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## SEATTLE JACL TO SKIP REGULAR JULY MEETING

No regular monthly meeting for Seattle JACL for the month of July. The meeting date conflicts with 25th Biennial National JACL Convention in Salt Lake City set for July 17-22. Any convention delegate to the National Council session will agree on the exhausting program schedule. Panels and discussion, forums, district council meeting, issues taxing emotions to the breaking point as the age-old struggle of liberal persuasions confronting the conservatives, election of officers, budget approval with interest groups jockeying for funds, will leave you drained.

There is fun side to the convention. Whing Ding, cocktail hours, open house with liquid refreshments and snacks by various chapters and district council committees pushing their favorite candidates, fun tours programmed by convention staff all help to balance everything out to make the confab worthwhile.

The next Chapter meeting will be Aug. 16, the third Wednesday of the month. In the meantime enjoy your summer. And for the convention delegates, we thank you.

## FOUR NAMED TO 1978 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Scholarship chairperson Joanne T. Fujita announced the names of recipients during the regular June meeting. Mr. Uhachi Tamesa and his daughter Kay Tamesa from Washington, D.C. were present as well as the parents of the scholarship awardees.

Steve Kato is the 1978 recipient of the Reverend Emery E. Andrew Memorial Scholarship for \$200.00. Steve is a graduate of Renton high school. He has been active with the Asian Student Association, was a member of the varsity swim team and is a member of the Boy Scouts. Steve will study engineering at the University of Washington. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Kato.

The three 1978 recipients of the Minoru Tamesa Memorial Scholarship for \$300.00 are June Hayakawa, Sheila Okamoto and Jeffrey Sakaguchi.

June is a graduate of Franklin High School. June has been active as a cheerleader, member of the golf and swim teams and she is in her tenth year in Girl Scouts. June will pursue a degree in Education at the University of Puget Sound. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jun Hayakawa.

Sheila is a graduate of Garfield high school. She has been honored as the outstanding senior in the Business Education Department. She has been active as the wrestling team statistician, participated in debate, and is a member of the Keiro Sansei group. Sheila will major in physical therapy at the University of Puget Sound. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tosh Okamoto.

Jeffrey is a graduate of Renton high school. He was selected as one of the twelve outstanding seniors at Renton high school. His numerous activities have included National Honor Society President, Asian Student Association, photographer for the yearbook and the school newspaper, and volunteer work at Keiro Nursing Home. Jeffrey will be attending MIT. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sakaguchi.

## PACIFIC NORTHWEST DISTRICT COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Two major changes in the current redress proposal to be presented to the National Convention were favored by the PNWDC at its June 25 meeting in Olympia. After an extensive review of redress issues item by item by District Redress Chairperson Ron Majiya, the Council voted for disbursement of individual payments to all beneficiaries, to immediate family heirs as well as to living beneficiaries; and limited the geographic eligibility to those affected by E.O. 9066 while residing in the States of Washington, Oregon, California, southern portion of Arizona, Alaska and Hawaii, rather than the entire Western Defense Command.

The PNWDC reaffirmed its endorsement for the candidacy of Dr. Clifford Uyeda for the position of National JACL president, and voted campaign funds for its nominee, Dr. James Tsujimura, in his bid for reelection to the position of Vice President of Research & Services.

The current status of the Washington State University discrimination issue was reviewed by Ed Yamamoto for the Spokane Chapter ad hoc committee. The committee was authorized by the Council to independently solicit funds in the Spokane area to aid in its efforts.

District Governor Paul Isaki presented an overview of the proposed 1978-80 national budget for which he had major responsibility. Revenue projections based upon a \$4 increase in regular dues and a restructuring of the 1000 Club and special dues tied in with an allocation of \$60,000 for an intensive membership development campaign were some of the important points highlighted. A social meeting was held on Saturday evening at the St. Michael's Church, hosted by the Puyallup Valley Chapter, whose members provided sumptuous refreshments under the direction of Emi Somekawa. The next district council meeting was tentatively scheduled for November of 1978.--submitted.

