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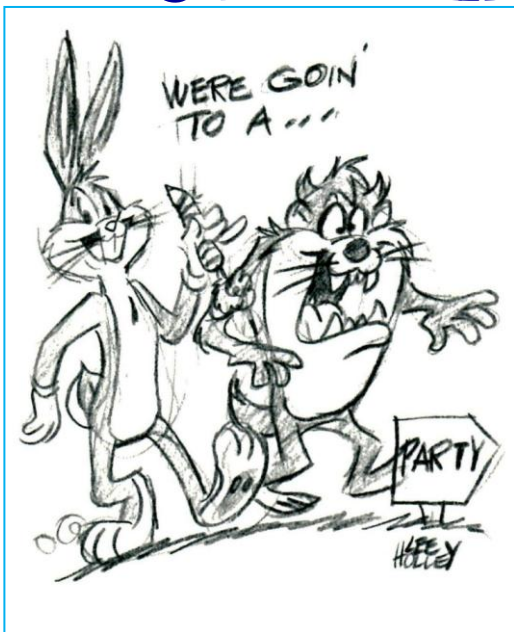


Lessons in
Loyalty

THE WATSONVILLE-SANTA CRUZ JACL

Newsletter July 2014

HELP US CELEBRATE!



Thanks to our friend, WHS "Hall of Fame" inductee, 1950 WHS grad **Lee Holley** of **Warner Bros** and "**Ponytail**" cartoon strip.

Please join us on **Saturday, August 2, 2014** for a fabulous four-part program at our Tokushige Kizuka JACL Hall, 150 Blackburn Street, Watsonville, CA 95076 from 11:30 am (registration).

At noon, we will enjoy a delicious **Miyuki Japanese Restaurant bento** lunch (salmon and chicken *teriyaki*, cost \$15). After which we will celebrate our chapter's 80th anniversary. We are among the oldest and largest JACL chapter in the nation and with a remarkable history of serving our Nikkei community since 1934. Then, we will honor four of our Nisei centenarians—**Nancy Iwami, Dr. Masako Miura, Hiroko Shikuma** and **Enji Shikuma**.

Our program will feature ***Issei: The First Generation*** (1984) by filmmaker **Toshi Washizu** and **UCLA Professor Lane Hirabayashi** who will introduce the film.

For reservations, please call **Mas Hashimoto** at (831) 722-6859 or email at hashi79@sbcglobal.net. The cost of the *bento* lunch is \$15 per person, checks made payable to W-SC JACL and mailed to our P. O. Box 163, Watsonville, CA 95077-0163 by **Saturday, July 26**, memo: *bento*. Make reservations early as space is limited.

This is an event not to be missed.

"ISSEI: THE FIRST GENERATION," FILM

"Issei: The First Generation" is a documentary film about the Japanese who, around the turn of the 20th century, immigrated to the West Coast.



Filed in 1983, in and around **Walnut Grove and Watsonville, CA**, **"Issei: The First Generation"** was shown only twice in 1984 on local television. Buried in the vaults for thirty years, this unique film was produced by poet and filmmaker **Toshi Washizu**. It revolves around original oral history interviews with Walnut Grove's *Issei*, ranging in age from their 80s into their 100s, recounting their lives and experiences in their own words.



Locally, the film features **Mr. Kumaji Murakami** (front row, fourth from the left and who lived to 106 years).



The film also includes clips of **Kimino and Tokushige Kizuka** (for whom our JACL Hall is named); many **Westview Presbyterian Church members**; and our **JACL Senior Center members** of 30 years ago!

With the support of **Professor Lane Hirabayashi** of UCLA and film maker Washizu, a wide-screen, digital version of the film, with English narration by **Amy Hill**, has been fully restored for viewing.

"Issei" is one of the few films that documents the *Issei* in America's rural settings, making it a most valuable contribution to the history of the first-generation Japanese experience before, during, and after World War II.

To understand how our Issei pioneers endured, struggled and triumphed, one must experience this historic documentary film on Saturday, August 2, 2014. Be sure to make your reservations right away!

TOSHI WASHIZU

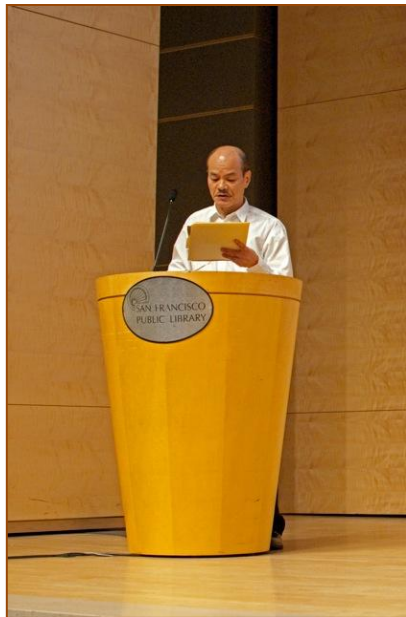
Born in Shizuoka, Japan, at the foot of Mount Fuji, **Toshi Washizu** never climbed his native country's highest peak. Instead, in his youth, he crossed the ocean to America. Reared in Japan, he was acculturated to that landscape, its unique atmosphere, customs, language and history.

Immigrating to the United States forced him to confront cultural barriers and to understand that one creates his own sense of community; it's not a given.

Washizu earned his MFA in Film at San Francisco State University in 1983. He became a filmmaker and for decades produced award-winning documentary films. His movies

include *Bone, Flesh, Skin: The Making of Japanese Lacquer* (1988); *Mr. Oh: A Korean Calligrapher* (1985); and *Issei: The First Generation* (1984).

For him, as a filmmaker, the camera revealed a common thread connecting diverse cultures. Writing, he



says, is another way of looking at our world to make sense of it.

Washizu's poems and essays have appeared in the poetry anthologies *The Chalk Circle*; *Sunrise from Blue Thunder*; *Family Matters*; *In Other Words*; *Forum*; *Poets 11*; *Noe Valley Voice*, and *The Walrus*.

LANE RYO HIRABAYASHI

Lane Ryo Hirabayashi is a full professor in the Department of Asian American Studies at UCLA, where he is also the inaugural "George & Sakaye Aratani Chair in Japanese American Incarceration, Redress, and Community."



While Lane was growing up, his dad Jim encouraged and enabled him to travel extensively. By the time he finished graduate school, Lane had been to Asia, Central and South America, Europe, and Africa. Among his favorite cities today he counts Tokyo, Kyoto, Cebu City, Mexico City, Buenos Aires, Sao Paulo, London, Paris, and Malaga, as well as Zaria and Kano (both in northern Nigeria).

After years dedicated to classical and American folk music and blues, Lane decided to pursue doctoral studies in 1974. He earned an M.A. (1976) and then a Ph.D. (1981) in Socio-cultural Anthropology from the University of California, Berkeley. Subsequently, Lane held a post-doctoral fellowship at the UCLA's Asian American Studies Center, 1981-82. He is author or editor of over thirty scholarly articles, as well as nine books and anthologies.

Lane co-authored a biographical project based on his uncle, **Gordon K. Hirabayashi's** war-time diary and letters, *A Principled Stand: The Story of Hirabayashi v the United States* (University of Washington Press, 2013; a book-length manuscript on Japanese American resettlement in Colorado as of 1946; and along with **Marilyn Alquizola**, a new introduction to **Carlos Bulosan's** classic, *America Is In the Heart*, which was reissued in 2014 by the University of Washington Press.

In terms of current classes, Lane teaches courses on the Japanese American experience, Asian American history through the medium of documentaries, and contemporary issues in the Asian American community, among other classes and seminars.

In addition to his academic resume, Lane has actively sought ties to community-based organizations as one of the foundations to his academic work. Over the past thirty years he has worked with a wide range of groups including: NCCR (both the "National Coalition for Redress/Reparations," and the renamed "Nikkei for Civil Rights and Reparations"), Los Angeles; the Gardena Pioneer Project; East-West Players, Los Angeles; the Japanese Community Youth Council, San Francisco; the Japanese American Community Graduation Program,

Denver; the "Harada House" museum project, Riverside; and the Japanese American National Museum, Los Angeles. He also serves as a board member and/or consultant with many other Japanese American community organizations.

We are looking forward to this film presentation by Toshi Washizu and Prof. Lane Hirabayashi.

WASHINGTON "REDSKINS" TRADEMARK

The US Patent and Trademark Office ruled that the name is disparaging of Native Americans and should not be entitled to trademark protection. We couldn't agree more. "Redskins" is an offensive racial slur. Native Americans aren't red, unless they paint their bodies.

STOPPING THE "STOP THE ISLAMISATION OF AMERICA (SIOA)"

We are grateful that on May 13, 2014, the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit Court ruled in favor of the US Patent and Trademark Office's decision not to grant a trademark with its protections to Pamela Geller and Robert B. Spencer's application—STOP THE ISLAMISATION OF AMERICA (SIOA).

SIOA, created in 2009, has sought to rouse public fears about a vast Islamic conspiracy to destroy American values and threatens the security and cultural fabric of the United States. It has consistently vilified the Islamic faith under the guise of fighting radical Islam. It, under the auspices of the American Freedom Defense Initiative (AFDI), is considered a hate group by many Americans.

The case was argued before Judges Pauline Newman, Kathleen M. O'Malley, and Evan J. Wallach, who wrote the opinion.



The Hon. Judge Evan J. Wallach (right) shown here with Japanese Ambassador to the United States, Kenichiro Sasae, at last year's National JACL convention held in Washington, DC. Photo, courtesy of Larry Oda.

We thank the US Patent and Trademark Office and the US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit for the decisions are keeping with our JACL policies and mission.

