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JACL MEETING - Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1981 6 p.m. at Silver Dragon Restaurant, 421 7th Ave. S.
Make reservation to Karen on 623-5088 by Tuesday, Dec. 15th. This will be a combined
Christmas social-Board meeting.

60TH ANNIVERSARY SEATTLE JACL DINNER TO FEATURE SENATOR SLADE GORTON ON JANUARY 17TH

The Year was 1921, the place was Seattle. Concerned about the rising tide of discriminatory practices in Washington State and rumblings of an anti-alien land law, a handful of Nisei formed the Seattle Progressive Citizens League with the encouragement of Issei community leaders. Elected president was Shigeru Ozawa, with George Ishihara as secretary and Yuki Higashi was treasurer.

The revitalization of the League, which had drifted into inactivity by 1928, was spurred on by the brash young editor/publisher of The Japanese American Courier, Jimmie Sakamoto, who had lost none of his pugnacity as an ex-prize fighter even though his fling in the ring had left him permanently blinded.

The reactivated League with Clarence T. Arai as president, supported by George Ishihara, vice president Kimi Takayoshi, secretary, and Yuki Higashi, treasurer, began more actively to emphasize positive aspects of Japanese American citizenship, branching out to coordinate activities with the California groups. In 1930 the Seattle group hosted the founding convention of the Japanese American Citizens League, which marked the historic beginning of JACL as a national organization, with Clarence T. Arai elected its first national president. The Seattle Chapter, which thus traces its infant origins back to Sept. 27, 1921, will commemorate its 60th Anniversary at its Annual Installation and Awards Banquet on Jan. 17, 1982 at the Butcher's Atrium.

Senator Slade Gorton, Washington's junior senator, will be the keynote speaker at the awards event, which will begin at 4:30 p.m. with a social hour and a display exhibit, followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m. Six decades of memories will be brought back by photographs, papers, and mementos gathered from pioneer members or contributed by members of their families who inherited the treasured documents that date back to the 20's, 30's and the crucial war years.

The only three living members left of the original 19 in the charter group, Shigeru Ozawa, Professor emeritus Henry Tatsumi, and Tama Sakai, will be honored, sharing the spotlight with current award winners who have rendered JACL and community service. Past presidents, 1000 Club members, and old-timers are especially encouraged to attend this commemorative occasion.

Lori Matsukawa, KOMO-TV reporter, will emcee the program which will be complemented with musical and entertainment portions. Co-chairpersons of the gala event are Shea and Jiro Aoki, who as JACL members since 1930 could recount many tales of the early JACL days.

Karen Seriguchi, Pat Terao and Lori Matsukawa are heading the committee working on the anniversary booklet.

Tickets are \$15.00 per person and those interested in making reservations are requested to call Kimi Nakanishi, 447-5064/523-5937, or Shea Aoki, 723-6061.

All checks shall be made payable to Seattle JACL and sent to Hiram Akita, 9504 South 207th Place, Kent, Washington 98031. --submitted

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

HOLIDAY GREETINGS!! I want to take this time of Season to give thanks to all of you who have given me your confidences to serve as your JACL President for 1981. Without the strong support from the officers who served with me and gave me counsel and advice, such as Kathryn Bannai, Jerry Nagae, Eira Nagaoka, Arlene Oki, Aki Kurose, Vicki Asakura, Ruth Woo, Wayne Nakanishi, Ken Nakano and Chuck Kato, it would have been impossible to achieve anything this year. We also had an active Board of Directors who worked hard and made things happen such as Frank Abe, Phil Hayasaka, Floyd Horiuchi, Richard Ishikawa, Gary Iwamoto, Kaz Ishimitsu, Kazzie Katayama, Don Kazama, Mark Kinomoto, Cherry Kinoshita, Jan Kumasaka, Y.K. Kuniyuki, Ruthann Kurose, Lori Matsukawa, Henry Miyatake, Tomio Moriguchi, Alan Osaki, Karen Seriguchi, Jerry Shigaki, Sam Shoji, Dolores Sibonga, Charles Smith, Gordon Hirabayashi, Terry Nakano, Shea and Jiro Aoki, Tets Kashima and Roger Shimizu.

