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JACL Redress video paired with Okazaki film

by Cherry Kinoshita, chair National JACL Redress video project

A premiere showing of the recently completed JACL video, "Redress: The JACL Campaign for Justice," will be presented as part of a double feature with the 1991 Academy Award-winning documentary, "Days of Waiting," at the Nisei Veterans Hall, 1212 S. King Street, Saturday afternoon September 14.

"Days of Waiting," directed and produced by Steven Okazaki, tells the compelling story of artist Estelle Ishigo, one of the few Caucasians to be incarcerated along with 110,000 Japanese Americans during World War II. The 30-minute documentary relates the moving story of Ishigo's tragic childhood, her marriage to a Nisei during a period of rampant racism against Japanese Americans, her decision to remain with her husband and enter the concentration camps, her internment life, her husband's death, her lone battle

for redress and her poverty-stricken life after the war.

The internment story as depicted through the life of Ishigo provides an appropriate background sequence for "Redress: The JACL Campaign for Justice," a two-year National JACL project chaired by Cherry Kinoshita. This video-story of the legislative and grassroots struggle undertaken to achieve an apology and reparations from the U.S. Government was produced and directed by John Esaki of Visual Communications in Los Angeles and was funded by grants from the Minoru Yasui Memorial Fund and two Seattle-based foundations, the Kawabe Memorial Fund and the Motoda Foundation.

U.S. Senator Daniel Inouye on seeing the finished production, commended Visual Communications on

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Directory Project Underway

by Janice Yee, project co-chair

The Seattle Chapter JACL has begun work on the long-awaited Greater Seattle and Vicinity Japanese Community Directory. Co-chair Ken Sato and I hope to have the directory published and distributed by the middle of October 1991.

The last directory, co-chaired by Don Kazama and Janice Nishimori and published in 1982-'83, contained over 6000 names and 1000 business listings. The 1991 directory will include listings from Seattle, Bellevue, Bainbridge Island, Vashon Island, Everett, Tacoma and other areas surrounding Seattle.

Innovations for the new directory include larger

Bob Shimabukuro is guest editor for this July 1991 issue of the Seattle Chapter JACL Newsletter. Holly Yasui will return as editor in August.

and easier to read typesetting and black on white printing. The directory will also contain paid advertisements from businesses that support the Nikkei community. It will also give businesses increased exposure in a publication we expect to be distributed to over 10,000 homes and businesses.

We need your help!

Newly available computer technology will help make this directory much easier to produce than previous directories. However, much of the research and data input must be done manually. Volunteers are needed to look up names in the phone book, enter names in the computer, proofread print outs, solicit businesses for advertisements, help with mail out and distribution and anything else.

We are currently looking for a company that will donate or underwrite the cost of printing and layout.

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Chapter Focus

Newsletter mailout help wanted

The mailout committee still needs people willing to assist with newsletter mailout. Mailouts are the second Wednesday of every month and takes about an hourand-a-half.

We especially need help for the months of August, October, November and December. Unless we are able to obtain help in the very near future we may be forced to discontinue the newsletter.

Any time that you are willing to give toward this project is greatly appreciated. We encourage all JACL members to participate. If you have any questions, please call Jerome Roaché at 725-8656.

Other volunteers needed

The chapter is still looking for a treasurer to serve the remainder of the year. Interested? Call Gail Tanaka, president, at 932-5947 to sign up.

Volunteers are also needed for the Directory Project. Call the chapter office at 322-3589 and leave a mes-

Thank you

The chapter greatly appreciates donations received in June from the Takahashi Family in memory of Frank Hattori and from Chizuko Nagaoka in memory of Eira Nagaoka.

Tournament Chairpersons: Charles and Mary Furuta, (206) 725-6387

1991 JACL and 1000 Club Golf Tournament

Sponsored by Seattle Chapter JACL and 1000 Club Open to all JACLers and Friends

Date: Sunday, August 4, 1991

Place: West Seattle Golf Course — Men at 12 noon Jefferson Park Golf Course — Women at 12 noon

Golf entry Fee including dinner at South China: \$25 (pay own green fee)

Golf only: \$15.00

Dinner only: \$13.00

Tee-off times are limited to 40 men and 40 women, so get your entry form with entry fee in early.

