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SEATTLE JACL MEETING, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 7:45 P.M. AT THE JACL OFFICE, 316 Maynard South, Room 109. PRESIDENT MATSUDAIRA PRESIDING. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. REFRESHMENTS.

DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR SEATTLE JACL SCHOLARSHIPS

The local Seattle Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) is offering four scholars for this year. Three scholarships are for \$450.00 and one is for \$300.00.

One \$450.00 scholarship has been set aside this year for high school seniors who plan to pursue a trade or vocational program at a community college, trade or vocational program at a community college, trade or vocational-technical school, or business college. The other three scholarships are for university-bound seniors. To be eligible for these scholarships, seniors must have a gpa of 2.5 and must be of Japanese ancestry.

For application forms contact:

Akemi Matsumoto, JACL Scholarship Chairperson c/o Highline Community College
Midway, Washington 98031
(206) 878-3710

Deadline for application is May 4, 1979.

JAPAN GOVERNMENT DOCTOR TO EXAMINE ATOMIC BOMB VICTIMS IN SEATTLE

Rep. George E. Danielson (D-Ca) has reintroduced the bill to provide medical treatment to certain survivors of atomic bomb explosions in Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Danielson's bill is HR 1924. Ken Nakano recently learned that Japanese Government has decided to dispatch a medical doctor and an administrator to Seattle in May 26 (Sat.) and May 27 (Sun.) to interview and review the survivors who reside in Seattle-Portland area. Cost of the trip will be paid by the Japanese Government. Arrangements are being made for the Washington licensed M.D., site for interview, intraorganization coordination, party and welcome. A 30-minutes movie "Hiroshima Decision"--was the use of the A-bomb necessary? by Zenger Production Filmstrip-Cassettes will be shown pending approval for April 18 agenda.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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K. Nagai \$7.50; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sugawara \$10.00; Jim Ueda \$20.00; Shiz Sata \$27.50; Ted and Meriko Hayashi \$10.00; Consulate-General Kenichi Yanagi \$100.00.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Although Seattle Chapter's membership drive started late this year, the response has been very positive. Because of the late start, one problem has been the cancellation of Pacific Citizen subscriptions for some members. However, President Mich Matsudaira has conferred with Harry Honda, Editor, and has been assured that there will be no more cancellations. Seattle will be allowed to renew 1979 memberships until June 1 before their subscriptions are cancelled.

Membership Chairperson Michiko Fujii thanks the following: Keiro Board for unanimous approval of letting JACL use their 5,000 plus membership mailing list for our solicitation; the Moriguchi Family and the SEASIA computer staff for preparing the 5,000 labels for our mail-out; West Coast Printing; Sue Fujii, Kinko Nomura and Ann Fujii for hours of typing application forms and cards; and finally members, new and old, for their support.

MAMIYA OUT AS NATIONAL REDRESS COMMITTEE MEMBER

Ron Mamiya, our pride spokesman, and member of the National Redress Committee, was told that he was no longer a member of that committee. This came as no surprise as the feud had continued from the inception. Ron Mamiya had written a long letter to the Redress committee and portions read at the March meeting. Ron felt he owed it to the membership that we represent at the Chapter, District and the National level that we carry out the mandate of the Salt Lake City National convention. Ron said the options given were not in our best interest of membership and attention should be carefully weighed.

The Redress Committee agreed to seek Congressional Commission to look into the problem and assessing people. Feedbacks from Congressmen were politically self serving weighed in terms of their own political health. They admitted they were not 100% with the Redress. Ron does not believe that Congressional Commission to be the route. Ron sees the picture as National JACL effort versus the local effort with National trying to exclude the Northwest from leadership role in the Redress legislative program.

Recent meetings in Washington, DC and San Francisco showed that no consideration was given on the alternative or free voice. Ron said the action of the Redress Committee relieved him from any "back stabbing" and the chore of reporting to the local constituents on the progress whose route is alien to ours. There were big names mentioned such as Bill Marutani and Min Yasui who will not support our program.