What if Washington Redskin's appeal came to this federal court of appeals?

For a copy of the complete court's opinion, call Mas Hashimoto at (831) 722-6859 or write to him at 578 Vivienne Drive, Watsonville, CA 95076-3530.

MIS LEARNING CENTER PAID TRIBUTE TO POSTON'S PAST ON MAY 31ST

The National Japanese American Historical Society of San Francisco presented "Passages from Poston: Contemporary photographs (25) of a former Japanese American confinement site," by Ira Nowinski at the MIS Learning Center, Hanger 640, Presidio of San Francisco on Sat. May 31st. Nowinski's exhibit will be on display here until October 31, 2014. Three of his 25 photos of Poston are shown below.



Joe Fox presented his film, "Passing Poston," which featured Dr. Ruth Okimoto of Poston Camp III. A panel discussion was ably led by Alison Kazuko Sunahara.



Filmmaker Joe Fox of Fly on the Wall Productions spoke of the importance of making this Poston documentary which featured Dr. Ruth Okimoto and of her efforts in preserving Poston and its memories. Mas remembered life in Poston. Ira Nowinski, a Polish American Jew, displayed his interest in both the Holocaust and of America's ten concentration camps using photography. Photos by Marcia Hashimoto.



In November of 1941, the same room had been used by MIS students who were studying the Japanese language in preparation for the upcoming war against Japan.

RACIST GRAFFITI AND VANDALISM AT HARBOR HIGH SCHOOL, SANTA CRUZ, JUNE 12, 2014

Discovered were six trees chopped down sometime during the night of Wed., June 11th, in the campus' quad. Racist graffiti on the walls of the school were found and removed by workers before we could take a photo.

Santa Cruz police asks anyone for information to call investigators at (831) 420-5820. The anonymous tip line is (831) 420-5995, or one can leave a tip at this website: www.santacruzpolice.com.

Southern Poverty Law Center and the W-SC JACL are aware of the hate groups among youngsters and adults in mid-and-northern Santa Cruz County.

GEORGINA BRUCE KIRBY COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL, SANTA CRUZ



While speaking to the students on June 5th about the racism that led to our wartime incarceration, Mas presented two books to US History teacher **Kristine Olsen**: *Twice Heroes* by our W-SC JACler **Tom Graves** and *The Journey from Gold Mountain: The Asian American Experience*, Curriculum and Resource Guide by the **Education Committee of the National JACL** (shown here). Photo, courtesy of **Dora Hoshiyama**.

Mas' final presentation will be made to the 5th and 6th graders of *Kokoro no Gakko* students on June 27th. This year's regular speaking engagement reached nearly 2,500 students and adults around the Monterey Bay.

He thanks all the teachers who invited him and to the hundreds of students who wrote kind and thoughtful letters, and he looks forward to speaking next year.

The 2014 Japanese Cultural Fair - "Reflections" by Carol Kaneko

The 28th annual Santa Cruz Japanese Cultural Fair took place on Saturday, June 7, 2014 at Mission Plaza Park, *Aikido of Santa Cruz Dojo* on Mission Street, and the *Zen Center* on School Street. The fair, one of the most comprehensive presentations of traditional

Japanese culture on the Central Coast, was attended by thousands of people, mostly non-Nikkei, who were interested in learning about Japanese culture, eating Japanese food, and experiencing all things Japanese. The colorful *koinobori* (carp banners) that decorated the perimeter of the park attracted many visitors. There were performances on the main stage all day, martial arts demonstrations at *Aikido of Santa Cruz*, and demonstrations of *ikebana*, kimono dressing, and tea ceremony at the *Zen Center*.



Setting up our booth are **Takeshi Kaneko**, **Iwao Yamashita**, **Victor Kimura**, and **Bobbi Jo Palmer**.

Our Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL chapter was again a major co-sponsor of the event, and our booth sold delicious strawberries, green tea, three types of *bento* boxes prepared by **Timmy Hunt** of *Pono Hawaiian Grill*, *Hawaiian Sun* drinks, and some beautiful ceramic items donated by **Wendy King** of *Double Happiness Pottery*. New this year was an *obento* of kalua pork with cabbage - delicious! - and *Hawaiian Sun* drinks. All *obento* were sold out by 2 pm. A few Senior Center members stopped by our booth to have lunch. (Unfortunately, they missed out on our *obento* and had to settle for food from other vendors.)



Jean Yamashita, Tadashi Kaneko, Carol Kaneko, Takeshi Kaneko, Jeanette Hager and Aya Okuma manned our booth.



The JACL picture boards of the Incarceration were arranged at the side of our booth and were viewed by many people who stopped by to look at them and ask questions of our chapter historian, **Mas Hashimoto**. The event was very successful for our chapter and brought together a fun-loving

group of JACL members and friends who manned the booth, increased our chapter's visibility in the community, and raised awareness of our Nikkei history.

First year W-SC JACL board member, **Aimee Mizuno** and her parents, **Takashi and Kitty Mizuno**, were in charge of the Kids' area. Along with **Jeanette Hager, Jean Yamashita, and Milo Barisof** they gave lessons in *ikebana*, *origami*, and Japanese writing to kids and adults alike. Thanks to **Jean Akiyama** for donating flowers and **Bonnie Chihara** for donating the flower containers and decorative stones. We saw many people carrying around a small vase filled with a treasured flower arrangement.

One of the great things about having a booth at the Japanese Cultural Fair is the opportunity to see and visit with many friends from near and far who stop by to say hello and support our JACL chapter. **Marcia**

Hashimoto's brothers and sisters-in-law came from Los Angeles and North Carolina and enjoyed the whole day at the fair. Visiting our JACL booth were teacher friends, travel friends, family friends, and neighbor friends. We were delighted to see them all!



Taking a lunch break at our booth were *ikebana* enthusiasts **Hisako Kodama, Jean Akiyama, Fumie Hane, and Hideko Nagamine**.

Thanks to the many friends and local businesses that generously donated to our booth: **Paul Tao** for organic strawberries; **Driscoll's Strawberries** for strawberries; and **Wendy King** for the ceramic dishes and vases. **Timmy Hunt** from Pono Hawaiian Grill prepared our delicious obento and gave us much support and help. Mahalo, Timmy!

Many thanks to the following people who worked at the JACL booth: **Jean Yamashita, Victor Kimura** (donated water), **Jeanette Hager** (also donated water), **Phil Shima** (made the wonderful signs), **Bobbi Jo Palmer, Marcia and Mas Hashimoto, Cindy and Gary Mine** (also for donating ice), **Tadashi and Takeshi Kaneko, and Aya Okuma**. Thanks to **Iwao Yamashita** for bringing two beautiful, attention-catching *bonsai* trees for display. A very special thank you goes to **Jim Palmer, David Kadotani, and Kimi Kimura** for providing the transportation and helping to load all our equipment and supplies from the JACL Hall in Watsonville.

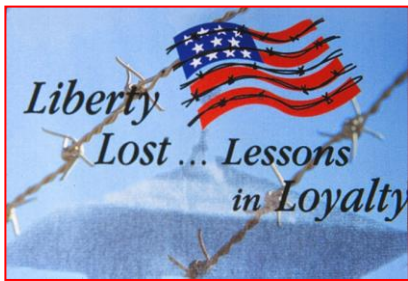
To everyone: *Domo Arigato!* See you next year (Sat., June 6, 2015) - same time, same place!!

NATIONAL JACL CONVENTION, SAN JOSE

We are looking forward to this year's exciting convention to be held in San Jose's DoubleTree Hilton Hotel, July 9 through July 12.

Along with the great program, we are anxious to hear of this biennium's JACL's honorees. Our W-SC JACL submitted three nominees, two from our chapter and one from the Gilroy JACL.

We submitted the following letter to the National JACL Awards and Recognition Committee for consideration:



April 28, 2014

National JACL Awards and Recognition Committee
c/o Pacific Northwest Regional Office
671 South Jackson Street, Suite 206
Seattle, WA 98104

Re: **Grant Ujifusa** 2014 *JACler of the Biennium*

Re: **Dale Minami** 2014 *Japanese American of the Biennium*

Re: **Lawson Sakai** 2014 *Japanese American of the Biennium*

Dear Members of the Committee:

Preface:

The most important accomplishment of the National JACL, with its lobbying agency—the JACL-Legislative Education Committee (LEC)—in the post-World War II era, has been the passage of H. R. 442, the Civil Liberties Act of August 10, 1988. Anything and everything else the National JACL has done pales in comparison.

More than 80,000 innocent persons of Japanese ancestry (of 120,000), who were unjustly incarcerated during World War II, received official apologies and reparations payment of \$20,000 from the US Government.

Many who played important roles in the redress and reparations campaign have been acknowledged by the National JACL—John Tateishi, Min Yasui, and Cherry Kinoshita—and we are grateful.

But, three names have been conspicuously absent, and we have the opportunity to make additions. The time is perfect since the 25th Anniversary of the passage of H. R. 442 is celebrated in this biennium. We respectfully submit editor Grant Ujifusa, attorney Dale Minami, and 442nd RCT veteran Lawson Sakai for your consideration.

Without Grant, H. R. 442 would not have passed. He was the chief LEC strategist for its passage through the Congress and signed by the President.

Without Dale, H. R. 442 would not have passed. When the lies and untruths by US Government's wartime prosecutors became known in the Korematsu, Yasui, and Hirabayashi cases and their guilty verdicts were vacated, they opened the doors for the National JACL to seek redress.

Without Lawson: H. R. 442 would not have passed. The men of the 100th/ 442 RCT paid with their blood so that on August 10, 1988, justice would prevail.

We are grateful for this opportunity to write on their behalf.