## GOV. PAUL ISAKI RESIGNS; VICE GOV. "BONES" ONISHI TAKES OVER

At the PNWDC MEETING in Olympia, June 25, District Gov. Paul Isaki submitted his resignation due to pressing commitments and the demands of his position as Assistant Director (Cont'd p.5)

RICHARD McNEELY DESIGNED NET REDUCES DOLPHINS KILL FROM TUNA NETS  
by grant fjermedal (U.W. Daily 5/17/78 and Condensed)

An often-heard cry of the 1970s has been "Save the Dolphins." Richard McNeely has returned to his net loft in Seattle after, almost singlehandedly, accomplishing just that. By July all tuna seiners selling to the American market will be required to have nets with a porpoise escape feature developed by McNeely of the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Most of the vessels, both American and foreign, already are outfitted with what McNeely calls the "super apron," a section of the net that acts as a high shelf, allowing the porpoises--also called dolphins--to swim out, while the deeper swimming yellowfin tuna remain.

In 1971 310,000 porpoises were killed in the tuna fishery. As the public became aware of this, a surprisingly broad-based protest was heard, as letters poured into the nation's capital and nearly 50 different legal actions were filed against the industry.

"It was something that raised the furor of the American people," McNeely said. "It caught the imagination of the country, and it produced the Marine Mammal Protection Act. Flipper was being killed." McNeely was already researching the problem in 1972, aboard a tuna seiner, when over the ship's radio came the news that the act had been approved by Congress. At this point the fisherpeople were killing an average of 70 porpoises each time they brought in a net. McNeely began studying their procedures to determine why.

McNeely found that the biggest problem was the fear of losing tuna while backing down to let the porpoises escape. The noise of the boat would drive the porpoises to the back of the net, which was important for the backing down method.

McNeely, who has spent 25 years developing new nets and other fishing gear, also made a liberal use of small-mesh safety panels.

The first large test of McNeely's new net and methods yielded a shocking, but temporary, disappointment. Ten vessels were equipped with standard nets and 10 were equipped with the super aprons. All vessels had a person in a raft helping the escape.

"After the fisherpeople learned how to use the net, the new one was three times more effective in releasing porpoises. Once we got the learning curve out of the way there was no question that it was far superior." The new gear alone brought a dramatic reduction in the number of porpoises killed, but McNeely kept looking for ways to cut the figures.

Fishery biologists determined that the porpoise annual kill of between 31,000 and 96,000. Federal regulations called for reducing the kill to 67,000 porpoises in 1977, and continuing to scale down to a point of 31,000 by 1980. The 1980 goal already has been surpassed. Last year 24,000 porpoises were killed, McNeely said.

Last year McNeely traveled to Washington, D.C., to receive a Department of Commerce Gold Medal for his innovative work with the porpoise problem.

DOLPHIN KILLING: ATROCITY OR NECESSITY?

by Atsushi Kuse for Mainichi Daily News (Condensed)

IKI, Nagasaki--It has been a nightmare for the fishermen on this small, scenic, peaceful island off northwest Kyushu, the islanders say. They have been embarrassed by the unexpected reaction in and outside Japan to their slaughter of about 1,000 dolphins last February near the remote fishing port on the northern tip of the island.

When news of the slaughter spread abroad, Japanese embassies in 10 countries were flooded with telephone calls, letters and cables of protest. The loudest denunciations came from animal lovers and environment preservation societies in the United States, the United Kingdom and Canada.

The fishermen declare that they had no choice but to kill the dolphins in order to protect fishing resources on which they heavily depend. The mammals have damaged fishing grounds, the fishermen charge. The "gangsters of the sea" had to be eliminated in this case, they maintain. The upset fishermen soon came to know that the criticism had been primarily based on misunderstandings because, they said, initial reports in major dailies and on TV were far from true.

Mass circulation dailies and other news agencies sent cameramen to the beach or in helicopters to take spectacular photos of the operation, which they printed with anger arousing captions, he said. Films of the dolphins being slain and the beach and the sea drenched with blood were televised in foreign countries to shock viewers.

Ogawa explained that the fishermen affiliated with four fishery cooperatives on the island jointly established the "Liaison Council for Combating Dolphins" early last year. "No fisherman wants to kill dolphins," he said. "It's against our sentiments but we have to do so to protect our livelihood. I myself feel more than affection for dolphins."

On the beach of Tatsunoshima, the site of the dolphin slaughter off Katsumoto Port, two plain wooden monuments have been erected in memory of dolphins killed. They were erected not immediately after the last slaughter but in May last year, to propitiate the soul of the mammals. "We held a memorial service for dolphins killed when the monuments were set up, asking three priests to attend, and are doing so whenever we kill the mammals," Ogawa explained.