Men and Women's flights: Handicap or Calloway for those without handicaps.

Entry deadline: July 13, 1991, but to aid in our planning, please return your entry form by July 1st.

Dinner immediately following the tournament

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Redress Update

U.S. House endorses F.Y. 1992 redress appropriations

The U.S. House of Representatives honored its commitment to redressing the internment of Americans of Japanese ancestry June 13 by approving \$500 million for redress payments beginning October 1, 1991, reported Congressman Norman Mineta last month.

The commitment was endorsed by the House in a 338-80 vote as part of its approval of the \$21.6 billion Commerce-Justice-State Appropriations Bill (H.R. 2608) for fiscal year 1992.

"This strong vote shows an overwhelming commit-

ment to the letter and spirit of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988," said Mineta, referring to the legislation which authorized \$1.25 billion to apologize and compensate surviving former internees for their loss of basic constitutional rights at the hands of the U.S. Government.

Since October 1990, more than 20,000 individuals have received their compensation payments of \$20,000 each, and a total of 25,000 will have received compensation by this coming October.

The Commerce-Justice-State Appropriations Bill will next be considered by the U.S. Senatc.



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Community Notes

E.O. 9066: Fifty years before and after

The Wing Luke Asian Museum, currently preparing an exhibit entitled "Executive Order 9066: 50 Years Before and 50 Years After," needs your help in producing the exhibition.

"Executive Order 9066" will open on February 19, 1992, on the 50th anniversary of the signing of Executive Order 9066. The planning committee members are currently looking for photos, camp items, diaries, drawings, letters, poems, documents, programs, souvenirs, and anything else related to the Japanese American community that might be used in the exhibit.

In addition, the exhibit is being budgeted around \$100,000, so financial contributions would be greatly appreciated. The Wing Luke Asian Museum is a 501(c)(3) organization and any donation would be tax deductible.

Anyone wishing to support this endeavor financially or with their time, photos or artifacts, should contact Sally Yamasaki at 323-3219 or the Museum at 623-5124.

The Group Theatre's Multicultural Playwrights' Festival

Holly Yasui's play about her father Min's constitutional challenge to the legitimacy of the internment, "Unvanquished," will be given a workshop production at the Group Theatre's Multicultural Playwright's Festival July 17-21.

"Unvanquished" will be performed at the Glenn Hughes Playhouse, 4045 University Way NE, at 8 pm, Friday, July 19 and at 7 pm, Sunday, July 21. Admission is \$5.

"High Fashion," by New York playwright Cary Wong, will be produced as a staged reading at 3 pm, July 20. Keynote speaker for the festival, New York theatre and performance artist Ping Chong, will speak on July

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Leadership Advancement Seminar

The Asian Management Business Association and JACL will sponsor a "Leadership Advancement" / 2-Day Seminar, "August 20, 1991, at the Security Pacific Bank Boardroom.

Byron Kunizawa, president of Multicultural Resource Center, will lead the seminar which runs 7:30—11:30 am. Registration fees: \$50 Corporate, \$35 Asian MBA/JACL members, \$25 Entrepreneurial Small Business. A limited number of student scholarships are available. For information, call the PNW District Office: 623-5088.

Commission on Asian American Affairs

A Japanese American applicant is being sought to serve on the Commission for Asian American Affairs. The purpose of the Commission is to identify the needs and concerns of the Asian Pacific Americans and to advise state government on how those needs and concerns could be addressed.

The Commission is composed of three staff members and 12 Commissioners who represent the diverse Asian/Pacific population of Washington State. Commissioners are appointed to three-year terms by the Governor. Meetings are held five Saturdays a year in various parts of the state.

Commissioners serve as volunteers but they are reimbursed for their travel expenses. For information, call the Commission's Seattle office at 464-5820.

