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President's Report: What's on tap

by Elaine Akagi

April and May seem to be a busy time of the year. There are several events the Seattle Chapter is either sponsoring or participating in that are coming up in the next month or so.

On Saturday, April 13, 9 a.m.-noon, the Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics (LEAP) will present a policy roundtable on key issues on the immigration policies and the implications on Asian Pacific Americans. In light of current legislation on immigration reform and growing anti-immigration sentiment, this forum will examine the experiences of Asian Pacific Americans (APA). The experience, expertise and insights of APA must be considered if any changes, large or small, are to be made in the immigration policy arena.

This roundtable will feature Professor Bill Hing, principal writer of a study, *State of Asian Pacific America*. It was written for LEAP's Public Policy Institute and UCLA's Asian American Studies Center. The roundtable, to be held at the *Loong Foong Restaurant*, 1207 S. Jackson St., #202, is free and open to the public.

Later this month, the chapter will participate in the Seattle Cherry Blossom Festival at the Seattle Center. Several members have been working hard with the Cherry Blossom Committee to make this year's event a success. We'll be selling sushi and mochi, made by our members and members of the "February Club." Please enjoy the event and stop by the JACL booth.

On the following Saturday, our chapter will host a fund raising fashion show, featuring Anne Namba, a designer from Hawaii. See the enclosed flyer for details. We hope to see many of you there!

The Seattle JACL is one of the co-sponsors of the First Annual Asian Pacific Leadership Conference to be held May 11 at South Seattle Community College. The theme "Meeting the Challenge: Empowering Asian Pacific Islanders Now," features J.D. Hokoyama, director of LEAP, as the keynote speaker. A number of topics will be covered, from business to the arts, education, politics and civil rights. It promises to be an exciting and informative day long program.

Our chapter continues to work actively with other community organizations. In future issues of the newsletter, some of our committees will report on their activities. The political action/anti-discrimination committee has been working hard, meeting often and will report soon. They have been reaching out to other Asian groups to discuss current issues of interest to Asian Americans.

Our goal is to serve you, our members. We hope that in the next few months we will find more ways to do so. If you have some ideas you'd like to share with us, please contact one of our board officers, whose numbers are listed on the back page.

Reminder

Remember the date: May 4, 1996, 12:30 p.m. That's the Seattle Chapter luncheon-fashion show fundraiser, featuring fashions by Hawaii's Anne Namba, whose clients include First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, Hawaii's former first lady Lynne Waihee, the band Hiroshima, Olympic gold medalist Kristi Yamaguchi and Seattle chapter president Elaine Akagi. Namba uses vintage Japanese kimonos and obis to create her one-of-a-kind garments.

Models for the show are: AC Arai, Anne Arakaki-Lock, Eri Asamizu, Bev Kashino, Eileen Kato, Ham Kawamura, Vicky Toyohara-Mukai, Cari Murotani, Fran Shintaku, Machiko Sugiyama, Keiko Taki, Elsie Taniguchi, Elsie Tokita, Matsue Watanabe, Nellie Fujii-Anderson and Penny Fukui.

Tickets are \$20/person and available from Seattle JACL Board members and other community contacts. If you are interested in buying or selling tickets, volunteering the day of the event or with pre-event work, call Tama Murotani (448-1931), May Namba (206-784-3824) or Ann Fujii-Lindwall (206-367-8749).

Board members: Please return all unsold tickets, money and ticket stubs to the next board meeting on Wednesday, April 17.

Intergenerational fundraising drives Nikkei Manor toward its goal

by Jeffrey Hattori, from *Nikkei Manor News/Spring 1996*

Reflecting Ahead

It is hard to believe, but it has been nearly a year since we kicked off the Nikkei Manor capital campaign at the Washington State Convention Center. Since then, with your help, we have been able to raise nearly \$1.7 million or 70% of our goal of \$2.5 million.

Every generation has played a critical role in helping make Nikkei Manor a reality. Individuals of all ages have contributed financially to the campaign and continue to participate in the planning, design, marketing and fundraising. This is certainly a generational effort!

However, it is imperative that we make that extra push towards raising the last \$800,000. The capital campaign team has scheduled several activities to support this effort:

- The capital campaign team and the Nikkei Concerns Board of Directors will continue our efforts to personally meet with community groups and individuals to share information on and benefits of Nikkei Manor.
- Based on the success of the last phone-a-thon, another will be scheduled this spring.
- We will continue to inform the community on the project through the newsletters.

Sansei Concerned

A *Sansei* group has been formed to identify activities that would generate funds and interest on behalf of the Nikkei Manor project. These activities will be "fun," family-oriented, and built upon the leadership, skills and talents of our *Sansei*.