Thank you,
Mas Hashimoto, Watsonville Santa Cruz JACL

PROTECTING THE VOTING RIGHTS OF CALIFORNIANS

June 16, 2014

The Honorable Luis A. Alejo

California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2117
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Assembly Bill 280, Voting Rights Protections – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Alejo:

The Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific District (NCWNP) of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), supports Assembly Bill 280 and appreciates your leadership in its introduction. This bill would provide all California voters with important protections anytime a change is proposed in voting rights laws. The protections, as set forth in AB 280, stipulate that changes in election laws or procedures in any political subdivision of the State shall first be approved by the Secretary of State.

The JACL NCWNP, with its 28 chapters in California and 4,000 members, believes AB 280 would provide necessary safeguards to any changes that have the potential to discriminate against racial or ethnic groups and limited-English-proficient voters.

Protecting the voting rights of all Californians is critical to ensuring a working democracy, whereby every community has a voice in the decision-making process on issues that impact their everyday lives. We agree that this required "pre-clearance" shall contribute to ensuring that no community or group is disenfranchised via the redistricting process, the switching to at-large elections, sudden changes in voting locations and/or changes to multilingual voting materials.

The JACL, the oldest civil rights organization in the nation serving the Asian Pacific American community, supports AB 280. Should you have any questions, you may contact me at (415) 345-1075.

Sincerely,

Patty Wada

Regional Director, JACL NCWNP

A post script: Our Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL mailed a similar letter of support on June 18, 2014. We encourage our NCWNP, Central California, and Pacific Southwest chapters to write letters of support. We thank Patty Wada for calling our attention to AB 280.

Luis A. Alejo is our district's Assemblyman and a graduate of Watsonville High School. Retired WHS math teacher and W-SC JACL board member, **Carol Kaneko**, remembers Luis as an exceptional and gifted student.

We strongly believe in "Let the People Vote" and are gratified that Watsonville City Propositions G, H, I, and J passed. We thank the citizens of Watsonville who voted "yes" on these propositions.

WATSONVILLE BONSAI CLUB NEWS

by Don White

Watsonville Bonsai Club (WBC) had its 41st annual Bonsai Exhibit this past May 4, 2014, and it was a success in spite of low attendance because of competition from events in Monterey, Cinco de Mayo festivities, and other Bay Area bonsai club activities on the same date.

The WBC board of directors has discussed to explore an alternate date to hold the exhibit so as not to be inhibited by other local activities. But it seems that the usual date of the first Sunday in May is the only feasible date, so far. We will keep exploring.

In the meantime, a big **THANK YOU** goes out to those who helped put the exhibit together--Chairperson **Michael Anderson**--and Club President **Michael Alciati** and his helper **Mitsuyo Tao** for putting together a great luncheon. Also, a big thank you to vender **Don Hilbert**, whose plant sales contribution to the club helps defray exhibit costs.



Don White was the substitute demonstrator, as **Katsumi Kinoshita** was detained by the Japanese Festival in Monterey held on the same weekend. With the assistance of **Maggie Brubaker** (above photo), Don turned a somewhat raggedy 30 year old Chinese juniper into a very nice *bonsai* start, and stated, "That, in about five years, with the proper refinement care, could be a very nice showable *bonsai*." The tree was won by a very appreciative individual, of whom his name is misplaced. Don also stated, "Even though I have given demos before, and hold many *bonsai* classes, this was a thrill for me to be the head man for the first time in our own event, since becoming a member of the WBC in 1981." Don answered questions from the audience, and even bested club members who tried to heckle him in a friendly manner. When asked how come he always gets the last word in, he stated, "I'm Irish, what do you expect!" Everyone chuckled and then shut up!!



Michael Alciati and **Don White** presented the *Life-time Achievement and Appreciation Award* to **Iwao Yamashita**, the last active founding member of the WBC. Presented prior to the demonstration, we hoped to surprise Iwao Sensei! **THANK YOU**, Iwao, for all your years of service to the WBC. You have kept us going.

Of course, a big **THANK YOU** has to go out to the members who work assiduously in preparing their trees for the exhibit. We even had some very new members participate. With everyone pitching in, whether to show a tree or just helping out, we had great fun and we will see you next year. Same time, same place.

WATSONVILLE BUDDHIST TEMPLE NEWS



Come celebrate the "Spirit of the 4th" in Watsonville with safe and sane fireworks purchased from our Firework Booth in the Temple parking lot (file photo). **John Adams** wanted our Independence Day celebrated with fireworks, pomp and parade. Watsonville has 'em all!

Sun., July 20th is *obon* time at the Watsonville Buddhist Temple! That means a fun-time for all Sangha members and friends with entertainment, food, a farmers' market, vendors, raffle, games, and the *obon odor!*



Our Watsonville Sangha *obon* dancers.



For many who now live away from Watsonville, it's time to return home – a “homecoming.” Reserve the date: Sunday, July 20 from noon to 5:30 pm.

Temple Calendar July 2014

1-4 Tues-Fri 11 am to 8 pm Temple Firework Booth

Obon Odori Practices Mondays and Wednesdays
from 7 pm; last practice Wed., July 16

8 Tues 7:30 pm Temple Board

9 Wed 1 pm BWA Meeting

10 Thurs 10 am ABA Meeting

11 Fri 2 pm San Juan *Howakai*

12 Sat 9:30 am to 4 pm **Kimekomi (doll making) Class.** Space is limited.
Call **Shizuko Tao, 722-3918, to sign up.**

6:30 pm **Hatsubon & Shotsuki Hoyo**
with Rev. Shoyo Taniguchi

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| 13 Sun | 10 am | <i>Obon Cemetery Service at</i>
<i>Pajaro Valley Memorial Park</i> |
| 17 Thurs | 5:30 p | <i>Obon Chicken Cleaning</i> |
| 19 Sat | 12 pm | <i>Obon Chicken Cooking</i> |
| 20 Sun Noon to 5:30 pm Watsonville Obon Festival | | |
| | 3:30 pm | <i>Obon Service</i> |
| | 4 pm | <i>Obon Odori</i> |
| 27 Sun | 10 am | Sunday Service |
| Shotsuki Hoyo Service & Hatsubon | | |
| 6:30 pm Saturday July 12, 2014 | | |

Shotsuki refers to a gathering to give thanks to express gratitude for being able to find the meaning of life through *Nembutsu*. Let us gather to remember and express our gratitude. The families of the following deceased of July are invited to attend the service and to *Oshoko* (offer incense). We look forward to seeing you at the service.

July Memorial List

Keiko Akimoto	Alan Arao
Ted Tetsuo Arao	Asa Fujita
Sosuke Hamai	Kin Hattori
Thomas Tsuyoshi Higaki	Isao Hirano
Midori Ikeda	Takeshi George Inokuchi
Shige Iwami	George Izumi
Fuji Kawasaki	Sanosuke Kawasaki
Aki Konishi	Fusayo Kurimoto
Amiko Kusumoto	Satsuki Kusumoto
Yoshio Matano	Isekichi Mine
Jim Naoto Misumi	Mary Mito
Takeo Nagata	Robert Nakahara
Motoichi Nakamoto	Mikie Nakashima
Mitsuteru Nakashima	Ayako Niiyama
Mitts Nishihara	Ronald Toshiyuki Nishita
Isano Nitta	Tokujiro Nitta
Suwa Oita	Yaeko Ota
Katsukazu Sasano	Yoshiko Sasano
Torasuke Shimonishi	Chiyoko Shingai
Fuku Shingai	Isaac Shingai
Seki Inouye Shingai	George Kazuo Sugimoto
Sugako Takeuchi	Masao Tamasu
Kazu Tao	Kichisaburo Terasaki
Sunao Tsuchiyama	Sen Uyeda
Utako Wada	Hiroshi George Wada
Hiroko Wakayama	Tadayoshi Yamaguchi
Fuku Yamamoto	Akei Yamaoka
Kousaku Kay Yamaoka	Shizu Yokoi
Tsuru Yoshizumi	

BWA News

BWA will donate \$50 toward refreshments for the dancers during *obon odori* practices on Mondays and Wednesdays.

BWA Scholarship deadline is June 30th for those students who are still in college. The presentation will take place during our *obon* festival.

A reminder: the *Hatsubon* Service on Saturday, July 12th from 6:30 pm.

BWA members, please come to help during the following schedules for the **Obon Festival**:

Fri, July 18 th	8 am Ingredient Preparation
Sat, July 19 th	Sushi Preparation
Sun, July 20 th	4:30 am Rice Cooking,
	All others 5:30 am.

For *Kokoro no Gakko*, BWA will be helping with the *mochi tsuki* on Tues., July 1st. We will demonstrate *sushi* making with the students on July 2nd. We need help for the *sushi* preparation on July 1st from 1:30 pm to wash rice, to cut celery and make thick tamago, etc. Thank you in advance for your help!

ABA News

Hatsubon Service with guest speaker, **Reverend Shoyo Taniguchi** at 6:30 pm, Saturday July 12th.

The *Coast District Steak & Bingo Night* will be held on August 23rd, at 5 pm in Morgan Hill. Tickets are \$12.

Obon Festival: ABA will sell delicious *udon*. We need some help from everyone.

YBA News

Graduation Service was held on June 1st. We want to thank **Lisa Sakae** for chairing the service. She did a wonderful job. The graduates gave short messages to the *Sangha* before accepting their certificate of completion. Their graduation dinner was held on June 26 at Benihana in Monterey.

Our Disneyland trip is scheduled for June 29-July 1. Seventeen people will be attending. On the ride down, we can practice singing "M-I-C K-E-Y M-O-U-S-E." Or, to the same tune sing, "Double U-A T-S-O-N V-I-DOUBLE L - E". What does it spell? **WATSONVILLE!**

For *Obon*, YBA will be selling beef sticks, *teriyaki* burgers, curry rice, corn on the cob, water and sodas.

