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OUTLOOK

San Jose JACL to host 6th Annual Community Recognition Dinner *By Kellie Takagi*

"Working Together to Enrich the Lives of Others" will be the theme for the 6th Annual Community Recognition Dinner at the San Jose Holiday Inn. It is an honor for the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) San Jose Chapter to recognize distinguished community volunteers. Since 1923 the San Jose JACL has been an active proponent for and contributor to San Jose Japantown, the greater San Jose Japanese American community, and civil and human rights for all Americans. In 2007 we hosted the National JACL Youth Conference, helped to honor Norman Y. Mineta: An American Icon, hosted Children's Day at the Issei Memorial Building, honored 14 high school students at our San Jose JACL Scholarship Luncheon, and hosted an educational event "Every Champion has a Coach" which highlighted local Japanese American mentors. This year we will have live entertainment from the Wesley Jazz Ensemble and a silent auction. All proceeds from this event will allow the San Jose JACL to continue to serve our community. Our Community Recognition Dinner will be held at the Holiday Inn, 1740 North



Jack Matsuoka

Tom & Helen Masuda

Tom & Terry Oshidari

John Hayakawa

Sue Toyoshima

San Jose Taiko

1st Street, San Jose, CA 95112, on Saturday, October 27, 2007 at 5:00pm. Tickets are priced at \$75 per person or \$750 for a table of ten. Tickets for the dinner can be purchased at San Jose JACL 565 North Fifth Street, San Jose, CA 95112. Call 408 295-1250 or email sanjosejacl@sbcglobal.net

Our 2007 honorees were selected for their dedication to upholding the mission of the San Jose JACL: education, civil liberties, community partnerships, and social/cultural activities. Honorees are Mr. John Hayakawa, Mr. Tom Masuda and Mrs. Helen Masuda, Mr. Jack Matsuoka, Mr. Tom Oshidari and Mrs. Terry Oshidari, Mr. Aki Toyoshima (posthumously) and Mrs. Sue Toyoshima, and San Jose Taiko. **Continued on page 5**

San Jose JACL hosted National JACL Youth Conference June 20 - July 1, 2007

The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) National Youth Conference *Cultivating Leaders by Defining our Roots* was held on Friday, June 29th through Sunday, July 1st at Santa Clara University in Santa Clara, California. The three-day conference was organized by the JACL National Youth/Student Council and hosted by the JACL San Jose Chapter. The conference was open to youth at least 13 years of age, including high school and college-aged individuals. Over 150 attendees had an opportunity to attend workshop sessions, dine with a career mentor, be inspired at the Vision Award banquet, as well as engage in social mixers and small group discussions.

The conference workshops covered subjects from Ethnic/Asian American Studies programs, Intra-Asian community relations, Liberty in North Korea, as well as interactive workshops on hip-hop culture, Mochitsuki, public speaking, and a taiko drumming workshop put on by San Jose Taiko.

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Our Northern California Western Nevada Pacific District youth participants

My thoughts about the National Youth Conference

By Mariko Fujimoto, High school student

For Japanese-American youth living in San Jose so close to the Japantown, there are many opportunities to join youth groups that are set up for the Japanese American citizens only. There is Jr. YBA through the Buddhist Church and various scouting groups as well, but only recently have I become more active in the JACL.

This summer I attended my first JACL Youth Conference because it was hosted by the San Jose Chapter. Though reluctant at first, I soon became caught up in the excitement and ended up having a really great time. There was variety of workshops so that everyone could have at least one that they were truly interested in. Since I live so close to the Japantown and am very involved in the Japanese American community there, it was kind of shocking to realize that many youth that attended do not have a large or even any sort of JA community so close to their home.

As a wrap up event for the Conference, the newly formed San Jose JACL Youth Group decided to host a "Post Conference BBQ." This event was to bring together the youth from chapters around the San Jose area to possibly increase JACL membership and promote the San Jose Youth Group.

Youth came from as far as Fresno to eat barbeque and just hang out with friends they made at the conference.



Annual General Meeting and Potluck

Please join us at the Chapter's Annual General Election and Potluck Dinner. At this event, the membership will elect its board of directors, and then the board of directors will elect the officers for the 2008 year. Along with the elections we will be having a potluck dinner. So please come out to vote in the new board, and you will get a bonus of a delicious potluck dinner.