DOLPHIN KILLING (Cont'd): Tadatoshi Kawasaki, chief of the fisheries section of the Iki branch of the Nagasaki prefectural government, said that the fishermen used knives to cut the arteries of the dolphins so that they died quickly. "They did not club them to death. They only used poles to move them. It's absolutely impossible to kill a dolphin with a club," he said.

Speaking in a strong local dialect an aged fisherman said, "Do you know a dolphin eats up to 20 kilograms of fish per day? Yellowtails, cuttlefish, sardines. They eat anything that swims in the sea." When dolphins enter the fishing grounds he said bluntly, "Yellowtails and cuttlefish hide where we can't fish with poles, and the dolphins even bite fish we catch. Not only that, they sometimes break our expensive fishing equipment."

A fishing boat owner moaned that with large schools of dolphins in the fishing grounds, many boats have returned without a haul. "Still we have to pay wages to crewmen," he lamented.

#### No Effective Solution

Everybody knows that the best solution would be to drive the migrating dolphins away from the fishing grounds without killing them. However, there is no practical and effective way so far of doing so.

The island of Iki-Tsushima quasi-national park, surrounded by the rough Sea of Genkai, is beginning to regain the tranquility for which it is known. It attracts about 300,000 tourists each year, most of them during the summer, who journey there either by plane, which takes about 25 minutes from Fukuoka or by boat in about two and a half hours.

The islanders look forward to seeing swimmers instead of dolphins on sandy Tatsunoshima, a favorite beach on the island.

#### SEATTLE KEIRO NURSING HOME NEWS

Issei Concerns By-laws Revised: Revisions to the by-laws of Issei Concerns were approved by the board of directors at its regular monthly meeting. The revisions were drafted by a committee headed by Dick Nishikawa. Members of the committee included George Abe, Harry Kadoshima and Sam Shoji.

3 Interns at Keiro: Three new interns at Keiro are Neil Shiozaki, restorative aide, a health education major at the Univ. of Wash.; Kanako Egashira, group therapy and individual therapy, a health education major at the UW, and Shigeko Williamson, social work intern, a minor in social work at Seattle Pacific University.

New Hires: Linda Rogers has been hired as the day registered nurse. Cleo Candy Nee has been appointed medical records board clerk under the federal Comprehensive Employment & Training Act (CETA). Noriko Nishioka has been appointed assistant activities director. A native of Kyoto, Noriko has lived in the United States for 15 years.

Sakura Kai Volunteers: Sakura Kai members continue to come on the second Thursday of each month to read stories and news items to patients. Keiro has received many collections of poems from retirement homes in Kobe and letters from Kobe grade school children. These poems and letters are being read to Keiro patients by Sakura Kai volunteers, in addition to topics selected by Sakura Kai members. This activity is directed by Mrs. Noriko Noguchi of Hoko Suisan.

Two Sakura Kai craft volunteers--Mrs. Hiroko Nagayoshi and Mrs. T. Suganama--have left for Japan. Our thanks to them for giving their time and skills to aid Keiro patients. A new Sakura Kai volunteer is Mrs. Sasaki of Taiyo Kobe Bank, helping out with crafts.

#### FINANCIAL HELP REQUESTED TO PUBLISH BOOK AUTHORED BY STUDENTS IN SOCIAL STUDIES CLASS

Nina Egashira, a junior at Franklin High, has written an appeal to Seattle Chapter. The letter is written with letterhead of Franklin High School. The letter follows:

"Presently, I am enrolled in the Alpha-Mentor Social Studies class. This is a class for the gifted and talented students in the area of Social Studies. The students enrolled last year started to write a supplementary textbook on seven ethnic backgrounds. We have continued to expand where the previous class left off, and after eighteen months of continuous research and hard work, the Alpha-Mentor classes of 1976-77 and 1977-78 have finally completed a history book with a new concept.

"With the guidance of our advisor, Mr. David Belmonte, we felt that there was a need for recognition of the minority peoples in America. Thus, the theme and title MINORITIES IN A MAJORITY came to be.

MINORITIES IN A MAJORITY deals with seven ethnic groups--Black, Chinese, Italian, Japanese, Jewish, Native American, and Spanish-speaking Americans. Each section of the book includes a cover symbolic of the ethnic group, table of contents, an introduction giving a brief history, some facts, and ten biographies of well-known and unknown people that we felt should be recognized in each of the groups mentioned above. The pictures illustrating the biographies as well as the covers to each section were drawn by two of the Alpha-Mentor students. Following the biographies are questions pertaining to the section, glossary words, and a vocabulary matching quiz.