For our *dana* project, we will once again clean the *hondo* floor and the back of the pews.

Temple News

The best "**Rummage Sale**" in town will be held on Friday, August 8, 2014 from 8 am to 3 pm and again on Saturday, August 9 from 8 am to 3 pm.

Items can be dropped off starting Monday, July 21, from 9:30 am to 3 pm, Monday through Friday and on Sunday, August 3 from 9:30 am to 1 pm. Other arrangements can be made by leaving a message at the Temple (831) 724-7860.

Items **not** welcome: mattresses; TV, computers, e-waste; large appliances (washer, dryers, refrigerators), and anything broken, torn or dirty.

If you're not sure if the item would be appropriate, please keep it. While we welcome your donations, please remember we are not a substitute for the landfill or the dumpster.

Thank you.

SENIOR CENTER NEWS by Kitako Izumizaki

June proved to be another month full of surprises. To begin, **Jee Kajihara** of *Imura Restaurant* came by and served everyone fresh fruit and green tea ice cream. We had a special 100th birthday celebration on top of that!

The 100th birthday celebration was the very first for this organization and we had not one, but two honorees.



Honorees **Nancy Iwami** and **Masako Miura** were presented, by Manager **Paul Kaneko**, a proclamation by Watsonville City **Mayor Karina Cervantes**. They were also presented with corsages. The group sang *Happy Birthday*, and cake cutting followed. **Kitako Izumizaki** gave a toast to the honorees and then said grace, which was followed by a luncheon catered by *Monterey Bay Caterers*.

Individual tables were decorated with potted white orchid plants along with wine glasses and *Martinelli's* apple cider at each place setting. *Flowers by Toshi* donated ribbons around each plant. A large bouquet of lovely pink and lavender giant dahlia blooms, donated by **June Honda**, was placed beside a large sheet cake on the head table. With white tablecloths and red napkins and wine glasses, it truly was a sight to behold. A very enjoyable lunch was enjoyed by all, and we wish both **Nancy** and **Masako** many more years of happiness and good health.



Father's Day was celebrated on June 12 with manager **Iwao Yamashita** presenting *manju* to fathers over 88--**Akira Kodama** 92 and **Sam Sakamoto** 89 (above photo). Absent were **Roland Johnson** 90, **Carmel**

Kamigawachi 93, Akira Nagamine 88, Sam Ichiro Sugidono 92, and Fred Oda 90. Chocolate “cigars” were handed out to all fathers present and a photo taken (see the Seniors’ Corner). **Terry Hirahara** spoke of *Remembrance of Father*, and after bingo, the group enjoyed a wonderful barbeque dinner. **Helen Nakano** made cute little toolboxes with candy inside at each place setting, and the head table held various paper air ships as decoration. **Happy Father’s Day** to all!

June birthday celebrants were **Judy Hane, Yoshino Matano 99, Masako Miura 100, Eiko Nishihara 88, Leigh Sakaguchi, and Sam Sugidono 92.** **Phil Snyder** was absent. **Eiko Nishihara** received an orchid plant in honor of her 88th birthday, and she presented each Senior member with a jar of strawberry jam and a package of *manju*. **Mrs. Matano** donated the cake and ice cream. *Manju* was presented to **Yoshino Matano, Masako Miura, and Sam Sugidono.** Individual table flowers were cattail, snowball, agapanthus and reed with flowers by **Nobuko Akiyama and Hisako Kodama.** The head table held a bouquet of iris, Japanese balloon flower and snowball, the work of **Hisako Kodama and Jean Akiyama.**

Many guests were seen this month. The family of the late **Ruby Kizuka (Cindy and Tim Derouin and Clifford and MaryAnne Kizuka and families)** came all the way from Henderson, Nevada and Cincinnati, Ohio. **Dora Hoshiyama**, sister-in-law of **Marcia Hashimoto** came all the way from North Carolina. We welcomed back **Kinji House** for a couple weeks, but sadly he has not been able to attend since. Also, it was good to finally see **Haru Ishibashi** back, but still taking it easy and having **Jean Akiyama** taking over her job.

Many thanks to *tobans* and helpers **Yuan AmRhein, Kitty Mizuno, Aimee Mizuno, Marcia Hashimoto, Eiko Stewart, June Honda, Judy Hane, Donna Fujita, Shirley Nishimoto, Terry Hirahara and Iwao Yamashita.**

We wish a speedy recovery to **Betty Oda** and hope to see her and **Fred** back real soon. Upcoming events include the JACL Community picnic on Sat., June 28th and a day trip to Chukchansi on Tuesday, July 29th.

Monetary donations gratefully received: **Vera Matsumoto, Chiyoko Yagi, Nobue Fujii, the family of Frances Hoshiyama, Judy Hane, Yoshino Matano, Eiko Nishihara, Clifford and MaryAnne Kizuka, Craig Kizuka, and Cindy Kizuka Derouin.**

Other donations gratefully received:

June/Sunao Honda	8 plates <i>mochi</i> , 3 pineapple zucchini bread, 3 banana pineapple bread
Rubie Kawamoto	12 sq <i>Kleenex</i> , 3 bags <i>chagashi</i> , 2 bags <i>senbei</i>
Sam/Yae Sakamoto	3 pkgs <i>shiitake</i> , 3 cans <i>Spam</i>
Jane Sugidono	9 pieces guava cake, 7 plates <i>inari sushi</i>
Hide/Akira Nagamine	doz rolls <i>Bounty</i> , 21 bags cucumbers
Kinji House	8 boxes <i>Kleenex</i> , 10 bags cakes, 28 bottles water,
Yaeko Cross	20 cups Mandarin oranges, 4 boxes instant oatmeal

Mitzi Katsuyama
Geo/Eiko Stewart

Chie Sakaue

Eiko Ceremony

Robb Mayeda
Jee Kajihara

Eileen Byers
Terry Hirahara
Jean Akiyama

Shirley Nishimoto
Carol/Paul Kaneko
Toshi Yamashita

Chiyoko Yagi
Kitako Izumizaki
Miye Yamashita

Nobue Fujii
Haruko Yoshii

Eiko Nishihara

Kumiko Nakatani

Hatsuko Tsuji
Yukio/Edna Nagata

Kazuko Sakai
Kitty Mizuno
Yoshiko Nishihara
Kimi Fujii
Hisako/Akira Kodama
Dora/Ichiro Hoshiyama

Ernie Yamamoto

Haru Ishibashi
Shirley Chin
Shirley Inokuchi
Nancy Iwami
Judy Hane
Yoshino Matano

5 pkg lemon cake
6 rolls tissues 1 bag candy,
9 rolls *Spam sushi*
7 bags of loquats, lots of flowers,
20 bunches flowers
6 bags *Buttermint Creams*,
9 bags candy
18 bottles lemonade
watermelon, strawberries, and
ice cream for all
6 *Dawn*, 8 double rolls *Bounty*
4 lge *Kleenex*, 2 doz tissues
6 small bags of *Cheetos*.
4 lge *Kleenex*,
1 big bag *Kettlecorn*
6 rolls paper towels
doz double rolls tissues,
6 quarts beans for barbeque
16 rolls tissues
doz double roll tissues
5 pkgs *Hime Nama Udon*,
7 bags candy, rock candy
6 jars cauliflower pickles
5 pkgs *Shio Ramen*,
3 bottles *Dawn*
doz jars jam, jam for all, plus
manju for all for birthday
4 *Dawn*, 3 *Platinum Dawn*,
doz double roll *Bounty* towels
doz tissues
6 boxes *Puffs*,
8 rolls paper towels
6 boxes *Kleenex*
6 rolls tissues, 4 bags plums
doz bottles *Dawn*
4 *Dawn*, 8 rolls paper towels
18 double roll tissues
4 lge *Kleenex*,
3 bottles *Soft-Soap*
box of VCR tapes,
10 rice sacks, 3 bags plums
16 rolls tissues
20 cups Mandarin oranges
10 bags apricots
3 doz eggs
8 rolls *Bounty*
ice cream and cake for birthday

Many, many thanks for all the goodies this month. Truly you have outdone yourselves as we certainly had the tables full. Take care, keep well, and keep coming. See you all at the picnic.

RUBY CHIYEKO KIZUKA NOW RESTS IN PEACE WITH SHIGERU TOM KIZUKA

On a truly beautiful Wednesday morning, June 18, 2014, with family and friends gathered, **Ruby Chiyeko Kizuka** was laid to rest besides her beloved husband, **Shig**, at the Pajaro Valley Memorial Park. **Rev. Michael Erickson**, who officiated the service, gave great comfort to all by reflecting on the celebration of Ruby’s life.



In Remembrance ...

CURTIS MATTHEW KULIKA GAVIN

December 27, 1963 ~ May 15, 2014

Born on December 27, 1963 in San Francisco California, Curtis's fondest memories growing up were of family luau's and surfing on the North Shore of O'ahu with cousins.

As a young man, Curtis played football at Sacramento State, worked as a paramedic with CDF, rebuilt Chevy muscle cars and played drums in a local band. He received his Bachelor of Science in Nursing at San Jose State, and served our country in the U.S. Army as a ranger with the 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell Kentucky. Curtis obtained a Master's degree at War College through the military and was a veteran of multiple campaigns - from Panama to Somalia to Iraq and Afghanistan.



Curtis's greatest joy was his son, **Kainu'u**. He enjoyed sharing his love of music, sports, and history with Kai ("that's a Dad question ... why don't you ask him when you get home?"). Curtis considered Hawai'i "home" and held Jennifer's *hula ohana* (*Ka Lei Wehi O Ka Mailelauloa*) close to his heart.

