

PRESIDENT SATO REPLIES TO CONGRESSMAN SWIFT

On April 24, Congressman Al Swift--26 District, Washington--replied to Seattle Chapter JACL members Cherry Kinoshita and Chuck Kato concerning a letter they had written him urging his support for redress. Swift stated that "direct payment to the victims trivializes the events and smacks of 'conscience money' or of putting this behind us as a people by buying our way out instead of genuinely recognizing the gravity of the offense."

On June 1, Seattle Chapter JACL President Bob Sato wrote to Congressman Swift: "We the victims are willing to accept the provisions of HR422 and S1053 as a token symbol of apology and compensation to correct a grave injustice. We the victims are the only people who have the right to judge whether redress actions trivializes the great crime committed by this nation.

"For the honour of this nation and to show the world that this nation is fair to all segments of her own citizenry, I challenge you to uphold the principles for which the Constitution stand. Americans of Japanese ancestry defended it, I believe we can expect you to uphold it. It's time for you in Congress and the President to do what is right and cast away the dark chapter from our nation's history by making HR422/S1053 become reality!"



FORMER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES DONATE TO JACL

Contributions totaling about \$10,000 were donated to various redress and JACL causes by eleven of the former Seattle School District employees who were recipients of \$5,000 each through the signing of Washington State House Bill 1415 in April.

The Seattle Chapter Redress Committee's efforts in passage of the school board resolution and HB1415 were acknowledged by the former school employees with a donation of \$5,500. An amount of \$3,000 was contributed to the Legislative Education Committee (LEC), \$1,000 to the Pacific Northwest JACL, and \$350 to the Seattle Chapter JACL Endowment Fund.

The generous donors were Teru Kiyohara, Alice Kawanishi, Ai Koshi, Jane Okada, May Namba, Toyo Cary, Masa Hirano and Sally Kazama, all of Seattle. Out of town donors were Yuri Nakata of Tolovana Park, OR; May Higa of Sierra Madre, CA; and Chizuko Nakamura of Woodside, N.Y.

A letter signed by 13 of the former school employees and addressed to Jerry Shigaki, chair of the JACL Committee for HB1415, stated, "We would like to express appreciation to you and members of your committee who devoted endless hours of time and effort toward the successful outcome of HB1415. If it were not for the dedicated members of JACL who are committed to eliminating civil rights injustices, we believe the bill would not have passed."

The Seattle School Board resolution effort was co-chaired by Mako Nakagawa and Cherry Kinoshita. Additional JACL members who testified or lobbied in the two-year redress effort include Naomi Sanchez, Becky Sasaki, Ruth Woo, Joan Yoshitomi, Ted Masumoto, Marsha Tadano-Long, and PWND Regional Director Tim Otani. Other key persons who assisted in letter writing, hot-line calling and organizational support were Wayne Kimura, Chuck Kato, May Sasaki, Massie Tomita, Ken Nakano and many others. Legal assistance was provided by Rod Kaseguma, Roger Shimizu and Tim Gojio.

The Seattle Chapter JACL thanks the following members for their donations in support of redress during the month of May: Howard Sakura, Henry S. Tatsumi, Toshiko Tsubahara, J.S. Tsukuno, Miyeko Ishihara, Ed Shigeru & Miyo Kiba, Zenji Shibayama, Fudge Shiogi, Henry Todo, Harry Tsutsumi and Fumiye Masunaga.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Throughout the United States, the campaign to win passage of the redress bill in Congress will require a mounting crescendo of telephone calls and letters to Congressmen, Senators and the President. Passage of redress is important to Japanese Americans--the victims. But did you stop to realize that it is even more important to the nation that the rights stated in the Constitution be validated?

I'm pleased to say that members and friends of the Seattle Chapter have been keeping the redress contributions coming to support this national effort. Please make or continue your contributions, and also, write to your Congressmen and Senators for early passage. Wayne Kimura, Tim Gojio, Cherry Kinoshita, Chuck Kato and their committee have been working long and hard on this issue.

Some past members have allowed their membership to lapse. We will be mounting a special effort to regain their support. It's very important that JACL be strong during this crucial time. If you would like to know what this Chapter is doing, let me or Public Relations Chairperson Wendy Watanabe know. We will be more than happy to speak with you.

David Okimoto, immediate past president and I will be representing you at the July, 1986 National Convention in Chicago. I understand that we share one vote between us. Ben Nakagawa and Tomio Moriguchi are busy organizing their committee for the 1988 convention to be held in Seattle from August 6 to 10, 1988. Plan to stay home in 1988!

Closer to home, I was privileged to lay a wreath on behalf of JACL during the Memorial Day service sponsored by the Nisei Vets at Lakeview Cemetery. I commend the Nisei Veterans Committee for carrying on this community service in memory of lost buddies for all these years.

Chapter Focus

Bob Sato President

JACL COMMITTEES AND WHAT THEY DO

(Continued from last month's newsletter.)

Public Relations Committee -- Wendy Watanabe, chair.