Please let us know if you will be attending the potluck and what dish you will be making. I can be reached at (408) 363-8191, or E-Mail: jyoshioka@msn.com

If you need a ride to the meeting, please give Jeff a call and he will arrange for a ride to the meeting.

Date: November ¹⁶ 17, 2007, Friday

Time: 5:30pm Potluck Dinner, 7:00pm General Election

Place: Issei Memorial Building, 565 N. Fifth Street,
San Jose, CA 95112

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The San Jose JACL Board meets on the second Friday of each month at 7:00 p.m., at the Issei Memorial Building. Meetings are open to the public and everyone is welcome. Come and help shape San Jose JACL's future.

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Spirit of Japantown Festival for October 6, 2007

The Spirit of Japantown Festival will be taking place on October 6, 2007. This festival will showcase Japantown and help raise funds for local community organizations.

The festival currently has 9 attractions: Main Street, Original Arts and Crafts, California Car Club Exhibition, Sports, Fruits Flowers and Plants, Japanese Antiques and Fine Arts, Foods and Products of Japan, Children's Fun Zone, and Live Entertainment.

Currently, vendors and volunteers are actively being recruited to participate in the festival. If you or anyone you know wants to be a vendor or volunteer at the festival, please contact the San Jose JACL office. More festival information can be found at www.spiritofjapantownfestival.com.

San Jose JACL - Fruit, Flowers, & Plants San Jose JACL will be participating in the Spirit of Japantown by running the Fruits, Flowers, and Plants section of the festival. We will accept donations for sale at the festival with the proceeds going to help the JCCsj and the San Jose JACL. We could also use your help if you would like to volunteer to help at the festival. For more information, contact the chapter representative Jeff Yoshioka (408) 363-8191, jyoshioka@msn.com

San Jose Veteran's Weekend Events

Two World War II Japanese-American "Congressional Medal of Honor" Recipients will arrive San Jose on November 8, 2007 to receive "honors" during festivities planned as a part of Veterans Day-2007:

Barney Hijiro and Shizuya Hayashi, the two "Bravest of the Brave" are flying in from Hawaii to be honored at the San Jose Veteran's Day Parade Sunday-November 11, 2007 along with "Honors" at a Big Band Swing Dance--Glenn Miller Tribute"(open to the public) <http://www.moonlightswing.org/418thgal.html> on Saturday evening--November 10, 2007.

In addition, festivities are planned for Friday-November 9, 2007 by the San Jose JACL to honor these War Heroes. We are in the process of planning this event. Please save the date.

San Jose JACL / Yu Ai Kai Fishing Trip

Date: Saturday, September 22, 2007 Time: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Meet at the Issei Memorial Building at 7:30 am Space is limited to 20 seniors
565 N. 5th Street for pick up

If interested contact the San Jose JACL Office

Do not go to Yu-Ai Kai - no one will be there

Transportation and all fishing gear will be provided Bring your own lunch No fishing license needed Wear layered



clothes

San Jose JACL Activities *By Jeff Yoshioka*

Children's Day - Friday June 22, 2007

The San Jose JACL hosted a Children's Day Event at the Issei Memorial Building on Friday, June 22, 2007. On a beautiful day over 80 children and parents enjoyed a delicious lunch of Teriyaki Hot Dog, Somen salad, Nigiri, fruit, and cookies funded by a generous anonymous donor. The children were able to make a butterfly and fan, and play games which included a bean bag game and water bomb game. Gail Sueki welcomed all the parents, children, and some special guests Kay Ono, Tami Ono, and City Councilmember Sam Liccardo who just dropped by. The chapter would like to thank Lisa Kobayashi who organized, made most the food, and organized the craft projects, and her helpers Dick & Nancy Kerbel, Allison & Emily Kobayashi, Cecily & Kayla Nishimatsu, Joyce Oyama, Sharon Uyeda, and Jeff Yoshioka.

Stay at Home Drawing

In conjunction with Children's Day the chapter held the Stay at Home Drawing. Below are this year's winners.

