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Seattle Chapter Board and Officers pose for a group photo following their installation January 16. More than 300 attended the 71st Annual Installation Banquet. Seattle Chapter also honored artists George Tsutakawa and Paul Horiuchi, and Ron Chew and the Wing Luke Asian Museum. Governor Mike Lowry gave the keynote address. Board members and officers are listed on page 8. (Sam Shoji photo)

President's Report

by Kip Tokuda

I am still reflecting over our wonderful banquet and I marvel at the talents and many contributions of Mr. Tsutakawa and Mr. Horiuchi. Using humor and personal anecdote, Governor Lowry was at his best, conveying his ideas of reinforcing cultural values and fighting for the civil rights of all — indeed, what JACL has stood for throughout its history.

I mentioned the need for people and organizations to have “heroes” to sustain progress, and retain hope. I would like to recognize the “silent heroes” who spent endless hours in planning and organizing our banquet. My personal appreciation to Darrell Mihara (chair), Ayako Hurd, Sam Shoji, Shigeko Uno, David Hoekendorf, Ray Ishii, Kazzie Katayama, Mits Katayama, Mike Kimura, Ann Fujii-Lindwall, Iris Miyahira, May Namba, Arlene Oki, and Takako Yoda.

The evening was a success due to all of your

efforts. And on top of everything, the program went like clockwork and we were done by 9:00 p.m.

Community Summit

by Kip Tokuda

On January 23, representatives from nine Nikkei organizations met to discuss common concerns in an effort to identify ways to more effectively work with each other. The participating organizations at the initial meeting were: Nisei Veterans, Nikkei Concerns, Lake Washington JACL, Japanese Language School, Japanese Cultural Center, Japanese Community Service, Japanese American Chamber of Commerce, Seattle Chapter JACL, and the Japan America Society.

For starters, space, fund raising and on-going collaboration were identified as issues to address. I

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Chapter Focus

Seattle JACL Legacy Fund Donations Lead National Chapters

As of December 31, 1992, a total of \$267,865 has been raised by the Seattle JACL Legacy Fund Committee, which is still leading all other JACL chapters in raising Legacy funds. An additional \$4,750 raised so far this year, makes the grand total to date of \$272,615, according to past Legacy Fund Chair Cherry Kinoshita.

Approximately 60% of the 1990-'92 total of \$453,580.15 for the Pacific Northwest District has been contributed by Seattle Chapter. The two-year total raised by the nine chapters of the PNW has reached 64.8% of the \$700,000 goal for the District.

New Director of Fund Development at national headquarters Gail Ideno will be outlining goals and a fresh marketing strategy which is expected to be

promoted in the near future. Ideno comes to JACL from the Harriman Communications Center and from Foote, Cone and Belding Direct West, a direct marketing agency in San Francisco.

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Appreciation and warmest thanks to the following generous donors to the JACL Legacy Fund during December and January:

\$1,000 +: Jim and Ruby Nakamura (In memory of Lucile M. Nakamura).

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Up to \$500: S. Grace Uyeda, Terry Kumagai, Hannah Hirabayashi, Joe and Fudge Tokunaga

JACL Scholarship Committee Seeking Applicants

The scholarship committee is soliciting applicants for local and national JACL scholarships. Applicants must be of Japanese ancestry or a member of JACL. Scholarships are available for high school seniors planning on attending college this fall, undergraduates, graduate students, law students and students of the arts.

To obtain an application, please send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Jeffrey Hattori, 12408 SE 210th Place, Kent, WA 98031 (phone: 630-4854).

Please indicate whether you are interested in a national or local scholarship and if you are a high school senior, undergraduate or graduate student, law student, or student of the arts. Deadline applications is March 31, 1993.

Funding for the scholarships is provided by the Tamesa family in memory of Minoru Tamesa, the Tazuma family in memory of Bunshiro Tazuma and the Japanese Baptist Church in memory of the Reverend Emery Andrews.

Community Notes

The Kame Project Needs Your Help

The Kame Project, University of Washington's health and aging study of Seattle-area Japanese, has located approximately 3,450 older Nikkei and included them in their scientific portrait of the community. This figure represents an estimated 70% of the total number estimated to be residing in King County.

The Kame project is trying to identify those in the 30% not counted (close to 1,550), particularly those who are 80 years or older.

If you were a Nikkei resident of King County and were 55 years old or older as of November 1, 1991, you are important to the Kame Project's effort to achieve an accurate assessment of how the Japanese community is aging! Without you, study findings may

be inconclusive. You count!