Curtis will be forever loved and remembered by his family - **Jennifer, Kainu'u**, and **Lilikoi**. His memory lives in the hearts of his parents **Charles and Carmila**, mother-in-law **Esther Ura**, and family and friends. Curtis joined our "first child" **Maili**, brother **Christopher**, and Kai's Grandpa **Ernie Ura**, in his passing on May 15, 2014 at the age of 50 ("half a century").

Jennifer and Kai sincerely thank Watsonville Community Hospital physicians and staff for the compassionate and excellent care provided to both Curtis and his family, and they also extend their heartfelt gratitude to 9-1-1 Dispatch, AMR, and Cal Fire for tirelessly supporting Curtis and allowing his family the time to say a final *aloha*.

Donations in Curtis' memory are suggested to Kawakami-Watsonville Sister City Association (c/o 190 Wingfoot Way, Aptos CA 95003), Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL (P.O. Box 163, Watsonville CA 95077-0163), or Hospice of Santa Cruz County, Grief Support Program (940 Disc Drive, Scotts Valley CA 95066).

Curtis served his family and his country well and with honor.

Private services will be held in Hawaii at a later date. Mehl's Colonial Chapel was entrusted with the funeral arrangements.

FRANCES TSUDA

Frances Tsuda passed away peacefully at her home Sunday, May 25, 2014. Frances was born in Watsonville



and graduated from Watsonville High School.

She met her husband, **Tomio Tsuda**, in the internment camps during WWII. After the war they moved back to Watsonville to start a life and family together. Throughout her life, Frances had many challenges to overcome, from cancer to Parkinson's disease, but she was a fighter and survivor who never burdened others with her problems. She was an amazing wife, mother, and grandmother who had a

love for cooking and baking. She would welcome new neighbors with tasty treats. Even through recovery, she would bake cookies to take for her doctor appointments.

She is survived by her sons, **Kenny (Rosie); Jack; Tomi (Rickee);** sister, **Kay Yamamoto;** grandchildren **Jennifer, Naomi, and Andrew Vargas.** She is preceded in death by her husband, **Tomio,** mother, **Haruko,** father, **Soichi,** brothers, **Yas and Joe Kamitani.**

The family would like to thank **Dr. Weber** and his wonderful staff for decades of caring for mom. Also, thank you to the great team from *Hospice of Santa Cruz County, Emily, Laurie, Maria, Isela, Lydia, Delia, Jean,* all the on-call nurses, and **Diana** for making Mom's last year comfortable.

Frances Tsuda was a member of the **Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL Senior Center.**

At her request, there will be no services. Mehl's Colonial Chapel has been entrusted with the arrangements.

EDITH YOSHIKO ICHIUJI



Pacific Grove – **Edith Yoshiko Ichiuji**, age 90, was called to her Heavenly Home on June 8, surrounded by her family, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Born December 26, 1923, the second of four children, she grew up in the farming community of French Camp, California.

With the eruption of WWII, her nursing education was cut

short when her family was evacuated to the Manzanar internment camp. In January 1944, with the help of the American Quaker Friends, Edith relocated to Rochester, Minnesota to resume her nursing education at St. Mary's Hospital, which was associated with the Mayo Clinic. After graduating in 1947, she worked as a delivery room nurse at St Mary's Hospital.

In 1949, with the passing of her father, Edith returned to California where she met her future husband, **Mickey.** They were married in 1952 and lived in Pacific Grove for the remainder of their lives. They raised three children: **Dr. Mary (Andrew Stolz),** an oncologist at Kaiser Permanente in West LA, **Dr. John (Wendy),** a dentist in San Ramon, and **Dr. Nancy (George Wooding),** a pharmacist at Kaiser Permanente in San Francisco. The loves of her life were her six grandchildren: **Mark, Jamey, Trent, Sarah, Brynne, and Danielle.**

Edith worked at the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula for 25 years in labor and delivery, nursery, and post-partum care, and retired in 1984. For the next nine years, she traveled extensively all over the world with her husband and friends. She was predeceased by her husband, Mickey, in 1993.

A great cook, Edith loved sending cookies to her grandchildren and making lemon marmalade, which she gifted to her friends. She was known for her famous apple pie, and all the grandchildren looked forward to eating "Grandma's Calamari". She received great joy from spending countless hours creating works of art with her hands, from origami to sewing to crafting Japanese dolls.

Edith belonged to the Nurse's Association; was a lifetime member of the Japanese American Citizens League, even serving as co-chair for the National Convention when it was held in Monterey in 2000; was an integral part of the El Estero Presbyterian Church, co-chairing the 100th anniversary celebration in 2012; served regionally as a member of both the Presbytery of San Jose Presbyterian Women's group and the Northern California Asian Presbyterian Women's group; nationally, she attended the General Assembly in Baltimore and Louisville as a commissioner, and served for three years on the National Racial Ethnic Dialogue committee representing Asian Presbyterian Women; was also a member of the California State University Monterey Bay Women's Council.

Edith was most proud of her involvement with the Monterey Peninsula Salvation Army Advisory Board. As a member of the Board, her joy was helping to feed and care for the homeless twice a week, rain or shine. In 2010, she was recognized for her lifelong service to others with the **Jefferson Award.** Her selfless attitude was her legacy, and she would like to be remembered as, "A person who helped others without being asked".

In addition to her children and grandchildren, Edith is survived by her sister, **Tomie,** and brother, **Roy,** and many other family members and friends.

The family requests that donations in her memory be sent to: Monterey Peninsula Salvation Army, Good Samaritan Center, 1491 Contra Costa St., Seaside, CA 93955 or El Estero Presbyterian Church Ichiuji Endowment Fund (a fund for camps or conferences for its youth members), 490 Camino El Estero, Monterey, CA 93940 or Central Coast VNA Hospice, P.O. Box 2480, Monterey, CA 93942.

Funeral services were held at El Estero Presbyterian Church on June 20 with hundreds of friends in attendance.



If one plants these cards in the garden and water them faithfully, one will see beautiful flowers emerging from the seeds that are implanted in the "heart." What a thoughtful gift from Edith Yoshiko Ichiuji! Thank you, Edith, too, for your friendship.

DONATIONS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED FROM ...

In memory of Curtis Gavin from ...

Jennifer Ura Gavin
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Toshiko Yamashita
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Nancy Iwami
Sunao and June Honda
Carl Fujii of San Mateo
Jane Sugidono
Lillian Etow
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Linda Itamura of Sunnyvale
Victor Kimura and Karen Garcia Graham
Bill and Nora Louie
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Doug and Sharyn Nakashima
Daniel and Karen Nitta
Irene Fujii Potter of Millbrae
Debbe and Thomas Chan

In memory of Frances Tsuda from ...

Mas and Marcia Hashimoto
Jennifer Ura Gavin
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The Family of Frances Hoshiyama
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In memory of Shoichi Kobara from ...

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"Day of Remembrance Education Fund" in appreciation
for the Newsletter from ...

George Shimizu of Walnut Creek
Maria Gitin Torres

We welcome **Estelle Ichino** of Ventura, CA into our
W-SC JACL family as a new member!

Thank you, too, to those who renew their
memberships every year. We appreciate the thoughtful
messages we receive about our monthly newsletter and
are thus encouraged. If there's anything we can do or
should be doing regarding our educational, civil rights
issues, please let us know at hashi79@sbcglobal.net, or
write W-SC JACL, P. O. Box 163, Watsonville, CA 95077.

We will cover the W-SC JACL community picnic,
Kokoro no Gakko, *obon festival*, Westview's *Relay for Life*,
and the National JACL Convention in San Jose in our
August 2014 Newsletter.

Mas Hashimoto, Editor.

WATSONVILLE TAIKO AND SHINSEI DAIKO

By Bonnie Chihara

On Saturday, June 7th, we opened the program of the
Japanese Cultural Fair at Mission Plaza, Santa Cruz.

With our children's group, we performed *taiko* at 11:30
am, which was well-received by an appreciative audience.
Then, we spent the rest of the day serving our delicious
yakitori plate, fried *mochi*, chicken curry, *tai yaki* and *mugi*
cha. The day was a great success, and we surpassed our
fundraising goal plus we were able to see old friends and
made some new ones, too! Thank you!



Once again this year, **Joyce Smith** (seated) took care
of our products sales—mugs, cards, CDs origami pins,
and t-shirts--and even got some help from *taiko* member
Sue Walter, her daughter and granddaughter who were
visiting.

Our upcoming busy schedule:

June 28 th	JACL Picnic, Aptos Village Park
July 5 th	Summer Concert Series, New Brighton State Beach
July 27 th	Wharf to Wharf, Opal Cliffs, Capitola
Aug 3 rd	Church Street Fair, Santa Cruz
Aug 3 rd	Peace Day, La Selva Beach
Sept. 27 th	Alzheimer's Walk, La Selva Beach

Congratulations, Graduates



Congratulations to **Melissa Tao** for receiving this year's **Rekiso "Ray" and Hisako "Louise" Sako Scholarship**. Melissa is the daughter of Kim and Paul Tao of Watsonville. She is a graduate of Aptos High School and will be attending the Honors Transfer Program at Cabrillo College with plans to focus on business

management and marketing.

Melissa has a strong vision for her educational future. She wrote, "My goal for attending a junior college for two years is to find myself and discover who I am and what my goals are." She plans to "transfer to Cal Poly SLO, UC Berkeley UCSD or UC Davis" and after graduating hopes to work for a large corporation as a manager to utilize her love for "working and being involved with people."

