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President's Message

by Joy St. Germain

Konnichi wa minna san! It's already December — the year has gone by so quickly. The election results for the 1993 Officers and Board of Directors have been tallied (see below). We have a talented and strong team of people to help further JACL's goals and the work of the Seattle Chapter: to promote active participation in civic and national life, to secure justice and equal opportunities for all persons regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, or gender. There is a lot of activity underway, and talk of many more social events and projects to come. On January 16, at the Annual Banquet, the 1993 officers and board

members will be installed. Congratulations to our new leaders. I look forward to an exciting and eventful year ahead.

I have agreed to chair the National JACL Scholarship and Awards Program Committee. Since its inception in 1946, JACL has awarded hundreds of thousands of dollars to deserving students. National applications are due in the spring; contact the PNW District JACL office at 671 S. Jackson St., #206, Seattle, 98104, 623-5088. These scholarships are separate from the local Seattle Chapter awards. More information on the local scholarships will follow in a future newsletter.

Wishing all of you and your families happy holidays and a rewarding, peaceful, and healthy New Year! *Ake mashite, omedeto gozaimasu!*

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Kip Tokuda, as President, will appoint eight additional board members.

Hunt High School "50th" Reunion in 1993

The Minidoka Relocation Center Hunt High School classes of 1943 and 1944 is holding a "50th" reunion July 23-25, 1993 at the Seattle Doubletree Inn. A reception buffet dinner, dinner/dance and Puget Sound Cruise are planned. The Reunion package of \$100 includes the events above plus a photo-memory album. Tickets to individual events and the Memory Book can be purchased separately. All alumni, classmates, relatives, and friends are invited.

The committee is trying to locate several persons whose questionnaires were returned by the Post Office: Toshimasa Iwasaki, Kikue Kikuchi Rich, Yukie Michigami Kato, Frank Nakata (Oregon), Mary Ogasawara Muramoto, Nobuko Sakamoto Geertsma, Maria Yamanishi Arima, Isao Yamashita, Hideo Yamamoto, Rulie Kaneko Yamamoto. If you have information about these people, or for application forms for the reunion, please contact Kimiye Kusunose, 11329 82nd Avenue S., Seattle, WA 98178, (206) 772-4876.

Chapter Focus

Acting Newsletter Editor

Bob Shimabukuro, former editor of the *International Examiner* newspaper, will be acting editor for the Seattle JACL Newsletter for the months of January and February, 1993, while Holly Yasui is out of town. Please send notices for inclusion in the Seattle JACL Newsletter by the first of the month to Holly's home address (rather than her P.O. Box, which has been closed): 3626 Evanston Ave. N., #B, Seattle, WA 98103.

Legacy Fund donors

Warmest thanks to the following generous donors to the JACL Legacy Fund for contributions received during October and November:

\$1,000+: M/Mrs. Tadao Sunohara, Kaz/Setsu Tanemura, Mrs. Joan Okubo Pang, Mrs. Virginia Okubo Solomon.

Other: Sumie Akizuki, Lilly C. Nakano

Dinner with Consulate office

The International Relations Committee, chaired by Ken Nakano, hosted a dinner with members of the Japanese Consulate. The Honorable Masaki Saito, Consul General, gave an overview of the Consulate's three main roles: to provide visas and travel information for travellers to Japan; to monitor the economic and political situation in Montana, northern Idaho, and Washington; and to coordinate and assist cultural programs, including student and teacher exchanges. Consul Takahashi discussed the economy of Japan and the U.S. trade deficit; Consul Nagamatsu discussed the JET (Japanese Exchange and Teaching) program. Saki Shimizu, a JET teacher in 1989, presented a slide show of her visit to Japan, and Ken Nakano wound up the program with a history of JACL's international relations activities.

Seattle JACL Board Meeting AGENDA

OPEN MEETING: EVERYONE WELCOME!

December 16, 1992

Kawabe House (221 18th Avenue S)

- 6:00 Potluck Dinner
- 7:30 Call to Order
- 7:35 Minutes of November 18 meeting
- 7:40 January Installation Banquet
 - Board Retreat
 - Legacy Fund project
 - 1993 Budget Process
 - Other announcements and reports from the Vice Presidents
- 8:10 Other business
- 8:30 Adjournment

There will NOT be a January board meeting due to the Installation Banquet.

Installation Banquet

The 71st annual Installation Banquet for the Seattle Chapter JACL will be held Saturday, January 16, 1993 at Doubletree Suites Hotel, 16500 Southcenter Pkwy in Seattle. We will be honoring and recognizing two artists in our community, George Tsutakawa and Paul Horiuchi. Social hour will start at 5:30pm, followed by dinner at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$35 per person and \$20 for students. Ticket applications will be mailed to all current Seattle Chapter members. For more information, please contact Ayako Hurd (527-1464) or Takako Yoda (722-6547). All Chapter members, friends, and families are invited to attend. **NOTE:** The date of the banquet was published incorrectly in the November newsletter. The correct date is Saturday, January 16, 1993.