For more details, call Greta Hoshibata at the Kame Project, 624-4154. All gathered information is kept confidential.

The Kame Project is endorsed by Nikkei Concerns.

Summit, continued from front page

am enthusiastic about the potential for such a united effort and hope that others will become involved. We are at a very preliminary stage but encourage you to inquire if you are interested.

Address inquiries to: Japanese American Summit, c/o 630 So. Washington, Seattle, Washington 98104, Attn: Joby.

Free Workshops offered by Seattle JACL

TAX AND FINANCIAL PLANNING

March 4, 1993 6-8 pm

Your questions will be answered by professionals! John Epping, owner of Taxation Counseling PS, will be giving a presentation on personal tax planning. Greg Lew from Kidder Peabody will be giving a presentation on the basics of personal financial planning. Co-sponsored by Asian MBA. For more information, call Ray Ishii at 720-5346.

MEDIA STEREOTYPING

Location: Theatre Off Jackson, 409 7th Avenue S.
March 11, 1993 6-8 pm

A panel of experts examines the profound effects of negative media stereotyping, ranging from childhood developmental delays to mass violence. Panelists confirmed to date are: Peggy Nagae Lum, Attorney; Dr. William Womack, Child Psychiatrist; Don Williamson, Seattle Times Journalist; and Deni Yamauchi, Community and Human Rights Activist. For more information, call Kip Tokuda at 464-6151.

INTERRACIAL FAMILIES

March 18, 1993 6-8 pm

Calvin Takagi, retired Professor of Social Work, will lead a lively discussion on the issue of interracial families. Meet a panel of Japanese Americans who have outmarried and find out how they deal with the issues of raising children, acceptance by others and cultural differences. For more information, call Janice Yee at 587-4223.

COOPERATIVE PLURALISM

March 25, 1993 6-8 pm

Cooperative Pluralism is Mako Nakagawa's approach to multicultural education. "We need to work effectively across people-made barriers." Multicultural and diversity training is for everybody. Come join us for an inspirational session with Mako Nakagawa! For more information, call Joy St. Germain at 459-6994.

POLITICAL ACTION: OUR RIGHT, OUR RESPONSIBILITY

April 1, 1993 6-8 pm

Where do Japanese Americans fit into the spectrum of mainstream vs minority based politics. Is there a political life after redress? Why should we participate in politics? Discuss these and other issues with a panel of politicians and political insiders. For more information, call Arlene Oki at 684-0106.

YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT...

April 8, 1993 6-8 pm

JACL Board members will present a humorous, nostalgic and savory look at the foods of our culture. Learn about sushi, natto, takuan, sembei, manju, and more! For more information, call Gail Tanaka at 624-2907.

All workshops are Thursdays, 6-8 pm.
All workshops except Media Stereotyping will be held at Asian Counseling and Referral Service Cafeteria, corner of 12th Avenue S. & S. Jackson (1032 S. Jackson St.)

Media Stereotyping will be held at the Theatre Off Jackson, corner of 7th Avenue S. & S. Jackson (409 7th Avenue S.)

SIGN ME UP!

- All 6 Workshops
- March 4 Financial Planning
- March 11 Media Stereotyping
- March 18 Interracial Marriages
- March 25 Cooperative Pluralism
- April 1 Political Action
- April 8 You are what you eat

Name _____

Address _____

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Phone _____

Please send to:

Seattle Chapter JACL Workshop Series
P.O. Box 18558
Seattle, WA 98118

or call the name at the bottom of the workshop description to reserve your slot

Funding for this workshop series was provided by a grant from the JACL Legacy Fund.

Calendar of events

compiled by Ed Suguro

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

"A Japanese Winter," woodblock prints by Kawase Hasui and contemporaries — through February 20, Honeychurch Antiques, 1008 James St., Mon-Sat 10am-6pm. For information: 622-1225.

"Issues of Response: A Collaboration Between Three People," including works by Jill Beppu — through February 27, Kirkland Arts Center, 620 Market St., Kirkland, Tues-Fri 11am-6pm, Sat 11am-4pm. For information: 822-7161.

"By Invitation," photographic works including those of Irene Kuniyuki and Kiyo Marsh — through February 27, Benham Gallery, 1216 - 1st Ave., Mon-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 11am-3pm. For information: 622-2480.

"Northwest Masters," including works of George Tsutakawa and Paul Horiuchi — through March 7, Foster/White Gallery, 126 Central Way, Suite 150, Kirkland, Mon-Fri 11am-9pm, Sat 10am-9pm, Sun 10am-6pm. For information: 822-2305.

