

*Liberty
Lost...*



*Lessons in
Loyalty*

THE WATSONVILLE-SANTA CRUZ JACL

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THE "GAME" THAT COUNTS

No, it's not baseball's World Series, soccer's World Cup, NFL's Super Bowl, or the summer Olympics. These distractions keep too many citizens from paying attention to what's really important!

The most important "game" which requires your attention and participation is the mid-term election on Nov. 6. Here, there are serious "winners" and "losers."

So, how is this "game" played? The rules varies with the local, state and federal government elections. We know the penalty for "roughing the passer" in a football game. What are the penalties for violations of federal election laws by foreign governments, corporations, political organizations, unscrupulous individuals and others?

VOTE ON NOV. 6

A background story: When the Europeans landed and settled on the east coast (Virginia and New England), they forcibly "evicted" the native Americans off the land, claiming they were given the legal right -- deeds -- by a monarch.

The native Americans asked, "What's a deed?" Then, they added, "No one owns the land. The land belongs to everyone."

Continuing, the U.S. Government, historically for nearly 250 years, have forced the indigenous natives onto desolate areas called reservations in many states. While the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution defined as citizens any person born in the U.S., the amendment had been interpreted to restrict the citizenship rights of most native people.

Finally, in 1924, the **Indian Citizenship Act** of June 2nd, granted full U.S. citizenship to the indigenous peoples of the United States who were labeled as "Indians" in this Act. The Act was signed into law by President Calvin Coolidge partially in recognition of the thousands of Indians who served in the armed forces during World War I. (Congress also passed in 1924 the Immigration Exclusion Act barring all immigration from Japan.)

Today, on reservations in North Dakota, the native Americans use US Post Office (P. O.) Boxes as their mailing and residential addresses. Election officials there

consider P.O. Boxes as unlawful for registration. Thousands of first Americans are denied voting rights!

How can homeless citizens register to vote?

In too many states, voter suppression is all too common in this "democratic" nation. Eligible voters have been removed from registration lists and/or denied ballots. State officials have placed other obstructions to deny citizens their right to vote.

Voting machines had been manipulated in the past by political hackers.

For the first 144 years of our history women were second-class citizens and were not allowed to cast ballots in elections. The 19th Amendment, adopted in 1920, finally allowed women to vote.

The 24th Amendment to the US Constitution eliminated the poll and any other tax on voting. An accumulative poll tax (if you didn't vote previously, those unpaid taxes were added) kept the poor, including African Americans and some poor whites, from voting forever. It became too expensive to vote.

Fortunately, in our Santa Cruz County, we have an election officer—**Gail Pellerin**--and her dedicated staff to assist us. Ballots, written in many languages, are available for non-English speakers upon request. Mail-in ballots have pre-paid postages now.

[Editor's note: several non-Californians (including foreigners) have stated that we have an accent--a "California" accent.]

California is indeed fortunate to have a Secretary of State and election officers dedicated to free and open elections.

CALIFORNIA IS GROWING

At last "count," the total US population is 325,719,178 and California's is reported at 39,536,653 (US Census Bureau, as of July 1, 2017). Some have estimated that California's total is now over 40 million.

California has two US Senators and 53 members of the US House of Representatives in the Congress.

California's population is greater than 22 states and the District of Columbia combined. The states, from the smallest population, are Wyoming, Vermont, Alaska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Delaware, Montana, Rhode Island, Maine, New Hampshire, Hawaii, Idaho, West Virginia, Nebraska, Kansas, Mississippi, Nevada, Arkansas, Utah, Iowa, and Connecticut.

These 22 states have 44 US Senators and 55 Representatives (of 100 Senators and 435 Reps).

Nine states hold more than one-half of the total population of the United States. They are California, Texas, Florida, New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Georgia, and North Carolina. Combined, these states have 18 US Senators and 221 Representatives.

San Francisco Bay area (not including Santa Cruz, Monterey, and San Benito counties) has a greater population (7.6 million) than 37 states, and Los Angeles and Orange counties (9.9 million) has a greater population than 40 states. San Jose, CA city (1 million) has a greater population than 6 states and the District of Columbia.

With 34 percent of California's population, the Los Angeles/Orange County region produces 36 percent of California's economic output.

With only 17 percent of the population, the SF Bay Area produces 25 percent of the state's output. The technology sector's large presence in the Bay Area economy increases the per-person value of its output.

The 15 largest economies are US, China, Japan, Germany, India, France, United Kingdom, Brazil, Italy, Canada, Korea, Russia, Australia, Spain, and Mexico.

Newer estimates (US Department of Commerce, May 2018) states California is the 5th largest economy.

Even without California, the US would still be ahead of the Chinese, but for how long?

WATSONVILLE'S CRIME RATE IS DOWN!

David Honda was sworn in as the Chief of Police for the City of Watsonville in April 2016 after the retirement of Chief **Manny Solano**. Today, Honda commands a department of 95 staff which ably serves our community of over 52,000 residents.



Honda was born and raised in San Jose, California. Chief Honda is a third generation Japanese American (*Sansei*). He earned his Bachelor of Science Degree from San Jose State University and his Master of Arts Degree from Saint Mary's College of California. He is a graduate of the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police and a Senior Fellow of the American Leadership Forum.

Honda became a police officer for the City of San Jose in 1990 where he worked a variety of assignments

that included Patrol, Youth Services, Narcotics Enforcement, Violent Crimes Enforcement, Mobile Emergency and Response (SWAT), Robbery, Traffic Enforcement, and Internal Affairs. He promoted through the ranks overseeing various units and divisions within the San Jose Police Department from Patrol and Special Operations to Communications and Administration.