Community Notes

New exhibits at Wing Luke Asian Museum

Two new exhibits, "Asian New Year Traditions" and "The International District: A Community Reborn," will be featured at the Wing Luke Asian Museum from December 17, 1992 through April 4, 1993. The New Year exhibit will celebrate the year of the Rooster with a variety of Asian traditions, including images of the Kitchen God, games, kites, and clothing. The Community Reborn exhibit features the work of International Examiner photographer Dean Wong, depicting people of the International District, young and old. To arrange tours of the new exhibits, call the

Museum Tour Desk at 623-5190, Monday through Thursday 2pm - 5pm. The Museum receives many requests for tours during the Lunar New Year period, so make reservations early.

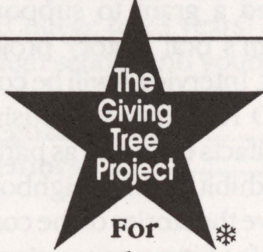
Kokon Taiko auditions

Seattle Kokon Taiko, currently a 7-person drumming group, is looking for new members. Kokon performs at major arts festivals (e.g. Bumbershoot), community events (e.g. International District Summer Festival), concert settings (e.g. Japanese Heritage Society Series), schools, and numerous other events.

Candidates must be at least 18 years of age, able to participate in strenuous physical activity, and possess a keen sense of rhythm, grace in movement, and *kokoro*. New members will be expected to attend practices and rehearsals twice a week on Sundays and Wednesdays, as well as performances on weekends and evenings during the performing season of March through September. Previous taiko experience is desirable, but not absolutely necessary. Contact Stan at 725-1676 for an application form and/or more information. Applications are due January 4, 1993.

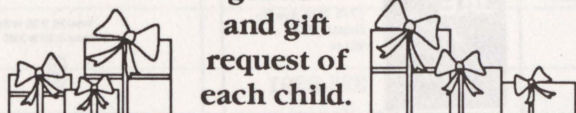
Center for Career Alternatives

The Center for Career Alternatives' (CCA) 13th Annual Dinner celebration will be held on Friday, February 5, 1993 at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel and Towers. The CCA is a community-based nonprofit organization that provides educational services, vocational training, job search skills and employment placement. This year, the CCA helped over 750 economically disadvantaged participants learn the skills they need to succeed in school, the workplace, and in life. In October, the Washington Department of Community Development



The Giving Tree Project

For the second consecutive year, the Asian American community will have the chance to help children who might otherwise not get gifts this holiday. The International Examiner, with the support of the Wing Luke Asian Museum, Imperial Lanes, and Uwajimaya, is sponsoring the Giving Tree Project, which brought over 210 gifts to needy children last year. The goal for this year is 350 gifts. You can pick up a Giving Tree gift card from any of the three sponsors. The cards list the age, gender and gift request of each child.



After purchasing the gift, attach the card and return it to the same Giving Tree location by December 14. The program will benefit the International District Community Clinic's Women, Infants and Children program; Touchstone Headstart and Early Childhood Education Assistance program; Refugee Women's Alliance; and Denise Louie Education Center's Headstart Program. For more information, call Emily Wong at the International Examiner, at 624-3925.

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awarded a federally-funded \$58,000 contract to the CCA for a youth violence prevention and intervention program. Fifty youths between the ages of 14 and 18 years will receive pre-employment training and job referrals, one-on-one counselling, home visits, and parent education will focus on self-esteem, a sense of community and family responsibility, anger control, and how to say "no" in the face of street pressure.

Travelers Aid Society

The Travelers Aid Society needs volunteers to work in the lobby of the Henry Jackson Building, 2nd and Marian, in downtown Seattle. The job is providing information, direction, and referral to people in the Federal Building. Training is provided. Hours are once a week 10am - 2pm. For information, call Jane McKinley-Chinn, 461-3888.

One Song, Many Voices

A multi-ethnic team at the Wing Luke Asian Museum has begun research to create a permanent centerpiece exhibit, "One Song, Many Voices," on the history and culture of Asian Pacific Americans in Washington. The exhibit, the only one of its kind in

the nation, will consist of 85 photos and over 200 artifacts. It will focus on ten groups: Chinese, Japanese, Filipinos, Koreans, Vietnamese, Cambodians, Laotians, Southeast Asian Hill Tribes, South Asians, and Pacific Islanders. The exhibit will open on April 30, 1993, to kick off Asian Pacific Heritage Month in May. The Museum plans to create a portable version of the exhibit as well as new Asian American curriculum kits for classroom use. The Museum is seeking to raise \$182,000 for the exhibit and related programs. For information about tax-deductible donations, call Diane Narasaki, Wing Luke Asian Museum Development Director, at 623-5124.

