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Seattle Chapter President's Message

by Gail Tanaka

I took a vacation from my job and JACL last month and travelled to Japan. I must thank President Elect Tim Gojio and the other officers for capably handling the chapter's business in my absence.

I really enjoy visiting Japan where I'm reminded both how "Japanese" I am and am not. I like being able to travel through the country without being recognized as a foreign tourist, that is, until I have to talk to someone or my crude American manners give me away. But even then I was treated with courtesy. The Japanese I met acted like they were sorry that they couldn't understand me ... how unlike ethnocentric English-speakers. The trip also made me appreciate my grandmother who taught me enough about being Japanese to feel comfortable in the country of her birth.

It was wonderful to experience a society that really values the family and education instead of just saying so while making policy decisions that leave the family and educational system struggling. On the downside, this society does exact a price from the salary workers, housewives, and students who are pressured to live up to demanding expectations, in contrast to the wide range of individual options that we're accustomed to as Americans.

What I appreciate most about my trip was that it was a humbling experience. I had to struggle with the invisible handicap of not speaking the language and being illiterate; the exchange rate left me feeling like a pauper; and most of all, it was hard to feel like a superior American. Yes, I would recommend the trip for everyone.

PNW District Governor's Message

by Bob Sato

The Pacific Northwest District Council held its election meeting on October 12, 1991 at the White River Buddhist Church, hosted by the White River chapter president, Dan Hiranaka. I'm happy to announce that Hisami Yoshida, of the Olympia chapter, has been elected the new District Council governor for 1992. Terry Yamada will serve District Council governor for 1993. Don Maekawa, of the Lake Washington chapter, continues as Vice Governor for Washington state and Scott Sakamoto, of the Portland chapter was elected as Vice Governor for Oregon.

As my two years as governor come to a close, I would like to share some thoughts with you that I have accumulated in my duties, including attendance at National Board meetings every three or four months in San Francisco.

National Committee Members: We in the Pacific Northwest are well-represented on various national

committees. We owe a lot to the following individuals for their commitment and unselfish efforts.

National Education Committee: Chris Kato. This committee's task is to update textbooks on a national basis to reflect the Japanese American perspective in the United States.

Legacy Fund Investment Committee: Dennis Uyemura. This committee's task is to invest the Legacy Fund contributions for secure and optimal income.

Legacy Fund Grants Committee: Cherry Kinoshita. This committee's task is to award grants to chapters using the 10% set-aside of the Legacy Fund's annual interest earnings.

Civil Rights Committee: Peggy Nagae Lum. This committee's task is to address civil rights issues on a national basis.

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Chapter Focus

Thank you

Thank you for donations received in October: Tomio Moriguchi, in memory of his wife, Lovett; Ben Nakagawa, in memory of Lovett Moriguchi; Fujiko Hori in memory of her husband Toshio; Mary & Kay Nagai; Daisy & Yosh Tomita, Lily & Victor Takemoto; Sally Okumura; June & Fred Tanaka; Jiro & Tak Todo, Goro & Betty Todo, and Henry Todo in memory of their mother Akie Todo.

Additional donations were received from Harvey & Edith Watanabe, for the directory; the Japanese Baptist Church for the Rev. Andrews Memorial Scholarship; Fumi Imashima in appreciation of work done on redress.

Donations to the Seattle Chapter Endowment Fund were made by Miyo Iwata, Dan Matsumoto, Roy & Mitsuye Mihara, Katsu & Grace Sakai, Fudge & Yukiko Shiogi.

Donations to the National Legacy Fund were:

\$10,000+: Wilce & Mitsuko Shiomi

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\$500+: Mr. & Mrs. T. Sutow, Minoru & Sue Yamaguchi, Sam & Haruko Shoji

Other: Gail Tanaka, Katsu & Grace Sakai, Miyoko Iwata.

Installation banquet

The 70th annual installation banquet for the Seattle chapter JACL will be held on Saturday, January 25 at the Doubletree Suites Hotel, 16500 Southcenter Parkway in Seattle.