In a recent interview, Honda reported that the city has experienced three consecutive years of falling crime rates—violent crime is down 2.7%, property crimes 26.6%, drug or alcohol crimes 26.7%. One issue deals with lowering traffic injuries and fatalities.



Above: during a candle light vigil at the Watsonville City Plaza, Chief Honda spoke out regarding the President's Muslim travel ban on Feb. 19, 2017—the 75th anniversary of our incarceration (Executive Order 9066).

Recently, after a brief tour of Watsonville's former *Nihonmachi*, I asked Chief Honda, what was his and/or his department's major concern.

I was thinking on these traditional lines:

domestic family disputes (many officers are killed when angry, drunk individuals will resort to violence—using guns);

over use of prescription drugs; illegal drugs; marijuana, heroin, opiates;

sexual assaults;

alcohol,

racial discrimination, white supremacist groups, immigrant population,

gangs,

burglaries, car thefts,

graffiti,

the homeless population,

county, state, and federal assistance,

low salaries and recruitment of officers,

high housing costs for officers,

officer morale.

What would you add to this list? Which would be most troubling if you were the police chief?

To my question, Chief Honda replied, "**mental health.**" Mental health?! That's the major problem facing our divided nation today!.

Thank you, Chief Honda, for enlightening us.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ...
Sara Jay who, a sophomore at Arizona State,



received the prestigious **Saburo Kido Memorial Scholarship** from the National JACL. The daughter of **Tina Arao Jay and Russell Jay** is majoring in neurobiology, physiology and behavior science preparing for a career in pediatric medicine.

Sara was the recipient of Arizona JACL's **Sara Hutching Clardy Scholarship** and, as a Youth member, the **W-SC JACL's Frank Mito Memorial Scholarship** for her volunteerism at our **Kokoro no Gakko** for four years.

Please read page 11 of *Pacific Citizen's* Sept-28 – Oct 11, 2018 issue for more information on Sara.



Congratulations to Professor *Emeritus* of Education **Rodney Ogawa** (a W-SC JACler) of University of California, Santa Cruz, who recently received the *Distinguished Social Sciences Emeriti Award* from **Dr. Marlene Tromp**, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor and **Dr. Katharyne Mitchell**, Dean of the Social Sciences Division.

Not too long ago there was on TV an ad during which a father asks his 7-year-old son, "What do you want to be when you grow up?"

With conviction, the child replies, "A teacher."

A disappointed father asks, "Don't you want to be a lawyer or a doctor instead?"

Here, the child teaches the father, "If we didn't have teachers, where would lawyers and doctors come from?"

There has never been a profession more important than that of a teacher.

Congratulations to teacher Dr. Rodney Ogawa!

GOVERNMENT BY ASSASSINATIONS

Thanksgiving this year falls on November 22nd. Fifty-five years ago (1963), November 22nd was the Friday before the Thanksgiving week.

Around 10 am, the Vice Principal came to my room to announce that the President had been shot! A few moments later he returned to say **President John F. Kennedy** was dead!

Watsonville High School had a 24" B&W TV set in the auditorium. I took my class there and for the remainder of the day my classes sat silently or were sobbing watching **Walter Cronkite** of CBS-TV.

Five months earlier **Tets Hojo** and I were in Dallas, Texas on the very same highway by the book depository from where Lee Harvey Oswald fired his fatal shots.

At the time, it was a federal crime to threaten the life of a President but not to take it. Therefore, as you may recall, Dallas police was in charge of the investigation.

That weekend and Thanksgiving holiday was among the saddest.

On April 4, 1968, **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.** was assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee. Two months later, on June 5, **Robert F. Kennedy** was assassinated in Los Angeles. He had just won the CA Democratic Party's primary election for the Presidency.

In US History, these four Presidents have been assassinated while in office: **Abraham Lincoln, James A. Garfield, William McKinley and John F. Kennedy.**

Which Presidents, President-elects, and past Presidents experienced assassination attempts?

Check the following:

- ___ **Andrew Jackson**
- ___ **William Howard Taft**
- ___ **Theodore Roosevelt**
- ___ **Herbert Hoover**
- ___ **Franklin D. Roosevelt**
- ___ **Harry S. Truman**
- ___ **Richard Nixon**
- ___ **Gerald Ford**
- ___ **Jimmy Carter**
- ___ **Ronald Reagan**
- ___ **George H. W. Bush**
- ___ **Bill Clinton**
- ___ **George W. Bush**
- ___ **Barack Obama**
- ___ **Donald Trump**

If you checked all, you would be correct. Donald J. Trump, too? On October 2018: William Clyde Allen III, a U.S. Navy veteran, sent a letter containing castor beans to President Trump. The letter did not reach the White House as it was seized by the Secret Service. Allen was arrested on October 3, 2018 in Utah.

Crude pipe bombs were mailed to several Democratic Party leaders—Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama and others—and CNN. Fortunately, the bombs were intercepted by the Secret Service and US Postal Service.

Locally, our friends, Monterey County Supervisors **Simon Salinas** and **Luis Alejo**, received serious threats (both are graduates of Watsonville High School).

We won't know the motive of the attacker(s) until arrested and interrogated.

Will “**mental health**” play a significant role?

WATSONVILLE TAIKO & SHINSEI DAIKO

By Bonnie Chihara

It's the beginning of October, and we've already spent months planning and preparing for our Annual Holiday Boutique and Raffle.

This is our main fundraising event of the year.

Besides having our usual Asian inspired quilt for our raffle, we have two more quilts that have been donated to us. We have over 70 gift baskets plus gift certificates from local businesses. Our *taiko* youth group and their moms have been busy making braided dog toys, decorated plates and wool felt covered soaps. We will have over 60 succulent plants and dish gardens.

