the U.W. She carries a double major in Japanese Language-Literature and Health Education. Cecilia is a member of Miya-gi-Kai, a Japanese Koto instrumental group and Tokiwa Kai, a Japanese classical dancing group. She also writes Haiku poetry.

The Second Lady-in-Waiting is Celia Yuri Nishimura, 21, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiro Nishimura of Mercer Island. She graduated from Mercer Island High School in 1974 and attended the U.W. She plans to attend Bellevue Community College. Celia was on the staff of Asian Family Affair, a monthly publication, active in the Keiro Nursing Home youth group, and secretary of the Ivy Bowling League. She belongs to the Young Buddhists Association of the Seattle Buddhist Church and taught Sunday School for two years.

Other contestants for the Queen Contest were Ann Maya Fujii, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Fujii. She is majoring in sociology at the U.W. and member of Asian Students Association. She worked for the Chapter's Iva Toguri campaign and recorded for the recent Nisei Retirement conference.

Hidemi Ishii, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Susumu Ishii, was born in Okayama. She has the respect and the love of Japanese traditions, Buddhist teachings, and an accomplished artist in painting, drawing, silk screen and calligraphy. She takes up traditional Japanese folk and classical dances. She attends U.W. majoring in art and psychology and is member of the Asian Student Association.

Mary Ann Tognolatti, daughter of Louis and Isuzu Tognolatti. She was born in Japan attending Japanese school and graduated from Junior High in Akishima, Japan. She can read and speak Japanese fluently. She graduated from Queen Anne High School.

The outgoing Queen is Susan Rene Ishimitsu, who is also Seattle Seafair's "Queen of the Seas." Her Court included Princesses Deborah Ann Suyama and Julie Maya Kusakabe. Queen Susan said, "Years went by so fast. It's been a great honor." Queen Susan said queen contest is like

MERELY ONE POINT OF VIEW

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Attempting to reassure me as I faced a year of the

JACL presidency, they told me . . . the time would fly. "Before you know it, it'll be June and the year will be half over . . ." They were right. The weeks and months are winging by, Yes, indeed, the first half of '77 has been busy, busy. Last week was a good example -- a reparations meeting Wednesday; Ambassador Uchida's sayonara reception Thursday, followed by a retirement committee meeting; a meeting with Congressman Jack Cunningham Friday a.m., the Nikkeijinkai farewell dinner for Mr. Uchida Friday evening; and Sunday the dedication ceremonies for the Buddhist Church's Wisteria Plaza. I wonder sometimes buried between all the letters that have to go out, the acknowledgements to be made, the committees to keep abreast of, how anyone with a demanding job can afford the time to devote to this "volunteer" position. But that's the name of the game, so let's take a look ahead and see what's in store going into the second half of '77.

THE NIKKEI RETIREMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

under the chairmanship of Min Masuda, is rolling full steam ahead with the initial offering being a series of seminars on financial and estate planning, the topic most requested at the last Retirement Conference. Present plans are for a total of 6 successive evening sessions of 2 1/2 hrs. each, beginning in early September. Experts from the areas of tax planning, investments, wills, probate, retirement annuities, pensions, social security, medicare, and other governmental services, will be obtained for in-depth educational, informational and discussion group seminars. What are you faced with, what decisions need to be made upon the death of your spouse? Tentatively, one of the sessions will include a speaker from an organization which specifically aids the recently bereaved (not only widows, but widowers also) in family adjustments, settlement of financial affairs, and in making those practical decisions which confront one with overwhelming impact during one of the most traumatic of life's experiences. The seminars promise to be just the kind needed for all nisei facing retirement and for sansei who have decisions to make concerning elderly parents. The planning committee is comprised of a community-wide coalition group which includes representation from JACL, First Hill Lions, Nisei Vets, Asian Attorneys Blaine Methodist, Baptist, and St. Peters churches, and Keiro Nursing Home. Further detailed information will be disseminated through organizational newsletters as well as the public media. Registration is expected to be limited depending upon the facilities and should be a bargain at a nominal charge for the 6 sessions. Be sure to sign up early! People-power will be needed -- if willing and able, please contact Min Masuda, 543-3768.