Henry Miyatake said the National Committee is a loaded organization. Even within the PNWDC there were dealings to work against the Seattle Chapter. Chuck Kato was thinking, "If this

RON MAMIYA ON REDRESS (Cont'd): Redress Committee can go against the mandate of the members, what is to prevent others from doing this again? But we have to be careful about tearing the fabric of JACL."

Whatever is left of the role for Seattle Chapter, letter of support for Ron Mamiya will be written to the National president and to John Tateishi, chair of the National Redress.

JACL CONFRONTED BY NIKKEI PARENTS ON DESEGREGATION

Ken Nakano was approached by several Nikkei parents who had information on number of white students being exempted from the bussing program. These parents were seeking similar exemption for their Nikkei students. Some of these calls came in at 11 p.m.

Ben Nakagawa said he served on the appeal board for exempting students. Speaking for the exemption appeal board Nakagawa said, "We did not approve exemption for students in regards to bussing except for reason of health. Unfortunately superintendent released to press about so many exemptions being granted which was contrary to appeals board instruction."

Nakagawa said, "There are lots of falsified addresses and it is very hard to track them down." Sam Shoji added that responsibility falls on "student placement" section. Half of the students with medical exemptions were those assigned to Franklin high school. If one method doesn't work, they'll try another loop hole. Shoji said parents should be more involved in school meetings.

Don Kazama added that Japanese language is being taught in Ingraham high school but in general the multi-cultural education is not being fulfilled in the Seattle Public Schools. Some language classes had to be closed due to minimum students requirement. Don said we need to call somebody from public school (administration) on the carpet for down-grading multi-cultural program.

"There are 700 Asian kids in the bussing program," Kazama said. "Bilingual program needs more money and staff. No CETA positions were created and we're getting short changed." Kazama said there is a need for push from the Seattle Chapter. Kazama added that some of the quality of education, atmosphere and attitude of the faculties, leaves much to be desired.

Ben Nakagawa made a point of emphasis that "one of our most dedicated board member, Sam Shoji, was in constant touch with the school board meetings through the decision to desegregate and coming to fruition in harmony with JACL idea." Motion was made to write to Supt. David L. Moberly but Nakagawa was correct in pointing out that "How can we write a letter on something we don't know anything about?" In the meantime more information will be sought. Akemi Matsumoto said in passing that bilingual education bill is ready to be signed by the Governor and urged letters of support.

QUEEN PATRICIA TO REIGN OVER GREATER SEATTLE JAPANESE COMMUNITY

Amid colorful pageantry at the Washington Plaza Hotel, Patricia Fujii, 21, and 5' 2" tall, was crowned Greater Seattle Japanese Community Queen. "I didn't think this would happen," she said. Diana Higashiyama, 21 and 5' in height, will be the Lady-in-Waiting. She will represent the community in the Seattle Seafair. Queen Patricia will have a chance to represent the community in the Seafair next year. The other three princesses are sisters Stephanie, 20, and Stacie, 19, and Linda Hayashikawa. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. James Fujii (Gresham), Mr. and Mrs. Takashi Higashiyama (Seattle), Mr. and Mrs. Fukashi Hayashikawa (Bellevue), and Mr. and Mrs. Aki Ideta (Bellevue).

Queen Patricia completed high school in Gresham, Oregon and attended Eastern Oregon State College. She transferred here with the Transamerica Title firm. She hopes to reenter college here to study communication. Lady-in-Waiting Diana attended Franklin high graduating in 1975 and was cheer leader. She attended fashion school and works for Marubeni. Princess Stephanie attended Sammamish high and Bellevue Community College. She loves skiing. Stacie attended Sammamish high lettering in gymnastic and track. A sophomore at the U.W. studying biology and turns out for U.W. gymnastic team. Princess Linda is a freshman at the U.W. studying psychology. She came here from Los Angeles in 1967 and attended Sammamish high where she was president of Girls Club two years. She specializes in drama, ski and teaches gymnastic.