The theme of the banquet will be "Honoring our Veterans," and will feature National JACL President Cressy Nakagawa as the keynote speaker. The evening ceremonies will honor all veterans and include a tribute to local veteran groups, MIS Northwest and the Nisei Veterans Committee.

The Seattle chapter officers and board members for 1992 will be introduced and installed during the banquet. Outgoing officers and board members will be recognized and honored. The master of ceremonies for the banquet is Harry Kadoshima.

A social hour will commence at 5:30 pm, followed by dinner at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$30.00 per person and tables of ten can be reserved in advance. Ticket applications will be mailed to all current Seattle Chapter members.

For further information, requests for ticket applications and/or reservations, please contact Banquet Committee members Ayako Hurd (527-1464) or Takako Yoda (722-6547). All Seattle Chapter members, friends, and families are invited to attend the Installation Banquet.

—submitted by David Hoekendorf

Community Notes

Asian Pacific Director's Coalition Legislative reception

The Asian Pacific Director's Coalition is sponsoring its annual Legislative reception on November 13, at the Bush Garden restaurant from 5:30 pm until 7:30 pm. The purpose of the reception is to acquaint our local King County legislators with members of the Asian American community and our unique issues and concerns.

This year, each legislator will be asked to respond to a list of topics including: Affirmative Action, higher education, employment and training, K-12 education, social and health services, and early childhood education. The reception is free of charge and open to the public.

Co-sponsors for the reception are the Asian Management and Business Association; Chinese American Association of Professionals; Chinese Post; Filipino American Citizens League; Filipino Bulletin; Filipino Herald; International Examiner; Japanese American Citizens League; Northwest Nikkei/North American Post; Refugee Advocacy and Action Coalition; Samoan National Chiefs Council; Vietnamese Friendship Association; Washington Asian Pacific Educators.

EO 9066 Exhibit

Barracks furnishings and other items used by Minidoka internees are being sought by Wing Luke Museum researchers for the EO 9066 exhibit. Specific items needed are: a metal cot and mattress, galvanized buckets and basins, hot plate, duffel bags, apple and orange crates, pea coats, wooden clogs from Montgomery War, and a Montgomery Ward catalogue.

In addition, researchers are looking for a pot-bellied stove similar to those used in the Minidoka barracks; and the Museum would also like to borrow a portrait photo of a Nisei soldier and the star that

military families displayed in their windows. If you can loan any of these items for display or know where they might be located, please leave a message for Michelle Kumata at the Wing Luke Asian Museum, 623-5124. The EO 9066 exhibit will open on February 19, 1992 and will be displayed until July 19, 1992.

Contemporary Japanese Cinema Night

The Hyogo Cultural Center is sponsoring Contemporary Japanese Cinema night, a new program to be held twice a month. The purpose of this series is to expose American audiences to Japanese culture through large-screen video screenings of popular Japanese movies.

In November, the film *Lady Camellia* will be screened, on the 13th and 15th. This is a love story made in the image of the famous opera *La Traviata*. It stars Keiko Matsuzaka, one of the most popular actresses in Japan. The story involves the reconciliation of conflicts between private life and work in the entertainment field. The screenings start at 5:45 at the Hyogo Cultural Center, 2001 Sixth Avenue (the Westin Building), 11th floor, phone: 728-0610. There is no charge for the screening, and brown bag dinners welcome.

Japan America Society seminar

The Japan America Society is sponsoring a luncheon seminar and workshop on Japanese business on Wednesday, December 4, at the Seattle Sheraton. The luncheon and seminar, which run from 11:30 am until 1 pm will feature Robert March, whose lecture is entitled *Honoring the Customer: The Key to Marketing and Selling to the Japanese*. Following the seminar will be a workshop entitled *Resolving Conflicts and Problems in Negotiating with the Japanese*. For information about cost of the program and reservations, see **Calendar of Events**. For more information, call Japan America Society: 623-7900.

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Redress Committee: Cherry Kinoshita. This committee's task is to monitor ORA actions implementing the 1988 redress legislation, including efforts to assure full funding of third year payments.

International Relations: Ken Nakano. This committee's task is to continue efforts to improve relations between the people of Japan and the U.S..