"I feel that this book will give students in the sixth thru ninth grades a more in depth view of minority peoples that history textbooks only touch upon lightly, if at all. In order to do this, the book must first be published. We would appreciate any help that you could give us financially or otherwise towards the publication of this book. If you or anyone you know would like to support the publication of this book in any way, please contact me or Mr. Belmonte at Franklin.

Sincerely yours, /s/ Nina M. Egashira"

**NEWS JOTTINGS:** Kathy Okazaki and Craig Yamashita, juniors at Rainier Beach high, scores among top 5% of more than 1,000,000 students and will enter National Merit Scholarship competition . . . Chieko Oi, graduate of Roosevelt high school and daughter of Rinban and Mrs. Shojo Oi, was among 36 selected for Olympic Scholarship Award winners from among 571 nominees at 88 Puget Sound high schools. The award is for distinguished and unselfish services to school and country. The ceremony was held at U.W.'s Meany Hall and sponsored by The Post-Intelligencer and KIRO Radio and Television. The 36 winners shared more than \$10,000 in scholarships . . . Nancy Ishii, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nobu Ishii, received \$150 scholarship from Rainier Beach Commercial Club. She plans to attend Green River Community College with major in architecture. She graduated from Rainier Beach high . . . Karen Y. Nishimura, graduating senior at Mercer Island high school and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiro Nishimura, was named recipient of \$400.00 N.V.C. scholarship and announced by Jim Komura, special services officer. She is enrolled in the intensive Japanese language summer course at the U.W. in preparation for her year's study as an exchange student in Japan. She leaves in August to attend Baika private girls school near Osaka. At Mercer high she was 3.8 gpa student, active in Asian Student Coalition. She is also active in YBA, Seattle Buddhist Drum & Bugle Corps, rifle and color guard captain, Campfire Girls, and Keiro Home . . . Two recipients of the annual \$300.00 YBA-YABA Scholarship Award were Kathleen Imanishi and Karen Nishimura . . .

Warren J. Higa, son of Mr. and Mrs. James K. Higa, received B.A. degree in sociology from Pitzer College in Claremont, CA . . . Doug Y. Nikaitani, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Nikaitani, graduated Cum Laude from Whitman College in Walla Walla . . . 28 seniors received baccalaureate degrees with highest honors at the U.W.'s 103rd commencement including Kathleen Y. Takeuchi of Honolulu and Barbara M. Watanabe of Wailuku, Hawaii . . . Kenneth L. Tanaka, 1974 graduate of West Seattle High, received B.S. degree in geology from Cal Institute of Technology, Pasadena, June 9. He is son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tanaka. He received 4-year fellowship from U. of Cal. at Santa Barbara where he will start graduate studies in the fall . . . In the second week of the Times-Kodak International Newspaper Snapshot Awards, Carolyn Kato won honorable mention for black-and-white . . . The Denise Louie Child Care Center serving Beacon Hill, the Rainier Valley and the International District opened June 19 at 515 10th S., former Sunday School building for Chinese Baptist Church. Linda Minato is school director. Other staff member include Connie Chin, Lea Limos and Leonie Vera Cruz . . . West Seattle's Delridge Valley resident Mits Takahashi was co-chairing with Elta Seeger, when concerned community met with Mayor Charles Royer, June 15 at West Seattle high where request for re-routing heavy volume of college traffic particularly on 23rd S.W. John Howell with the Mayor's staff, conceded that there's no money available . . . Duane Hamamura, of Fournier Newspapers, won first-place for sports photography and a second-place for a photo story, among 12 state awards winner presented by the National Federation of Press Women . . . Jim Shinbo, sophomore coxswain and son of Mr. and Mrs. Hachiro Shinbo, is the member of Univ. of Washington's junior varsity crew known as Developmental eight. On June 29 at Henley-on-Tames, the junior varsity lost by  $\frac{1}{2}$  length in a storm to Neptune Rowing Club of Ireland after winning in earlier race . . . Colleen May Tanabe and Glen Kazuteru Kiyonaga were united in marriage July 1 at Kubota Garden. Dr. Rev. Paul M. Nagano officiated. Colleen is the daughter of George and Irene Tanabe. Glen is the son of Akiko and the late Yoshio Kiyonaga. Colleen teaches school in Mercer Island and Glen who graduated from School of Medicine University of Washington works at the Providence Hospital. Dinner reception was held at the Edgewater Inn . . .