We will also be serving *miso* soup, *inari* sushi and cabbage salad. Our popular bake sale will feature home-made goodies baked by our members, plus candy *sushi* and a *mochi* dessert variety tray.

Our Holiday Boutique will be held on Sunday November 4th from noon to 5 pm at Kizuka Hall, 150 Blackburn St., Watsonville, CA 95076.

All are most welcome to attend. We'd love to see you and your family.

We have *taiko* classes for all ages. Our beginning children's class is scheduled at 4:30 on Fridays and are held at Kizuka Hall in Watsonville.

Our beginning adult classes are scheduled for 7pm also at Kizuka Hall.

For times and locations for our other classes please contact **Kay** at 831 475 1088 or email us at info@watsonvilletaiko.org

Our upcoming schedule:

- Oct. 26th Halloween Event, Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office
- Nov. 3rd Tandy Beals Magic Carpet, Veterans Memorial Building, Santa Cruz
- Nov. 4th **Watsonville Taiko's Annual Holiday Boutique and Raffle**
- Dec. 1st Multicultural Festival, Watsonville
- April 6th 2019-Santa Cruz Bonsai Kai event, MAH Santa Cruz

October Senior Center News

by **Carol Kaneko** and **Jean Yamashita**

Photos by **Carol Kaneko** and **Jean Yamashita**



Happy 47th Anniversary W-SC JACL Senior Center!

Photo by Phil Shima.

On Thursday, October 4th, the Seniors celebrated the 47th Anniversary of the W-SC JACL Senior Center (1971-2018). Kizuka Hall was beautifully decorated with flower arrangements masterfully created by **Hisako Kodama** (seated) and **Teruko Hirahara** (standing).





The anniversary festivities began with W-SC JACL President **Marcia Hashimoto** extending greetings and congratulations from our JACL chapter.



A lovely kalanchoe plant was then presented to 12 of the "90 and above" Seniors who were present (27 of our Senior members are 90+ with 3 Seniors over 100!).



(Seated) **Hisako Uemura (90)**, **Satoko Yamamoto (92)**, **Tea Hashimoto (97)**, **Michiko Hamada (97)**, (Standing) **Iwao Yamashita (91)**, **Rubie Kawamoto (91)**, **Mitzi Katsuyama (98)**, **Chiyeko Shikuma (93)**, **Haru Ishibashi (92)**, **Eiko Nishihara (92)**, **Yaeko Cross (91)**, and **Yoshiko Nishihara (91)**.

Everyone then squeezed together to pose for the traditional group photo that was taken by **Phil Shima**.

A memorable slideshow of the past year events, prepared by **Jean Yamashita** and **Carol Kaneko**, was shown. It was followed by enthusiastic games of bingo.



A delicious buffet meal prepared by **Imura's** was served.



Each Senior went home with a yummy piece of cake and *manju* provided by the Senior Center.

Phil Shima printed a large 47th Anniversary group photo for our Senior Center photo album. Phil also made 8x10 prints of our group photo (with all the names listed on the bottom) for \$5 each. Please see Phil if you would like to order a photo.

Watsonville Police Chief David Honda sent his congratulations to the Senior Center on its 47th Anniversary!

Thank you to all who made your anniversary donation. If you have not made your monetary donation, please do so to **Carol Kaneko** or **Toshi Yamashita**. Note: Please make your check payable to: **W-SC JACL Senior Center**. Thank you.



On September 27th, the **Kajihara** family donated apples for all the Seniors to enjoy. The **Kajihara** children were so cute as they excitedly passed out the apples to the Seniors. Thank you, **Jee Kajihara** and family, for your thoughtfulness!



On October 18th, the October birthday was celebrated. Our lone birthday honoree was: **Toshiko Yamashita**. Absent was: **Nobuko Akiyama**.

Thank you to **Teruko Hirahara** and **Hisako Kodama** for providing the very pretty flowers on each table and the beautiful arrangement for the head table. Also,

Toshi Yamashita generously donated 2-year calendars for everyone – thank you, **Toshi**!

Get well wishes were sent to **Jane Sugidono** who has not been feeling well. We hope she will be back at the Senior Center soon!



Candidates forum: **Ari Parker** and **Steve Trujillo**

Thank you to **Kitty Mizuno** for organizing a District 7 City Council candidate forum on October 11th at the Senior Center. Candidates who presented their views and answered questions were **Ari Parker** and **Steve Trujillo**. **Paul Kaneko**, a resident of Santa Cruz, presided over the event. Remember to vote on November 6th!



It was so wonderful to see **Mitsuyo Tao** (recovering from knee surgery) and **Chie Sakaue** (recovering from fractured hip) walk into the Senior Center - amazing! Welcome back!



On October 11th, **Hideko Nagamine** brought an abundance of scrumptious Japanese cucumbers for everyone! Thank you, **Mrs. Nagamine**!



(Top) **Mitsuyo Tao**; (above) **Kiyoko** and **Chie Sakaue**

A REMINDER: Please protect the Senior Center membership list and do not volunteer Senior information (name, address, phone number) to anyone you do not know.

Jean Yamashita announced that the Seniors will be celebrating *Halloween* on Thursday, October 25th. We will have a Halloween costume contest with prizes so we are excited to see what creative costumes the Seniors will come up with!

SENIOR TRIPS:

On Sunday, October 28th, a group of Seniors will be attending the film screening of the documentary "For the Sake of the Children" followed by a panel discussion at the *San Jose Buddhist Church Betsuin* annex.