On the issue of the National JACL budget: why do we need to increase membership and support the national Legacy Fund?

The National JACL 1991 budget was \$1,030,000 with membership dues bringing in \$850,000. Expenses include:

- Subsidy of Pacific Citizen: \$240,000
- Eight regional directors & their offices: \$216,000
- Washington D.C. representative and office: \$110,000
- National headquarters staff, office, and expenses (including travel for National Board members): \$464,000.


Our membership is about \$24,000; it ought to be 100,000. I'd like to ask you regular members to buy a one-year membership for a sister, brother, children, or friend. How about it?

Under the annual distribution and grants program, the Legacy Fund, if it reaches \$10,000,000, would earn for National (at 65%)

\$422,500 and for chapters (at 30%) \$195,000. But alas, we have reached only \$2,100,000 by mid October 1991.

I support and urge you to support the Legacy Fund because it would give some measure of financial security to the national organization, with substantial benefits for local chapters. So, please talk to your friends and family about this very important effort to keep JACL going for generations to come.

I've been privileged to meet many dedicated people — locally, regionally, and nationally — who are working for your benefit and carrying on the JACL traditions. Please plan to meet one of the most dedicated, National JACL President Cressy Nakagawa at the Seattle chapter JACL installation banquet on January 25, 1992.



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Portrait of a generous donor: Wilce Shiomi

"In our kids' time, we will not get rid of the racial prejudice in our country," says Wilce Shiomi. "With all the Japan-bashing that's going on, we will need some kind of voice to fight racism, and the most viable voice is JACL." Referring to his grandsons, 10 and 15 years old, Shiomi expressed his belief that as the yonsei get older, they will be made to feel different and will experience some of the racial discrimination that the nisei endured in a more visible form.

Because of his strong belief that JACL is needed, Wilce Shiomi expressed his support with an extraordinarily generous donation of \$10,000 to the National JACL Legacy Fund. He felt that if it were not for JACL, redress would not have happened. Realizing the need for a strong national organization to provide the clout for these types of national issues, he said he also liked the fact that by donating to the Legacy Fund, his donation was also helping the Seattle chapter.

Shiomi, who was born during Woodrow Wilson's administration, learned recently when he attended the funeral of his older brother in Los Angeles, that his unusual name was his father's version of Wilson. Born and raised in Seattle, Shiomi graduated from

Cleveland High School prior to the outbreak of World War II. He married Mitsuko (Mitsie) Saiki in 1942, who graduated from Kirkland High School on the eastside. The couple will be celebrating their 50th anniversary next year.

When evacuation was ordered, the newlyweds were sent to Puyallup along with other Seattlites, but when volunteers were requested to go to Tule Lake, the Shiomis opted to go, thinking that the rest of the Puyallup people would also be going. From Tule Lake, the Shiomis relocated to Spokane; Wilce served in the army for a brief period, then the couple returned to Seattle in 1946, six weeks after their daughter was born.

Upon their return to Seattle, the Shiomis started a small business with a used appliance store on Yesler Way. After eight years, they bought a larger store at 12th and Jackson, retaining the previous name of Connors. Eventually, Shiomi developed a very successful business carrying new appliances and home furniture. Retired since 1986, Shiomi has been a long-time Thousand Clubber, and a JACL member "as long as I can remember."

He says he "takes it easy now," trying to play golf more seriously, and travelling with his wife, Mitsie.

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Calendar of events

compiled by Ed Suguro

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Stencil prints by Yoshitoshi Mori — through Sat., Nov. 30, Azuma Gallery, 530 1st Ave. S., Tues. - Sat., 11 am - 6 pm. Info: 622-5599.

Recent paintings by Frank Okada — through Sun., Dec. 1, Greg Kucera Gallery, 608 2nd Ave., Tues. - Sat., 10:30 am - 5:30 pm; Sun., noon - 5 pm. Info: 624-0770.

Ayame Kai annual holiday craft fair — Sat., Nov. 16, 10 am - 4 pm, Seattle Buddhist Church, 1427 S. Main St. Proceeds to Seattle Keiro. Info: 323-7100.