"Plainview" is the experimental hydrofoil built for the Navy by Lockheed. 310-ton and 220-ft ship has a leak that wouldn't quit and works its way into the lube oil. The order came to scrap the ship. Sumiyasu Arima is the top civilian in charge of Navy's Hydrofoil Testing Unit, has been with the Plainview since her launching back in 1965. Arima said, "She was out this morning, up on her struts, just beautiful. In the past year or so, after the big layup, she's logged 60-70 hours in the air. We've learned a lot from her. Yes, some of it is what not to do. It cost a lot of money, yes. I have mixed emotions about her."

**MILESTONES:** James B. Tanaka, 74, June 12. Services June 15. Packing House Union Local 186. Survivors include: wife Setsu; son Shin Tanaka, Bothell; brother Masahisa (Mud) Tanaka, Seattle; sister Mrs. Minoru (Chiyo) Okano . . . Peter Akira Thiel, 8, June 27. Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, University Heights Elementary School, R.U.G. Little League. Son of Philip and Midori Thiel. Brother of Kenji, Los Angeles; Tamiko, Stanford, CA and Kiko, Seattle. Grandson of Rev. and Mrs. J.C. Kono, Seattle. Peter Thiel fell 25 feet from the Nippon Maru and the head struck a log . . . Hideyo Yokoyama. Services July 5. Seattle Buddhist Church, past president of the Women's Fellowship, Hiroshima and Fukushima Kenjin Kai, Kokusei Shigin Kai. Survivors include: four daughters, Mrs. Takeshi (Keiko) Sakanashi, Mrs. Minoru (Yoshiko) Ishizawa, both Richmond, CA; Mrs. Jiro (Takeko) Todo, Seattle and Mrs. Jack (Donna Akiko) Krivdo, Thousand Oakes, CA; two brothers, Shigeru and Tomatsu Doi and one sister, Mrs. Ayako Sako, all Japan . . . Matsue Takahashi, 42. Services July 7. Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church and its Women's Fellowship. Survivors include: sons Frank F. Takahashi and Dick F. Takahashi, both Seattle; daughter Mrs. Matsumi Kamma, Japan . . .

**BUSINESS:** Grand opening was held June 22 for the New Bellevue Uwajimaya located at 15555 N.E. 24th, Bellevue. Goro Tokita is the manager . . . John Y. Sato & Associates is architect with the Sato Corp., general contractor, for the construction under way on a \$375,000 two-story office building at Northeast 114th Street and Pinehurst Way for Sy Iffert. The building will have 11,726 square feet of rental space with level access to both floors from parking areas which will hold 30 cars. Cedar siding will cover the air-conditioned building, which is to be completed by mid-July . . .

**LATE ADD:** Terrance T. (Pan) Furuta <sup>64</sup> passed away June 25 in Anaheim. Services July 7, Seattle Buddhist Church. Survivors include: wife Mitsue; son Richard; daughters Carol Ann (Ko) and Mary. Son of Ikuno. Brother of Yoichi (George) and Iwao (Herb) . . .

PAUL ISAKI (Cont'd): of the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District. Vice Governor Harold "Bones" Onishi, 1976 president of the Portland Chapter, assumes the position of Governor. Presently serving as commander of the Oregon Nisei Vets, Onishi is a teacher-counselor at Washington high school in Portland.

#### THOUSAND CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT SET FOR JULY 30

Rain or shine, the seventh annual JACL One Thousand Club golf tournament for both men and women will take place at the Jackson Course July 30. Tournament entry deadline for golfing is July 21. Cochairperson James Matsuoka and Luana Yoshino are already making extensive preparations for this gala event. There will be both men's and women's flight. All One Thousand Club members and their spouses are eligible to compete. Entry fee is \$5.00.

Perpetual trophy will be awarded the person with the lowest net score of the flights. The winner of each flight will also receive a trophy. There will be something to take home for everyone.

The tournament will be followed by social hour from 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Four Seas Restaurant. Everyone is invited to attend the dinner which will cost \$9.00. Pay your Thousand Club dues if delinquent when you sign up for the tournament. Assisting co-chairperson are Kiyoo and Toru Sakahara, Fred T. Kagi, Dr. Terrance M. Toda, Dr. Pete Yoshino and Kimi Nakanishi. For tournament questions call any of the committee members. If you don't golf, make reservation for the dinner and enjoy an evening of fun time.