Kodomo No Tame Ni

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The Bainbridge Island Japanese American Community's photo exhibit, "Kodomo No Tame Ni," has recently finished its 1990-'91 school tour, but the exhibit can be seen during the summer at: Seattle Public Library, 1000 Fourth Avenue, June 28—July 17, (386-4664); Kitsap Mall in Silverdale, WA, July 19—July 24, (698-2555); and Kitsap County Historical Museum, 3343 N.W. Byron St., Silverdale, WA, July 27—August 16, (692-1949). For information, call exhibit locations.



Obituaries

Mike Masaoka: 1915 - 1991 by Tim Gojio

Mike Masaoka, a long time champion of Japanese American and Asian American causes passed away on June 26, 1991 in the Washington D.C. area following a long illness. He was 76.

Masaoka was born in Fresno, California, in 1915, the fourth of eight children. He grew up in the Salt Lake City area, where his father operated a small fish market. He received his B.A. in political science from University of Utah in 1937, and became the first paid executive secretary for the National JACL. He was hired in August 1941 just prior to the outbreak of hostilities in the Pacific.

He is credited with organizing the 442nd Regimental Combat team and being the first Japanese American to volunteer for that Nisei combat unit formed during World War II. Four of his brothers also volunteered—one of whom was killed in action—while their mother remained in the Manzanar Relocation Camp.

Masaoka returned home to continue his work with the JACL following the war, a period in which the JACL scored an impressive string of legislative victories, including the Japanese American Evacuation Claims Act, the 1952 Walter McCarran Act (which allowed issei the opportunity to become naturalized citizens) and the Immigration Act of 1965.

In 1950, Masaoka was selected as the JACL's first Nisei of the Biennium. In 1968, he was awarded the Order of the Rising Sun, Third Class, the highest decoration Japan bestows upon a foreigner, for his contributions to improving amity and understanding between Japanese and Americans.

He is survived by his wife Etsu; granddaughter Michelle Amano; brother Tad, San Mateo; and sister Kiyoko, Chicago.

Memorial services were held in Chevy Chase, Maryland, July 2.

Susumu Fukuda: 1903 - 1991

by Bob Shimabukuro

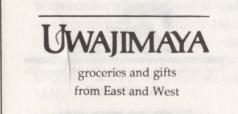
Dr. Susumu Fukuda, dentist and prominent member of the Seattle Japanese community, died June 23. Fukuda was born in Fukuoka, Japan and came to the United States in 1915. He attended North Pacific College of Oregon, graduating in 1927 and becoming one of the first Japanese American dentists in the Seattle area.

He worked long hours, sometimes exchanged services for fresh vegetables in lieu of payment, some-

times offering services without charge and occasionally performed dental work on house calls, according to friends and relatives of Fukuda.

Fukuda spent his last years at Seattle Keiro Nursing Home. He is survived by his wife Tami, son Alan, and three daughters Janet Powell of Bellevue, Lilian Hirano of Richland and Ilene Blackburn of Seattle.

Memorial services were held at Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church July 2.

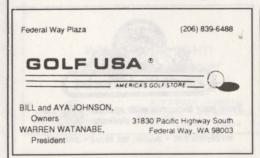


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Any help in this would be very much appreciated.

Past co-chair Janice Nishimori is offering her expertise on this project. Advice and/or assistance from other previous directory committee members are welcome.

We need information about you!

We need your help in making this new directory complete. Since the only resource we have is the telephone book, we need to hear from and about people whose names do not sound Japanese. If you would like to be listed in the directory but think we are likely to overlook you, tell us!

For your convenience, we have enclosed a form for you to fill out for individual listings. There is an extra form for you to pass on to a friend or family member.

Also, look for the business listing form. Volunteers will be adding to the 1982-1983 business listing. However, we may miss the newer businesses. For a free listing, please fill out the enclosed form. For an advertisement, please fill out the enclosed form, include a business card or camera-ready ad and pay-

Every effort will be made to make the directory as accurate as possible. But we need your help in meeting this goal. Tell your friends and family about the directory project. We don't want anyone to miss out! For inquiries, call the chapter office at 322-3589.