Merilee Tanbara, a concerned *Sansei* from Tacoma, has volunteered her time and skills to co-chair this group. She is one of the many *Sansei*, *Yonsei* and *Nisei* who have volunteered. We would like to welcome energetic people to join this dynamic group. Interested? Call Darlene Suyematsu at 323-7100 today!

All in All

With the continued support of all the generations, we can make Nikkei Manor more than words on a piece of paper but a vibrant and meaningful place for our elders and community. On behalf of the Nikkei Concerns Board of Directors and the future residents of Nikkei Manor, I'd like to thank all of you for your past, present and future contributions.

Calendar of Events

Compiled by Ed Suguro

MEETINGS

Seattle JAACL Board Meeting, April 17, 7 p.m., chapter office, 316 Maynard Ave. S., room 111, everyone invited.

Doshi Kai meeting, May 1, 7 p.m. Call Wayne Kimura for location, 827-0460 day, 869 5174 evening and weekend.

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL EVENTS

Tomo No Kai luncheon, April 21, 1 p.m., Doong Kong Lau Restaurant, 9710 Aurora Ave. N., cost \$16, make checks payable to Tomo No Kai, c/o Pauline Asaba, 11226 57th Ave. S., Seattle, WA 98178. If you need transportation, call Kachi Ikeda at 325-1510. Deadline: April 14.

Seattle Nichiren Buddhist Church Annual Bazaar, April 21, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., 1042 S. Weller St. Delicious Asian and American foods will be offered for sale. Tickets available from church members or at the church. Info: 323-2252.

White River Buddhist Church Sukiyaki Dinner, April 21, 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m., 3625 Auburn Way N., \$7 donation. Chicken teriyaki dinners and baked goods will also be available and there will be a cultural display. Info: 833-1442.

Nikkei Concerns, the Kame Project and the Nikkei Long-Term Care Study present a seminar on "Caregiving and Support," May 4, 9 a.m.-12 noon, Blaine Memorial Methodist Church, 3001 24th Ave. S. Subjects and speakers: "When to Seek Caregiving Help"/"Exploring Long-Term Care Options," by

Heather Young, ARNP, PhD; "Needing and Finding Support," by Nina M. Chinn, RN. Free. Info: Greta Hoshibata, 326-2409 or Darlene Suyematsu, 323-7100.

"Meeting the Challenge: Empowering Asian Pacific Islanders Now," **Asian Pacific Leadership Conference**, May 11, 8 a.m.-7:30 p.m., South Seattle Community College, 6000 16th Ave. SW. Speakers, discussion workshops and a dinner and awards ceremony. Cost: \$70 if registered before April 19, \$80 after April 19, \$30 students (limited scholarships available), \$75 exhibitor's booth. Info: Commission on Asian Pacific Affairs, 464-5820.

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

Ayame Kai Rummage Sale, May 18, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Seattle Buddhist Church, 1427 S. Main St. Drop-off dates a week before the sale. Check with Keiro for exact dates and times, 323-7100.

Northwest Asian American Theatre's Casino Night, June 22, 6-11 p.m., Nippon Kan Theatre, 628 S. Washington St. Also includes a silent and mini-live auction. For tickets, 340-1445.

Tule Lake Pilgrimage, July 4-7. Buses will leave from San Jose, San Francisco, Oakland, Sacramento and possibly Seattle if there is sufficient demand. Fee is \$185 if registered before May 17, \$225 thereafter, \$95 for low income, \$75 for those 6-17 and under 6 free. Dining and lodging will be at the Oregon Institute of Technology in Klamath Falls. Info: Stan, 725-1676.

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

ARTS AND CULTURAL EVENTS

Ladies Musical Club In the Grain Concert, pianist Yuka Sasaki is featured in a performance of Samuel Barber's Piano Sonata along with other musician this concert, April 18, 5:30 p.m., Seattle Art Museum auditorium, 100 University St., free with museum admission. Info: 654-3100.

Ryukyu Sokyoku Koyokai Washington State Branch's 5th Annual Concert of Okinawan Classical Music, Dance and Folk Song, April 20, Green River Community College, Lindbloom Student Center, 12401 SE 320th St., Auburn. Tickets: \$15 general admission, \$10 students. Info: Toyoko Nipper, 820-8936; Michiko Parker, 472-3112; Yuriko Uemura, 845 1300.

Seattle Japanese Bonsai Club presents its annual exhibit, April 20, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and April 21, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Nisei Vets Hall, 1212 S. King St., free. Info: 525-3242.