Purpose: To disseminate information about Chapter activities to persons and organizations outside of JACL.

1986 Goals: Develop a list of organizations with whom we can relate; show visible JACL support for other ethnic/cultural organizations; prepare Chapter guidelines on how to market JACL activities and positions to various media.

Puyallup Monument Committee (no chair)

Purpose: To assist in establishing this monument, dedicated in 1983, to the memory of those interned at the Puyallup Fairgrounds relocation center during World War II. Recognitions Committee -- May Sasaki, chair.

Purpose: To select individuals whom the Chapter wishes to recognize at the installation banquet.

1986 Goals: Publicize the award categories in July and solicit nominations from the Board, with final selections to be made by the committee.

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Redress Committee -- Tim Gojio, Wayne Kimura, co-chairs.

Purpose: To be involved in all aspects of the effort locally and nationally; to gain redress for Japanese Americans interned during World War II; to participate in the Washington Coalition on Redress which this committee was a founding member; to sponsor workshops, generate publicity and public discussions, monitor the media and provide speakers on the redress issue.

1986 Goals: Raise \$1,300 for LEC by April and \$10,000 by the end of the year; obtain co-sponsorship of HB442 from the entire Washington State congressional delegation; add five new members to the committee.

Scholarship Committee -- Diana Kato, Gail Okiyama, co-chairs.

Purpose: To publicize the availability of scholarships and to select recipients.

1986 Goals: To award five \$500 scholarships to Japanese American graduates of local area high schools, with the awards presentation to be in mid-May.

Tomodachi Committee -- Massie Tomita, chair.

Purpose: To greet and introduce guests at the Board meeting.

Tomo-no-Kai Committee -- Hana Masuda, chair.

Purpose: To serve as a liaison for Tomo-no-Kai, which is a JACL-sponsored support group for widowed persons.

1986 Goals: Meetings are usually held on the second Monday of every month.

Youth Group Committee -- Dale Watanabe, chair.

Purpose: To help younger persons develop and socialize through helping out at community events, becoming more aware of our heritage, and participating in social and educational activities.

Executive Board -- Bob Sato, chair.

Purpose: Members are current officers who meet to outline the agenda of the regular Board meeting as well as make recommendations on general operations.

1986 Goals: Develop a policy for endorsement of candidates for non-elective positions; meet once with Governor Gardner, once with the executive director of the Port of Seattle, twice with the superintendent of Seattle Public Schools, once with King County Executive Tim Hill, three times with Mayor Charles Royer, and once with Superintendent of Public Instruction Frank Brouillet; establish a relationship with the Municipal League; make recommendations regarding internal operations of the Chapter.

Other goals not headed by a committee are:

-- The Chapter president will meet with the Nikkeijinkai president regarding future relationships between our organizations.

-- Develop a plan to create community awareness through 1) a reception for "senseis" or teachers of our Japanese heritage, 2) a political workshop, and 3) working with other community organizations.

DONATIONS

The Seattle Chapter JACL thanks the following people for their contributions: Hana Masuda, Yoshi & Hanna Maekawa, Lynn Sasuga, Theresa Matsudaira, Mr. & Mrs. John Oda, Karen Seriguchi and Sally Kazama.

The May newsletter mailing was handled by Joan Kobayashi, Teru Kiyohara, Lilly Kodama, George Ishii, Marie Ishii, Dale Watanabe, Hisa Watanabe and Massie Tomita.



Community Notes)

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS -- On May 21, the Seattle Chapter JACL Scholarship Committee held its annual banquet at Kawabe House for the five scholarship recipients. The \$500.00 scholarships were provided by the Minoru Tamesa Scholarship, the Reverend Emery Andrews Scholarship Fund and the Seattle Chapter JACL. The recipients were:

<u>Cara Kadoshima</u> -- A graduating senior at Franklin High School, Cara is very active in student government. She is Senior Class Vice President, has attended State and National Leadership camps and was Junior Class Chairperson. Cara's other activities include Honor Society, SURE Project (Students for Understanding, Respect and Equality), Speech and Debate, and is a reporter for Franklin High School's newspaper.

Cara will be attending the University of Washington this fall to major in Communications and plans to concentrate in the area of television broadcasting.

<u>Michelle Kumata</u> -- Recently accepted to the School of Visual Arts in New York City, Michelle will study illustration and Art Therapy. Michelle has shared her artistic ability with the community through her illustrations in the <u>International Examiner</u>, promotional materials for the Northwest Asian American Theater (NWAAT), and assisted in the installation of a mural for the Asian room of the U.W. Ethnic Cultural Center.

Michelle's many contributions to the community consists of involvement with Seattle Taiko, Keiro Nursing Home, NWAAT, the International District Improvement Association and the International District Community Health Center.

Jana Nishi -- As a third year University of Washington student, Jana has maintained a 3.65 g.p.a. and is eagerly pursuing a career in graphic design. Having been recently accepted to the U.W. Graphics Department, Jana interns at the 41st Street Studio. Her goal is to someday create advertisements or develop corporate identities for large businesses.