As we look back, we found ourselves a new board of directors and officers who had never worked together. Some of us had not been active in JACL affairs. Our Board retreat at Bellevue Community College last December provided an opportunity to get to know each other better, learn more about the responsibilities of a Board and establish a working budget for 1981. We even had guests from other chapters who potentially benefited from our training efforts. This initial meeting set the tone for an active year.

What we accomplished together in 1981 was not spectacular, but we did try to bring a new vitality to JACL. I only regret and am disappointed that I personally could not devote the time and energy deserved by the membership to make 1981 an outstanding year. Please accept my apologies for not doing things in the traditional Japanese manner. I know many persons felt frustrated that I believe strongly in delegation of functions and for committees to carry out the activities of JACL in a prudent manner. Time was so limited and I hope that

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT: next year's leadership gives you the leadership qualities you so richly deserve.

I believe if JACL is to grow and prosper, we need to get more of the community involved and to expand our roots beyond the Nikkei and into the majority community. The leadership of the Nikkei community should be expanded to the point where we have more than a handful of recognized leaders, and where people can name hundreds of persons as leaders. It is the responsibility of those who hold community leadership positions to assist and become a patron for someone else. It is unfortunate when a single person or a small group have dominated an organization for years or even decades. JACL, as it moves into the 1980's, needs to have an orderly transition of power from the Nisei, to the Sansei and Yonsei.

It is often difficult to give up so called power and control, but the overall good of an organization such as JACL is beyond the interest of just a few. I am concerned as we see JACL at the National level under tight control of a few and often not representing all the interests of the Nikkei community.

If you are interested in making JACL stronger, we must start at home with the Seattle Chapter. My biggest disappointment was that we missed our membership goal of 1,000 members. In order to be effective as an organization, it is important to have a large representative membership. I would hope you will take time and inform your friends about joining JACL in 1982-- we and the Nikkei community need you.

A strong JACL chapter can provide the "power base" as a community to get things accomplished. It is always better to work as a group rather than singly to meet community goals.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 1981 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Board Training, Booster Memberships

Canadian Project Exhibit

Installation Dinner

Hito Hata - film fund raiser

Teen socials, such as youth dances and youth social outings

Creation of Tomoki - for widow's support system

Youth Recognition Banquet - 365 persons attended

Cherry Blossom Festival Support

Participation in the Japanese Community Queen Contest

Hiroshima Medical Team Symposium and Examinations

REDRESS Mock Hearing

REDRESS Hearings

Las Vegas Night

JACL Board Picnic

Preparation and Planning for Asian Recognition Program

Preparation of JACL Bowling Tournament

60th Anniversary Installation Dinner

JACL Organization and Administrative Structure

I extend my best wishes to incoming President Kathryn Bannai and the new Board members and Officers. Have a Happy Holiday, and thank you for allowing me to say a few words each month and serve as your president. --Lloyd F. Hara, President

1982 OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF SEATTLE CHAPTER JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE

Kathryn Bannai, cochair and prime mover of Japanese Canadian Exhibit at the Frye Museum, is the new Seattle Chapter president. She is an attorney with private law practice in the International District. Other officers and board members supporting the president follow:

President elect, Mako Nakagawa; 1st vp, Joanne Fujita; 2nd vice president, Eira Nagaoka; 3rd vice president, Jerald Nagae; 4th vice president, Aki Kurose; co-recording secretary, Vicki Asakura and Patti Shimomura; treasurer, Janice Nishimori; historian, Shea and Jiro Aoki, district council delegate, Lloyd F. Hara.

Board Members, Group I: Massie Tomita, Arlene Oki, Sam Shoji, Mich Matsudaira, Hana Masuda, Cherry Kinoshita, Chuck Kato; Group II: Kazzie Katayama, Michiko Fujii, Lori Matsukawa, Jan Kumasaka, Jerry Shigaki, Gary Iwamoto, Bill Nishimura; Group III: Hiroko Nakagawa, Dick Sugiyama, Roger Shimizu, Mark Okazaki, Dave Okimoto, Kathy Kozu, and Gary Kawasaki.