1 st	\$500	Neil Kozuma	2 nd	\$200	Richard & Chik Kitajima
3 rd	\$100	Kayla Nishimatsu	4 th	\$75	John Hayakawa
5 th	\$75	Ashley Beaver	6 th	\$50	Shizuo Itatani
7 th	\$50	Emi Tsutsumi	8 th	\$50	Jim Satake
9 th	\$50	Tom Nishisaka	10 th	\$50	Grace Inouye

2007 Tri-District Conference

Circle the dates: November 2 - 4 and plan to attend. The Northern California Western Nevada Pacific (NCWNP) District will be hosting the 2007 Tri-District Conference in Reno, Nevada at the Circus Circus Hotel and Casino. Central California and Pacific Southwest Districts will also be attending.

Early Bird registration (before 9/30) is \$100. Includes Fri. Welcome Mixer, Sat. Continental Breakfast, Workshops/Roundtables, Sat. Award Luncheon, Snacks, and Sunday Breakfast.

A special group rate of \$89.99/night (2 nights stay required) is available by calling 1-800-648-5010 and giving the code: JACL. Rate available to 10/3/07.

Two sessions of workshops and one session of roundtable discussion groups will be offered on Saturday. The following is a sample of workshops/roundtables that are being planned:

- Dialogue about Lt. Ehren Watada
- Community Response to Hate Crimes
- Pinedale Site Restoration
- Lobbying Strategies
- Ideas for Increasing Civic Participation Among Today's Youth
- Japanese Cuban Imprisonment During WWII
- Identifying the New J-Town Community

The conference registration form and more details will be available at jacl-ncwnp.org website (Click on Tri- District Conference) or can be requested by contacting the San Jose JACL office.

See you in Reno!

NCWNP Salute to Our Veterans

The Northern California Western Nevada Pacific District – JACL honored veterans from World War II and the Korean Conflict aboard the USS Hornet on Sunday, August 12, 2007. Approximately 340 were in attendance. Gail Sueki, Jeff Yoshioka, Neil Kozuma, Joyce Oyama, Margie Oyama, and Tim Tom took care of the registration table. The attendees were invited to tour the MIS and 100th/442nd permanent exhibit as well as take a docent-led tour of the USS Hornet and two screenings of “Only the Brave” were shown. Sharon Uyeda oversaw the silent auction, which offered a variety of items for people to bid. A bento lunch and short program rounded out the day. The San Jose JACL was proud to submit Ernie Hiratsuka and Ray Matsumoto as the Chapter’s veteran representatives for the booklet, but the event was to salute ALL of our veterans to whom we owe so much.



Tim Tom, Neil K., Jeff Y. work registration



Henry & Sharon Uyeda, Ray & Lucy Matsumoto .



Joyce & Margie Oyama help at Silent Auction



Chapter Vet. Rep. Ernie Hiratsuka



Judy Niizwa, Event co-organizers Emily Teruya and Milo Yoshino



Milo Yoshino



U.S.S. Hornet

6th Annual Recognition Dinner (Continued from page 1)

John Hayakawa stated, "I was invited to join the San Jose JACL by President Shigio Masunaga on my 21st birthday. We are the only Nikkei organization that has endured the long depression, suffered incarceration, and survived. We had to start from scratch after World War II. What we have accomplished so far is something to be proud of and should be sustained. The upcoming generation is the answer."

Tom and Helen Masuda stated, "Join the San Jose JACL and be helpful as much as you can." Tom and Helen are active volunteers at Wesley United Methodist Church and Yu-ai kai. Tom is also a volunteer with Veterans of Foreign Wars serving as perennial chaplain.

Jack Matsuoka was interned from 1942 to 1945 at Poston Camp II. While in Poston he drew most of his collection of cartoons. For many years the cartoons lay forgotten in an old trunk. His mother Chizu Martha Matsuoka discovered the cartoons and immediately realized that the story of Poston Camp II had an important message for current and future generations.

Tom Oshidari, replied, "I believe that the JACL, because of its long history, has become a unifying symbol for Japanese Americans, bridging the past and the present. So, beyond their ongoing community functions local chapters such as San Jose JACL have a legacy aspect further deserving community support."

Terry Oshidari, replied, "I have been a member of the San Jose JACL for 30 years. I have learned so much about the community and how it operates. It is so rewarding to feel that you can make a difference by helping in the community."

