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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

April 20, 1988 is, along with September 17, 1987, another "red letter day" for the Asian community. The dates are, respectively, passage of Senate Bill 1009 and House Resolution 442. Both congressional bills call for an official apology from the U.S. government for the internment, payment of \$20,000 to each surviving internee, and the establishment of an educational trust fund to insure that the internment will never happen again.

I sense a feeling of vindication from Nikkei with whom I have discussed the topic, and, of course, President Reagan must yet sign the legislation into law. Only with monetary compensation can the legislation have any real meaning and impact for us and to believe our injustices have truly been redressed.

Please write a personal letter to the President urging that he sign the bill. At the same time, please write to the archives to obtain your documentation regarding internment. The address is:

Joseph B. Howerton
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National Archives & Records Service
General Services Administration
Washington, D.C. 20408

Please list the relocation center you were at, your barrack number and camp site.

-- Roger Shimizu



August 4 through August 10, 1988

CONVENTION UPDATE

On-Campus Housing: We have approximately 200 rooms on campus that will serve as the primary housing site for the 1988 convention. There is a minimum four day package that will basically entail a "Bed and Breakfast" format. Additional days will be available for those who wish to arrive early for the pre-convention activities. The cost of the four day package is \$89.00 per person double occupancy, or \$109.00 single per person.

Breakfast will be included each day for those choosing this option. We have committed to the University that we will guarantee a minimum of 300 of these packages will be purchased. With the shortened schedule, those who opt for hotel accommodations may be enormously inconvenienced. No convention activities are being planned for the hotel site. All National Council business meetings will be held in the McMahon Hall dining room on campus. The rate for extra days (over four) on campus will be \$25.00 per person double occupancy and \$27.25 single per person.

Off-Campus Housing: 100 rooms have been reserved at Nendel's University Plaza Hotels, which is two miles from campus. It will be available on an "as space is available" basis. We are not planning to offer a shuttle system from this building to campus, which is not really within walking distance. The daily rates for a hotel room are \$58.00 for a double room, and \$52.00 for a single.

Banquets: The Opening Banquet will be held on Sunday, August 7. At this time, Senator Spark Matsunaga appears to be the keynote speaker. Also, the following awards will be presented: speech contest awards; Japanese American of the Biennium, Edison Uno Civil Rights Award and the Inagaki chapter award.

The Awards Luncheon will be held on Monday, August 8. The Masaoka

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Distinguished Service Award is tentatively scheduled to be presented at this event.

The final Sayonara Banquet will take place on Tuesday, August 9. The JACler of the Biennium award will be presented and incoming officers will be sworn in. We are expecting to secure a speaker that will be of great interest to the delegates and a draw for local members.

Workshops: The following eight committees have been approved by the National Board to hold convention workshops: Aging & Retirement, Anti-Asian Violence, Ethnic Concerns, Leadership Development, Membership Development, Redress, U.S./Japan Relations and Women's Concerns.

The first set of workshops will be held from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, August 7. Aging & Retirement, U.S./Japan Relations and Women's Concerns have been scheduled for this time period. All other workshops will be held from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9. This time period includes Anti-Asian Violence, Ethnic Concerns, Leadership, Membership and Redress.

Golf Tournament: This will be a 35-hole contest to be held on two municipal golf courses in Seattle. Miller Beer is sponsoring this event with a \$11,000 donation.

Tennis Competition: Non-competitive, recreational tennis play is tentatively set for Thursday and Friday, August 4 and 5.

Leadership Conference: This will be the centerpiece of the fundraising efforts for the 1988 convention. We hope to attract corporate sponsors for donations and participation in this two-day event. It will target Asian Americans who seeking positions at the top-management levels in both the private and public sectors.

We have secured some nationally-known speakers and workshop facilitators for this event. It will be limited to 150 persons and will also serve as a recruitment drive and to establish better JACL-Corporate relationships.

Educational Conference: The purpose of this gathering is to bring together Nikkei educators to review the possible position JACL may take if the redress bill should become law and the educational trust fund is established.

Salmon & Clam Bake: To close the entire 1988 convention, a salmon and clam bake will be held at Discovery Park. The food will be prepared by United Indians of All Tribes at the Daybreak Star Center in the park. Coors Beer is interested in sponsoring this event with a donation.