JUST OFF THE PRESS IS A COLORFUL JTB TOUR BROCHURE

describing the day-by-day itinerary of the 3 tours offered for the Japan Springtime Flight for April 1-24, 1978, courtesy of Kawaguchi Travel and JAL. Those who have requested information will be receiving their copy in the mail. The Japan Trip Social held in April was such a success, there are tentative plans for another in August, according to Harry Kadoshima, travel chairperson.

And hear this -- there's great news about a dandy side benefit for friends or relatives in Oregon or California. Here's a chance for them to visit Seattle, layover for any length of time, and join the Japan flight with the Seattle group at NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE! Due to a quirk of the earth's curvature or some such explanation, anyone departing from Los Angeles, San Francisco or Portland may fly here free and pay only the cost of the GA/100 flight. Return from Japan could be from Vancouver, B.C. (departure/entry point for JAL) flying directly back to California or Oregon without a transfer in Seattle, if it is more convenient. May not sound quite fair to us Seattleites who must pay the extra fare to join a California departure flight, but it's a tremendous break for the Californians. Write your friends and tell them to join our Japan flight and take advantage of this bonus benefit. The most important reminder is that if they are not already JACLers, they must join six months prior to departure date, i.e. by Sept. 30, 1977 in order to participate in the April 1978 flight. If you'd like tour brochures to send along, call Kawaguchi Travel at 622-5520.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE JACL BLUE SHIELD HEALTH PLAN?

Over a hundred responses came in as a result of the recent Directory mailing - members and non-members asking for information on the JACL health insurance plan, credit union, travel program, retirement program, and membership. Some delays have been encountered in obtaining additional supplies of brochures, so please be patient if your requests have been unanswered.

For those interested in the Blue Shield health insurance plan, a Pacific Northwest meeting for all currently enrolled members and for those interested in joining the plan is tentatively scheduled for Friday evening, August 12. John Yasumoto, chairperson of the national JACL health insurance committee, and/or Frances Morioka of the JACL headquarters staff who administers and assists in claim processing, are expected to be in attendance as well as a Blue Shield representative to explain benefits, answer questions, resolve complaints, etc. Individual notices will be mailed to all participants, and others interested are asked to contact me at 725-0765, or Fuzzy Fujiyama, Seattle insurance chairperson, at 624-3220.

IN BRIEF: JACL Aug. 17 meeting offers enlightenment on the Trident controversy... Political Education Chairperson Arlene Oki has plans for an interesting October program... Plans for hosting the December District Council combined with Social are in the offing...

COMMUNITY QUEEN (Cont'd): falling in love with lots of preparation and waiting necessary. She thanked the JACL, Queen Committee, and rest of the community "for opening my eyes to see what being a Japanese American is all about."

This has been a difficult year for the queen committee with contest entry being postponed one month. Terry Nakano, president, deserves commendation. This was the first year the Greater Seattle Japanese Queen Committee, Inc. operated under new incorporation, as set up by Liem Eng Tuai. Though we don't have the complete committee roster, we can mention the late Shoi-chi Suyama, the late Midori Uyeda, President Terry Nakano, Joan Seko, Betty Mochizuki, Iky Yamada, Kimi Nakanishi, Lillian Iwata, Connie Asaka, Mary Fujita, Frank Hattori, Dick Ishikawa, Bob Matsuura, Tak Kubota, John Matsumoto, George Kawachi, Terry Toda, Jiro Namatame, Fred Takagi, and Eira Nagaoka. The 1977 queen will be receiving \$500 and each of the Princesses \$250.00. Roy Seko is also member of the queen committee.