Interested in a jolly jaunt to San Francisco Japantown for some holiday shopping? Then join the Seniors on a one-day bus trip to SF Japantown on **Tuesday, December 4th**, from 9 am to ~5 pm. The cost is \$35 for Senior Center members and \$45 for non-members. If interested or have any questions, please contact **Carol Kaneko** (wsc.jacl.seniors@gmail.com) or **Jean Yamashita** (408-813-6539, jeanyamashita@yahoo.com).

Thank you to our October *toban*: **Angie Guzman, Judy Hane, and Mary Perez. Leigh Sakaguchi** was in charge of opening up this month. Thanks to the kind volunteers who always step in to help out when we are short-handed in the kitchen. The *toban* schedule is posted in the kitchen.

Monetary donations for the month of October gratefully received from: **Mitsuyo Tao, Nobuko Akiyama, Jackie Yamashita, Jane Sugidono, and Toshi Yamashita.** Special donations from: **Mitsuyo Tao, and Mr. and Mrs. Akira Kodama** in memory of **Edna Nagata; Eiko Nishihara** in memory of **Henry Hayashida, and Daniel and Karen Nitta** in memory of mother **Helen Nitta Mito.** A special **Thank you** to all who have made their required donation for the **47th Anniversary** of the Senior Center.

Thank you for all the fabulous bingo prizes:

June/Sunao Honda	8 plates fresh apple cake; 8 plates <i>Spam musubi</i> ; 4 BBQ pork buns
Jean/Iwao Yamashita	8 bags cherry tomatoes; 8 mini-pumpkin pies; 4 mini-blueberry pies; 1 bag white cheddar puffs
Eileen Byers	8 rolls paper towels;
	11 pkgs. flavored popcorn
Jean Akiyama	1 bag <i>chagashi</i> ; 1 pkg <i>soba</i> ;
	3 pkgs. disinfecting wipes
Toshi Yamashita	60 2-year pocket calendars;
	5 instant <i>Ramen</i> noodles; 5 pkgs brownies; 2 boxes cookies
Mary Perez	30 rolls toilet paper; 2 bags cookies; 1 box popcorn;
	2 instant noodles
Gail Wurtenberg	7 pkgs lemon cookies;
	5 bags applesauce muffins
Jee/Kevin Kajihara	Apples for everyone
Nobuko Akiyama	2 boxes Madeleine cookies

Rubie Kawamoto	3 bags <i>senbei</i> ; 3 dozen eggs,
	2 pkg walnut cookies;
	6 boxes <i>Kleenex</i> ;
Yae/Sam Sakamoto	2 cans <i>Spam</i>
Bette Garcia	500 forks; 4 pkgs chocolate chip cookies; 1 box <i>Kleenex</i> ; 3 <i>Kind</i> bars; 3 granola bars;
	1 bag almonds
Haru Ishibashi	4 rolls paper towels; 40 plates
Kim Tao	10 bags rainbow flavored popcorn
	10 sponge cakes; 10 bags of <i>Panda</i> cookies; 10 plates egg white cupcakes (home baked)
Yoshiko Nishihara	15 bottles <i>Dawn</i> dish soap with scrubbies
Eiko Nishihara	12 jars strawberry jam
Kumiko Nakatani	5 bottles <i>Dawn</i> dish soap;
	2 packages chopsticks
Reba Condon	12 rolls toilet paper
Yaeko Cross	8 blackberry pies; 1 bag <i>senbei</i>
Kitty Mizuno	6 rolls toilet paper;
	6 kitchen towels
Connie Dimas	3 boxes cereal
Mitzi Katsuyama	2 boxes of popcorn (3 packs in each)
Hideko Nagamine	Japanese cucumbers for everyone
Nobue Fujii	6 jars pickled cauliflower
Pat Marr	8 pkgs. chocolate chip cookies
Hisako Kodama	5 bags tomatoes;
	3 bunches of flowers
Susan AmRhein	12 bags <i>Rice Krispy</i> treats
Judy Hane	8 rolls paper towels
Hisako Uemura	12 rolls toilet paper
Angie Guzman	1 roll paper towel; 3 boxes <i>Kleenex</i> ; 2 bottles <i>Dawn</i> dish soap
Itaru Nitao	23 <i>kabocha</i>

Thank you for coming to the Senior Center! The holidays are upon us, and the Senior Center hopes that all the Senior Center members will join us in the joyous festivities planned for the coming months! It's important to stay active, visit with your friends, win bingo prizes, and have fun. Be sure to do your balance exercises three times a day. See you next month!

Here's our November Schedule:

Thurs. Nov 1, 29	Regular Bingo
Thurs. Nov 8	November Birthday Party
Thurs. Nov 15	Thanksgiving Potluck/Turkey Dinner at 3:30 pm. Turkey and trimmings will be provided. We need salads, rice dishes, and cooked vegetables for potluck. Dessert will be pumpkin pie.
Thurs. Nov 22	Senior Center closed for the Thanksgiving holiday

Please check out our Senior Center website to read the Senior Center News, see pictures of our seniors in living color, and see our calendar of events: kizukahallseniors.wordpress.com.

WESTVIEW CHIMES

by Leslie Nagata-Garcia

Beggars Telling Beggars Where to Find Bread



From the
Pastor



When we got our new chocolate lab puppy, Chelsea (photo), I was so thrilled and enthralled with her that I showed her adorable picture to everyone. I then shared about how much we enjoyed her. She has been a wonderful addition to our home - so full of life and snuggles. I couldn't help

but share about our new puppy - it just came out of me and out of my joy! I was a Chelsea evangelist!