Aki and Sue Toyoshima started a little coffee and donut shop. In 1963, Aki and Sue opened a second business in San Jose Japantown called Aki's Bakery. Aki perfected baking while Sue perfected cake decorating. Customers traveled from as far as Sacramento to enjoy Aki's famous guava cake and butter cookies. Over the years Aki and Sue have been strong supporters of many local non-profit organizations.

Since 1973, San Jose Taiko (SJT) has been mesmerizing audiences with their powerful, spellbinding and propulsive sounds of the taiko drums. Composing, choreographing, designing, producing costumes, and handcrafting of the drums are part of the holistic process in which all members participate. San Jose Taiko has broadened and embellished the historical art form into a style that joins the traditional rhythms of Japanese drumming with the beat of world rhythms including African, Balinese, Brazilian, Latin and jazz percussion.

National JACL Youth Conference (Continued from page 1)

The weekend was a great opportunity for young Japanese Americans to meet others from different parts of the country. A great time was had by everyone.

The conference started with a welcome to San Jose hosted by the San Jose JACL for early arrivals. This gave an opportunity for out of town youth to take a tour of Japantown led by Joyce and JAMSj's Margie Oyama.

Kayla Nishimatsu said the workshops were good, but the speakers Tad Nakamura (Film Director), Jeremy Nishihara (Communication Manager), and Erin Yoshimura (Chief Empowerment Officer) were very good and help get everyone's blood flowing.

We would like to thank the mentors at the luncheon: Nikki Hikari, Dean Hirabayashi, Linda Horiuchi, Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston, Mike Inouye, Dr. Phyllis Ishida, Reiko Iwanaga, Dana Kawaoka, Jeff Kimoto, Gordon Koo, Councilmember Evan Low, Jeremy Nishihara, Dr. Robert Nishime, Larry Oda, Eugene H. Sakai, Catherine Gutierrez, Nathan Shinagawa, Gail Tanaka, Vicky Tarumoto, Mrs. Gerry Watanabe, Michelle Wong, Michael Yoshihara,

We would also like to thank Congresspersons Mike Honda, Zoe Lofgren, and Anna Eshoo for the joint resolution, State Senator Elaine Alquist for a resolution, State Assemblyperson Sally Lieber for attending the Vision Dinner and individual certificates for every youth participant, Santa Clara City Councilperson Jamie Mcleod for attending the Friday night social, and San Jose City Councilperson Sam Liccardo for attending the Vision Dinner.

The chapter would like to thank the following for volunteering and helping make this a successful youth conference. Pre-event at IMB (Cecily, Kayla, Lia, & Susan Nishimatsu, Joyce Oyama, Margie Oyama) Transportation (Gordon Koo, Lisa Kobayashi, Roy Hirabayashi, Leon Kimura, Neil Kozuma) Registration (Sharon Nakamura, Kurt Kurasaki, Diane Mori Mune, Sharon Tsukiji, Eden Township Volunteers) Mentorship Lunch volunteers (Judy Mine, Linda Fujimoto) Vision Award Dinner (Pam Yoshida, Colleen Oda, April Goral) and many more.

San Jose JACL Activities and participation

The following is a list of events sponsored, co-sponsored and/or attended by the San Jose JACL Board:

- 6/1 SJ JACL Fundraiser SJ Sabercats vs Orlando Predators, HP Pavilion – Jeff Y., Gail S., Neil K., Sharon U., Randy O.
- 6/5 Outlook Mailer – Jeff Y., Neil K., Leon K., Tom O.
- 6/12 Japantown Historical District Meeting – Neil K., Gail S., Jeff Y., Leon K., Tamon N.
- 6/22 SJ JACL Children's Day / Stay at Home Drawing – Lisa Kobayashi, Sharon U., Joyce O., Jeff Y., Gail S. Mark K.
- 6/24 JCCNC Track Meet – Tom O., Jeff Y.
- 6/25 API Justice Coalition – Neil K., Tamon N., Jeff Y., Gail S.
- 6/28 Corp yard meeting / Spirit of Japantown – Neil K., Tamon N., Gail S.
- 6/28 National Youth Conference Work session – Jeff Y., Gail S., Pat N., Sharon U., Joyce O.
- 6/29 SJ JACL Pre-convention event – Jeff Y., Gail S., Jeff K., Joyce O.,
- 6/29-7/1 National JACL Youth Conference – Gail S., Jeff Y., Neil K., Leon K., Joyce O., Mark K., Tamon N., Sharon U., Pat N., Randy O.



