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Election Results

by Vicki Toyohara
Chapter Nominations Committee Chair

The election results for the 1996 Seattle Chapter officers and board of directors: Elaine Akagi, Special Education teacher with the Seattle Public Schools and long-time JACler, will serve as President of the Seattle Chapter for 1996. President-elect is Jeff Hattori; 1st Vice President is Tony Ishisaka; 2nd Vice President is Arlene Oki; 3rd Vice President is Kazzie Katayama; and 4th Vice President is Sharon Klosterman. 1995 Chapter president, Cal Takagi, is Board delegate; Shea Aoki will serve as Chapter Historian; Art Kozai is Treasurer; Virginia Thomas is Corresponding Secretary; and Recording Secretary is Victoria Yuki.

The Seattle Chapter membership also elected twenty-one persons to serve on the Board: Randy Aoyama, Jill Beppu, Dave Hoekendorf, Ayako Hurd, Ray Ishii, Jean Joichi, Judge Eileen Kato, Cherry Kinoshita, Sid Kuboi, Gary Maehara, Hugh Matsubayashi, Jonathan Matsui, Ken Nakano, May Namba, Chizuko Norton, Danny Okada, Michelle Ota, Sam Shoji, State Representative Kip Tokuda, Vicki Toyohara and Grant Yamaguchi.

Thank you to the members of the Nominations Committee, including Vice chairperson Ray Ishii, Elaine Akagi, Cal Takagi, Kazzie Katayama, Sam Shoji, Anne Uemura and Mike Kimura.

The 1996 Seattle JACL officers and board members will be sworn into office at the annual banquet on Saturday, January 27, 1996.

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"For the Sake of the Community"

Seattle JACL's 74th Annual Installation Banquet
Doubletree Suites, 16500 Southcenter Parkway

Saturday, January 27, 1996

Keynote speaker: Capt. Bruce Yamashita

6 p.m. cocktails, 7 p.m. dinner

\$40 per person

Info: 527-1464, 722-6547.

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President's Report

Excited by the enthusiasm, dedication of the new board

by Elaine Akagi

Shinnen Omedeto Gozaimasu!

It's hard for me to believe another year has slipped by. It was just a year ago that I was stepping into the shoes of the President-elect of the Seattle chapter. I've learned a lot in the past 12 months watching President Cal steer the chapter through the rough waters that the National organization created. Things at the National headquarters seem to be under control, and the organization is going ahead full steam with business as usual.

I've had a chance to meet with the incoming executive board and the group seems enthusiastic and dedicated. The group is a

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mix of very new members, some not so new, and some tried and true members. You will see a lot of good ideas coming from this group in future programming. Our calendar was discussed, and some different suggestions were made. The full board has yet to meet, but the full board complements the make up of the executive board. This promises to be an exciting year.

Among the activities planned for this year are, of course, the annual installation banquet. It will take place on January 27 at the Doubletree Suites. You should have already received your invitation and we hope to have your reservations soon!

Another activity planned for this year is a fashion show by Anne Namba. Anne is a young designer from Hawaii who has made an impact on the mainland. She's designed dresses for the wives of many governors, and even Hillary Clinton. You may have seen her designs at the Cherry Blossom Festival last year. Her fashion show will be on May 4th, so save that date.

Our annual Scholarship Award dinner will take place in May also. If you know any young students, let them know that we offer three chapter scholarships, but there are many more offered by the National organization. Call our office for more information. (Office phone number: 622-4098)

Something new that we'll add this year is a general membership meeting. You're probably thinking, "Why would I want to

Redress Coalition issues new guidelines for use of funds

New guidelines for use of the remaining funds of the Washington Coalition on Redress/Seattle JACL Redress joint committee (WCR/SJR) were approved by the Seattle JACL Board last month, with concurrence of the 15 other member organizations of the Coalition.

Individuals previously denied redress may be "newly eligible"

Several thousand more Nikkei may be eligible for redress based on the federal court decisions last year on the Douglas Ishida and Linda Consolo cases, according to estimates of the Office of Redress Administration.