Puget Sound Bonsai Association presents a Bonsai Exhibit and Sale, April 20, 10 a.m. 6 p.m., April 21, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Seattle Center Fidalgo Room, \$2 donation.

Cinema Night: Katsu Jutai (Traffic Jam), April 23 and April 30, 5:45-7:45 p.m., Hyogo Cultural Center, 2001 6th Ave., suite 700, free. Registration deadline: 3 days before the showing. Info: 728-0610.

Poetry Reading by Alan Lau with Music by Suzie Kozawa, Lau reads from poems that American poets have written about American paintings, composer/musician Suzie Kozawa provides the musical accompaniment, April 25, 7 p.m. and 8 p.m., Seattle Art

Museum Special Exhibition Galleries, 100 University St., free with museum admission. Info: 654-3100.

Works by Northwest Sumi Artists, through April 25, at Shore Gallery, 12700 SE 32nd St., Bellevue, Monday-Friday 10a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday noon-1:30 p.m. Info: 747-3780.

Cherry Blossom and Japanese Cultural Festival, April 26-28, Seattle Center, highlighting the arts, crafts and performers of Okinawa, also for the first time a solar-powered model racing car contest. Info: Festival hotline, 993-3999.

"Masks," a collection of rare masks from Japan, Indonesia, India and Nepal, through April 27, Honeychurch Antiques, 1008 James St., Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Info: 622-1225.

Tea Ceremony Demonstrations, Urasenke Foundation on April 28, Urasenke School on May 19, 2:30 p.m., Teahouse in the Japanese Art Gallery, third floor, Seattle Art Museum, 100 University St. Tickets: \$4 members, \$10 non-members. Info: 654-3121.

Catch Spring with Pen and Camera, May 2, 9, 23, 5:30-7 p.m., Hyogo Cultural Center, 2001 6th Ave., suite 700. Field trip, May 18, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Washington Arboretum Japanese Garden. Cost: \$3 plus garden entrance fee. Registration deadline: April 29. Info: 728-0610.

Spring Performance in the Park: The Story of Yokai, Saiko Kobayashi dances to music composed by Haruko Nishimura in telling a story about supernatural beings from Japanese folklore, May 5, 2 p.m., Se-

attle Asian Art Museum Garden Court, Volunteer Park, 1400 E. Prospect St., free with museum admission. Info: 654-3100.

Haru No Hana: Spring Flower Arranging, 5:30-7 p.m., Hyogo Cultural Center, 2001 6th Ave., suite 700, Ohara School: May 7, 14, Ikenobo School: May 21, 28, cost: \$10 per school. Registration deadline: 3 days before the first class. Info: 728-0610.

Sogetsu Ikebana Demonstration and Workshops, presented by Ms. Eiko Sumura, master instructor from Japan, all workshops and demonstration held at Bellevue Inn, 11211 Main St. \$20 for each demonstration/workshop, lunch included, May 11-13. (Call for times.) May 14, farewell dinner, Tacoma Golf and Country Club, 5:30 p.m., \$25. For workshops bring container, scissors and *kenzan*. Make checks payable to Sogetsu, c/o Terry Madden, 1732 Anacortes NE, Renton, WA 98059. Info: Darline Mitsudo, 927-0229; Terry Madden, 228-5866; Shizue Tanaka, 232-6322.



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"Views from the Floating World," Japanese woodblock prints, through May 12, Ming's Asian Gallery, 10217 Main St., Bellevue, Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Info: 462-4008.

"Out of Focus: Media Stereotypes of Asian Pacific Americans," through May 12, Wing Luke Asian Museum, 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 5-12. Info: 623-5124.

Hyogo Cultural Center's 7th Anniversary Celebration with Music, May 16, 5:30-7 p.m., Hyogo Cultural Center, 2001 6th Ave., suite 700, free. Registration deadline: May 13. Info: 728-0610.

Ikebana Demonstrations, Thursdays 7 p.m., Fridays 1 p.m. and Saturdays 11 a.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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for redress, but who have not been located by ORA after numerous attempts. The following are the remaining names (first half published last

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Sadao Yamada	B1349	1908
Tacko Yamada	B1351	1924

Mitsuru Yamamoto	B1359	1924
Akiye J. Yamano	B1372	1927
Sachiko Yamano	B1373	1931
Toshio Yanagimach	B1396	1942
Chie Yasaki	B1398	1914
Fumi Yasaki	B1399	1917
George K. Yoshi	B1421	1903
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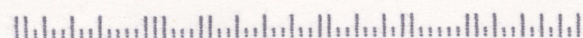
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