Melissa has shown a high commitment to community service in the local Japanese American community and the community at large. She remembers being involved with W-SC JACL activities since she was a toddler. Along with her family, she has volunteered at the Annual Community Picnic, helping to organize the children's games. The family has also generously donated strawberries for the picnic as well the JACL booth at the Japanese Cultural Fair in Santa Cruz for many years. Her additional volunteer activities include serving in officer positions with the Watsonville Youth Buddhist Association as secretary, activities director and Coast District Religious Chair; serving the homeless and the elderly in Santa Cruz County through the Girl Scouts; and helping with fundraising and other events as well as taking charge of childcare for Camp Chenoa in Corralitos through the Boy Scouts.

Melissa and her family are members of the Watsonville Buddhist Temple. Her extra-curricular activities in addition to the volunteer projects listed above include playing Jr varsity and Varsity tennis and track and field, serving on the Homecoming Committee as head of the Float Committee, and participating in the Red Cross and Sushi Clubs. As a graduate of the

Kokoro no Gakko program, she also returns to the *Gakko* annually as a youth volunteer.

In her essay about the "The Day of Remembrance," Melissa wrote, "In my opinion, twenty thousand dollars is hardly enough to compensate for the real value of the houses and property that was lost, much less the years of imprisonment and deprivation they suffered." She added, "My grandmother and grandfather both got compensation for all the suffering their families and they went through... It's amazing to know I am a part of an organization that has made a difference in the world for many Japanese Americans including my grandmother and grandfather."

Aptos High School English teacher, Melisa Preud'homme-Silver described Melissa, as a "sincere individual who treats all members of our class with respect." She added that, Melissa "has worked hard to balance academics, extracurricular activities, and participation in her family business. She is not boastful or proud, but she clearly stands out in our class as a high achieving and intelligent student."

Congratulations, Melissa!

Congratulations to **Daniel "Danny" Tomio Souza**



for being the 2014 recipient of the **Kee Kitayama Memorial Scholarship** and the **Frank Mito Memorial Scholarship**. Danny is the son of **Al Souza and Phyllis Nakano**. He is a graduate of Palma High School in Salinas and will be attending Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland in

the Fall. Danny will be a student-athlete playing for their Division 3 baseball team, while majoring in Engineering.

While attending Palma High Danny received multiple scholastic awards, was a peer tutor, member of the Interact, Chemistry, and Diversity clubs; all while maintaining 4.0 Honor Roll status throughout his high school career. Danny has had a lifelong passion for baseball, which has taught him, "to be resilient and have a positive mental attitude".

Danny is a Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL member. He is a graduate of *Kokoro no Gakko* as well as a student volunteer. His extracurricular activities include: Varsity Team Captain Palma baseball, President of the Young Buddhist Association for Watsonville

Buddhist Temple, leader in the Coast District Young Buddhist League, 7 years of Boy Scouts, becoming an *Eagle Scout* in 2014, as well as active with the JCCCNC as a Takahashi Youth Ambassador & Fellowship participant.

In his essay about "The Day of Remembrance" Danny wrote, "A day of remembrance event would be the perfect place to express thanks from younger generations of Japanese Americans to the older generations for paving the way and setting the tone for human rights. Hopefully no one will ever have to experience anything close to what those before me endured."

David J. Sullivan, Principal of Palma High School wrote, "Danny has a tremendous amount of joy and passion for working with people. He has made a dramatic and spirited positive impact on the student culture of our school."

Congratulations, Danny!

Congratulations to **Maya Kitayama** upon receiving the **Dr. Francis Choy Memorial Scholarship**. Maya is the daughter of **Robert and Karen Kitayama**. A graduate of Palo Alto High School she will be attending Fordham University at Lincoln Center in Manhattan, NYC, where she will



be studying dance with the Alvin Ailey program.

Maya's commitment and passion about her major is evident as she states, "I have been training as a dancer my whole life ... Art isn't just an unrealistic dream, it is a concrete and noble means of communication ... I want to help people of my world understand the true potential and very real need for art."

Maya and her parents are members of the W-SC JACL. Her extracurricular activities include: Editor-in-Chief of the school's newspaper that received the *2014 Columbia Scholastic Press Association Gold Crown*; captain of the varsity dance team; interned at *The Daily Post*, a local newspaper; worked for *Khan Academy* making literary-related videos; and she worked for *Neighborhood Arts*, teaching dance to underprivileged elementary school children.

In her essay about "The Significance of the 'Day of Remembrance' Observance Today," Maya wrote, "... it pays tribute to those who experienced first-hand a

complete defiance of their civil rights and liberties. The best thing our nation can take away from our mistake in the past-- in this case, Japanese American internment—is the understanding of the horrible repercussions of our actions and racism. We must learn from our mistakes if we ever wish to take the next step forward."

English-Journalism teacher, **Esther Wojcicki**, wrote of Maya, "Not only is she a talented dancer, writer, and leader, she is an exceptional creative thinker. She is an amazing student who is a self-starter, self-directed and passionate about dance and journalism."

Congratulations, Maya!

Congratulations to **Hayley Sakae** for receiving the



Kee Kitayama Memorial Scholarship. Haley is the daughter of **Dean and Lisa Sakae**. She is a graduate of Aptos High School and will be attending Cal Poly San Luis Obispo with an interest in Physical Therapy.

Hayley's academic excellence is a personal high priority as she challenges herself by taking Advanced

Placement, accelerated, and honors courses. She states, " ... no matter what I pursue in college ... my grades will not be left behind. I will strive to have an exceptional college experience, and that includes graduating with my head held high and pride in the classes I complete."

Hayley and her parents are members of the Watsonville Buddhist Temple. Her extracurricular activities include: Jr Varsity and Varsity tennis doubles and track and field earning championships in both the long and triple jumps; Young Buddhist Association Secretary and Vice President; Coast District Young Buddhist League Secretary and President; and *Kokoro no Gakko* performances and teachers' assistant, and props creator.

In her essay about "The Day of Remembrance" Hayley wrote, "Even though they lost everything they had, the Japanese Americans fought for their country, including participating in the 442nd Infantry Regiment, stayed brave despite losing their homes and leaving their lives behind, and remained loyal to their country. Executive Order 9066 is a clear reminder of the Japanese's deprivation of freedom. February 19th is a significant date ... it is a reminder that no matter what

ethnicity you are, there is no reason for your own home country to discriminate against you out of fear."

Young Buddhist Association advisor, **Yoshie Maemura**, wrote of Hayley, "Hayley is very intelligent and has shown great leadership abilities. She takes the initiative, is extremely hardworking, responsible and dependable. I have always been impressed by Hayley's positive and respectful attitude toward others and her outgoing and friendly personality.

Congratulations, Hayley!

Last year, the **Undergraduate Sako Scholarship** recipient (\$1,000 for each of four years) was **Amanda Akiyama**. She has been challenging herself with a rigorous course load while playing for Occidental College's water polo team and is considering a Kinesiology major. She sends her sincere gratitude to the Sako family for their continued support of her higher education pursuits.

Jamie Kuratomi was our 2013 **Sako Graduate Scholarship** recipient (\$1,000 for each of two years). She has maintained a high level of dedication to her didactic work as well as broadening her clinical skills while in her third year at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Dental School.

'Way to go, Amanda and Jamie!

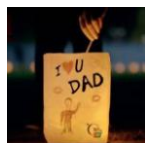
WESTVIEW HIGHLIGHTS

by *Leslie Nagata-Garcia*



Westview's team, the **Westview Warriors**, will once again participate in the **American Cancer Society "Relay for Life"** event at the **Watsonville High School track**

on **Saturday, July 19th at 10 a.m. until Sunday, July 20th at 10 a.m.** The event is an overnight community gathering that gives everyone an opportunity to fight cancer and help save lives. Because cancer never sleeps, each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times - thank goodness for our youth!! Each team (more than 25 this year) also sponsors a family-friendly booth that has items for sale, food, games, etc. as well as information on cancer awareness. Every **"Relay for Life"** event opens with a **Survivors lap** which will include at least one member from our congregation this year.



In addition, when the sun goes down, hundreds of luminaria will light the track. **Luminaria bags** are small, white bags

decorated with the name of loved ones who have/had cancer that are placed on the relay path during the 24-hour walk. Each is also lighted up during a special ceremony **8:15 - 9:00 p.m. on July 19th**. Bags are either decorated by the person purchasing them or decorated by someone from our team. Bags are **\$5 each** and all proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. Please talk to **Evelyn Veal** at church or email Evelyn at wvrelay4life@gmail.com for more information. Team members: You can also pick up bags to sell - there are plenty for everyone!



On Saturday, **July 12th**, from **11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**, a **rummage sale** will be held at Westview for **Relay for Life**. If you would like to donate items please contact Evelyn at wvrelay4life@gmail.com. Assistance and/or pick-up of large items or loads can be arranged.

If you are unable to attend **Relay for Life** please consider supporting us in raising money for the **American Cancer Society** on our team page at <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/westview>. We are also taking \$100 donations from businesses who wish to be included in the event program as well as larger donations for those who wish to be on the event t-shirt. Please contact Evelyn at wvrelay4life@gmail.com for more information.

If you would like to volunteer and help out in our booth at the event and/or help out with the food preparation the day before the event, please contact Evelyn: wvrelay4life@gmail.com.