Sankyoku Festival: The Sounds of Autumn — Sat., Nov. 16, 7:30 pm, Nippon Kan Theatre, 628 S. Washington St. Traditional and contemporary koto, shakuhachi, and sangen music. Tickets: \$8 general, \$5 seniors/students, free for 75 and over, at Uwajimaya, House of Rice, or at the door. For info: 575-3650.

Chapter Board meeting — Wed., Nov. 20, 7 pm, Japanese Language School, 1414 S. Weller St. Everyone welcome.

Lecture: Japan Exchange Teaching and Teaching Assistance Programs — Thurs., Nov. 21, 5 - 6 pm, One Union Square Building, 12th floor conference room. Lecture by Consul General Toshio Nagamatsu, sponsored by the Japan America Society. Free admission; reserve by Nov. 19; 623-7900.

Japan's Retail Distribution System — Tues., Nov. 26, lecture and luncheon, noon - 1:30 pm, Four Seasons Olympic Hotel. Lecture by Keisuke Egashira, President of Siebu Saison International, sponsored by the Japan America Society. \$25 members, \$30 non-members. Reserve by Nov. 22; 623-7900.

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M. Butterfly — opening Wed., Nov. 27, at the Seattle Repertory Theatre, 155 Mercer, running through Dec. 28. Tony Award-winning play by Henry David Hwang, featuring local and national Asian American actors. Tickets and info: 443-2222.

Doshi Kai meeting — Tues., Dec. 3, 6:30 pm. Call Wayne Kimura for name and address of restaurant, 827-0460 (days) or 869-5174 (eves/weekends).

Japan America Society seminar/workshop on Japanese business — Wed., Dec. 4, Seattle Sheraton, lunch & seminar 11:30 am – 1:00 pm; workshop 1:15 – 3:30 pm. Cost: lunch only \$20 (members) or \$25 (nonmembers); full program \$50 (members) or \$75 (nonmembers). Reserve by Dec. 2: 623-7900.

New Horizon IX, a benefit dance — Sat., Dec. 7, 8 pm – 12 midnight, Seattle Buddhist Church, 1427 S. Main St., BYOL, mixers and ice available. Sponsored by the Seattle Japanese Gardeners Association, music by Arlen and Gail. \$10 per person, to benefit Keiro.

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- (2) Call 911, or the local police department and have a report taken. Obtain copies of your police report.
- (3) Document the incident by photographing the evidence and/or writing down the facts of what happened. Make sure you write down who said what. Don't forget to write down anything derogatory that was said.
- (4) Notify an organization familiar with hate crimes for support, referrals and information on the next steps to take. * Please refer to the back of this brochure for a listing of agencies you can contact in regards to hate crimes.

Why is it Important to Report Hate Crimes?

For too long, residents of Oregon and Washington have believed that hate crimes, and in particular, anti-Asian violence occurs somewhere else--not in their communities. The lack of accurate data on hate crimes, allows that belief to persist. Failure to report these crimes makes it appear as if the problem does not exist. The numerous crimes which remain unreported, for whatever reason, including the fear of retaliation, only increases the attackers' confidence, and likelihood that they will continue to commit them.

Reporting hate crimes allows the opportunity for additional money to be allocated at the federal, state and local level to train police and to keep accurate hate crime statistics. Comprehensive data collection will enable Oregon and Washington to assess and monitor the magnitude of crimes motivated by hate, and aide in the development of implementation of effective measures to respond to, and prevent hate crimes.

Unfortunately, hate crimes and anti-Asian violence across the country have been on the rise. According to a U.S. Justice Department official, anti-Asian violence is "the fastest growing area of discrimination in the country."