Likewise the apostles Peter and John, when threatened by the religious leaders and temple guard (a threat that would later lead to Peter's death and John's imprisonment), responded with, "As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard!" (Acts 4:20)

They could not help but speak of Jesus and how their lives had been changed through knowing him and through his death and resurrection!

Evangelism is such a scary word. It brings forth images of pushy people trying to convert others. I am sad that sharing the news that has changed our lives and brought love and grace into our world has gotten such a bad rap. Evangelism means sharing Good News and is really only about sharing the greatest news our world has ever known. The great reformer, Martin Luther, said, "We are all mere beggars telling other beggars where to find bread." We humbly have found the source of life and want others to be able to find it too!

On Sundays this Fall we are reflecting on 7 Characteristics of Vital Churches in order to work towards Revitalization - breathing new life into our church. The second Characteristic of a Vital Church is: Intentional, Authentic Evangelism vs "Jesus freaks," "Christian" hypocrisy, or a committee.

At a recent Sunday service you shared what we at Westview can do better to help each other in Evangelism:

- We are encouraged by each other's stories of how we came to Christ - we will try to have some stories in our Chimes in which members share their faith stories/journeys/past
- Continue to create a safe Haven here at Westview for new people to come and belong
- That we all would better listen to God prompting us to love and share with others - even when we don't know them

Evangelism in a Vital Church is:

- Intentionally sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ, not just acts of kindness. [LSEP]
- Authentically sharing Christ because it is intrinsic to self-identity; overflow of Christ in our life. [LSEP]
- Relational, not programmatic or systematic.

The Objective is:

- To recognize that all disciples are called to evangelism, not just committees and leaders and programs; it is an authentic part of their life and the church mission [LSEP]
- To empower and equip all people to enter relationships unashamed and unafraid to share the Good News as a way of life
- The church recognizes that evangelism should be need-based (meets needs of unchurched/dechurched)
- The church develops practices for people to share their story and give witness to Good News in their lives
- Hospitality is not viewed as a substitute for evangelism [LSEP]
- The people of God meld and claim God's story within their lives; living unafraid to share it

The world is hungry for peace, centeredness, and examples of those who serve and sacrifice for others. As the Sabbath people who display peace, love, service to the world we will be noticed by others. We will be seen as different. As we are faithful, God's love shines through, so "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that is within you. But do this with gentleness and respect." (1Peter 3:15)

I pray we can encourage each other with our own coming-to-faith stories and encourage and pray for

each other to have opportunities to share of the hope that is within us!

I appreciate you! You are a wonderful church family. I pray more people will get the opportunity to share in the life of the wonderful Westview family.

-Pastor Dan



Our **Annual Harvest Dinner** will be held on **November 3rd, 5 pm** at **Westview**. The free will offering will support Puerto Rico Recovery and to support Julie Lonero in her ministry to families of children with Sanfilippo Syndrome (MPS-III). Please bring a salad, dish or dessert, and we will provide the delicious chicken teriyaki. Come celebrate the harvest of God's goodness!!

Margo: Meet Margo, a woman with a heart to feed



the hungry (photo): Margo at River Park where she delivers breakfasts to the homeless. Margo Loehr is a wonderful woman who

comes to our Paloma Del Mar Bible study. Her sister Judith also comes. Margo learned many years ago that the agencies in Watsonville serve lunch and dinner for the homeless and needy, but no one serves them breakfast. In response, Margo has been cooking breakfast for the homeless five mornings a week for seven years and taking it to River Park on the levee. She was no longer able to use a church kitchen so she will be doing it at Westview now, since she has come to know and love our church. We will be installing a fridge and freezer on the back porch and maybe even a second small shed next to Solid Rock's shed.

She gets her food through Second Harvest and has a permit from the city to distribute the food at the park. She is very well organized and has a great heart. If you would like to help her - even just one morning a week or on an occasional basis, or would

like to donate to this worthy cause, please contact Pastor Dan. Checks can be written to Westview Presbyterian Church and write "homeless breakfast" in the memo. God bless you, Margo! You are feeding Christ, as you feed the hungry! (Matthew 25)

Help Your Youth/Children Grow a Strong Foundation in Christ!! *Youth/Family Upcoming Events:*

On **November 3rd**, come to the **Harvest Dinner** and hear **Ian** and **Kris** share about the **Puerto Rico hurricane relief mission trip**.

Come Meet a Dynamic and Inspiring Puerto Rican Pastor!

Rev. Pablo Rivera Madera Thursday November 15th, 5:30pm at Westview

Rev. Rivera is a Puerto Rican pastor, now residing in Georgia, who helped lead our mission trip and is founding the first Suicide Crisis Center in Puerto Rico in response to the huge increase of suicides since the Hurricane Maria devastation. He is one of those life-giving people who exude the love of Christ and inspires you to love others more fully!



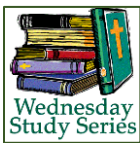
Westview will resume preparing and serving Salvation Army meals in December and continue every first Friday of each month through April. Volunteers are always welcome!! These Salvation Meals are a very worthwhile experience!!

Fall Sunday Message Series: We are in the midst of a series on **"The 7 Marks of Congregational Vitality—breathing life into our lives and our church!"**

In **late November** we will begin a series an **Advent series**. Yes, Christmas is around the corner again!! I pray we can once again be drawn into God's love as we plumb the depths or the true meaning of Christmas! **Sunday, November 18th** will be our **Thanksgiving Service**.