#### DISCO DANCE

The Asian Family Affair will be hosting a disco dance on July 22 from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Gim Wa restaurant. Donations are \$2.50 in advance and \$3.00 at the door. Cocktails will be available from a no-host bar, I.D. please. Great door awards such as a sweater from Mich's, lube and oil from Seventh Avenue Service Station, records, and dinners for two may be won by purchasing additional door ticket at the door for 25¢. Donations will go to the enrichment of the Asian Family Affair, a non-profit community oriented newspaper.

For further information please call the Asian Family Affair office anytime between 12 noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday at 329-4224.

#### QUEEN KRISTI TREK TO BRAZIL

Queen Kristi of the Greater Seattle Japanese Community was back from participating in the Nikkei International Queen Contest at San Paulo, Brazil during June 3-14. She was invited by Jornal Paulista, a Japanese language 8-page newspaper with one page written in Portuguese. Brazil is also celebrating the 70th anniversary of their first Japanese immigrant. Tabs were picked up by Kodak and to lesser amount by other corporations supporting the Colonia Queen Contest and the Nikkei Contest which followed lasting as late as 3 a.m.

Queen Kristi carried greetings from Gov. Dixy Lee Ray. Queen Kristi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Seko, was on the trip accompanied by her mother. Nikkei International included costumes and swimming suit competition. 35 Nikkei entries included Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Honolulu, Canada, Mexico, Bolivia, Peru, Argentina, Chile and Paraguay. The first place finish went to Hawaii. Names were interesting. For instance, Mexico was represented by Maria Guadalupe Masako Kamazawa and Peru by Ana Maria Naoko Yagui Akamine.

Mrs. Joan Seko said it took at least four telegrams and 20 minutes long-distance phone call to clarify arrangements. Joan was not aware of the costume show when she got there. Not to be outdone, she went into her room and sewed together a "Roaring Twenties" dress to be worn by Queen Kristi. Joan was surprised to learn that everyone wanted to know where Seattle was located. "We're very close to Vancouver, B.C.," she explained. They confused State of Washington with Washington, D.C. A more knowledgeable persons would ask about the frontiers and saloons. Queen Kristi describing the trip to Brazil where Nikkei spoke Portuguese said, "It was interesting. I communicated by speaking little Japanese and using hands."

#### QUEEN AND HER COURT FACE BUSY SCHEDULE

Queen Kristi and her Court Princess Shirlee Uyeno and Judy Tamai appeared at "Nippon Maru" reception. Queen Kristi will be receiving \$500.00 and each Princess \$300.00 in scholarship from the Queen Committee during the Bon Odori program in Seattle. In addition to full Sea-fair program, there will be U.S. Coast Guard "Eagle" tall ship, Korean "tall ship," U.S. Navy cadet dance, Longacres fashion show, as well as Bon Odori in both Tacoma and White River Buddhist Churches. Queen Kristi may attend Nisei Week in Los Angeles and has received invitation to Toronto for next spring.

#### ASIANS IN THE CITY HALL SCENE

Asians being active in last fall's campaign resulted in greater visibility for Asians in the City Hall. Alice Liu is program evaluation analyst to City Council Central Staff whose duties are to review transportation policy issues. Arlene Oki is special assistant to Mayor Charles Royer. Rita Fujiki Elway working on her Ph.D is city council assistant (half time) to Councilman Michael Hildt. Others include Alan Kurimura, city council assistant to Councilman George Benson, and Ruth Yoneyama Woo as confidential secretary to City Attorney Doug Jewett. Sharan Yuasa was nominated by Councilman George Benson resulting in Mayor Royer appointing her to small business task force. The purpose of the task force is to advise Mayor and Council on small business. Sharan is the daughter of Mrs. Kiki Hagimori. And most recently three Asians were hired as legislative interns for the City Council. Councilman Michael Hildt hired Younghee Kim who is doing graduate work at the U.W. majoring in public affairs. Councilwoman Jeanette Williams hired Grace Chien, law student at the U.W. and Councilman Tim Hill has hired Katherine Hayashi, law student at the Univ. of Washington. (Cont'd bottom p.6)