The Grand March was led by Queen Carolyn Murotani and Queen Susan Ishimitsu; followed by Queen Beverly Akada-escort Cary Suto; Lady-in-Waiting Kanako Egashira-escort Ted Ito; Celia Nishimura-escort Mark Nagasawa; Queen Kristi Seko-escort Thom Ikeda; Lady-in-Waiting Judy Malone-escort Mike Uchimura; Shirley Uyeno-escort Jim Taki. Contestants escort were Stacie Ideta-escort Neil Shiozaki; Stephanie Ideta-escort Matt Stapleton; Linda Hayashikawa-escort Gary Matsudaira; and Diana Higashiyama-escort Brian Namatame.

The judges were Mrs. Arlene Oki (Mayor Charles Royer's special assistant); Mrs. Carolyn Murotani Landeros (past Queen); head judge Del Vogelquist (vp Seattle Seafair); Tosh Moriguchi (Seasia and Uwajiyama) and representing community; and Dave Enroth (Japan-America Society).

1979 Queen's contest sponsors are: Bank of Tokyo, Tsubota Steel and Pipe; John Sato Corporation; George GE Appliance; Ishimitsu & Sons; Dr. James Takano; Dr. William Takano; City Produce Company; Victor Fujii & Company; Bush Garden Sukiyaki; and Doug's Lynwood Dodge.

Special thanks to Brian Namatame, Beverly Akada and Mrs. Joan Seko.

The coronation ended with a disco with the theme "Thanks for the Memories" which ended at 3 a.m. Photographers were Mark Nakagawa, Jiro Namatame. M/C for the dinner was JACL president Mich Matsudaira. Frank and Agnes Hattori were presented with special gift for their 20-year program of sustaining the Japanese Queen Contest. We will follow with more details later including the tea party at Consulate-General residence and preliminary judging.

SEATTLE KEIRO NEWS

The new multi-purpose wing of the Seattle Keiro Nursing Home was appropriately opened and dedicated on April 1 before an overflow crowd of 500. It was an occasion of rejoicing and solemnity.

The new facility, costing \$162,000 and covering 4,000 square feet on two levels, was named the Masao Tomita Wing, after the late vice president of Issei Concerns, who played a leading role in the planning and construction of the building. The dedicatory ritual was performed by the Rev. Dr. Paul M. Nagano. A plaque commemorating the occasion was presented to Masako Tomita.

The new wing provides much-needed space on the main floor for the nursing home's extensive activity program and therapeutic treatment of patients. A full basement houses the laundry and storage facilities.

Acknowledgement was made of the contributors who helped make the expansion project possible, including Boeing Employees' Good Neighbor Fund, the Japan Shipbuilders Foundation of Tokyo, and numerous individuals, businesses and organizations in the Seattle area. John Y. Sato Corporation of Seattle was the contractor.

Speakers introduced by Dr. Ben Uyeno, master of ceremonies, included Tosh Okamoto, president of Issei Concerns; Mrs. Yuki Nakamura, board member of Issei Concerns and Meiji Kai leader; Fred Takayasu, Keiro administrator; Kiyoshi Nishikawa, acting Consul General of Japan; Genji Mihara, Nikkei Jinkai; Edwin Hiroto, administrator of Los Angeles Keiro, and Robert Runyan and Fred Wiggin, Boeing Employees' Good Neighbor Fund.

Vocal selections were sung by Donna Uno, accompanied by Naoko Naguchi. Invocation was by Rev. Rinban Ouchi, Seattle Buddhist Church, and benediction was offered by Pastor Robert Nomi, 7th Day Adventist Church, Seward Park.

Tosh Hori was chairman of the dedication/open house committee, assisted by Mrs. Mitsuko Kimura and Mrs. Yuki Nakamura.

Ayame-Kai Card Sale Nets \$2,500 Ayame-Kai's holiday project of selling Christmas cards and calendars was a huge success. Kachi Ikeda, Ayame advisor, reports that \$2,500 was raised for Keiro from the intensive sales effort. Members of this hard-working group are to be commended for the many hours they spent in packaging and selling the cards. The guild is now engaged in making aprons for the kitchen staff at Keiro.

Lovett Moriguchi Elected Ayame Prexy Lovett Moriguchi is the new president of Ayame-Kai, Keiro's women's auxiliary. Other new officers are Hiroko Nakagawa, vice president; Joyce Nakamura, secretary; Shiz Kaku, treasurer; Toshi Okamoto, projects director, and Joan Seko, special projects. Kachi Ikeda is the advisor.