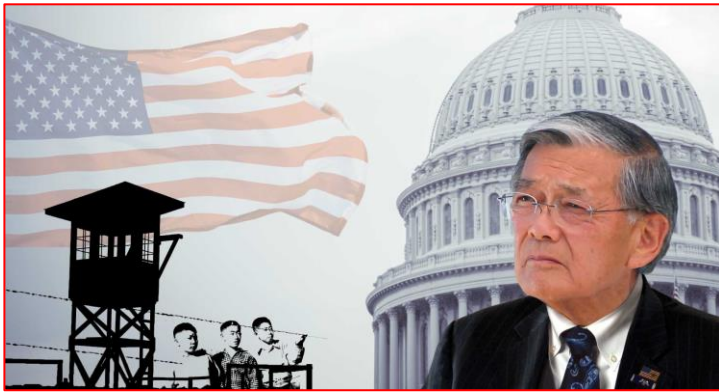
Tutoring Club Update: We continue to serve several students on a one-on-one basis at different times during the week. It is a delight to reach out with love and care for our neighbors. If you would like to participate in any way please contact Mary Lou or Pastor Dan.



Tuesday Study Series: Now held on the **2nd and 4th Tuesday** of each month, **4 pm at Paloma Del Mar, 2030 Pajaro Lane in Freedom.** We will

continue studying Bryan Loritts' book, *Saving the Saved: How Jesus saves us from try-harder Christianity into performance-free love.* Join us! It has been a delight to make new friends and "be church" at Paloma Del Mar!

Please mark your calendars for the following dates in November: **November 13th, November 27th**



An American Story: Norman Mineta and His Legacy has premiered across the country from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Washington, D.C. to Norm's hometown, San Jose, and will screen in Tokyo on November 9.

The film will be featured at upcoming film festivals in Boston, St. Louis and Philadelphia and on PBS-TV in 2019. Please watch for it.

Thank you all for your continued support of Mineta Legacy Project.

With appreciation,

Dianne Fukami & Debra Nakatomi
Co-Producers, Mineta Legacy Project

IN REMEMBRANCE ...

Kenneth "Kenny" Matsui

Kenneth (Kenny) Wayne Matsui, 60, passed away quietly at his home in Aromas.

Kenny was born on January 26, 1958 in Watsonville, CA to the late **Tommy Matsui and Vi Matsuoka Matsui**. He was a 1976 graduate of WUHS and was at the top of his class at the Motorcycle Mechanics Institute (MMI) in Phoenix, AZ.

Kenny's greatest passions were motorcycles, skateboards, bowling, music, and God...not necessarily in that order. His love of skateboarding gave him many, lifelong friends. Kenny was a friend to almost everyone.

Kenny is survived by his sister, **Valerie Matsui Sell** of Redding, CA. He was lovingly called Uncle Kenny by his nieces and nephews: **Shelia Johnston, Billy Sell, Kimiko Sell, Jerry Sell, and Ricky Sell**, all who also live in Redding. He was also adored by his "adopted" nieces and nephew, **Haley, Logan, and Emily Bloom** of Hollister, as well as many, aunts, uncles, and cousins.



A memorial service was held on Saturday, October 6, 2018 at Westview Presbyterian Church, 118 1st Street, Watsonville, CA.

For many decades, Kenny would donate to worthy causes, especially for children. So we are asking that in lieu of flowers, donations be made in Kenny's name, to Jacob's Heart, 680 Beach Street, Watsonville, CA 95076, or to any children's charity of your choice.

Masaye Tanimura

Masaye Tanimura passed away peacefully at home on September 3, 2018 surrounded by family members. She was 96 years old, born and raised in Watsonville, CA, the daughter of **Jisaburo and Yuki Yamauchi**. She,

along with her siblings, helped their parents who operated a *tofu* shop, a family run business.

She attended and graduated from Watsonville High School. Masaye was a dedicated wife to husband **George**, who passed away in 2016. They met in the incarceration camp of Poston, Arizona, and were married on



September 21, 1944. They were together for 70 years.

She was preceded in death by brothers **John (Pat)** and **Shige (Rose)** and sister, **Dorothy (Ben)**.

She and George raised two children, **Leslie (Ken) Morishita** and son **Glenn (Sheila)** and are survived by four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, September 22 at the Buddhist Temple of Salinas.

Our deepest condolences to the Matsui and Tanimura families, relatives, and friends.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF NISEI VETERANS

By Franz Steidl and Joe Bowes

From October 14 to 17 of this year, at the California Hotel in Las Vegas, NV, nearly three hundred family members and 100/442 Regimental Combat Team and MIS veterans celebrated the sacrifices and accomplishments during and after World War II, the Korean War and the wars that followed.



442nd RCT veteran **Sam Sakamoto** with **Lawson Sakai**, President of FNV and 442nd RCT veteran and organizer of this annual reunion. Photos by **Franz Steidl**.

"Christine and I have been attending this reunion for the past 10 years. Of interest, the Hospitality Suite featured the tastiest Watsonville strawberries, donated by **Paul and Kim Tao**, and delivered by **Shirley Inokuchi**, Iwao Yamashita's daughter. Iwao is a Korean War veteran. A big 'thank you' to Paul, Kim, and Shirley," said **Joe Bowes**.



Front: **Sam Sakamoto** and **Iwao Yamashita**. Back: **Franz Steidl** and **Shirley Yamashita Inokuchi**.

Mitch Maki, President and CEO of *Go For Broke National Education Center* (Los Angeles) was the guest speaker. Mitch gave an eloquent speech about internment and the soldiers who changed attitudes

toward Japanese Americans and bringing about laws that allowed *Issei* to become US citizens and implementation of redress.

At the hospitality room, **Robert Horsting** presented several of his excellent videos, including *Citizen Tanouye*, showing high school students learning about Nisei soldiers and their families.