Crafts at JACL Children's Day



Very nice crowd at Children's Day



Children's Day organizer Lisa Kobayashi and helper

- 7/20 Remember Vincent Chin – Neil K., Jeff K., Jeff Y., Leon K.

- 7/30 API Justice Coalition – Jeff Y., Neil K.



At the APALI dinner Tim Tom, Gail S. & Jeff Y. Tadao Koyama, Kenzo K., Rosie Bhudsabourg



A T & T's Kathy Ramos & Randy Okamura



National President Larry Oda, Vision Dinner Dale Minami & spouse, Executive Director Floyd Mori NCWNPD Patty Wada

- 8/3 JACL Summer Appreciation BBQ – Jeff Y., Gail S., Pat N., Sharon U., Leon K., Tom O., Tamon N., Joyce O., Neil K., Mark K.,
- 8/5 District Council Meeting – San Francisco – Sharon U., Mark K.
- 8/5 API Picnic - Gail S., Neil K., Randy O.
- 8/9 APALI Dinner – Gail S., Jeff Y., Kenzo K., Randy O.
- 8/11 Youth Conference Follow up BBQ – Gail S., Jeff Y., Neil K.
- 8/12 NCWNPD U.S.S. Hornet Veterans Event – Sharon U., Gail S., Neil K., Joyce O., Jeff Y.,
- 8/27 API Justice Coalition – Neil K., Jeff Y.

National JACL Youth Conference



Registration table



Eden Youth help with registration



Lisa Tanaka, Megumi Kaminaga Archana Sheth, Carol Kawaguchi



Youth enjoy mentor lunch with Dr. Nishimae



Blake H. pounds mochi



Guest speakers Tad Nakamura, Jeremy Nishihara, and Erin Yoshimura



Hanging out after breakfast



San Jose Youth talk with Vision Dinner MC George Kiriama

San Jose JACL Youth BBQ



A Question Still Worth Asking *By Jeff Kuwano V.P. Civil Liberties*

25 years after the infamous racial hate crime murder of Vincent Chin, a Chinese American, by two white autoworkers, 50 plus youth took the time to reflect upon, ask questions about, and understand the meaning of the Vincent Chin case and how it relates to the state of civil liberties today. Asian Pacific Americans for Progress, a grassroots, internet-empowered, national network of Asian Pacific Americans and friends for Progressive Action, hosted this town hall event, one of many throughout the nation, with sponsors Vision New America, Organization of Chinese Americans, San Jose JACL, and in conjunction with Asian Pacific Islander Justice Coalition.

A special screening of the Academy-Award nominated documentary *Who Killed Vincent Chin?*, was shown to the crowd of mostly high school and younger college age students, followed by a panel discussion facilitated by professors from De Anza College at the United Way Building in San Jose. The documentary chronicles the case of Vincent Chin with interviews of the killers, Michael Nitz and Ronald Ebens, who were partly motivated by anti-Japanese sentiment, the mother of Vincent Chin, witnesses, and journalist Helen Zia.

Attendees, each having the opportunity to speak, shared their sentiments of shock, disbelief, and anger at the racially motivated crime and extremely lenient sentencing of killers who received no jail time. Attendees expressed their empathy and praise for the mother of Vincent Chin; who despite being overcome with the pain and suffering from her loss, continued to fight for "justice for my son." "It was refreshing to see a strong API presence assemble in support of Vincent Chin's mother and a more just punishment for the killers," one student mentioned.

To young adults, many of whom had already seen the documentary in the past as part of their school curriculum, choosing to spend a Friday night to explore such an incredible human tragedy and such a gross violation of civil liberties brings hope to the future for the ongoing and the uphill struggle to maintain civil liberties. The message of vigilance in recognizing civil liberties injustices, mobilizing as a community, and taking action was reinforced throughout the night.

