

FROM THE BOARD (Cont'd): sons helped at the mailout: John, Margaret and Pattie Takizawa, John Nakayama, Steve Suyama (Eagle QB), Sam, Haruko and Brian Shoji. Thanks so much.

New Appointments to the Board: Councilperson Delores Sibonga, Phil Hayasaka, and Ruthann Kurose, community representative for the Repres. for the Mike Lowry Office, have resigned from the board since their commitment makes them unable to attend the Wednesday meeting. The appointees to fill the vacancies are attorney Roger Shimizu, Dr. Tetsuden Kashima, director of the Asian American Studies, at the U.W., and Marie Kurose. Marie handles the Youth Committee.

The National Redress Committee disclosed that John Tateishi was hired as the full time director and has added research assistant and secretary. What we heard from the Seattle board report was that the regular National JACL staff were not required to work on Redress. This is in sharp contrast with Ron Ikejiri who was quoted as not having enough work in the office.

In Seattle the make-up of the Redress organization is two fold: a) the Seattle Chapter and b) the 14 local Nikkei organizations which organized and ran three fun drives. The group "b" paid some of the volunteers which rented extra room and was as busy a place as you can imagine with phones ringing continuously and the brochures and mailings being printed and getting the whole Seattle Commission Hearings on Redress organized. The next phase is public relations work, lobbying and setting up the speakers bureau.

President Lloyd F. Hara wanted the dollar figures and breakdown on spending for the National Redress Committee. He has met with key JACL figures and correspondences were sent to responsible persons receiving promises for the request. The situation has become "crystal clear." Those details of the expenditures will not be divulged (at least not to us for a while). President Hara was a county auditor for eight years receiving reputation for being hard nosed. Chuck Kato said at the board meeting "there is so much credibility gap between the National and the Chapters that it is ridiculous."

A demonstration grant from the United Way for leadership training and/or youth services to be administered by Seattle JACL is on the plan. The asking amount is about \$15,000 but traditionally the approval of any expenditure is much less than the asking amount. The funding source being asked is the United Way.

INSTALLATION BANQUET SET FOR JAN. 17 HOPES TO BE AN EXTRAVAGANZA

Planning for the installation commemorating the Chapter's 60th anniversary is developing at a furious pace. Jiro and Shea Aoki are chairpersons. The committee is going over the program meticulously and hopes to cover the whole historical range of the Chapter in ten year increments. The anniversary year book with its history and personnel is being published. Photo display will be at the banquet site.

The banquet will be held at the Butcher Restaurant in the Atrium Room, Sunday, Jan. 17. Three members of the original Seattle Progressive League, forerunner to JACL, survives. We hope to have all past presidents present.

The committee is soliciting donations and advertisements to finance the booklet. The response has been overwhelming according to co-chair Shea Aoki.

Lots of water had run under the Chapter bridge. the JACL had assumed to act as spokesmen for Japanese Americans during the evacuation crisis, a real thankless task which was open for the taking to other Nikkei organizations. The campaign for Immigration Act Amendments of 1965 eliminating the Asia-Pacific Triangle and the National Origin formula was one of post WWII accomplishments. We made three tries for the State Land Law Repeal succeeding on the third try. We successfully campaigned with other organizations to eliminate the new version of internment camps built for standby basis. We were the initial organization to fund the Asian Drop-in Center which was under director Ruthann Kurose. We had a hand in EOC's origin, one of the first to fund the Keiro. Currently we note the Pride & Shame exhibit, Day of Remembrance, the signing of President Ford's Proclamation, the Canadian Japanese exhibit here, the Commission Hearings. This was all done with volunteer people power.

Save the Jan. 17 60th anniversary banquet.

NEWS JOTTINGS: The Cleveland high school Eagles Metro League football team won the "Basement Bowl" in the Metro League AA, handling West Seattle its 14th consecutive defeat 22-6 on Oct. 23. Steven Suyama is the signal caller. David Yamada & Eddy Yamamoto are other members of the squad. . . . Mutual Materials Co. promoted Stuart Kumasaka to manager of Puget Sound branches. . . . With 2,339 of 2,387 precincts counted, the race for King County Council Dist. 5 had Ruby Chow (D) 14,465 and Paul Fletcher (R) 11,819. . . . In the Tacoma's race for school district director, position 2, Kenneth H. Kiromann was defeated by challenger Gene Matsusaka. . . .

MEMORIAL TREE FOR TROOP 53

Boy Scout Troop 53 Memorial Cherry Tree was planted in front of the Japanese Baptist Church parking lot Oct. 18. Large contingent of Sunday lunch hour crowd of scouting families were in attendance. George Yamane was the M/C. The names were informally fielded from the crowd and included the following although this may not be complete: the Rev. Emery E. Andrews, Naval Commander Dexter Yamada, Clarence T. Arai, George Gojio, George Minato, David Hasegawa, George Komoriya, George Kobata, and Sadao Tanaka. Troop 53 is sponsored by JBC.