First Hill Lions Donate Lift for Van The First Hill Lions Club has made a substantial contribution to Seattle Keiro in the form of a hydraulic lift for Keiro's van, which is used to transport patients to doctors' offices, hospitals, field trips, etc. The lift is expected to cost approximately \$1,800.

The mechanism will enable patients to be lifted in and out of the van in complete safety. Installation of this much-needed equipment had been held up due to lack of funds.

Announcement of the gift was made at the Issei Concerns annual dinner on January 11 by Chris Kato, president of the First Hill Lions Club. Our sincere thanks to the Lions Club for its generous gift.

Volunteer Work Shop A Volunteer Work Shop was held on Feb. 24 at the Japanese Presbyterian Church, with Nori Nishioka, Keiro activity director, as chairperson. Discussions were held on on volunteer/staff inter-relationship and volunteer/patient inter-relationship.

GOV. RAY PROCLAMATION ON DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

(Ed.'s note: Text of proclamation was printed in the March issue.)

On Feb. 12, Gov. Dixy Lee Ray signed a proclamation declaring Feb. 19, 1979 a statewide "Day of Remembrance" in honor and recognition of Washington's Japanese Americans.

It was on Feb. 19, 1942, thirty seven years ago, that President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued Executive Order 9066 which authorized the wholesale evacuation and incarceration of some 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry, two thirds of whom were U.S. citizens, from the West Coast of the United States. Such action was taken without any charges being filed and without a trial.

In November of last year, over 2,000 Japanese Americans and their friends returned to the Puyallup Fair Grounds, the site of the 1942 assembly center for 7,200 of Seattle's Japanese Americans, in memory of this dark page in American history.

Gov. Ray's proclamation recognized the past and present contributions of Japanese Americans to the cultural, economic and social growth of the State of Washington; and the injustices which were perpetrated against Washington residents in 1942. Present at the signing were Diane Wong, Executive Director of the Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs, and Ron A. Mamiya, National Redress Committee of the Japanese American Citizens League.

TENANTS PROTEST HARASSMENT AND RENT INCREASES

On April 2, fourteen tenants of the Paul Revere Apartments withheld rent increases due April 1, 1979, the second rent increase faced by tenants there since Oct. 1978. Accompanied by their lawyer, and members of the International District Housing Alliance, the tenants presented their rent checks to the manager together with a statement to the owner.

TENANTS PROTEST (Cont'd): The statement read, "We are withholding our rent increases in order that the following concerns be resolved: 1) We want a meeting with you and the Paul Revere Tenants Committee and our lawyer to discuss the legal validity of the rent increase. We appeal for a resolution to a "reasonable rate." 2) We would like to discuss housing code repairs if we are to pay a rent increase.

The letter urged the owner to respond by April 5 in order that a resolution be reached for all parties as soon as possible. Checks in the amount of increases are being held in a safe deposit box showing tenants "good faith." Majority residents are Filipino.

Tenants plan to sit tight until a response is heard from the owner.

On March 27, the owner and manager sent six policemen to keep tenants and organizers from exerting their constitutional rights to organize. On the following day, security guards appeared and roamed each floor for hours to make sure the organizing would be thwarted.

Even City Councilman Michael Hildt agreed that the owners can't stop tenants from seeking leadership and getting themselves organized.

The battle being waged by the Paul Revere Tenants Committee is also a symbolic one. Landlords tell tenants to "pay or move out." But with all landlord raising rents in inner-city neighborhoods (First Hill, Central District, International District, etc.), tenants will end up "in the streets." No one has taken the responsibility for decent, affordable housing for renters although renters make up over half of Seattle's population! On the average, rents are increasing in Seattle by 34%.

One of the only legal protections tenants have is demanding repairs under Seattle's Housing Code and Washington State Landlord-Tenant Act. They seek to get repairs done as well.