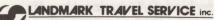
Redress program to precede videos continued from front page

a "superb job" of portraying "an accurate account of events surrounding the redress campaign."

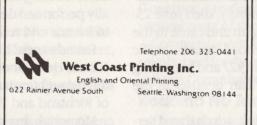
It is anticipated that the Office of Redress Administration head, Robert K. Bratt, will be present to speak on an update of the redress program. The second redress workshop has been tentatively scheduled to be held in the downstairs clubhouse of the NVC Hall that same day from 10 AM to 2 PM. Further details will be forthcoming. The twin video program will begin at

Arrangements for the event are being handled by the Seattle JACL Redress Committee/Seattle Legacy Fund Committee, with co-sponsorship by the Washington Coalition on Redress and the Nisei Veterans Committee.





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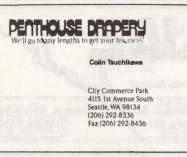
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Calendar of events

compiled by Ed Suguro

Weekly ballroom dance—every Wednesday, 1-3 pm, Nisei Vets Hall, 1212 S. King St.

Nikkei community dance — Saturday, July 13, 8 – 11:30 pm, Nisei Vets Hall, 1212 S. King St. Admission: \$2. For information: 772-1160.

International District Summer Festival — Sunday, July 14, Hing Hay Park, Maynard and King Streets, 11 am - 6 pm. Foods, crafts, exhibits, entertainment. For information: 624-2151.

Seattle Buddhist Church Bon Odori — Saturday -Sunday, July 20 –21, Seattle Buddhist Church, 1427 S. Main St., Saturday 6 – 11 pm, Sunday 5 - 9 pm. For information: 742-8215.

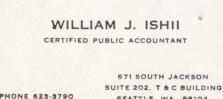
JACL Annual Golf Tournament — Sunday, Aug. 4 West Seattle Golf Course (men) and Jefferson Park Golf Course (women), 12 noon. See entry form on page 2 of this newsletter.

JACL Annual Picnic sponsored by Doshi Kai — Sunday, Aug. 10, Pine Lake Park, Issaguah. Potluck, barbecue, volleyball and swimming. For information: Ann Fujii, 624-2151 (days) or Wayne Kimura, 827-0460 (days), 869-5174 (eves/weekends).

"Perspectives from the Rim: Textile Artists from Japan and the United States" — through July 17, Bellevue Art Museum, Bellevue Square. For times and information: 454-6021.

Watercolors by Hajime Kondo

- through July 17, Gallery Mack, 2001 Western Ave., Monday-Saturday: 10 am-6 pm, Sunday: noon—5 pm. For information: 448-1616.



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Japanese textiles by Junichi Arai — through August 5, Wing Luke Asian Museum, 407 7th Ave. S., Tuesday—Friday: 11 am—4:30 pm, Saturday—Sunday: noon-4 pm. For information: 623-5124.

Chapter board meeting — Wednesday, July 17, 7 pm, Japanese Language School, 1414 S. Weller St. Everyone welcome.

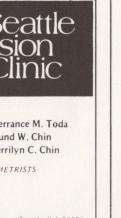
Multicultural Playwright's Festival workshop production of "The Unvanquished" by Holly Yasui. Check Community Notes.

White River Buddhist Church Bon Odori — Saturday, July 27, 5—10 pm, White River Buddhist Church. 3625 Auburn Way N. For information: June Nakano, 228-0785 or Sachiko Nakayama, 859-2242.

Seafair Chinatown Parade — Sunday, July 28, 7 pm, beginning at 8th and Jackson. For information: 722-0661.

Doshi Kai meeting — Tuesday, August 6, 6:30 pm. Call Wayne Kimura for name and address of restaurant, 827-0460 (days) or 869-5174 (eves/weekends).

Asian American Journalists Association Convention — Wednesday through Saturday, August 21-24, Seattle Sheraton Hotel and Towers. For information: AAJA, (415) 346-2051.



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