Ballots were counted by separate committee from the nomination committee. Tabulation was made on Nov. 13 with Kaz Ishimitsu (chair), Karen Seriguchi, Theresa Takayoshi, Hiro Nishimura, Dr. Kelly Yamada, Floyd Horiuchi, and Mark Kinomoto.

LAKE WASHINGTON CHAPTER MEETING SET FOR DEC. 15

Program Committee chairman Paul Hosoda announced that the speaker for the Dec. 15th meeting will be Satoshi Yamamoto. Officer Yamamoto is a Bellevue patrolman and has been with the Bellevue Police Department since 1978.

Excerpts from minutes submitted by Helen Saito for the Nov. 17 meeting:

Social Committee--The installation of new officers and board members was discussed. It was moved and seconded that we have an installation dinner in January or that we install the officers at our January meeting. The chapter voted to have an installation dinner in January. The social committee will set the date and announce it at the next meeting.

Nominations of officers and board members - The following names were added to the slate of candidates: Telephone--Susie Aoyama (changed from publicity); Publicity--Amy Hirai; Board-

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NIKKEI HEALTH FAIR OF OCT. 10 (Part II)

The churches helped to publicize the event and encouraged their members to go. Issei and Nisei elderly enthusiastically registered for the screening - so many that registration unfortunately had to be capped at 100 applicants.

on the day of the fair everything fell together in place. "At first we weren't sure what to expect, since we had never done a fair before," said Clyde Takeuchi, transportation coordinator, ". . . but everything ran pretty smoothly." There was a warm, friendly atmosphere and a strong feeling of community spirit throughout the day. The seniors chatted with friends and caught up on family news while they patiently waited for their exams. Health professionals met other JAs in their fields and exchanged shop talk. Sansei practiced what little Japanese they knew while escorting the elderly through the different test stations. They also met students from Japan who helped with translations. "I have never worked so hard before," said Vic Takemoto, a med tech who had run blood tests all morning, ". . . but this was really worth it!"

Results of the exams confirmed that arthritis, diabetes, hypertension and dental care are real problems among the Nikkei elderly. An ongoing system of health education was also badly needed. Joanne Kimata, a nurse who staffed the nutrition booth observed that many seniors shyed away from seeking information on preventative health care. "At first, no one came to talk to us, so we started asking people if they had any problems. They said 'no.' Later, when we checked their test results, we found that lots of them had high blood pressure and needed adjustments in their diets. The seniors were just being polite, and didn't want to bother us with their questions."

Organizers of the fair hope that a series of workshops can be developed on topics such as nutrition, high blood pressure, dental care and fitness. They propose that churches, organizations or groups of Nikkei professionals take turns in sponsoring these workshops. The committee also plans to sponsor the health fair as an annual event that will be able to include more people and have more educational resources. "The fair was a total community effort and we hope that the enthusiasm generated by it will develop into an ongoing community responsibility," sponsor Fred Takayesu states. "Especially with social service cutbacks and Reagan promoting 'volunteerism,' the community is going to have to start relying on itself again to meet these needs."

If last month's fair is any indication, it shows that the community is willing and able to come together to meet such challenges.

If readers would like to receive a copy of the summary report, or want to volunteer yourself or your group to help sponsor a project, please contact Anne Arakaki (ACRS) 447-8413, Fail Tanaka (I.D. Health Clinic) 622-2835, or Fred Takayesu (Nikkei Concerns) 329-9575. Contributions can also be sent to: Nikkei Health Fair Fund, 1700 24th Ave. S., Seattle 98144.