Those newly eligible include children whose birth dates were prior to Jan 2, 1945, who were born outside of camp to parents who left camp or were "voluntary evacuees" or Naval Language School teachers in Boulder, Colorado; or children who were born in camp to "visiting mothers" prior to the cutoff date.

Although funds available for 80,000 cases have been virtually depleted, ORA has been advised that access to the remaining \$45 million of the original authorization may be made available for further individual payments.

Those individuals who may be newly eligible or were previously denied eligibility should contact the ORA helpline at (202) 219-6900.

In the late '70s and '80s, WCR/SJR raised funds to provide related educational activities and programs and lobby for redress. After the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 was passed, WCR/SJR funds were used to assist the Office of Redress Administration locate all individuals eligible to receive compensation.

This program will continue, but under the new guidelines effective January 1, 1996, the remaining \$5,000 will also be used to pay \$50 honoraria to any WCR/SJR organization member or representative, who speaks or writes publicly about the internment/redress experience in the following circumstances:

- public presentations to community, political, religious or educational groups;
- substantive media interviews;
- a published feature article or news release.

Remaining WCR/SJR funds will be used, subject to approval by the WCR/SJR executive committee, to purchase educational materials which educate and raise public awareness of the Japanese American experiences. These materials will be maintained in the Seattle JACL office and will be made available for loan for educational or research purposes. Office address: 316 Maynard Ave. S., Suite 111; phone: 622-4098.

For more information, contact member organizations.
WCR/SJR Member Organizations: Seattle, Puyallup Valley, White River Valley, Lake Washington & Olympia JACL Chapters; Blaine Memorial United Methodist, St. Peter's Episcopal, Japanese Baptist, Japanese Presbyterian, Japanese Congregational, Faith Bible, and Seattle Buddhist Churches; Nisei Veterans Committee, Nikkei Concerns, Japanese Community Service, and Tomonokai.

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sit through a boring meeting?" We promise you it won't be your typical meeting. We want to discuss issues that will be of interest to YOU. If you're thinking of something that you'd like discussed, call the office.

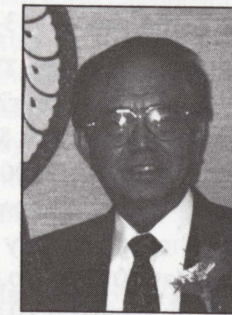
We, the board, are here to serve you, the members. But as the membership is so large, we don't really know what you want and need. We're hoping to reach all of you out there and ask you to help us direct the chapter to be relevant to the membership. As I said, the board is young and enthusiastic and willing to serve. We hope you'll let us know if there's a need you see.

I'm looking forward to working with the board and membership in the coming year. And I'm hoping to meet the membership in the coming year. May 1996 be a happy and prosperous year for you and yours.

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Former Salinas minister heads Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple

Seattle JACL welcomes Yoshiaki Gimyo Takemura, new head minister of Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple, the largest U.S. temple outside California and Hawaii.



The bilingual Takemura, educated at Ryukoku University in Japan, and California State University (Sacramento and Fresno), comes to Seattle after 20 years as the minister at the Buddhist Temple of Salinas.

According to Salinas Nikkei, Rev. Takemura was also active in community affairs, aiding in translating the Salinas Chapter Redress Newsletter and assisting in the erection of the Kinenhi (memorial) at the former Salinas Assembly Center.

Have a happy and prosperous
 1996

—from the newsletter staff

New and Returning Members

Penny Fukui
 Nancy Ito
 Tom and Sally Hirai
 Larry Kazimura
 Sally Kitano
 Art Kozai
 Ilen Kurimura
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 Michael Matsunami
 Joyce Miyake
 Susan Mochizuke

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 Kenneth Nakatsu
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Calendar of Events

Compiled by Ed Suguro

MEETINGS

Seattle JAQL Board Retreat, January 13, 9 a.m., chapter office, 316 Maynard Ave. S., room 111.

Doshi Kai meeting, February 7, 7 p.m. Call Wayne Kimura for location, 827-0460 day, 869-5174 evening and weekend.