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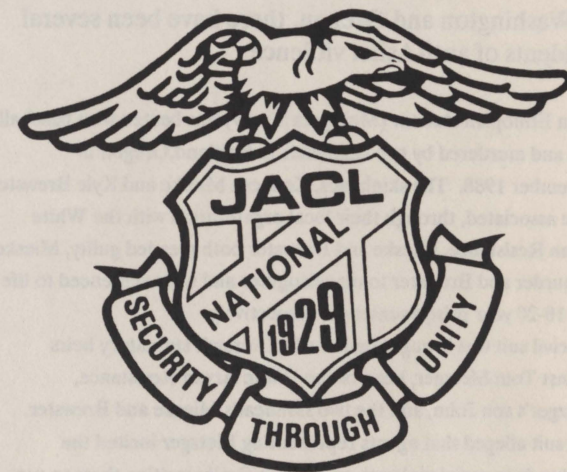
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What is a Hate Crime?

In general, hate crimes are acts of intimidation, harassment, physical force or the threat of physical force directed against any person(s), motivated either in whole, or in part by hatred or hostility towards the victim(s) real or perceived race, national origin, religion, or other characteristics, depending on state laws. These crimes are treated differently than other crimes because they victimize not only the individual, but all persons of that group.

Hate Crimes/Anti-Asian Violence

Hate crimes, and in particular, anti-Asian violence has been in existence, and a serious problem ever since Asians first immigrated to the United States. However, it is a problem that is not well known.

In Washington and Oregon, there have been several incidents of anti-Asian violence:

* An Ethiopian student (Mulugeta Seraw) was beaten with baseball bats and murdered by two skinheads in Portland, Oregon in November 1988. The skinheads, Kenneth Mieske and Kyle Brewster were associated, through their local organization with the White Aryan Resistance. Mieske and Brewster both pleaded guilty, Mieske to murder and Brewster to manslaughter and were sentenced to life and 10-20 year prison sentences respectively.

A civil suit was brought on behalf of Seraw's statutory heirs against Tom Metzger, head of the White Aryan Resistance, Metzger's son John, and the two skinheads Mieske and Brewster. The suit alleged that agents representing Metzger incited the skinheads to racial violence, more specifically inciting them to use baseball bats, steel-toed boots and other weapons in assaults against Blacks and Jews. In October 1990 judgement was rendered in favor of Seraw's heirs who were awarded 12.5 million dollars.

* In Everett, a Vietnamese husband and wife drove up to a grocery store parking lot. The husband stayed in the car while his wife went in to buy groceries. The perpetrator saw the wife pay for the groceries with food stamps, and then followed her out to the car. The perpetrator tapped on the window of the car. The husband, opened the window, and the perpetrator physically struck the husband and yelled statements at him about the Vietnamese leaning on the welfare system by suing food stamps. The perpetrator was arrested and convicted of malicious harassment. This was the first prosecution under the Washington State Malicious Harassment Law.

Oregon State Intimidation Laws

ORS 166.155 & 166.165

166.155 Intimidation in the second degree. (1) A person commits the crime of intimidation in the second degree if the person:

(a) Tamper or interferes with property, having no right to do so nor reasonable ground to believe that the person has such right, with the intent to cause substantial inconvenience to another because of the person's perception of the other's race, color, religion, national origin or sexual orientation;

(b) Intentionally subjects another to offensive physical contact because of the person's perception of the other's race, color, religion, national origin or sexual orientation; or

(c) Intentionally, because of the person's perception of race, color, religion, national origin or sexual orientation of another or of a member of the other's family, subjects such other person to alarm by threatening:

(A) To inflict serious physical injury upon or to commit a felony affecting such other person, or a member of the person's family; or

(B) To cause substantial damage to the property of the other person or of a member of the other person's family.

(2) Intimidation in the second degree is a Class A misdemeanor. (A Class A misdemeanor in Oregon State is punishable by a maximum sentence of 1 year in prison, and/or a fine of up to \$2,500.)

166.165 Intimidation in the first degree. (1) Two or more persons acting together commit the crime of intimidation in the first degree, if the persons:

(a)(A) Intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly cause physical injury to another because of their perception of that person's race, color, religion, national origin or sexual orientation; or

(B) With criminal negligence cause physical injury to another by means of a deadly weapon because of their perception of that person's race, color, religion, national origin or sexual orientation; or

(b) Intentionally, because of race, color, religion, national origin or sexual orientation of another, place that person in fear of imminent serious physical injury; or

(c) Commit such acts as would constitute the crime of intimidation in the second degree, if undertaken by one person acting alone.