Civil Liberties Committee Watch *By Neil Kozuma*

The conversations from members of the Asian communities and non-Asian communities support different positions in the trial of Lt. Ehren Watada and Congressman Mike Honda's House Resolution 121 (Comfort Women). Lt. Watada faces court martial for his refusal to deploy to Iraq. He states, "As the order to take part in an illegal act is ultimately unlawful as well, I must refuse that order." The U.S. House of Representatives passed a Resolution (H.Res121) stating that the Government of Japan should formally acknowledge, apologize, and accept historical responsibility in a clear and unequivocal manner for its Imperial Armed Forces' coercion of young women into sexual slavery, known to the world as "comfort women," during its colonial and wartime occupation of Asia and the Pacific Islands from the 1930s through the duration of World War II.

The Civil Liberties Committee will continue to monitor the Lt. Watada trial and listen to feedback from House Resolution 121, as well as watching other important civil liberties issues. In an effort to engage and educate the next generation, the Civil Liberties Committee will soon hold a workshop on Asian stereotypes. Please stay tuned to the announcement of the date and time of this event.

Visiting Tanforan

On June 2, 2007 hundreds of people journeyed to Tanforan to commemorate the 65th anniversary of the assemblage of nearly 8,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry. Now a shopping center, Tanforan was created as a horse racetrack. During the months of April through October 1942, resulting from EO 9066, Tanforan was a temporary detention center before Japanese Americans were bused to their concentration camps.

Tributes were provided by many speakers. They spoke of injustice, sacrifice, courage and fortitude. My thoughts turned to the denial of civil rights, threats to one's dignity, and the smell of horse stalls. Without due process, Americans were forced to live in unhealthy and dirty horse kennels. The morning was very cold. I had the luxury of going to a book store for warmth and a cup of hot tea. The Tanforan internees faced much harsher climates and they would have been shot if they tried to leave their immediate area.

I am a member of the San Jose Chapter of the JACL because I hope my involvement will continue the JACL mission, retain the Japanese American history, and lead others to carry on the work of the JACL.

Michael Yoshihara, CFS

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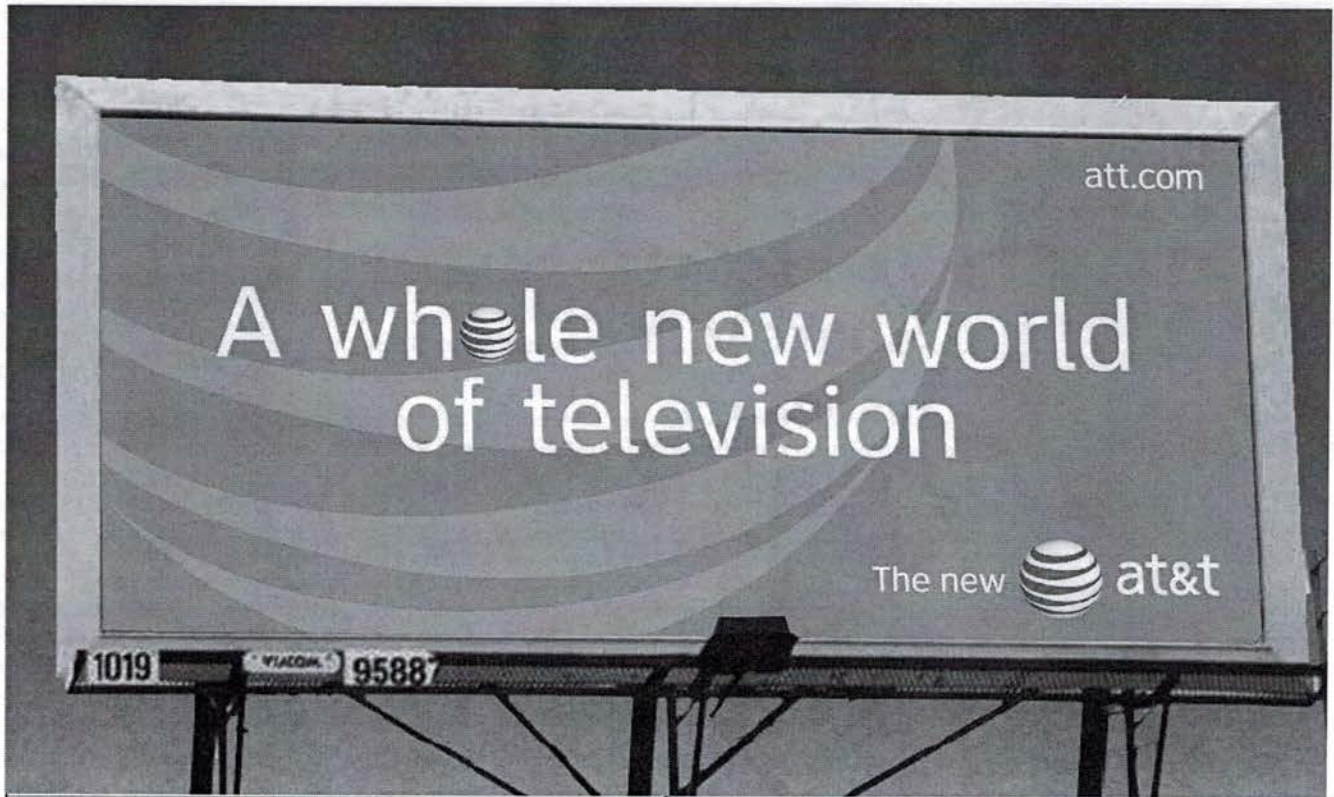
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Save the Date - San Jose JAACL Bowl-a-Thon will be on November 24th.