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL EVENTS

"For the Sake of the Community," Seattle JAQL Chapter's 74th Annual Installation Banquet, January 27, Doubletree Suites, 16500 Southcenter Parkway, keynote speaker: Capt. Bruce Yamashita, 6 p.m. cocktails, 7 p.m. dinner, \$40 per person. Info: 527-1464, 722-6547.

Center for Career Alternatives 16th Annual Dinner, February 9, Seattle Sheraton Hotel and Towers, 1400 6th Ave., \$50. Call Ellen at 322-9080 for community tables and more information.

Nikkei Community Dance, February 10, 8-11:30 p.m., Nisei Vets Hall, 1212 S. King St., BYOB, live band, \$3 per person.

Wing Luke Asian Museum's 29th Annual Art Auction, celebrating the lifetime achievement of **Andrew Chinn**, February 17, Westin Hotel, 1900 5th Ave., 5 p.m. cocktails, mystery balloons, raffle and auction preview, 6:15 p.m. dinner and program, followed by the auction. Cost: \$70, \$100 patron, \$200 benefactor, \$700 table of 10. Deadline for reservations: January 17. Info: 623-5124.

Weekly ballroom dance class, every Wednesday, from 1-3 p.m., Nisei Vets Hall, 1212 S. King St.

ARTS AND CULTURAL EVENTS

Hanagumi Shibai, a neo-kabuki organization in Japan, presents **"Arashi Nochi Hare" (Sunshine after the Storm)**, based on **William Shakespeare's "The Tempest,"** January 13-14, Meany

Theater, University of Washington, as part of the UW's World Music and Theater Series, Saturday 8 p.m., Sunday 4 p.m., general admission \$22, \$11 students with I.D. Tickets available from UW Ticket Office, 543-4880 or Ticketmaster, 292-ARTS.

"Nagasaki Journey: The Photographs of Yosuke Yamahata," photographs of the city the day after the atomic bombing, at two locations: South Seattle Community College Art Gallery, JB Campus Center, 6000 16th Ave. SW, through January 31, and Seattle Central Community College Art Gallery, 1701 Broadway, through January 19. Hours at South Seattle: Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Wednesday 5-7 p.m. Hours at Seattle Central: weekdays 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Info: 764 5331 (SSCC), 344-4379 (SCCC).

Nippon Kan Heritage Association presents Oshogatsu, (Japanese New Year) with two masters of Okinawan shamisen and their folk dancers, Fujima Fujimine ensemble, *noh shimai* danced by litomi Yukie and David Crandall, demonstration of *kendo* by Seattle Kendo Kai, koto music by Mdme. Kuniko Takamura and daughter Marsha Takamura, *shodo* (calligraphy) by Beikoku Shodo Kenkyu Kai and ending with the *shi shi mai* (lion dance), January 20, 7 p.m., Nippon Kan Theatre, 628 S. Washington St. Admission: \$10 regular, \$8 seniors/students, 75 and over free. Info: Midori, 633-2017.

Oshogatsu: Japanese New Year's Celebration, Hyogo Cultural Center's program to usher in the new year, January 26, Children's Museum, Seattle Center, Program I for children: 1-3 p.m., Program II for high school students and adults: 5:30-7:30 p.m., admission: \$4.50, registration deadline: January 24. Info: 728-0610.

"11:07," Northwest Asian American Theatre's late night series

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of music, comedy and improvisation, guest host: Kathy Hsieh, January 27, 11:07 p.m., Nippon Kan Theatre, 628 S. Washington St., \$5, \$4 seniors/students/performers. Info: 726-8987.

Northwest Asian American Theatre presents **"Cleveland Raining," a play by Sung J. Rho**, through January 28, Theatre Off Jackson, 407 7th Ave. S., Thursday-Saturday 8 p.m., Sunday 4 p.m., \$12, \$9 seniors/students/physically challenged (\$6 on Thursdays), \$6 children/actors. Tickets may be purchased in advance at play's the thing drama bookstore at 514 E. Pike St. Info: 340-1049.