Oral History Project

The Seattle City Department of Neighborhoods has awarded a grant to support the Wing Luke Asian Museum's oral history project on the International District. Interviews will be conducted with thirty long-time ID residents and businesspeople, and photos and artifacts collected as part of the Museum's permanent exhibit on the neighborhood. "This project will preserve the stories of the community elders and their legacy for future generations," says Ron Chew, Museum Director. "It will also empower community volunteers, especially younger people, to develop pride in their heritage and the accomplishment of the pioneers."

Seattle JACL — Join us today!

The JACL is the only national Japanese American nonprofit civil rights organization. Our most recent success was the 18-year effort to win redress for Nikkei who were evacuated from their homes and relocated into concentration camps during World War II. We are also involved in cultural events, providing scholarships, and dealing with issues of concern in many areas, including education, affirmative action, leadership training, and more.

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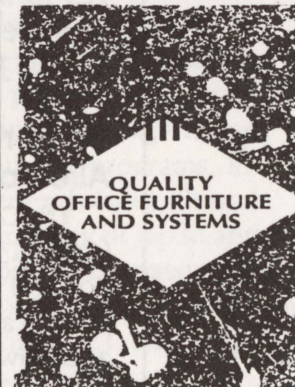
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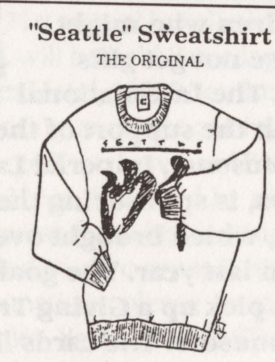


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Calendar of events

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

Kenjiro Nomura: An Artist's View of the Japanese American Internment — paintings of Puyallup Assembly Center and Minidoka Relocation Center, through January 31, Washington State Historical Society, 315 N. Stadium Way, Tacoma, Tues-Sat 10 am - 5 pm. Admission: general, \$2; students, \$1.50; family, \$5; children under 6 free. For more information call 1-206-593-2830.

International District Economic Association Holiday Party — Wed, December 9, 5-7 pm, Wing Luke Asian Museum, 407 Seventh Ave S. To RSVP call Jamie at 624-6248.

Poetry Reading from Legends From Camp by Lawson Inada — Tues, December 15, 7:30 pm, Elliott Bay Book Company, 101 S. Main St. Free. For information: 624-6000.

Chapter Board potluck meeting — Wed, December 16, 6 pm, Kawabe House, 221 18th Ave. S. Potluck and board meeting. Bring a dish. Everyone welcome.

Nisei Vets New Year's Eve Party — Thurs, Dec. 31, 9:30pm-1:30am, Nisei Vets Hall, 1212 S. King St., music by Bob Charles, BYOL. Admission: \$15 per couple for members, \$20 non-members, \$10 singles. Reserve tables for parties of 10: Ben Sugawara, 772-4261.

Doshi Kai meeting — Tues, January 5, 7 pm. Call Wayne Kimura for name and address of restaurant, 827-0460 (days) or 869-5174 (eves/wknds).

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Nikkei Community Dance — Sat, January 9, 8 - 11:30 pm, Nisei Vets Hall, 1212 S. King St., BYOL, ice provided, live band. Admission: \$3 per person. For information: 772-1160.

Bainbridge Island Japanese American Community 3rd Annual Mochi Party — Sat, January 9, 1:30 pm, potluck dinner at 4:30, Island Center Hall on Miller Road, bring a dish for potluck. Come early to see traditional mochi pounding over outdoor fire, dine and visit with friends inside. Directions: from the ferry, go straight to second traffic light (High School Road), turn left. Proceed about 1-1/2 miles to Miller Road, turn right and drive for about 5 minutes to grey-

white building on left side of the road. For information: Dr. Frank Kitamoto, 842-4772 or Lucille Galbraith, 842-5914.

Tomo no kai meeting — Mon, January 11, Seattle Keiro, 1601 Yesler Way. Preston Bhang of the Seattle Fire Department will demonstrate CPR. For information: Pauline, 723-8376.

71st Annual Seattle JAACL Installation Banquet — Sat, January 16, Doubletree Suites Hotel, 16500 Southcenter Parkway, social hour 5:30 pm, dinner 6:30 pm. Honored guests: artists Paul Horiuchi and George Tsutakawa. Tickets: general, \$35; students, \$20. For information: Ayako Hurd, 527-1464 or Takako Yoda, 722-6547.

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