Youth/Family Upcoming Events

Gym Nites are the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month, usually from 5:30 - 8 p.m., at Westview. Mark your calendars for the following dates:

- **July 18 - CHRISTMAS IN SUMMER**, 5:30 - 8 p.m., at Westview
- **July 19 - 20, RELAY FOR LIFE**. Sign-up to walk for an hour to help fight cancer, or help at our booth at Watsonville High School
- **August 9 - SATURDAY NIGHT POOL PARTY 11 AM - 2 PM** at the Kadotani's (No gym nite August 1st)
- **August 23 - SUSHI BOWL** with the Church at the Gilroy Bowl (more details in August issue of the Chimes)

Westview still has a few spots open for the **Summer Youth Service/Educational Trip to San Francisco/Oakland** with Center for Student Mission from **August 10th - 13th, 2014**. Contact **Pastor Dan** for more details & to sign-up.



Graduation Day for Youth, June 1st (above); **Youth Spring Beach Day**, June 6th at Manresa Beach.



Wednesday Study Series:

We will start a new series in the fall.

Sunday Message Series: In the fall we will begin a new series, "How to play the game." It is based on John Ortberg's book, *When the Game is Over, It All Goes Back in the Box*. We will learn the most important lessons about how to play the game of life, from Ortberg's grandmother as she played him the beloved childhood game of ...Monopoly!!



Parents' Appreciation Day, June 1st. After worship service, members played bingo and enjoyed the delicious food!



HIROKO SHIKUMA by Larry Shikuma

Mom was born in Alameda on **July 9, 1914**. She is a *Kibei*, so as a very young child she was sent to Japan to live with her grandparents. She returned to Alameda as a young teenager and went to Alameda High. She met Dad before the War and after marrying Dad she, of course, moved to Watsonville. She had my sister, Esther, in 1937.

Then the War came. As you know we were all rounded up in the Salinas Rodeo Grounds and shipped off to Poston where I was born in Sept., 1942.

My Mother, **Hiroko Shikuma**, was a true pioneer. After our release from Poston, Arizona, she, Dad—**Masasuke**--and my sister Esther and I went to Brogan, Oregon and lived on a farm. The farm was a cattle ranch, which Masasuke converted to a row crop farm. The first workers were young Nisei men who had been GIs and had just gotten out of the army. There were four or five of them, and they lived in the upstairs rooms of the house we lived in. There was a large house in which we lived, but there wasn't much else. Mom had a kerosene stove. The oven was a small separate unit that was placed on top of the kerosene burners to be heated. She did not have a washing machine or a clothes dryer. Mom did the grocery shopping for her family and for the workers who lived with us. She prepared the meals for all of us. She did the laundry for all of us. The laundry had to be hand washed and line dried. She also patched the clothing for all of us. In addition, she gave haircuts to all of us—Dad, me and the farm hands. Mom also grew a sizeable vegetable garden for the table and flowers to add some beauty to the place.

One would think that Mom was busy enough with all the foregoing. But she made time to join the **Brogan Ladies Aid Society** and served as president once. She took extension classes to learn about canning and preserving vegetables from her garden. Preserving home-grown food was a necessity back then to help make it through winter.

Our house was a mile off the nearest paved road. Our road became impassable at times in the winter because of snow. In the spring thaw it became a muddy quagmire. Yet by putting chains on trucks and the car we made it to the paved highway.

Mom also worked in the fields weeding in the onion field. When the onions were young the weeding had to be done "close up." That meant using a small weeding tool

and getting “close up” by moving down the planted rows of onions on hands and knees.

Since we lived an hour away from the nearest hospital and at least 40 minutes from the nearest doctor, Mom had to be the ER doctor for us. Since I was three when we first went to Brogan and my sister was eight there were the usual childhood illnesses and injuries. Mom nursed us through chicken pox, whooping cough, countless colds and flu and countless cuts (some pretty serious) and bruises.

By any standard the years in Brogan, Oregon were lean, tough and hard. Yet Mom and Dad have said that those years were the best of their lives. And my sister and I remember them as joyous, carefree and safe childhood years. Mom and Dad did more than what is required to be good parents.

ENJI SHIKUMA: LIFE OF A NISEI FAMER

by Mark Shikuma

As far as I can remember, I’ve always seen my father, **Enji Shikuma**, born on **August 1, 1914**, a man of the earth. For the majority of his life, a vast span of a century, he dedicated his life to agricultural farming. No matter how thorough he cleaned his hands and his forearms after coming home from work, he could never clean off the heavy lines etched on his rugged skin, the skin of a laborer, a farmer. His occupation intertwined with who he was; he possessed a true passion for his work, constantly fussing over his fields, its intricacies and endless weeding. It was difficult, much to my mother’s chagrin, to pull him away from the land for vacations. He was fulfilled; he received satisfaction and fruit, as well a livelihood, from his hard-earned efforts. Not many of us could make that claim.



A graduate of Watsonville High School, Enji was a native of Watsonville, born and reared in the outskirts of the then-established city limits (in the Aromas region) in 1914. Aside from odd jobs that took him to regions of the Pacific West Coast, he primarily lived and worked in the Pajaro Valley.

During World War Two, my father was incarcerated at the Poston Relocation Center in Arizona, the largest populated concentration camp of Japanese Americans (over 17,000 internees), which was subdivided into three separate “camps.” There, he held a number of occupations, including an ambulance driver. When offered an opportunity to be on a work furlough crew to cut ice in Colorado, my father applied. “Boy, it sure beat being in camp,” he once said. In the mid-’90s, he and my mother revisited the area, triggering his memory and his past

experience when he traveled in a freight car heading to Colorado. “I felt like a man without a country,” he said to my mom.

Enji is also a founding member of Watsonville’s **Westview Presbyterian Church**, where he held his wedding with my mother in the mid-1950s. Devoted wife, mother, educator and volunteer, **Sonoko**, emigrated from Japan shortly after the Second World War, under her maiden name of **Nakayama**. My mother, by blood, was my aunt. She and Enji adopted me, Tokyo-born, when I was an infant. Sonoko passed away in 2005.

In the 1950s, my father formed a lifelong partnership with his brother, **Charles Shikuma**, creating **E&C Shikuma**. For 48 years, they grew primarily strawberries for **Naturipe**, a co-op that their father, **Kotaro**, was a founding member. It was one of the earliest agricultural co-ops formed by Japanese American farmers in Santa Cruz County. According to **Kazuko Nakane’s** well-researched book, *Nothing Left in My Hands: The Issei of A Rural California Town, 1900-1942*, the Shikuma family derived from Japan’s Yamaguchi Prefecture, originally working for the farmer company, **Y. Kōsansha**. In 1993, the greater Shikuma clan was recognized by the Farm Bureau as “Farm Family of The Year.”



After retiring from farming in 1995, he was introduced by his wife to extensive traveling, including Alaska, the United Kingdom (Stonehenge, above), New York City, the American South, and Japan.

Not traditionally an educated man, my father always held a quiet curiosity and interest in intellectual pursuits. He often read editions of agricultural magazines, *Popular Mechanics*, *Reader’s Digest*, *The Register Pajaronian*, the *Sunday San Francisco Chronicle* and *The Pacific Citizen*. Enji is a longtime member of *Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL*. Often, when home on breaks from university, I often caught my father reading one of my novels, text for school, that I left in the living room. He also spent an amount of his spare time creating his own hand-welded tools, used for farming, home gardening, or fishing, one of his few hobbies. By and large, he was a meat, rice, vegetables and *tsukemono* type of man.

When I was in my early teens, my father looked at the sky and told me to help him cover the farming equipment with plastic tarps. “It’s going to rain,” he said confidently. I only saw a few clouds. He pointed to the flocks of seagulls heading inland. By the time we finished and got into the GMC truck to head for home, rain started to fall on the windshield.

His language and routines were rooted in the 1930s Great Depression. Enji frequently used phrases such as “high-tone” (to refer to something or someone as “fancy” or “extravagant”) or “two bits” (a Depression-era term for a quarter). After his wife’s death, he often insisted on washing his own shirts and socks in the large, industrial kitchen sink, adjacent to the washer. My father practiced a frugal life.

Until recently, my dad lived in his first and only owned home, located on Clifford Avenue in Watsonville, when he and Sonoko became married. It was also the home that I was raised in. Enji is currently a resident of Watsonville’s Valley Heights Retirement Facility.

Son of **Kotaro and Ura (Nakatani)**, my father survives his wife, **Sonoko**, daughter, **Agatha**, brothers **Charles, Harry and George**, and his sister **Lakue Shikuma**. He is grateful for the support, care and love given to him by his family and extended family, namely his niece and her husband, **Joanne and Arthur Hayashi**, both active members of *Westview Presbyterian Church*, the Watsonville-Santa Cruz Chapter of the JACL and the greater community.



Japanese segregated school, Amesti, early 1920s
(left to right): Front: **Fumi Yamamoto, Takiko Ikeda, Charles Maeda, Shoichi Murakami, George Shikuma, Hiroshi Wada**; Second row: **Charles Shikuma, Enji Shikuma, Hisao Hirokawa, Lakue Shikuma, Nobuko Yamamoto, Matsue Hirokawa, Tsuyuko Murakami, Henry Ohye, Shigeo Wada**; Back row: **Yoshiko Yamamoto, Misai Shida, Mrs. Miyaki (teacher), Mrs. Miyaki’s daughter [unknown name], Roy Miyaki, Sam Maeda, Masao Wada**.

Though born during a time when he remembered horse-drawn carts, at the birth of United States’ ascension during its Industrial Age, and living through an epic span of history, events, conflicts and technological advancements, Enji carved a life that was fairly steady, consistent and methodical, like how he farmed.

Yet, as he inches towards 100, he can still conjure surprises, such as learning to verbally express his love to those around him – a remarkable achievement for a Nisei male of his generation. From an inner resilience, and a bit of inherent stubbornness, my father’s life and spirit remarkably persists to reach such a milestone.