NEWS JOTTINGS: The Univ. of Washington Huskies football team squad roster includes #69 Kevin Ideta, DT, 5-10, 222 pounds, Junior, and he graduated from Wilson High in Tacoma . . . Sept. 21 Seattle P.I.'s Emmett Watson's article mentions Fred Yasunaga is back from Hawaiian vacation having caught 12 feet 550-lb. marlin which dragged the boat six miles (2½ hours), and ending with marlin luau . . . 551 candidates passed the State Bar Exam in July, it was announced Oct. 12. The candidates who passed included: Dennis Paul Ichikawa, Bellevue; Kiyo Ann Matsumoto, Alex Yoichi Seita, and Edward Makoto Yoshida, all Seattle . . . King County Executive Randy Revelle on Nov. 25 named his six-member executive staff which included Rita Elway as administrative assistant. Elway is a co-owner of Communication Design, a research firm specializing in public-opinion research and program evaluation. Elway also served as legislative assistant to City Council members Dolores Sibonga and Michael Hildt. She is past Seattle JACL board member . . .

\$192 million Seattle budget which Mayor Charles Royer is expected to sign will eliminate 490 positions in City Hall including one third in unfilled vacant positions. Elimination of high level positions include Jim Kamihachi, head of the Office of Policy and Evaluation (OPE). He was recruited from a policy and evaluation position in the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C. only about a year ago. . . Marilyn Akita is acting executive secretary of the State Human Rights Commission located at 1601 2nd Ave. Bldg. in Seattle . . .

Robert M. Kawahara has been named senior vice president and director of the resource exploration division of Evans Llewellyn Securities, Inc. Kawahara is former vice president of the Sam Parks Co., specialist in mining-exploration stocks. He previously was associated with Shearson, Hayden, Stone, Rocket Research Corp., and Harris, Upham . . . Frederick & Nelson stores named Charlie Furukawa buyer for TV, sound and appliances. He was a buyer in sporting goods, baggage and active shoes . . . The architect firm of Hewitt/Daly recently expanded management principals. Joji Minatogawa was among the three new associates. Minatogawa has been with the firm since 1979 and is project architect for the U.S. Courthouse Renovation and the Westlake Condominiums Townhouses . . .

Washington State Historical Society committee picked the first 12 Washingtonians to be placed in a state Hall of Honor. By 1989, the state's centennial, the list will be expanded to include 100 citizens who will be honored in a permanent gallery in the society's Tacoma museum. The twelve who have been selected include: George Tsutakawa (1910-), a sculptor and retired U. of W. professor, has been honored many times for his art works, which blend Oriental art traditions with the Northwest. He has created more than 50 fountains and 30 major outdoor sculptures, including the graceful flowing fountain at Sixth and Seneca . . .

The North American Post is now a tri-weekly Japanese language vernacular. Yoshito Fujii is president of the North American Post Publishing Co., Inc., Edward S. Hidaka is vice president, and Noboru Kageyama, business manager. Others are Minoru Tsubota, Tsuyoshi Horike, Taneichi Ota, Torajiro Nakamura, Terumitsu Kano, Takashi Hori, Takami Hibiya, H.T. Kubota and Morigu-

JOTTINGS (Cont'd): chi 4M. Takami Hibiya is continuing as editor, with Dick Kanaya, assistant editor . . .

MILESTONES: Chojiro Kubo, 100. Services 8/19. Seattle Buddhist Church, Bocho Club, Hyaku Do Kai. (He has reached the goal of work till age 100 club.) According to the Issei Story this pioneer went to Klondike in 1905 prospecting for gold followed by other prospecting trips in that area for gold. At one time he became a Canadian citizen to seek status in securing jobs. He returned to Japan for military service in 1911 and headed back to Seattle in 1918. Survivors include: w Matsu, Seattle; s Ichiro, Japan; George T., Seattle; Mrs. Nobuo (Rose Y.) Omoto, Seattle; 8 gc; 2 ggc . . . Kimi Kitano, 74, 9/7. Private services were held. Seattle Buddhist Church. Survivors include: s Osamu S. Kitano, Seattle and Tom T. Kitano, Issaquah; 5 gc . . . Grace K. Chikata. Services 9/17. Nichiren Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Okayama Club, Hyakudo Kai. Survivors include: h Jack J., Seattle; d Mrs. Hiroyuki "Rocky" (Florence) Sumida, Seattle; and Mrs. George "Irene" Saito, Seattle; 5 gc; sis Mrs. Roy (Mary) Kasai, L.A.; Mrs. Tak (Florence) Tsuchida, Seattle; br Tom U. Mayeda, Seattle; Frank I. Mayeda, Seattle; Jack N. Mayeda, Honolulu . . .