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- Membership to National JACL and Seattle Chapter JACL
- Seattle Chapter monthly newsletter

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- Membership to Seattle Chapter JACL
- Seattle Chapter monthly newsletter

Your membership allows you to attend any or all JACL meetings at your option.

To join JACL, complete the form below and return to:

May Namba, Membership chair
Seattle Chapter JACL
2324 NW 94th St.
Seattle, WA 98117

Seattle Chapter JACL

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Thank you for your support!

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Calendar, *continued from page 4*

Exhibit on Asian New Year traditions and Dean Wong's International District photos — through April 4, Wing Luke Asian Museum, 407 - 7th Ave. S., Tues-Fri 11am-4:30pm, Sat-Sun noon-4pm, open till 7pm on first Thursday of the month. Admission: \$2.50 adults, \$1.50 seniors/students, 75¢ children 5 to 12. Thursdays free. For information: 623-5124.

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

Asian Management Business Association membership kickoff meeting — Thurs, February 18, 6pm, Columbia Towers Club (Columbia SeaFirst Center), 701 - 5th Ave. Guest speaker: Richard Takata, CEO of Eagle Hardware & Garden. Free for members, \$10 for non-members. For information: Judy, 621-9506.

Performance by Ondekoza, world famous demon drummers of Japan — Tues, February 23, 7:30pm, Nippon Kan Theatre, 628 S. Washington St.,

co-hosted by Japan America Society and Cherry Blossom Festival Committee, produced by Northwest Nikkei and Uwajimaya. Tickets: \$15 available at Uwajimaya, House of Rice and Bush Garden. For information: 389-9277.

Gagaku concert — ancient form of Japanese court music and dance performed by Tenri University Gagaku Music Society, Wed, February 24, 7pm, Kane Hall, University of Washington (northeast corner of Red Square). Free but donations accepted. For information: 543-0735.

Nikkei Horizons day tour: A visit with George Tsutakawa — spend a morning with George Tsutakawa, see his art collection, ask questions about his work and career. Tues, March 2, 9:30-11:30am. Cost: \$10. Meet at Keiro. For information: 323-7100.

Doshi Kai meeting — Tues, March 2, 7pm. Call Wayne Kimura for name and address of restaurant, 827-0460 (days) or 869-5174 (eves/wknds).

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Nikkei Horizons day tour: "Phantom of the Opera" — join with other Nikkei Horizons students in seeing this Tony Award-winning show. Wed, March 3, 11:30am. Cost: \$50, lunch extra. Limit of two tickets per registration. For information: 323-7100.

Blaine Memorial Methodist Church annual sukiyaki dinner — Sat, March 6, at the church, 3001 - 24th Ave. S., take-out for both cooked and uncooked sukiyaki from 2-5pm, baked goods sale from 2-7pm, dining hours from 4-7pm, from 5-7pm uncooked take-out only will be available. Art exhibit will be featured. Tickets: \$6.50 adults, \$4.50 children under 11. For information: 723-1536.

First Hill Lions annual pancake breakfast — Sun, March 7, Kawabe Memorial House, 221 - 18th Ave. S., 7:30am-1pm. Tickets: \$5, \$3 seniors. To benefit Kawabe House and Keiro. For information: Ted, 725-9892.

Tomo No Kai — Mon, March 8, 7pm, Keiro Nursing Home, 1601 E. Yesler Way. Greta Hoshibata will talk on the Kame Project. For information: Kim, 324-0862.

"Sacred Flowers," group show including Aki Sogabe — through March 9, Kirsten Gallery, 5320 Roosevelt Way NE, daily 11am-5pm, Thurs till 9pm. For information: 522-2011.

Nisei Vets Installation dinner/dance — Sat, March 13, Rainier Golf and Country Club, 1856 S. 112th St., social hour 6pm, dinner 7pm, dance 9:30pm. Choice of prime rib or salmon. Tickets: \$27.50 per person. Mail checks and dinner choice to Ben Sugawara, 8223 S. 123rd, Seattle, 98178. For information: Ben, 772-4261.

Nikkei community dance — Sat, March 13, 8-11pm, Nisei Vets Hall, 1212 S. King St., BYOB, ice provided, live band. Admission: \$3 per person. For information: 772-1160.

Japanese Prints: Ukiyoe and modern — Japanese prints from the 18th and 19th century, through March 31, Carolyn Staley Fine Prints, 313 - 1st Ave. S., Tues-Sat 10:30am-5pm. For information: 621-1888.

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