City Government Must Intervene

Protection which presently doesn't exist is around rent increases. Hildt has made a commitment to "study the problem and seek some viable solutions" to what appears to be the biggest issue facing City Hall today. Tenants are in full support of the city-wide efforts for "rent stabilization" ordinances. --Paul Revere Tenants Comm., 627 S. Jackson

NEW BOOK AUTHORED BY FORMER SEATTLE HOUSING AUTHORITY WORKER

April 6 issue of the Seattle P.I. carried a story on the new book "Profanity Hill," Working Press, \$4.50 paperback and written by Irene Burns Miller of Rossmoor, CA. Her job through 1940 with the Seattle Housing Authority was to move 1,000 families from the slums of Yesler Hill with substantial portion being Nikkei families. The article said: "There were blacks and Orientals living on Yesler Hill and the Orientals seemed the saddest to Miller. Even though they lived in poverty, they tried to have gardens. Many didn't speak English and were bewildered and frightened. Miller said another sadness in moving people away was that many couldn't move back. The Housing Authority had stringent rules about new tenants. Miller sees, the irony of 1940s' 'standards' matched against those of the 1970s. She said, "Families allowed in the new Yesler Terrace had to be United States citizens. Only 25% could be on welfare. Although it was one of the first integrated housing areas, minorities were selected as carefully as white families . . ."

TEXT OF CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

(Ed.'s note: This will be the last of the certificate of appreciation to be printed. Members of the awards committee were chairman Toru Sakahara, Dr. Terrance M. Toda, Cherry Kinoshita, Ben Nakagawa, and Eira Nagaoka.)

MRS. ANNE R. FISHER

Mrs. Anne R. Fisher, a Pacifist and believer in Kagawa and Ghandi, a political activist on behalf of victims of oppression and discrimination, is the author of the book "EXILE OF A RACE," a story of the evacuation of persons of Japanese Ancestry during World War II.

Only a limited edition of this work has been published. Those fortunate to have been able to read this book say it captures the atmosphere of camps and the feelings of those confined better than any other work on the subject. It is scholarly, written with vivid accuracy, and displays a remarkably sensitive perception and understanding of the feelings of people who were required to leave their homes, farms, businesses and friends for Camp Harmony and Hunt Relocation Center.

The Seattle Chapter JACL honors Anne R. Fisher for her friendship, understanding and support at great personal sacrifice, research and work in the writing of her outstanding documentary of significant events affecting the lives of persons of Japanese Ancestry in America.

Certificate of Appreciation presented January 19, 1979 at the Seattle Chapter JACL Installation Banquet, Bush Garden, Seattle, Washington.

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES

At the beginning of February, President Terrell of WSU made a presentation to the Senate Higher Education Committee regarding his budget. He mentioned that a level two priority item was Asian American studies on his campus. It is unlikely that as a result of the presentation, the legislature will allocate additional money for Asian American studies.

The University then has the ability and responsibility to determine how it will distribute the money it receives from the legislature. If the school can be persuaded to make a commitment to Asian American studies then there is a greater likelihood such a program could be established. --Commission on Asian American Affairs Newsletter

COMMISSION BUDGET FOR ASIAN AMERICAN AFFAIRS

For the 1979-81 biennium, the Commission has requested \$151,547 including costs for an additional 1.5 staff persons. The Governor recommended funding at \$119,000, which is described as a "current operations" budget.

Because of the increasing workload of the Commission, however, to maintain the level of current operations will require some additional staff, especially a clerical person. Despite the number of weekends and evenings worked, a backlog of work still exists. Additional staff would eliminate the Commission to resume its affirmative, initiating role in many of the issues and projects concerning Asian and Pacific Americans.

The Commission is also monitoring bills concerning the Business and Occupation Tax Exemption, Insurance Discrimination and the establishment of a Housing Finance Commission.

If you want information on how to contact legislators on any of the issues mentioned, please feel free to call the Commission at 753-4615. Letters to legislators may be sent in care of the Legislative Bldg, Olympia, 98504. If you wish to leave a message to a legislator, the legislative Hot Line is 1-800-562-6000.