Calendar of Events

- July 10 thru 19--Bon Odori practice session from 7:30 p.m. at Seattle Buddhist Auditorium.
- July 17-22--25th Biennial National JACL Convention at Little America Hotel in Salt Lake City.
- July 22-23--Bon Odori Festival sponsored by Seattle Buddhist Church.
- July 22--Asian Family Affair sponsored disco benefit dance from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Gim Wa Restaurant. \$2.50 donation in advance or \$3.00 at the door.
- July 30--The 7th annual JACL One Thousand Club Golf Tournament at Jackson Course.
- July 30--NVC sponsored picnic at Johnson's Hi-Dive Resort at Lake Surprise in Milton, 27 miles south of Seattle on Highway 61 to Milton. Mark Fugami is chairperson.
- Aug. 4--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. 9--JACL newsletter mailout, 7 p.m. at the JACL office, 316 Maynard Ave. S.
- Aug. 11-12--Benefit rummage sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. sponsored by St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 1610 S. King St. All Proceeds will benefit Keiro Home. Pat Kojima, chairperson.
- Sept. 16--Annual chow mein dinner at NVC Memorial Hall.

CITY HALL SCENE (Cont'd): Others include Tomi H. Terao, Purchasing Agent; Ben Woo, Chairperson for Board of Adjustment; and Nobie Kodama Chan, Chairperson for Civil Service Commission.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: John H. Matsumoto reminds that there is still time to renew your membership. New policy decision of the Pacific Citizen Board earlier this year states that PC subscription will be terminated if renewal notice is <sup>not</sup> received by June 1978 unless that Chapter is willing to pay 10¢ per copy mailed. Make check payable to JACL, Seattle Chapter. Mail to Japanese American Citizens League, 316 Maynard Ave. S., Seattle 98104. Regular membership single \$18.00; Couple \$31.00; Student \$6.00; 1000 Club \$35; 50 Club \$50; Century Club \$100.00.

FROM THE BOARD: Don Kazama representative on the Human Rights Coordinating Council of Seattle School District No. 1 mentioned program of 1) affirmative action program for 1978-79 2) policy for handicap (mental and physical) 3) school grievance procedure. Kazama asked for 7 year extension of Equal Rights Amendment. It has passed the House and urged writing to Senators. Kazama asked for support for opposition to \$100-\$200 tax exemption for taxpayers sending kids to private school. Harry Kadoshima reiterated that private school is not an escape route to avoid desegregation program. Kadoshima said private school have to show racial mix. If they can't they will lose tax exemption. Bill Ishii and E. Nagaoka mentioned that families who send kids to private schools pay tax to support public schools and pays additional tuitions to private schools. All motion passes and the last one by 7-5.

There is effort to downgrade "Rainbow" program from the "inside." This program is now at ground "zero." There is political battle for curriculum change. 27 members of curriculum section has only two non-whites. Dr. Minoru Masuda said protest letter shall be sent to Seattle Public School on downgrading "Rainbow" program and to send commendation of Mako Nakagawa's effort in the program. Later in the evening we learn that Mako has been named new principal to Alki Elementary School. Congratulations! Her husband Ben is principal of McDonald School. . . . Don Kazama is member of National Advisory Committee for the problem of aging. Dr. Sharon Fujii has gathered 11 papers thru Sept. 76-June 78 period. Don asks for community workshop for Pac-Asian here and urged letter be sent to Region 10 and the Mayor's office.

June 14 newsletter mailout crew got the work done without a hitch. We thank the following for the turnout: Stanley Matsushita, Dee An Nakagawa, Bradley Nakagawa, Mako Nakagawa, Karen Yaguchi, May Sasaki, Becky Sasaki and Gary Matsudaira.

Ben Nakagawa has been taking care of communications with the Arboretum Foundation in reference with Japanese Garden in the Washington Park Arboretum. About five years ago the tea-house given to the City of Seattle by Tokyo Prefecture was burned to the ground in the act of vandalism. June 18 editorial of The Seattle Times entitled "Restore and Protect the Japanese Garden" brought into focus the problems such as who will pay for upkeep, the assurance that Japanese Garden will be kept up, the problem of security measures, possible admission charges, and public subscription campaign for financing of teahouse. Funds from previous donations and previous commitment exist.

Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (an arm of Washington State) has notified Edward M. Burke that Nippon Kan has been selected by the Keeper of the National Register for placement in the National Register of Historic Places. The National Register records the tangible reminders of the history of the United States and is the official list of the nation's cultural resources worthy of preservation. Nippon Kan hall which is part of Astor Hotel was the social center of Seattle Japanese community prior to WW2.

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