Kiyo Hamasaki, 85, 9/18. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Federation, Hyaku Do Kai, Bocho Club. Survivors include: s Katsumi Hamasaki, Japan; Shigemi Hamasaki, Seattle; Tomio Hamasaki, Foster City, CA; d Mrs. Bob (Kimi) Oki, Mercer Is.; 11 gc; 6 ggc . . . Tatsuo "Tom" Tago, 81, 9/19. Services Oct. 3 . . . Tomie Inaba, 88, 10/1. Nichiren Buddhist Church. Survivors include: sis Hisaye Chigusa, Seattle . . . Tatsuye Sue Egashira. Services were held. Japanese Presbyterian Church. Survivors include: h Carl H.; s Alan Y., Seattle; Jerry, Foster City, Ca; d Joanne, Seattle; 3 gc. Br T keo Nakashima, Mt. Vernon; John Nakashima, Kent; George Nakashima, Renton; Masato Nakashima, Seattle; Yoshiaki Nakashima, Japan; sis Kimi Egashira, Seattle; Ayako Sawa, Seattle; Chiyoko Shima, Japan; Matsumi Nakashima, Seattle . . . June Satoko Kazumura. Services 10/2. Wife of Larry Takeshi Kazumura. s David Kazumura, Tukwilla; d Mrs. Chris (Linda) Eng, Mercer Is.; Mrs. Stanley (Susan) Yamada, Covina, Ca; Karen Kazumura, Ft. Sam Houston; Betty Kazumura, Bellevue; br Joe Ono; sis Mrs. George (Lucy) Fujimoto, Mrs. Roy (Madge) Kirita, all Seattle; Mrs. George (Helen) Ono, Arlington, Tex.; 3 gc . . .

Sakuko Suyama, 84, Oct. 4. Japanese Congregational Church, Rainier Haiku Club, Wakayama Club. Services at Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. Survivors include: h Shosaku; s Min and Nobi, all Seattle; br Sadao and Tsuneo Matsui; sis Yoshiko Iriye and Kiku Shirago, all Japan; also 13 gc . . . Jerry W. Okamoto, 20, (Mercer Is.), 10/12 . . .

Gentaro Takahashi. Mass of Christian Burial at St. Edwards Church 10/13. Member of Seicho No Ie, Gumma Kenjin Kai, Kokusei Shigin Kai, Hyaku Do Kai and Nikkei Jin Kai. Survivors include: w Iku; s Kinji Takahashi, Seattle; Fred S. Takahashi, Salt Lake City; d Eveline N. Takahashi, Seattle; Irene T. Takahashi, Midland, Mich; Katherine Y. Takahashi; Mrs. Gerald (Sumi) Loetz, both Las Vegas; 8 gc; 2 sis and 1 br in Japan . . . Frank N. Takano. Services 10/22. Seattle Buddhist Church, Puget Sound Golf Club, West Seattle Lions Club, Burien Lodge No. 2143, BPOE, West Seattle Judo Club, West Seattle YMCA Board, American Pharmaceutical Assn, Shiga Ken Jin Kai, NVC. Survivors include: w Jean Y.; s Dale A.; d Debbie A. and Susan A. Takano, all Seattle; br Takeo Takano, Okla. and Hideo Kubota, Japan . . .