NEWS JOTTINGS: Mrs. Susan Hirahara has received the \$300.00 Women's Auxiliary Club scholarship during the NVC installation banquet at Washington Plaza Hotel. Susan is attending the Univ. of Washington School of Nursing. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tadao Kuniyuki. Aiko Okamoto and Daisy Tomita were in charge of the Auxiliary scholarship program . . . Kiyoo Yamamoto was among 19 volunteers cited for the Silver Beaver Award, highest award in scouting. He has served as Cubmaster and Scoutmaster of Queen Anne Methodist Church units as well as being the first commissioner of Aurora District. Life member of NVC, he served with MIS during WW2 with overseas duty in the Philippines and Japan . . . Gary Sato, Seattle Smasher setter, has been named head coach of the Pepperdine University women's team. Sato, 24, who will join the Smashers in May, was assistant coach of the Pepperdine men's team last year . . . Shirley Patricia Hideshima & Mark Douglas Stoddard, both of Mercer Island, were married Feb. 3 in Mercer Island Covenant Church. The bride, daughter of Albert A. Hideshima of Bellevue and Ilse K. Olson of Olympia, is a graduate of Western Washington University. Stoddard, son of Douglas and Joyce Stoddard of Bellevue, attended Columbia Basin Community College and the University of Washington . . . John and Polly Shigaki have entered new business venture sporting goods store "Arjo" located on 4th Avenue S., a little south of the Kingdome . . . For some months, the Three Hundred Restaurant, formerly located at 14th Ave. S. and S. Main is operating in the new location on 1825 S. Jackson Street. Mrs. Tsuruko Nakano is the owner

MILESTONE: Kaye Kono Shigemura, Mar. 18. St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Gold Star Parents Assn. Her son Masao F. Shigemura was killed in action during the Second World War. She was born in 1896 and was considered one of the oldest Nisei. Survivors include: brothers, Ralph Y. Kono, Henry "Sparky" Kono, sister, Mrs. Haruko Yoshida, all Seattle . . .

FROM THE BOARD

Gary Higashi, political education/education committee chair, proposed that JACL get involved in 350 segregation litigation. JACL is not a plaintiff but operates as friend of the court. Higashi has talked with Gary Iwamoto on writing this draft but the problem exists in scheduling as the paper becomes repetitive. Gary said there is no Asian organization represented and Sam Shoji, Gary Higashi and one other Asian. Blacks are well represented. The suit is divided into several sections e.g. Constitutionality, etc. Dean Charles Z. Smith said there was a total lack of understanding of the average minority. The State Court thinks only in terms of black and white. Sam Shoji said Vietnamese has specifically asked for JACL's help. Dr. Minoru Masuda made the motion to file amicus brief i.e. friend of the court. Motion passes.

Tom Takemura of the Puyallup Chapter has indicated that Camp Harmony Memorial is in the planning stage. The board of Director of the Puyallup Fairground is agreeable. Efforts will be made to secure the funding from the State.

Henry Miyatake met with West Nevada JACLer, a member of the Tule Lake committee. Proposal was made that Seattle Chapter build the Guard Tower which will be burnt down in symbolic gesture. Tule Lake committee will not take an active part in the tower construction or the burning phase. \$300.00 contribution has been set aside for this project. Frank Abe said he will volunteer to manage the tower construction. He will also recruit materials and volunteer help. The date has been set at May 26.

Communication has been received on the meeting with King County Department of Rehab Services for the purpose of providing opportunity for input by the International District on the proposal to convert the Federal Immigration Bldg into correctional facility. The county official said "we have no intention of cramming this program down community's throat."

NAMES MAKING THE NEWS

The Justice Department in Washington, D.C. has announced that four persons from Washington state are among nine names submitted to fill three new federal Appeals Court judgeships. The names include Charles Z. Smith, Associate dean of the U.W. Law School. Taul Watanabe, railway executive and member of Gov. Dixy Lee Ray's "cabinet" was elected board president of the Univ. of Wash. Board of Regents. Watanabe who was placed in an interment camp during World War 2, was named to the board in February 1977. Tsumeo "Cappy" Harada of the San Francisco Giants front office, was recently named by Gov. Dixy Lee Ray to fill a vacant spot on the Athletic Commission. He was persuaded by his longtime friend Taul Watanabe, to seek the post.