The farewell luncheon featured winners of the raffle tickets and the *Grateful Crane Ensemble*, singing top hits of the 1940s.

"One member of the Ensemble sang the national anthem so beautifully. I never heard a better rendition. The song 'Danny Boy' is very special and dear to me. It had me close to tears," remarked Joe.

Later, a long line of Hawaiian visitors, wearing railroad caps, and making their way around the room sang along with the Ensemble's rendition of "Chattanooga Choo Choo," a song popular in the 1940's.

WATSONVILLE BUDDHIST TEMPLE ICHIMI



CHICKEN TERIYAKI TAKE-OUT DINNER SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL!

Dear Sangha,

The chairpersons of the annual Teriyaki fundraiser wish to thank each of you for a job well-done!

Each year it becomes more difficult for all of us to meet the physical challenges of creating the 2,000+ box dinners that we can be proud of. This year was again a challenge due to the number of individuals with bad backs

and other age-related difficulties. We were impressed by the number of you who fought through it all and worked extremely hard to make the fundraiser a huge success. It is a testament to the dedication of our Sangha to support the temple and each other every year, regardless of the dwindling number of healthy members and volunteers.

We hope that you will give us your feedback as to how we did and let us know if you have any suggestions for us to make the Teriyaki fundraiser more effective. It is the Temple's most profitable fundraiser; however, it is extremely labor intense. We are open to suggestions for a less difficult fundraiser.

Thank you again for your help each year.

Gerry Kondo (Chairperson) and Co-Chairpersons:
Alice Tanimoto, Susan Uyematsu, Perry & Kim Yoshida, Ryoko Kozuki, and Barbara Shingai.

The calendar for November:

- Sun. Nov. 4 Sunday Service, 10 am
- Sun. Nov. 11 **Shotsuki Hoyo/Dharma Youth Program**, Sunday Service, 10 am
- Sun. Nov. 18 **Eitaikyo Memorial** and Sunday Service, 10 am
- Sun. Nov. 25 **No** service

NOVEMBER SHOTSUKI HOYO FAMILY MEMORIAL

Sunday, Nov. 11, 2018 @ 10:00 am

Akiyama, Sadatoshi	Aoki, Tom Tsutomu
Aramaki, Kumaki	Arao, Henry Akio
Arao, Taisuke	Arita, Yoshino
Eto, Mitsugu	Fukuhara, Helen Natsuko
Fujii, Chizue	Fujita, Shinhichi
Fujita, Yoshio	Hamada, Sasayo
Hara, Toraji	Higaki, Dick Takashi
Idemoto, Mitsuji	Iwanaga, Fujino
Iwanaga, Tokiuyemon Jim	Izumizaki, Sadao
Kadotani, Hana	Kadotani, Peggy Ayako
Kaita, Kiyomi	Kajihara, Bill Kennichi
Kajihara, Masayo	Kajihara, Sadao
Kajihara, Shizuko	Kajihara, Takeshi
Kamimoto, Yoshiko	Kinoshita, Hatsumo
Kohara, Kimi	Kohara, Shinnosuke
Matsunami, Kunishige	Mino, Barbara Ayako
Mio, Kazuji "Kaz"	Misumi, Saburo
Nagamine, Daisy Iku	Nakahara, Chikiye
Nakamori, Natsu	Nishita, Hiroshi
Nitta, Tokuki	Oda, Betty
Ogawa, Chiyo	Okamoto, Fumiko
Ota, Lois	Sakae, Roy

Shiotani, Fumiko Frances	Shirachi, Ryu
Sukekane, Ayano	Tada, Ben
Takei, Jean	Tao, Katsumi Jim
Tominaga, Tatsuyoshi (Tats)	Tsuda, Tomio
Ura, Senzo	Wada, Masao
Wakayama, Fusajiro	Wobber, William
Yagi, Tami	Yamakoshi, Kikuyo
Yamamoto, Kiku	Yamashita, Hideo
Yoshida, Kuni	

On Sunday, October 7, the annual **Hatsumari Service** for the new born was held, and the following families participated.



Grandparents **Lloyd and Nancy Tanimasa**, great grandmother **Fumi Tanimasa**, parents **Evan and Amanda Suggs** with baby **Amy Tanimasa Suggs** and **Rev. Jay Shinseki** who officiated the ceremony.



Grandparents **Gerry & Vicki Kondo**, parents **Chris and Brooke Rains** with baby **Layla Rains** and older sister **Lily Rains**, with **Rev. Jay Shinseki**.



Grandparents **Kaoru and Terry Hirahara**, parents **Heidi Hirahara and Lowell Abenoja**, baby boy **Bradley Kaoru Abenoja**, Grandmother **Carmelita Abenoja**, Great Grandma **Etsuko Yano**, and **Rev. Jay Shinseki**



Nora and Bill Louie, grandparents of baby **Nicolas Keiji Louie** (absent) and **Rev. Shinseki**.

Each family was presented with a certificate from the BCA, held by Nora, and a beautiful, small, wooden *butsudan*, held by Bill Louie, the creative artistry of **Sadao Matsunami**.



On Sunday, October 14, **Rev. Yugo Fujita** of Salinas was the guest speaker of the BWA *Eshinniko* and BWA Memorial Service.

Here are some photos taken at the chicken teriyaki event of Saturday, September 22nd. It was a beautiful summer day in Watsonville.



The youth members assisted with the take-out
The cabbage *tsukemono* makers—**Pat Casey**, **Bruce Fujii**, and **Kenny Kusumoto**.



Pea packin' are **Kirk Muldoon** and **Tee Yamamoto**, the tallest and oldest volunteers.



The *tsukemono* packers above and rice packers below.