Miko Tamura, 72, Sept. 25. St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Kishi Club. Survivors include: h Ben Takao Tamura, Seattle; s Takashi Tamura, Japan; Mits Tamura, Seattle; 2 gc; br Yoichi Ted Matsuda, Twin Falls, Ida . . . Jack H. Fujiwara. Services 9/25. Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. Survivors include: w Mary S.; d Mrs. Chris (Sylvia) Kamechetz, Atlanta; Mrs. Victor (Joyce) Hiraga, NYC; Mrs. Barry (Melinda) Herbert, NYC; 5 gc; 1 br & 1 sis in Japan . . . Ben T. Yamamoto. Services 10/1. Automotive Sheet Metal Union No. 99. Survivors include: s Ben I. and Barry T.; br George, Robert M., Joe I., Tom T., Kay Yamamoto; sis Mrs. Fumiye Nomura, Mrs. Robert (Toshi) Chinn; Mrs. Don (Yaeko) Suyetani; Mrs. Aki (Tomi) Mihara, all Seattle . . . Betty Y. Yamamoto. Services 10/1. Japanese Presbyterian Church, Seattle-Kobe Sister City Affiliation. Survivors include: s Ben I. and Barry T., both Seattle; br Thomas M. Kogane, Anchorage; sis Mrs. Harry (Tomiko) Tsutsumi, San Jose; Mrs. Hisao (Sylvia) Kobayashi, Anchorage . . . Shin Matsuzawa, 94, 9/28. Japanese Baptist Church. Survivors include: s Masakazu, Japan; Joe, Lynwood; Thomas, WA DC; Roy, Bothell; d Mrs. Yone Kubota, Seattle; 8 gc; 1 br in Japan . . . June S. Kazumura, 59, Sept. 28 . . . Rinko D. Ito, 65, Sept. 30 . . . Yohei Frank Hikida. Services 10/24. Resident of S. King County since 1921. Owner of Sunrise Florist, Auburn. Beloved father of Tom Hikida and Pearl Okura, both Auburn; 4 gc; . . . Rika M. Nomura, 86, 10/26. St. Mary's Parish. Mass of Christian Burial 10/28. Survivors include: s Paul H., Seattle and Richard M. Nomura, Chicago; 3 gc and 4 ggc; sis Mrs. Yuki Higashi, Sacramento; 1 sis and 1 br in Japan . . . Jack K. Takayama, 79, 10/22 . . . Shoji Kasahara, 53, 11/4. Family services were held. Koyasan Buddhist Church. Survivors include; br George Kasahara; sis Mrs. Tomiko Izumi and Mrs. Itsumi Okazaki, all Seattle, all Seattle. Also, several nieces and nephews . . . Suna Shirasago. Private family services were held. Survivors include: s Masuo Jim Shirasago, Hardin, Mont.; Kiyoshi Sam Shirasago, Renton; Tokumi Tak Shirasago, Hardin, Mont. Daughters Mrs. Charles (Akiyo) Kataoka, Moses Lake; Mrs. Nobuyoshi (Teruko) Akada, Seattle; 10 gc, 1 ggd . . . Thomas Nitta, 54, Nov. 19. Japanese Baptist Church. He was apt mgr. Survivors include: br Hisao Nitta . . . Ko Nishiyama, 87, Nov. 20. Seattle Koyasan Church. No services at her request. Survivors include: d Mrs. Mary Tsuruno Fukuhara, Seattle; 3 gc; 2 ggd . . . Umeno Hattori. Private services were held. Survivors include son, Masao H. Hattori . . .

MISS 1981 NISEI WEEK OF LAST SUMMER FROM SEATTLE

Frances Hiromi Shima, 22, sponsored by Suburban Optimist Club of Buena Park, is from Seattle. She is the daughter of Jack Seisun and Mitzi Shimabukuro of Seattle. She is a 1977

MISS 1981 NISEI WEEK (Cont'd): graduate of Franklin High, moved to Claremont to attend Pitzer College and graduated last May in political science. She spent her junior year at Waseda University to study Japanese culture where she realized she was a Nihonjin from "America" and it took her three months to adjust to this frustration in culture.

She is 5 ft. 2. Her career ambition is to work for an international trading company or a U.S. based multi-national corporation. Her hobbies and interests are in hiking, skiing, tennis, jogging, mountain climbing, piano, koto and the flute.

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR GREATER SEATTLE JAPANESE QUEEN CANDIDATES

Greater Seattle Japanese Community Queen Committee, Inc. is accepting application for queen candidates. Miss Japanese Community Queen of 1982 must be between the ages of 18 and 23. The applicant must not have reached her twenty-third birthday by July 30, 1982 and can be no younger than eighteen on July 30, 1982. She must be of Japanese ancestry. Contestants must not be nor ever have been married or plan to be married during their reign.