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The “Shikuma’s car photo,” “Circa early 1920s.”
(left to right) In the car: **George Shikuma, Harry Shikuma**, on the running board: **Charles Shikuma, Enji Shikuma, and Kotaro Shikuma**

**MARIA GITIN--THIS BRIGHT LIGHT OF OURS--
TO BE INTRODUCED BY GEORGE OW, JR.**

Monday, August 11, 2014 at 7:30 pm



Come join us for a book talk and signing with civil rights veteran **Maria Gitin** who will be introduced by **George Ow, Jr.** at **Bookshop Santa Cruz**, 1520 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95060, (831) 423-0900.

Maria Gitin was an idealistic 19-year-old college freshman from a rural farming community north of San Francisco who felt called to action when she saw televised images of brutal attacks on peaceful demonstrators during *Bloody Sunday*, in **Selma, Alabama**, in 1965. She trained as a civil rights worker, attending an intensive training in Atlanta where she met **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.** and other now legendary civil rights leaders, then spent the rest of the summer canvassing for voters with local youth in Wilcox County, Alabama, where the **Ku Klux Klan** was active. Her detailed letters provide the first narrative account of this orientation, plus the story of her dangerous and life-changing work in Wilcox County.

More than four decades later, Gitin returned to Wilcox County to interview residents and former civil rights workers, creating a channel for the voices of these unheralded heroes. These experiences inspired her to pursue a life of social activism with a focus on racial justice. ***This Bright Light of Ours*** collects first-person accounts of the community-based activism at heart of the civil rights movement.

“This is a must-read account of a less publicized aspect of the Southern civil rights movement—white volunteers risking life and limb to challenge white supremacy at its most brutal.” —**Julian Bond, Chairman Emeritus, NAACP.**

A celebration of grassroots heroes, this book combines memoir and oral history to tell the story of ordinary people won the fight for voting rights. Gitin fills a vital gap in civil rights history by detailing the Freedom Summer of 1965, when hundreds of college students joined local black leaders to register thousands of new black voters in the rural South. A product of 6 years of research and writing, This Bright Light of Ours has received critical acclaim from civil rights leaders, scholars, activist, and authors nationwide.

During her 28-year career as a development consultant and diversity trainer, Maria Gitin founded a domestic violence shelter in Monterey, launched the Carmel Public Library Foundation, and led successful capital campaigns for Federally Qualified Health Centers including the Santa Cruz Women's Health Center. She developed strategic plans for the Pajaro Valley Health Trust, Santa Cruz Resource Conservation District, and Community Bridges, among others, and served as Board Chair for the Emergency Food & Shelter Board of Santa Cruz County for many years.

WATSONVILLE-SANTA CRUZ JACL

And, thank you, members for your continuing support of our programs and projects. We cannot succeed without your help. Please encourage family members, relatives and friends to join us for 2014. Our membership dues have not increased for the past 5 years.

To check your current membership status, look at the date after your name, example:

E. Txxxx 3/14 This means the membership expired after March of 2014.

Our mailing address is:

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Please do not mail to our Kizuka Hall address on Blackburn Street.

Thank you for reading this July 2014 newsletter.

If you have moved or are planning to move, please let us know your new address. The newsletters are returned with first class postage due. We can inform our National JACL Headquarters and the staff at *Pacific Citizen*.

This newsletter is the monthly publication of the Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL, P.O. Box 163, Watsonville, CA 95077, and your comments are always welcome. Please write or email us at hashi79@sbcglobal.net.

Read our full color newsletter online at our website: <http://watsonvillesantacruzjacl.org>.

Onward!

Mas Hashimoto, Editor



WATSONVILLE-SANTA CRUZ JACL'S 80TH ANNIVERSARY

The Watsonville-Santa Cruz Chapter of the National Japanese American Citizens League cordially invites you, your family and friends to join us in celebration of our 80th Anniversary. We are planning a special program you won't want to miss.

When: Saturday, August 2, 2014

Where: Tokushige Kizuka JACL Hall, 150 Blackburn St., Watsonville, CA 95076

Time: 11:30 am check-in registration

Luncheon: Noon, Salmon and Chicken *obento* prepared by Miyuki Japanese Restaurant,

Price: \$15 per person, children 12 and under \$10

Program: "Happy Birthday" to centenarians Kiyoko Nancy Iwami,
Dr. Masako Miura, Hiroko Shikuma, and Enji Shikuma

Film, "Issei: The First Generation," by filmmaker Toshi Washizu with introduction by UCLA Professor Lane Ryo Hirabayashi, and Question-and-Answer Period to follow. Learn more of the struggles our Issei pioneers faced and how they triumphed.

For more information, please contact Mas Hashimoto at (831) 722-6859, or email at hashi79@sbcglobal.net. For reservations, please complete the following form and return:

*****Reservation Form and Payment*****

Names(s): _____

No. attending: _____

Address: _____

Check total: _____

Phone: (____) _____

email address: _____

Please make checks payable to Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL, memo: 80th anniversary and mail to Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL, P. O. Box 163, Watsonville, CA 95077-0163 no later than July 26, 2014. Early registration is suggested as space is limited. Thank you!

Seniors' Corner

July 2014 ck

WATSONVILLE-SANTA CRUZ JACL SENIOR CENTER TOURS

One-Day Senior Trip

Chukchansi Casino, Coarsegold

July 29, 2014 [Tuesday] 8:00 AM to 7:30 PM

\$10 e-cash \$5 lunch coupon

Cost: **Active Senior Members \$30** and others **\$35**

Reservations: Carol Kaneko 476-7040 or Rubie Kawamoto 854-2028

Non-Senior Center members are welcome to join us!

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If you have suggestions for places where our Seniors would enjoy a one-day or multiple-day trip or you can help in the planning of such trips, please call **Carol Kaneko** at 476-7040. We are open to your suggestions. Thank you.



June birthday honorees: **Sam Sugidono 92, Dr. Masako Miura 100, Yoshino Matano 99, Eiko Nishihara 88, June Hane, and Leigh Sakaguchi.** Father's Day celebrants: Senior Center fathers are enjoying their delicious chocolate "cigars": **Iwao Yamashita, Paul Kaneko, Kinji House, Sunao Honda, Akira Kodama, Sam Sakamoto, Gary Mine and Yukio Nagata.**

Upcoming Activities at the Senior Center:

Thurs July 3, 10, 24, 31 Regular Bingo

Thurs July 17 July Birthday Party

Tues July 29 One-day trip to Chukchansi Casino 8 am – 7:30 pm

Sat August 2 W-SC JACL SPECIAL 80th ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM, 11:30 am to 4 pm.

Please check out our Senior Center website: <http://kizukahallseniors.wordpress.com> to keep up with our activities.

***Please join our Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL Senior Center!** If you enjoy playing bingo, celebrating special birthdays and holiday occasions, and going on trips, and would like to regularly receive health information and have your blood pressure monitored, join us for our Thursday get-togethers. We'd love to have you and your spouse and/or friends join us. **"Active Senior Center Members,"** who have paid their membership dues and who make annual birthday and Senior Center anniversary donations, are eligible for reduced fares on our trips. Please contact Carol Kaneko (831) 476-7040 for registration information. **Since our Senior Center operates under the auspices of both our local JACL chapter and the National JACL, we encourage all members of the Senior Center to be members of the National JACL through our Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL chapter.**

HELP WANTED! The Senior Center is always looking for able-bodied, caring, fun-loving volunteers (any and all ages welcome) to help out weekly (or once a month or so) with toban duties. We need your help on Thursdays from 12:30 to 3:15 pm to help our toban teams prepare tea, set out the tea and snacks, and clean up. You are invited to play bingo with us while you wait for clean up time – who knows what goodies you might take home! Let us know if you can help out on one or more Thursdays each month. Call **Susan AmRhein** at (831) 724-9454 to volunteer and to have some fun.

Watsonville-Santa Cruz Chapter National Japanese American Citizens League (JACL)

No Increase in the 2014 Membership Dues

Working toward our national goal of *Better Americans in a Greater America* is a worthy one. One does not have to be of Japanese ancestry to be a JACL member, but one must believe that safeguarding the rights of all Americans and legal residents is of utmost importance in this country.

Please join us today. We are the most proactive, oldest, and respected Asian American civil rights organization, and our programs include cultural appreciation and educational outreach.

Your membership is never taken lightly or for granted. We have worked diligently to earn your confidence and trust. Your active participation and membership can make a significant difference in what happens today in our community and in our nation.

Please help us fight **racial prejudice, discrimination, racial profiling, bigotry, intolerance and indifference.**

The 2014 National and local dues for our tax-deductible organization (ID #94-2659895) are as follows:

Family/Couples	___ \$150 This includes two National dues with one subscription to the <i>Pacific Citizen</i> , local dues and our monthly JACL newsletter, and all children under age 14 to be included.
Individual Member	___ \$80 This includes National dues with subscription to the <i>Pacific Citizen</i> , the official paper of the National JACL, and local chapter dues and our monthly JACL newsletter.
Youth/Student	___ \$25 for each of ages 14 to 24, which includes a subscription to the <i>Pacific Citizen</i> , local youth/student membership, and our monthly JACL newsletter. Youth membership is <u>required</u> for scholarship consideration.

For **Thousand Club**, **Century Club**, and **Millennium Club** and **Life** membership categories, please contact our membership chair **Jeanette Otsuji Hager**.

Name: _____
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Name)

Spouse's Name: _____
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Name)

Address: _____

Home phone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____

For family membership, please list names (and ages) of all children under the age of 14:

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

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Please send your check payable to **Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL** and mail ASAP to:
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c/o Jeanette Otsuji Hager, Membership Chair, P. O. Box 163, Watsonville, CA 95077

Thank you so much for your support.

Check out our websites: watsonvillesantacruzjacl.org and jacl.org.