(2) Intimidation in the first degree is a Class C felony. (Under the Oregon State Criminal Code, the state may sentence an individual to a maximum term of imprisonment of **more than one** year. A sentence to pay a **fine** for a Class C felony shall be a sentence to pay an amount, fixed by the court, not exceeding \$100,000.)

Washington State Malicious Harassment Law

RCW 9A.36.080

(1) A person is guilty of malicious harassment if he maliciously and with the intent to intimidate or harass another person because of that person's race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, or mental, physical, or sensory handicap:

(a) Causes physical injury to another person; or

(b) By words or conduct places another person in reasonable fear of harm to his person or property or harm to the person or property of a third person: *Provided, however,* That it **shall not** constitute malicious harassment for a person to speak or act in a critical, insulting, or deprecatory way so long as his or her words or actions do not constitute a threat of harm to the body or property of another person; or

(c) Causes physical damage to or destruction of the property of another person.

(2) Malicious harassment is a class C felony. (For a class C felony, the **maximum** sentence is confinement in a state correctional institution for five years or by a fine in an amount fixed by the court of \$10,000, or by both such confinement and fine. *RCW 9A.20.021*)

(3) In addition to the criminal penalty provided in subsection (2) of this section, there is hereby created a civil cause of action for malicious harassment for actual damages and punitive damages of up to \$10,000.

(4) The penalties provided in this section for malicious harassment do not preclude the victims from seeking any other remedies otherwise available under the law.

In addition to the intimidation laws, **Oregon State** also has a law which **requires training in the identification of crimes motivated by prejudice**. All police officers are trained to investigate, identify and report crimes motivated by prejudice based on the perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, marital status, political affiliation or beliefs, memberships or activity in or on behalf of a labor organization, physical or mental handicap, age, economic or social status or citizenship of the victim. (*Oregon Revised Statute 181.642*)

Japanese American Citizens League

Seattle Chapter

November 1991

Dear Friend & Loyal JACLER:

The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) is the oldest and largest organization in this country that protects the rights and interests of persons of Asian and Japanese ancestry. Our national organization is comprised of approximately 25,000 members who reflect the social, educational and professional diversity of our community. Our members are from all walks of life, yet they all share a common belief that the JACL is an organization that represents their needs and common concerns.

Whether it is fighting for social or economic justice, impacting civil rights issues, combating hate crimes, opposing negative stereotypes, countering Japan-bashing, encouraging youth programs or providing scholarships, the National JACL is there. Melding a network of 112 local chapters all across the nation, the national organization, through its lobbying arm, can be a powerful influence in achieving national legislation such as the recently successful redress program, and it is by such a national scope that the JACL, through its Washington D.C. office and its five regional offices, can retain its effectiveness.

The Seattle JACL is one of the most active chapters in the country. We have a structure of more than 26 committees that address virtually any issue that could arise. This extensive infrastructure allows volunteers opportunities to become actively involved in areas of personal interest. What it really means is that the Seattle Chapter JACL is always working on topics that are important to you: Redress, anti-Asian violence, U.S.-Japan relations, leadership development, education, and more.

Through these chapters local issues are often given national attention, and national issues are made accessible to local people. It is a symbiotic relationship that works out for the benefit of our entire community.

HOW CAN YOU HELP SUPPORT JACL?

The Seattle Chapter, through its ENDOWMENT FUND; and the National JACL, through its LEGACY FUND; have both kicked off fundraising campaigns that urgently need your support.

Each dollar contributed to the ENDOWMENT FUND remains with the local Seattle Chapter.