Calendar of Events

- July 20--Regular JACL meeting, 7:45 p.m. at the JACL office. Refreshments.
- July 23, 24--Bon Odori Festival. 6-11 p.m. on Sat. and 5:30-10:30 p.m. on Sunday. Also on program is Seattle Buddhist Church Drum & Bugle Corps and the All Girl Color Guard.
- July 31--The 6th annual JACL Thousand Club Golf Tournament at Jackson Golf Course. See pp. 1
- July 31--NVC picnic at Johnson's Lake Surprise Hi-Dive Resort.
- Aug. 5--Deadline for JACL newsletter. Allow one week for delivery. Notices effective before Aug. 11 will not be printed. Mail articles, news clippings, announcements to: c/o (editor) Eira Nagaoka, 2809 N.E. 54th St., Seattle 98105.
- Aug. 6--Chinatown parade.
- Aug. 6, 7--Poston II High School gala reunion of classes 1943, 1944 and 1945 at the Hyatt House Hotel in San Jose. Cochair Rod H. Kobara, Reunion committee, 5267 Eileen Drive, San Jose, CA 95129.
- Aug. 10--JACL newsletter mailout. 7 p.m. at the JACL office. We need all the help. Thanks.
- Aug. 12-14--Reunion of former Tacoma Japanese residents. Tacoma Buddhist Church on Fri. 7:30 p.m.; Bicentennial Pavil. banquet 7 p.m.; Whitney Memorial Church at 10 a.m. Sunday.
- Aug. 14--Cathay Post 186 picnic, Lincoln Park at the north picnic area.
- Aug. 12, 13--Rummage sale at St. Peter's Episcopal Church to benefit Keiro Home, 10 am to 5 pm.
- Aug. 17--JACL meeting 7:45 p.m. featuring Trident Naval Base slide and presentation.

April 1-24, 1977--JACL 1978 Spring Tour to Japan via Japan Air Lines. Chairman Harry Kadoshima c/o Seattle JACL, 526 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104.

FROM THE BOARD:

We ran completely out of space. We are holding up the story of Substitute Senate Bill No. 2113 2113. Also story on Asian American for Political Action Committee meeting held at Filipino Center on Empire Way. Also on the new book on Iva Toguri. July meeting proceedings will be very brief and condensed. We hope to catch on the next issue.

Report at Random: The Scholarship Committee included cochair Patti Shimomura and Ted Sakahara, John Matsumoto, May Sasaki and Dick Ishikawa. Present at the June 13 newsletter mailout were: Ben Yabu, Sheryl Watanabe, Mako Nakagawa, May Sasaki, Michael Yaguchi, Shari Matsudaira, Paula Kurose, Daren Nakagawa, Bradley Nakagawa, DeeAnn Nakagawa, Becky Sasaki, Mark Kinomoto, Gary Matsudaira, Linda Iguchi and Mary Park. Thank you. PNWDC did not have a feeling for reparation campaign since surveys were still out. Dr. Minoru Masuda said he was disappointed with the questionnaires that was slanted towards lump sum payment. Dr. Masuda suggests hiring professional help to make questions impartial. PNWDC nomination headed by Chuck Kato includes Paul Isaki as gov. and John Matsumoto as vice-gov. Only three district council meetings per year with Sept. 10-11 in Spokane and Dec. 10-11 in Seattle. The struggle to transfer leftover regional office fund to Seattle meets with little enthusiasm. Dr. Masuda made three separate proposals with one benefitting Seattle where \$600 be used for reparation and another \$600 for retirement seminars. If \$10 is charged for five sessions, the generated revenue will help stretch fund. There is cash flow problem. Before we receive the money we have to spend it and they will then approve the fund as they see fit. Seattle has plan to move regional office to Seattle but meeting resistance. Ben Nakagawa was assigned to investigate the Tea House Fund. Ironically when he inquired, the fund was just approved but construction will not begin until U.W. guarantees tight security. The 300% stone lantern is also missing. JACL together with the Asian community is seeking nominations for dean of U.W. law school post. Barry Matsumoto and Raymond Uno were suggested nominees. Asian community will provide list of names regardless. Dean Charles Z. Smith is not seeking that post. Commission on Asian American Affairs executive director Mitch Matsudaira thanked the JACL for supporting HB 138. Dr. Masuda asked \$25 for use in Chapter's Committee Against Defamation and another \$25 for Nisei Retirement project. Funds approved.

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