Jana is originally from Zillah, Washington, but she has locally involved herself in the U.W. Golden Key Honor Society, the United Methodist Church and numerous collegiate sports.

Jan Okiyama -- Jan recently graduated from the University of Washington with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering, concentrating in Operational Systems. Jan's most recent accomplishment involves the planning and scheduling for a human powered vehicle which will compete at the Expo '86 World Speed Race. Jan has elected to postpone her career goals until next fall in order to further her education at the SANNO Institute

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of Business Administration in Tokyo, Japan.

Jan has continually proven her dedication to the community by volunteering for Keiro & Kokorokai, and as a church Sunday school administrator/teacher and English tutor for Mien refugees.

Terry Tsue -- A first-year student at John Hopkins School of Medicine, Terry is interested in becoming a surgeon, or researching and teaching within the medical field.

During his undergraduate studies at Stanford University, Terry earned his Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering. His numerous activities included tutoring Engineering students, assisting with the Auditory Prosthesis Project, serving on the Human Subjects in Medical Research Review Board, and participating in the Asian Students Association and a variety of intramural sports.

-- submitted by the Scholarship Committee

ANOTHER AWARD WINNER -- Saki Shimizu, a 6th grade teacher at Kimball Elementary School, has recently been named the recipient of two awards honoring her dedicated teaching in the Seattle Public Schools.

She has been selected from over 400 nominated teachers as one of five teachers to be recognized by KING TV's Top Teacher program for the State of Washington. She will be presented with a \$1,000 check from the Pepsi-Seven-up Corporation at an awards dinner at the Four Seasons Hotel in mid-June.

Saki has also been selected by the Seattle School District to be honored by its Excellence in Education program. She was recognized with this award and a \$2,000 check from Seafirst National Bank at a presentation at the Westin Hotel on June 4.

Saki herself attended the Seattle Public Schools and has been teaching in the school district for the past 17 years. She has participated in many Seattle Chapter JACL activities regarding the Coram Nobis cases.

DISCOVER CHINA WITH 16 DAY GRAND TOUR -- In last month's newsletter, the dates for the Kawaguchi Travel Service tour of China were listed as October 1 to October 16, 1986. The correct dates are September 30 to October 15, 1986.

The tour includes visits to Beijing, Xian, Shanghai, Guilin, and Guangzhou, concluding with three nights in Hong Kong. The price is \$2995 per person for a double occupancy, and \$578 per single supplement. Included in the total cost is a roundtrip economy class airfare, with first class hotels, all transfers and sightseeing,

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transportation and three meals a day within China, and American breakfast daily in Hong Kong.

For more information or to reserve your place, call Miki Kawaguchi-Tan or Eric Tan at: Kawaguchi Travel Service, 2121 Fourth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98121, 448-1121. The price is subject to change and a minimum of 15 persons will be necessary to

operate the tour. (Paid Advertisement)

SEATTLE KEIRO JOB OPENING -- Seattle Keiro Nursing Home is seeking a Weekend Coordinator to work from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The position requires a working knowledge of Japanese language and culture. Work experience in health service delivery, public administration, or business administration is helpful but not required. Salary is \$4.15 an hour.

If interested in this position, please contact: Russell T. Akiyama, Administrator, Seattle Keiro, 1700 24th Avenue South, Seattle, WA 98144, 329-9575.

KCTS/9 REPEATS "VISIBLE TARGET" -- On Monday, June 30, at 10:00 p.m., KCTS Channel 9 will air "Visible Target," a documentary concerning first evacuation of Japanese Americans from Bainbridge Island in 1942. The film focuses on Walt and Mildred Woodward, publishers of the <u>Bainbridge Review</u>, who criticized the internment and stood up for constitutional rights.

(Calendar of Events)

PUYALLUP VALLEY JACL GRADUATION BANQUET — Sunday, June 15, Tacoma Sheraton, So. 13th and Broadway Plaza, \$15. Guest Speaker: Dr. Carlton Opgaard, president of Tacoma Community College. Reservations: Tacoma, Dr. Charles Rich, 535-2454; Fife, Yosh Tanabe, 922-7045; Valley, Jeff Hiroo, 848-8970.

CHAPTER BOARD MEETING -- Wednesday, June 18, 7:30 p.m., Chapter office. Everyone welcome.

TOMO-NO-KAI POTLUCK DINNER AND MEETING -- Saturday, June 21, 6 p.m., Wisteria View Manor, 1400 S. Main St. Talks by members who have traveled overseas.

JAYS MONTHLY MEETING -- Tuesday, July 1, 7 p.m., JACL office.

INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT STREET FAIR -- Sunday, July 13, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Hing Hay Park. Food, booths and continuous entertainment.

1000 CLUB'S ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT -- Sunday, July 27, Jefferson Park Golf Course. Teeoff time is 11 a.m. Mary Furuta and Aubrey Funai are co-chairs.

--submitted by Ed Suguro

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