Tours, etc.: A host of "booster" activities is currently being planned. Included are tours to the International District, Space Needle, Pike Place Market, Waterfront, Harbor Tours, Mount Rainier or St. Helens, or Vancouver, Canada. The options will surely provide something of interest to even the most discerning JACler.

-- submitted by Tim Otani
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Chapter Focus

JUNE BOARD MEETING DINNER

The June Board meeting, to be held at the House of Hong Restaurant on June 15, will begin with a no-host bar cocktail hour at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 5 p.m. and the meeting at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Dr. John Ishii, who will give a presentation on "Japan Bashing." Puget Sound-area chapters have also been invited to attend, including the Lake Washington, Puyallup, Olympia and White River chapters.

Persons interested in attending the dinner meeting should make reservations no later than June 13. Cost of the dinner is \$12. Checks should be made payable to Seattle JACL and mailed to:

Vicki J. Toyohara
5730 Mars Ave. S.
Seattle, WA 98108
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BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Molly Fujioka, District Governor for Northern California and candidate for National JACL President, was introduced by Roger. Molly presented a strong case for her candidacy for President.

JAYs President Scott Hashimoto reported that the Bowl-a-thon was very successful and raised about \$900.00.

Dale Watanabe thanked Doshi-Kai, JAYs and Board members for their assistance at the Cherry Blossom festival. Dale said attendance was not as good as last year.

Doshi-Kai Chairman Jon Genka said the rummage sale will be postponed.

The **Membership Drive** is off to a rousing start! Kazzie Katayama said the demand for membership fliers was so great that they ran out. Jerry Shigaki's team is way ahead. Shea Aoki is leading with 15 new members.

The **Installation Dinner** has been set for January 28 at the Trade Center. The theme will be "Tribute to Nikkei Artists." Ann Fujii would like assistance in getting names of artists.

Naomi Iwata-Sanchez would like JACL to be represented at the Human Rights Conference.

Wayne Kimura asked **Cherry Kinoshita** to make the exciting announcement of the passage of the Senate redress bill that day by a vote of 59 to 27. The President had 10 days to sign the bill, which first had to be sent to the Joint Conference Committee. The Yasui family donated \$10,000 towards a Mail-o-gram campaign to the President. LEC will match the funds.




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DAY OF REMEMBRANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The delicious potluck, which kicked off the Day of Remembrance event on February 19 at the Bush-Asia Center, was organized by Kimi Nakanishi and Teresa Sato. It was a feast for the eyes and palate thanks to the donations of the following:

Shigeko Uno, Hana Masuda, Tina Laing, Massie Tomita, Chizu Omori, Ayako Hurd, Ruthann Kurose, Aki Kurose, Chuck Kato, Sam Shoji, Kimi Nakanishi, Sally Kazama, Ken Nakano, Shea Aoki, Bob Sato, Rose Ogino, Hana Kato, Teresa Sato, Deborah Uno, Tomo Shoji, Elaine Hayes, Sallie Yamada, Naoko Takagi, Sumi Ikeda, Toru Sakahara, Dave Okimoto, Wayne Kimura, Sharon Sakamoto, Ai Koshi, Tazu Shimoguchi and May Sasaki.

Also donating were: Mary Hokari, Betty Okura, Ben/Mako Nakagawa, Sam/Yoshiko Nakagawa, Grace Kanda, Emi Somekawa, Liz Dunbar, Amy Shirokawa, Jan Yoshiwara, Bill Ishii, Stan Shikuma, Florence Tsuchida, Tim Gojio, Dick/Alice Nishioka, Dorothy Nishimura, Ann Fujii, Yasuko Iwai, Jerry Shigaki, Roger Shimizu, Holly Yasui, Cherry Kinoshita and Connie Hayashi Smith. (Apologies to those whose names may have been inadvertently omitted.)

Thanks are also extended to Frank Fujii and Sharon Nakamura for the donation of their artistic talent for the handsome banners and the colorful flyer for the Day of Remembrance.

DONATIONS

Redress contributions received during February through April, 1988 were from the following: Mr./Mrs. George Harmeling, Judy F. Hirano, Hiroko Nakagawa, Mr./Mrs. Ikuo Yamamoto, Takahiko Asaba, Denichi Yoshimura, Kazuo Tobayashi, Jimmie Nakamura, Harry H. Fujino, Bradley Kojima, William Yanagimachi, Yo Kaneko, Sally Kazama, George Yamane, George Y. Jitodai, Lily Ota (in memory of Harry Ota), Hope N. Ohashi, Eddie K. Ito, Elaine Hayes and Mr./Mrs. George Ishii.