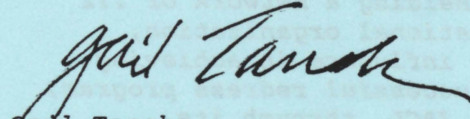
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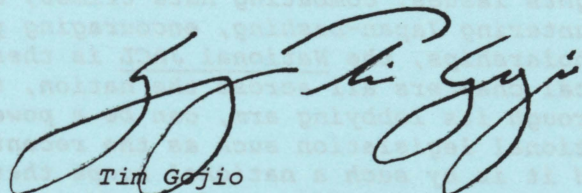
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We encourage you to strengthen the JACL by expressing your support in various ways. Attached is a donation form which enables you to designate your donation to the National or local level, or both. If you have already contributed to the JACL LEGACY FUND or to the SEATTLE ENDOWMENT FUND, please pass this letter on to a friend or relative. If you have not yet had an opportunity to express your support to either the National JACL or Seattle JACL (or both), we would appreciate your filling out the attached form and mailing it as directed.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at the phone numbers listed below. We look forward to your support.

With warmest regards,


Gail Tanaka
1991 Seattle Chapter President


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Seattle Chapter President-Elect

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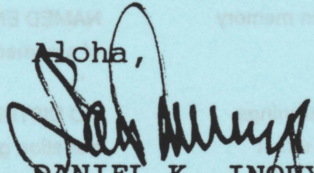
Dear Members and Friends of the JACL:

The JACL will soon begin its Legacy Fund Campaign and I encourage your generous support.

The JACL is an organization with a strong history of service to the Japanese American community especially related to issues affecting the Japanese American population and legislation. Most recently, the JACL played an important role in the 10 year crusade to obtain passage of redress legislation. During this effort the JACL maintained a strong presence in Washington, D.C. and at the same time provided much of the grassroots effort that was required to successfully pass this legislation.

Today, I believe the JACL is in a position to provide strong leadership for the Asian American community in future years. As the Asian American population in the United States continues to grow, with it will grow the number of issues and concerns that will have to be addressed by our Congress and the federal government. The JACL has demonstrated its ability to be an effective advocate. Providing leadership for the Asian American community will be a challenge and an opportunity the JACL must not fail to undertake.

The JACL Legacy Fund will provide the resources necessary to support this important work of the JACL. I urge you to support the JACL Legacy Fund because it is an investment in the future of the Japanese American and Asian American communities.

Aloha,


DANIEL K. INOUYE
United States Senator

JACL DONATION/PLEDGE

I want to contribute to building a better future for Japanese Americans.

NAME: _____
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I am a JACL member: _____ Chapter: _____ District: _____
Please send me a Membership form: _____ A Membership Renewal form: _____

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JACL LEGACY FUND

and mail to: Attn: Cherry Kinoshita

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Seattle, WA 98104

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and mail to: Attn: Wayne Kimura

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Please cut off above dotted line and mail with your check. Thank you for your contribution!

JACL LEGACY FUND

SEATTLE JACL ENDOWMENT FUND

PURPOSE: To establish a perpetual endowment fund from which only the earnings will be used to implement National JACL's goals; fighting for civil and human rights issues; countering hate crimes, Japan-bashing, and negative media images; promoting national Legislation such as redress; liaison with the office of Redress Administration; and providing professional staff in its national, Washington DC, and regional offices.

PURPOSE: To establish a permanent endowment fund whose principal will not be spent, and whose earnings will be used to implement the Chapter's programs and activities locally (i.e., scholarships, anti-Asian violence, inter-national relations, proposed cultural center, redress, and other civil rights issues on a local level).

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DISTRIBUTION OF ANNUAL EARNINGS: 20% of the earnings shall be returned to chapters for the life of the Fund in direct proportion to the amount raised by the chapters; 10% of the earnings shall be annually available for chapters' grant proposals to carry out National JACL's goals.

NO DISTRIBUTION of earnings to National JACL. 100% of donation goes to principal of the Seattle JACL Endowment Fund; entire earnings will be used to support the work of the Seattle Chapter, and its local on-going programs and activities.

PERMANENT LEGACY FUND REGISTRY: Donors' names will be entered in the permanent Legacy Fund Registry which will be published and distributed to major donors nation-wide.

AWARDS: \$50 or more donations receive JACL key chain, \$500 or more - names inscribed on Endowment Fund plaque, \$1000 or more - personalized plaque and all above Donor's name recorded in Seattle permanent Endowment Fund annals.