Group show including works by **Yukie Adams**, through January 29, PRIMA Gallery, Edmonds Community College, Lynnwood Hall, 20000 68th Ave. W., Lynnwood, Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Info: 775-5669.

Fine Japanese and Antique Decorative Prints, through January 31, Carolyn Staley Fine Prints, 313 1st Ave. S., daily 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Info: 621-1888.

"Hiroshima: The Sorting of Time," an interactive installation with paintings and photographs by Hengst, through January 31, U.S. Bank lobby, 723 1st Ave., Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

"More Films of Yasujiro Ozu," a series of four films by the noted Japanese director, February 4, "The Only Son," February 11, "Late Spring," February 18, "Early Summer" and February 25, "The Flavor of Green Tea Over Rice." All have English subtitles and will be shown at the Seattle Asian Art Museum Auditorium, 1400 E. Prospect St., at 1:30 p.m. Series tickets: \$17 members, \$19 nonmembers, single tickets, if available, \$5. Info: 654-3100.

Aikido: Martial Art of Japan, an introductory class at the Hyogo Cultural Center, February 6-March 5 (every Tuesday), 5:30-7 p.m., Hyogo Cultural Center, 2001 6th Ave., 11th floor, \$5. Registration deadline: February 2. Info: 728-0610.

Hyogo Cultural Center offers **Shiatsu: Japanese Massage with Yasuo Mori**, February 8-March 14 (every Thursday), 5:45-7:15 p.m., Hyogo Cultural Center, 2001 6th Ave., 11th floor, \$5. Registration deadline: February 6. Info: 728-0610.

Tea Ceremony Demonstrations, February 11, 2:30 p.m., presented by the Yabunouchi School, and February 22, 6 p.m., presented by the Urasenke Foundation, Teahouse in the Japa-

nese Art Gallery, third floor, Seattle Art Museum, 100 University St. Tickets: \$4 members, \$10 nonmembers. Info: 654-3121.

"Three Friends of Winter," works in bamboo, bronze and porcelain by Jiro Yonezawa and others, through February 17, Honeychurch Antiques, 1008 James St., Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Info: 622-1225.

"Erotica: The Art of Passion," erotic art from Japan, India, Persia, China and Korea, through February 18, Ming's Asian Gallery, 10217 Main St., Bellevue, Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Must be 18 or older to view the exhibit. Info: 462-4008.

Ikebana demonstration and workshop, February 24, Seattle Asian Art Museum, Volunteer Park, 1400 E. Prospect St., demonstration: 1-2 p.m., workshop: 2-4 p.m., fee: \$7 at the door, all materials provided except scissors. Ikebana International presents the Chiko school of flower arranging with a workshop conducted by Mrs. Nobuko Matsuyama. Info: 745-1875.

"From the Floating World to the Street," woodblock prints by Ando Hiroshige and street photography by contemporary Northwest photographers, through March 24, Seattle Art Museum Photo and Prints Gallery, 100 University St., Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday until 9 p.m. Admission: \$6 adults, \$4 seniors/students, children under 12 free. Info: 654-3100.

"Out of Focus: Media Stereotypes of Asian Pacific Americans," at the Wing Luke Asian Museum, January 18, through May 12, 407 7th Ave. S., Tuesday-Friday 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday-Sunday noon-4 p.m., \$2.50 adults, \$1.50 seniors/students, 75¢ children 5 to 12. Info: 623-5124.

"Japanese Popular Painting of the 17th to the 19th Century," screens and scrolls from the Seattle Art Museum's collections showing popular painting in Japan, through June 16, Seattle Asian Art Museum Gould Gallery, Volunteer Park, 1400 E. Prospect St., Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., till 9 p.m. Thursday. Admission: \$6 adults, \$4 seniors/students, children under 12 free. Info: 654-3100.

Ikebana Demonstrations, Saturdays 11 a.m., Thursdays 7 p.m., followed by an introductory course, fee: \$12 at the door, all materials provided, Seattle Asian Art Museum Kado Tea Garden at Volunteer Park, 1400 E. Prospect St. Info: 344-5265.




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