Mailing out the April Newsletter were Jean Nishi, Ann Fujii, Kyle Shintaku, Jon Genka, Karyn Lamborn, Saki Shimizu, Mildred Tsutsumi, Michiko Harada, Susie Taketa and Belle Nishioka.

Next mailout is June 11. Everyone welcome!

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Headquarters -- University of Washington Husky Union Building (HUB)

- * Golfer Reception, August 3 at U of W HUB -- 5 p.m.
- * Two 18 Hole Rounds on Seattle Municipal Courses -- August 4 & 5
- * Sports Award Dinner, U of W HUB -- 5:30 p.m.

Please send your name, address and approximate handicap with check for entry fee to Bob Sato, 1501 E. Lynn, Seattle, WA 98112.

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Please bring evidence of USGA Club handicap at the end of June to the August 3 reception. Golfers without established USGA handicap will compete in the "Calloway" Flight.

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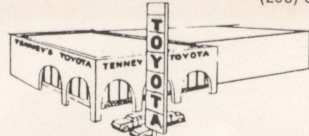
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SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS, POTLUCK DINNER AND CHAPTER BOARD MEETING -- Wednesday, May 18, Kawabe House, 221 18th S. Potluck dinner, 5 p.m.; awards, 7 p.m., followed by Board meeting.

CAREER FOR CENTER ALTERNATIVES FUNDRAISING AUCTION -- Saturday, May 21, 5 p.m., Mountaineers' Club, 300 3rd Ave. W. Tickets: \$20 per person or \$200 for table of 10. Reservations should be made no later than May 13. Info.: 723-2285.

NIPPON KAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION PRESENTS "FESTIVAL OF SPRING" -- Saturday, May 21, 7:30 p.m., Nippon Kan Theatre, 528 S. Washington St. A gala production of koto and shamisen music, Nihon Buyo classical dances and festival drums. Tickets: \$7 adults, \$5 seniors/students.

JAPANESE COMMUNITY QUEEN CONTEST, DINNER AND CORONATION BALL -- Saturday, May 28, Seattle Sheraton Hotel Grand Ballroom, 1400 6th Ave., \$35. Dinner at 5 p.m., program at 8 p.m. Reservations: Terry Nakano, 325-7888. For program and dance only, tickets available at Uwajimaya and House of Rice for \$10, or \$12 at the door.

DOSHI-KAI MEETING -- Wednesday, June 1, 7 p.m., JACL office.

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

TOMO-NO-KAI POTLUCK PICNIC -- Monday, June 13, 11:30 a.m., Woodland Park. All widows and widowers invited. Info: 722-5390.

CHAPTER DINNER BOARD MEETING -- Wednesday, June 15, 5:30 p.m. cocktails, 5 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. meeting. Guest speaker Dr. John Ishii.

DOSHI KAI SPEAKERS' PROGRAM -- Thursday, June 23, 7:30 p.m., Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, 3001 24th Ave. S. Tomio Moriguchi will speak on his involvement in the community.

13th ANNUAL CHINATOWN-INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT SUMMER FESTIVAL -- Sunday, July 10, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Hing Hay Park, Maynard Ave. & S. King St. Applications now being accepted for ethnic entertainment groups, children's entertainment acts, arts and crafts people and food vendors. Contact Ginee Fujii at 340-1455 and leave name and mailing address.

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NOTICE

You may have recently received in the mail a blue flyer announcing a "Day of Remembrance Fundraising Reception" for Congressman Mike Lowry, scheduled to precede our "Day of Remembrance" program on February 19 at Bush-Asia Center. We wish to clarify a possible misconception that the flyer may have conveyed.

JACL is not a sponsor of the Fundraiser, did not authorize the use of the "Day of Remembrance" designation, and is not connected in any way with the fundraising event.

Those persons listed as sponsors for the Fundraiser are acting as individuals and not as representatives of JACL.

This is to also clarify that the "Day of Remembrance" program is not asking for any monetary donations; the program is open to the public without charge.

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