Calendar of Events

- April 15--The annual Troop and Pack 53 Easter Pancake Breakfast from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Japanese Baptist Church. \$2.00 for adults and \$1.25 for children 12 and under. Janet Inahara and Ken Takeuchi cochairpersons.
- April 18--Seattle JACL meeting from 7:45 p.m. at the JACL office, 316 Maynard Ave. S., Room 109. Refreshments as usual. Everyone welcome.
- April 19--Preview of an exhibition of recent paintings by Roger Shimomura from 6 to 9 p.m. at Kiku Gallery, 818 E. Pike St. The exhibition will continue thru May 17. Gallery hours: Tuesday thru Friday 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. and on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (323-1141).
- April 20-22--Benefit movie sponsored by Japanese Community Queen Committee featuring "Invitation from Beach," a mystery and "Trail of Traps," a samurai thriller at the Toyo.
- April 22--Benefit Nichiren Buddhist Church bazaar, 1042 S. Weller St. from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Osushi, udon, baked goods, chow mein, etc.
- April 27-28--Benefit Japanese Baptist Church sukiyaki dinner and cultural program. Proceeds will go towards the church's social concerns project. Dinners from 6 to 8 p.m. and program from 8 to 9 p.m. Japanese craft items will be on display. Tickets are \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children under 12. Mr. and Mrs. Victor Takemoto are general chairpersons and Steve Ishimitsu is chairing ticket sales. Reservations may be made by calling the church 622-7351.
- April 29--Donna Uno, soprano, will ^{perform} works by Handel, Schubert, Schumann, Puccini, and Rodgers and Hammerstein, in an afternoon concert, 3:00 p.m., at the Seattle Concert Theatre, 1153 John St. She will be assisted by Naoko Noguchi, pianist. Donna has appeared with ACT Theatre in "The Me Knowbody Knows," a folk rock musical. She has also performed in U.W. opera productions and workshops with the Cornish School of Allied Arts. She has received training at the American Institute of Music in Austria, and currently studies voice with Marianne Weltmann and George Fiore. Donation is \$4. For tickets call 723-5283.
- May 4--Deadline for local JACL scholarship. See story on page 1.
- May 4--Deadline for JACL newsletter. Allow one week for delivery. Notices effective before May 11 will not be printed. Mail articles, news clippings, announcements to: c/o Eira Nagaoka, 2809 N.E. 54th St., Seattle 98105.
- May 5--The annual benefit sukiyaki dinner in the Parish Hall of the St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 1610 S. King St. from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at \$4.00 for adults, just \$1.75 for children under 12. Tickets are available from the ticket committee: Fran Kato 641-2543, JoAnn Okada 747-7769, and Church office 323-5250 and from members of the parish Church. Yasuko Shigaki and Amy Matsuoka are coordinators.
- May 5--Benefit Boy Scout Troop 53 spaghetti dinner and silent auction at the Nisei Veterans Committee Memorial Hall at 1212 S. King St. Plant and bake sale will take place between 3 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The dinner will be from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are being sold by the scout at \$2.25 for adults and \$1.75 for children 12 and under. Contact Rose Fukano at 722-3912 for tickets.
- May 4 and 5--Seattle Cherry Blossom and Japanese Cultural Festival at the Seattle Center from 1 to 9 p.m. (Please note: this is Friday and Saturday).
- May 20 to 27--80th Anniversary Program for the Seattle Japanese Baptist Church. The Rev. Jojo Sakakibara, pastor of Epworth United Methodist Church of Sacramento, will be the English missionary while the Rev. Masaru Nambu, of the North Shore Japanese Baptist Church will be the Nichigo missionary.
- July 29--Annual Thousand Club golf tournament at the Jackson Park Course. John Matsumoto and Helen Akita are cochairperson. More details forthcoming.

NOTE: Due to the lack of space we are withholding stories on bowling capsule summary of recent National Nikkei tournament and article on International District Housing Alliance. These stories will be given priority in the next issue. In the March issue we missed the calendar date by omission on Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church bazaar. We were alerted to two names which failed to appear in the Thousand Club Roll namely Dr. Terrance M. Toda 19 years in the Thousand Club and immediate past president Ted T. Taniguchi 18 years in the Thousand Club. Taniguchi is currently District Council delegate.

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