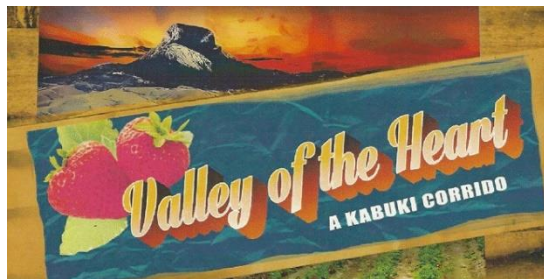


Dr Janet Nagamine, Mia Norton and Tanya Miller (above) and (below) **Mich Matano, Yoko Umeda and Marcia Hashimoto** are at the start of assembly line #2.



The assembly line #1 (above photos) packed a delicious *teriyaki* chicken, *tsukemono*, peas, rice, and a good fortune cookie. Finally. **Dr. Stuart Sakuma, Bruce Yamamoto, Norman Uyeda, and Dr. Gerald Kondo** (below) are members of the clean up crew.





Presented
in
association
with **El
Teatro
Campesino**,
"Valley of
the Heart"

will play October 30 through December 9 at the **Mark Taper Forum** (near Little Tokyo in Los Angeles). For tickets and information, please call (213) 628-2772 or visit www.centertheatregroup.org or.



The cast: L-R: (back row) **Mariela Arteaga**, **Moises Castro**, **Christy Sandoval** (a Watsonville High grad!), **Lakin Valdez**, **Melanie Arie Mah**, **Justin Chien**, **Scott Keiji Takeda**, **Theresa Murray**, (front row) **Rose Portillo**, **Daniel Valdez**, **Randall Nakano** and **Joy Osmanski** at a rehearsal for Luis Valdez's "Valley of the Heart."

Luis Valdez's screen credits include "Zoot Suit" (featuring **Edward James Olmos**), "La Bamba" (starring **Lou Diamond Phillips**), "The Cisco Kid" (featuring **Jimmy Smits** and **Cheech Marin**) and "Corridos: Tales of Passion and Revolution" (with **Linda Ronstadt**).

Awards include the *Presidential Medal of the Arts* from **President Barack Obama** for bringing Chicano culture to American drama. *LA Drama Critic Circle Awards*, *Bay Area Critics' Awards*, the *George Peabody Award* for excellence in television. As a playwright, actor, writer, and director, he illuminates the human spirit in the face of social injustice through award-winning stage, film, and television



productions. (*San Juan Bautista, CA*), the *Governor's Award* from the *California Arts Council* and Mexico's prestigious *Aguila Azteca Award* given to individuals whose work promotes cultural excellence and exchange between the U.S. and Mexico. He was inducted into the *College of Fellows of the American Theatre* at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. In 2007, he was awarded a *Rockefeller Fellowship* as one of the 50 U.S. artists so honored across the United States. Valdez was recently inducted into the *Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences* as a director.

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WHY JOIN OUR W-SC JACL?

Our W-SC JACL is blessed with dedicated board members and members who voluntarily serve our community. No one associated with our non-profit organization/chapter is a paid employee. They are dedicated to our JACL mission of social justice and civil rights for all.

You are welcome to attend our Thursday board meetings, which will be held Nov. 15 and Dec. 20, 2018 at the Tokushige Kizuka JACL Hall, 150 Blackburn St in Watsonville at 6:30 pm. We also encourage you to become a member of our board.

If you are not now a member of the National JACL, please consider joining our W-SC JACL chapter. We will do our best to serve you and our local community.

If you are a JACL member, please encourage family members, relatives and friends to join us. We are a 501 (c) (3) non-profit, educational, civil rights organization, and our tax-deductible federal ID is #94-2659895.

And, a most grateful "thank you" to those who renew before the expiration month of their membership!

Yes, you don't have to be a Japanese American to be a member. You don't even have to be a US citizen. You must be an advocate for social justice and for civil rights for all.

Current members, please look at the date after your name on the address label. **E. Txxxx 6/18** means your membership's expiration month (June 2018). **Marcia Hashimoto**, who sends renewal reminders, will be very grateful.

If you have moved or are planning to move, please let us know your new address.

Please do not mail to our Kizuka Hall address on Blackburn Street. **Our mailing address is: W-SC JACL, P. O. Box 163, Watsonville, CA 95077.**

Thank you for reading this **November 2018** newsletter. Comments are always welcome at hashi79@sbcglobal.net. For our full, living color newsletter, log onto <http://watsonvillesantacruzjacl.org>, click onto "Newsletters," then the month.

Onward!

Mas Hashimoto, Editor

PLEASE VOTE ON OR BEFORE NOV. 6TH!

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

\$5 Increase in the 2018 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 2018 National and local dues for our tax-deductible organization (ID #94-2659895) are as follows:

Individual Member	___ \$85 This includes National dues, local chapter dues, and our monthly JACL newsletter.
Family/Couples	___ \$155 This includes two National dues, local dues, and our monthly JACL newsletter, and all children under age 14 to be included.
Youth/Student	___ \$30 for each of ages 14 to 24, National and local youth/student membership, and our monthly JACL newsletter are included. Youth membership is <u>required</u> for scholarship consideration.

Please note: Free email subscription to the *Pacific Citizen*, the official paper of the National JACL, is provided via your email address. Subscription to a printed, hard copy requires an additional \$17 annually payable to the National JACL, 1765 Sutter Street, San Francisco, CA 94115, (415) 921-5225.

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

Name: _____
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Address: _____

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

Name: _____ Age: _____

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Please send your check payable to **Watsonville-Santa Cruz JACL** and mail ASAP to:
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