Details will be coming out soon. If interested please contact Jeff Yoshioka for more details. jyoshioka@msn.com or check out the website for details www.sanjosejacl.org Here are some pictures from last years event.



Calendar of Events:

Legend:

IMB = Issei Memorial Building, 565 N. Fifth Street, S.J.

September

14 - San Jose JACL Board Meeting [every 2nd Friday of the month] 7:00 p.m. IMB, or email jyoshioka@msn.com

15 - Aki Matsuri Wesley Methodist Church 10:00 - 4:00

16 - Yosh Uchida Tribute Reception San Jose History Park 1:00 - 3:00

22 - San Jose JACL Senior Fishing Trip 8a.m. - 4p.m.

(See article)

October

6 - Spirit of Japantown San Jose Japantown All day

12 - Board Meeting [every 2nd Friday of the month] 7:00p.m.

IMB

27 - SJ JACL 6th Recognition Dinner Holiday Inn 5:30

November

2 - 4 - Tri District Conference - Reno NV

9 - Medal of Honor Event, TBA

10 - JAMSj Winter Boutique San Jose Buddhist Church

16 - San Jose JACL Potluck 5:30p.m. / General Election IMB 7:00p.m

17 - JACL Bowl-a-Thon, Details to follow

Thank you for your support:

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Children's Day

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Apologies to anyone left off the lists

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Emily Kobayashi	CD, BBQ	Lisa Kobayashi	CD, YC, BBQ
Mark Kobayashi	CD, YC, BBQ	Gordon Koo	YC
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Tamon Norimoto	YC, BBQ	Randy Okamura	SC, YC
Claire Omura	Sunshine Club	Kay Ono	CD, Sunshine Club
Tom Oshidari	Mailer, BBQ	Joyce Oyama	CD, YC, BBQ, Hornet
Margie Oyama	Hornet	Parents	Youth Conference
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Sharon Uyeda	CD, YC, BBQ, Hornet	Pam Yoshida	YC
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The chapter's annual barbecue to say "thank you" to our volunteers and supporters saw a good-sized crowd of people gathering in the back yard of the IMB on Friday evening, August 3. Many thanks to all those of you who were able to come by to enjoy the delicious eats put out by Jeff Yoshioka and his hard-working helpers and the board members who brought out wonderful salads, side dishes, tsukemono, musubi, other great Japanese dishes, and yummy desserts – ice cream and cookies!



Henry & Edith Sasaki

Crowd lines up for dinner

Michael Yoshihara & Len Fujita

Paul Nishimatsu, & Alex Kami

Joanne, Gary, & Jemma Jio

We also very gratefully acknowledge the wonderful music provided by Michael Yoshihara and Len Fujita. They not only provided 'mood music' while everyone was eating; they continued to play throughout the evening – even while we were putting things away! The music probably helped us all to find a rhythm to work to! It was an enjoyable evening to socialize, mix and meet different people and, once again, to thank our invaluable community volunteers and supporters. Our chapter is only as strong as our members and supporters allow it to be. It was good to see so many of our scholarship donors present and President Gail Sueki acknowledged the many ways so many who attended give to our community and to our chapter. It's been a busy year and we're not finished yet.