All Royal Court members and Queen shall serve as Goodwill Ambassadors to the Greater Seattle Japanese Community, and will be active participants throughout the 1982-83 reign of this court. They are to be available to participate in all scheduled Japanese Community activities, and, if selected to be Japanese Community Queen, must also be available during Seafair to participate in all scheduled events. Deadline for entry is Feb. 28, 1982. The Queen and the Lady-in-Waiting will receive scholarship.

Application form may be received by writing to Japanese Community Queen Contest Committee, 3046 Beacon Ave. S., Seattle 98144.

4TH NATIONAL ASIAN/PACIFIC AMERICAN EDUCATION CONFERENCE APRIL 22-24

Approximately 1,000 participants from throughout the United States and elsewhere are expected to attend the Fourth National Asian/Pacific American Education Conference April 22-24 in Seattle. With its theme, "Asian/Pacific American Education: An Investment for the Future," the conference's presentations will focus on blending Asian/Pacific American education with economics, politics, business and trade to prepare the Asian and Pacific American communities and the broader community for entry into the 21st century.

Explaining the conference theme, Joan Yoshitomi, conference co-chairperson said, "the increasing global interdependence, especially between Asian and Pacific Rim countries and the United States, mandates the educators extend their thinking, vision and efforts beyond the traditional areas of education."

Dr. Pio DeCano, also conference co-chairperson, added that "the purpose of the conference is to share current programs that have implications for this future and to begin examining ways in which cooperative efforts involving education and the national and international business communities can be established."

Keynoting the conference Thursday evening, April 22, will be Pierre Casse, former Senior Staff Development Office and presently Lecturer at the Economic Development Institute of the World Bank. Associate Justice Ben Menor of the Hawaii Supreme Court will be the guest speaker at the conference dinner Friday evening, April 23.

The conference will feature 56 workshop sessions, four mini-general sessions, an extensive book and materials display, cultural entertainment, school visitations, media displays and several social events. The majority of the activities are located in the Seattle Center.

A special series of workshops on Asian American children's literature will be presented by nationally recognized authors including Jose Arruego, Laurence Yep and Yoshiko Uchida.

Cost for the conference is \$55 - \$65 for full registration.

For further information or inquiries, contact Joan Yoshitomi, Conference Co-chairperson, at (206) 235-2433 or write "NAAPAE Conference," P.O. Box 31601, Seattle, WA 98103.

LAKE WASHINGTON CHAPTER MINUTES (Cont'd): Board member at Large--Ken Nakano.

New Business: A question on the progress of the plaque or memorial at Puyallup was raised. John indicated that we will probably hear more about this matter at a later date.

New goals and/or new areas of interest for the chapter's upcoming year was brought up. Jane Yambe felt it would be helpful to the new officers and board members to consider new areas of interest or new goals that chapter members might like to pursue. Ken Okuma indicated that he did have such information from the membership and could compile the data for the December meeting.

Program of Nov. 17: Lori Matsukawa, KOMO-TV news reporter, spoke on the topic: "An Asian in the Media." Her informative and thought provoking presentation was followed by questions from the membership.

FROM THE SEATTLE CHAPTER BOARD:

Nov. 11 newsletter mailout came through with the usual efficiency and dispatch. Alan T. Osaki was in charge and the following volunteers showed up for the evening: Alan T. Osaki; Phyllis J. Veuzosa; Gary Iwamoto; Ben, Bradly, and DōeAn Nakagawa; Karen Seriguchi, and Cherry Kinoshita. Thank you for your help.

The board discussed the death of the brother of board member Prof. Charles Z. Smith and the appropriate move.

Janice Nishimori, now 1982 treasurer, was introduced to the board.