FIRST NIKKEI HEALTH FAIR A SUCCESS

A very successful Nikkei Health Fair was held on Oct. 10 at Holly Park Medical Clinic. The fair was sponsored by Asian Counseling and Referral Services, Nikkei Concerns, the I.D. Health Clinic and the Commission on Asian American Affairs. Japanese American doctors, nurses, dentists, med techs, social workers, students and other community people were organized to

Calendar of Events

- KODAMA FAMILY COLLECTION DISPLAY at the Southwest King County Arts Museum. Monday through Thursday, also Sundays Nov. 8, Nov. 15, Dec. 6 and Dec. 13..(last day). Story pp. 3 and 4.
- Nov. 14 & 15--Videotapes of Commission Study Hearings from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. covering Sept. 9 and 10 testimonies, at the FVC Memorial Hall.
- Nov. 17--Lake Washington Chapter JACL meeting 7:30 p.m. at Newport Hills Baptist Church, 5033 119th S.E., Bellevue, across the street from Albertson's.
- Nov. 18--Seattle JACL meeting from 7:30 p.m. sharp at 316 Maynard Ave. S., Room 109.
- Nov. 19--(Thurs.)--Cable Access/Seattle Cablevision 3/Teleprompter E. Seattle Public Library:
9:30 p.m. BARA BARA/SCATTERED - Japanese Relocation Camps during World War II.
10:00 p.m. Japan Society Presents: Arts of Kabuki and Ikebana - Well known Kabuki actor Kuroeman and other stars of the Grand Kabuki Troupe performing excerpts from popular plays. A demonstration of traditional make-up and gestures included.
- Nov. 24--CCRR meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the JACL office, 316 Maynard Ave. S.
- Nov. 25--The First Hill Lions Club Benefit Nite at Imperial Palace Restaurant, 6th S. & Weller St. from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. This is to raise funds for the many Lions Club projects such as scholarship, CARE, and Lions Club International Foundation.
- Nov. 26--The annual NICC Thanksgiving worship service at Japanese Baptist Church from 10 a.m. The Rev. Richard Nishioka bringing the message. Refreshments following. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Nov. 26--St. Peter's Episcopal Church Thanksgiving Day Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m. Rector The Rev. Canon Timothy M. Nakayama and Assistant Priest The Rev. John L.F. Slee.
- Nov. 27 & 28--Resumption of Commission Study Hearings videotapes on testimonies at NVC Memorial Hall from 1 to 5 p.m.
- Dec. 4--Deadline for JACL newsletter. Mail announcements, etc. to: c/o Eira Nagaoka, 2809 N.E. 54th St., Seattle, WA 98105.
- Dec. 5--22nd annual benefit Christmas Dance sponsored by the Ai-iku Guild of the Children's Orthopedic Guild of the Children's Orthopedic Hospital from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. The dance will be held this year at the Nippon Kan Theatre, 628 S. Washington, Seattle. Tema Tokuda and Katsuko Hayashi are co-chairs. Music by Percy Bronson's orchestra. Tickets at \$10 per person available from Guild members.
- Dec. 9--(verify)--Newsletter mailing night at the JACL office, 316 Maynard Ave. S. 7:30 p.m.
- Jan. 17 (Sun.)--Seattle Chapter 60th anniversary installation-dinner (See page 5)

NIKKEI HEALTH FAIR (Cont'd): volunteer their services. They gave free eye, foot, hearing, dental and physical exams and provided information on nutrition and preventative health care. About 100 elderly Issei and Nisei enthusiastically participated.

The idea for a Nikkei health fair developed when ACRS was given a \$1,000 grant from the City Division on Aging. The money was to be used as "seed" to start service organizations for elderly Japanese. Because a number of programs already exist for the Nikkei seniors, ACRS called together a group of community members to discuss how the money would be best spent. The group felt that the grant should be used to further a need that wasn't being met by present program - and came up with the idea of a health fair. Health is a foremost concern among the elderly Issei and Nisei. Although most seniors have their own doctors and go for regular check-ups, there was no ongoing educational work being done in the community on preventative health care (how to keep healthy and not get sick in the first place). The committee decided to focus the fair on basic nutrition and health education. Screening would be given to assess key health problems that would need specific follow up and education in the future. Subcommittees were then set up to get the work going.

The response by the community was tremendous. Nikkei from all generations and professions pooled their time and resources to make the fair happen. Doctors and nurses contacted their colleagues to volunteer their services. Students from the U. of W. got their friends to drive the vans from agencies and churches to chauffeur the seniors to and from the clinic. People with bilingual skills helped to translate pamphlets. Some businessmen donated paper goods and bought lunch for the volunteers. (Cont'd next issue).

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