Koko Kobayashi, candidate for promotional examination, with the City of Seattle Personnel Department, reported on the difficulty of the appeal process when contesting the examination. Materials of the exam indicated "pre-selection" according to Kobayashi. The interview was

Calendar of Events

- Dec. 12-13 and 19-20--Bush Asia Center Christmas Market from 12 noon to 5 p.m. The shopping arcade is part of the historic Bush Hotel, originally constructed as a travelers hotel in 1916. The Christmas market features Asian arts and crafts and a food fair by the International District Agencies, merchants, artists, and community organization.
- Dec. 13--NVC Children's Christmas Party at Nisei Veterans Memorial Hall starting at 1:30 p.m. Nelson Matsuda is social chairman. Tony, the Magic Man, to entertain. Greater Seattle Japanese Community Queen Diane Katsumoto and her court will perform for the children. The princesses are Susanne Yoshida, Susanne Kato, Karen Suzuki, Patricia Gale and Pattie Kitano. Frank Tsuji will be M/C. Each child attending is to bring \$3 value exchange gift marked on the page "B" or "G."
- Dec. 15--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.
- Dec. 16--Seattle JACL meeting-Christmas social from 6 p.m. at the Silver Dragon Restaurant. 421 7th S. Reservation must be in by the 15th. Otherwise call the restaurant.
- Dec. 19 and 20--Quarterly session of the Pacific Northwest District Council of JACL at the Rodeway Inn.
- Dec. 28, 29 and 30--Japanese Baptist Church sponsored benefit mochi sale to benefit remodeling fund. Monday from 2 to 6 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$2.25 per plate. The church is located at 901 E. Spruce St. (622-7351).
- Dec. 29 (Tues.)--Cable Access/Seattle Cablevision 3/Teleprompter. Seattle Public Library sponsor. 7:30 p.m. CHINATOWN - Documentary on NY's Chinatown.
- Jan. 8--Deadline for JACL newsletter. Mail announcements, etc. to: c/o Eira Nagaoka, 2809 N.E. 54th St., Seattle, WA 98105.
- Jan. 13 (verify)--Newsletter mailing night at the JACL office, 316 Maynard Ave. S. 7:00 p.m.
- Jan. 17--(Sunday)--Seattle Chapter 60th anniversary installation-recognition dinner. (See pp 1)
- Feb. 16 (Sat.)--Seattle JACL sponsored mixed fun tournament at the Imperial Lanes. This is not an ABC sanctioned tournament. Open to JACL members and spouse. Gary Matsudaira is co-chairman.
- April 22-24--Fourth annual conference of the National Association for Asian and Pacific American Education Conference at the Westin Hotel, Seattle. Joan Yoshitomi and Dr. Pio DeCano, co-chairperson.
- April 30, May 1-2--Japanese Cherry Blossom Festival at the Seattle Center.
- May 29--Greater Seattle Japanese Community Queen Coronation and Pageant at the Atrium Room of the Butcher Restaurant.

FROM THE BOARD (Cont'd): geared for another person in the office. She felt that this exam should not be considered to be an open competition. Following the Kobayashi appeal, the personnel made a move to the Council to amend the personnel ordinance to delete the need to classify the position, which would affect the civil service commission positions in a fundamental way.

Kobayashi went through the existing appeal process and made some recommendations to the Council committee. Because of the complexity of the case she has hired a lawyer. Civil service commission upheld the original decision. The only pending question is the Council action on the amendment of Personnel Department and the three recommended amendments as proposed by Kobayashi. Kobayashi said she is having a difficult time with the Personnel Department which are negating her effect and with the Council chair who is not responding. Kobayashi wants the JACL to look into the matter on this particular issue. The case is already closed but the whole question was referred to the anti-discrimination committee. --0--

JACL has always supported the Desegregation policy of the School Board as substantiated by Sam Shoji who has been attending. The ACLU and the Church Council have requested JACL join in submitting amicus brief to the Supreme Court. The brief has to be printed and this will cost \$400 at the very, very minimum. We cannot finance plaintiff. We had participated in 350 lawsuit at the district court level. Anyone wishing to help finance the amicus brief shall make the check payable to Seattle JACL with notation marked on the check as such. I.D. # 3-970

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