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OUTLOOK

Historic Redress/Reparations Forum To Be Held In San Jose *By Kenzo Kimura*

On Saturday, August 9, 2008, join event co-sponsors San Jose Japanese American Citizens League, Nihonmachi Outreach Committee, and San Jose City College for an educational forum entitled "Road to Redress/Reparations: Commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the Civil Liberties Act." The program will explore the efforts undertaken at the local, national, and congressional levels to make the legislation a reality.



President Ronald Reagan signs the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 with then Congressman Norman Mineta looking on

The act was a milestone in American history because it secured an apology from the US government for the forced internment of 120,000 Americans of Japanese descent in concentration camps during World War II. In addition, it provided redress payments to internees and created an ongoing fund to educate the American public about internment.

The Civil Liberties Act of 1988 brought vindication to a Japanese American community which was comprised of less than .05% of the American population. The struggle to mobilize and unite the Japanese American community and its supporters while simultaneously coordinating local, national, and congressional advocacy efforts provides important lessons for current and future leaders in our community.

The movement launched redress from "special interest" legislation into a much broader context by declaring that internment camps were a product of racial discrimination, wartime hysteria, and the failure of political leadership. In honor of this historic achievement, this educational forum will discuss the collective efforts at the congressional, national non-profit, and local (South Bay) levels to bring the Civil Liberties Act to life.

The Honorable **Norman Mineta** will deliver the keynote address. JACL National Redress Director **John Tateishi** and Nihonmachi Outreach Committee Redress activist **Susan Hayase** are also scheduled to speak.

This free event will be held on Saturday, August 9, 2008 from 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm at the San Jose City College Theater located at 2100 Moorpark Avenue, San Jose, CA 95128. Seating is limited.

Major sponsors are AT&T and Southwest Airlines

For additional information, please visit our website at www.sanjosejacl.org or Kenzo Kimura, 408-476-2166

Remembering Judge Kanemoto By Pat Nakashima

With the passing on May 24 of Wayne Masao Kanemoto, another chapter in the history of the Japanese American community in San Jose closes.

Wayne Kanemoto earned his law degree from the University of Santa Clara in 1942. He passed the bar exam while at the Santa Anita Race Track Assembly Center. He joined the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and then was assigned to the Military Intelligence Service (MIS).

After the war, he was named a judge by Governor Edmund G. Brown and served on the Santa Clara County Municipal Court bench for 20 years, retiring in 1982. Even after his retirement, however, Judge Kanemoto continued his involvement with the community.

It was during the period immediately after the war that Judge Kanemoto, along with Shig Masunaga, Dr. Tokio Ishikawa, Phil Matsumura and Eiichi Sakauye served as the original board of directors of the Nisei Service Center. Judge Kanemoto, as a local attorney, created a non-profit, tax-free corporation to hold ownership of the property located at 565 North Fifth Street, now known as the Issei Memorial Building (IMB). The IMB serves as the headquarters of the San Jose Chapter of the JACL as well as offices for San Jose Taiko, Japanese American Museum of San Jose (JAMsj), and Contemporary Asian Theater Scene (CATS) and is often used by other community groups as well for other functions.

The San Jose Chapter of the JACL remembers and acknowledges most gratefully Judge Kanemoto's important contributions not only to the chapter, but also to the larger Japanese American community, to the state of California, and to the United States of America. His wisdom and guidance will be missed, but we are very fortunate to have been beneficiaries of both during his lifetime.



Judge Wayne Kanemoto, Congressman Mike Honda, Kenzo Kimura



Retired Judge
Wayne Kanemoto

Retired Judge Wayne M. Kanemoto is a native of San Jose. He earned his law degree from the University of Santa Clara in 1942. Judge Kanemoto passed the bar exam while living at the Santa Anita Race Track Assembly Center. Due to his service in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, he received special permission from the State Supreme Court to be sworn in to the California Bar Association while in Arizona. Despite his internment, he volunteered and joined the all-Nisei 442nd Regimental Combat Team in 1943. He was later assigned to the Military Intelligence Service. Upon return to San Jose he went into private practice and also became involved with the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL). Governor Edmund G. Brown appointed him judge, making him one of the first Nisei judges on the US mainland. He served 20 years on the Santa Clara County Municipal Court bench, was elected to Presiding Judge in 1965, 1968, and 1970, and retired in 1982. Judge Kanemoto was instrumental in the formation of two Buddhist temples in San Jose, the Buddhist Church of the Sun and the Japanese Buddhist Church of the West. He was a member of the San Jose Japanese Landscape Gardening Association and the Jackson-Taylor Business Association. In recognition of his contributions to the community, he has received many awards including: JACL National Distinguished Service, City of San Jose Distinguished Citizen, and the Edwin J. Onoda Award of the Year. He graduated from the University of Santa Clara. More recently, Judge Kanemoto initiated a program that permitted Japanese Americans locally for Isseis to become naturalized citizens. He directly assisted the local JACL chapter members in preparing and filing several hundred naturalization petitions. This program was subsequently adopted throughout many parts of the country. Judge Kanemoto is married to Betty and has four children: William, Mary, Alan and Margery.

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Congressman Mike Honda and Judge Wayne Kanemoto

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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Nikkei Matsuri San Jose Japantown Festival

By Kellie Takagi

Nikkei Matsuri 31st Annual Festival was held on Sunday, May 4th in San Jose Japantown at 5th and Jackson Street. Nikkei Matsuri embraces the local communities appreciation of Japanese American cultural heritage. Nikkei Matsuri is held in the heart of San Jose Japantown, which is one of the three surviving Japantowns in the United States. This year's opening ceremonies began with the raising of Koi Noburi by Nikkei Matsuri President Warren Hayashi. Performing artists included CYS Dancers, San Jose Chidori Band, Wesley Jazz Ensemble, San Jose Taiko, and Japanese Classical Dance. This year's cultural art displays included ikebana (flower arranging), suiseki (rock displays), bonsai (miniature trees and plants) and kimekomi dolls (handmade dolls based on a wooden form). The arts and crafts faire featured over 60 artists with their handcrafted clothing, jewelry, ceramics, pottery, and toys. Local community organizations hosted activities throughout the day. Yu Ai Kai hosted the Nihonmachi Run and health faire, Japantown Business Association held their weekly Farmer's Market, and Suzume No Gakko hosted children's crafts. Local non-profit organizations coordinated food booths that featured Japanese delicacies such as bota mochi, udon, tempura, teriyaki chicken, yaki soba, manju, and FRIED IKA. "Ika Man" made an appearance this year to help boost sales. We sold out !!!! Thank you to all the volunteers from Eden Youth Group, and San Jose JACL members for their dedication and continued support throughout the years.

This year we had an Ika shortage and did a combo meal of Ika and French fries. Since this was the first year we had trouble getting the portions right. Next year, we will be better prepared to do the combo meal.



Ika Man & some adoring fans



Hard working volunteers



Molly Yamamoto, Kenzo AKA Ika Man Curt M., Paul Nishimatsu
Tom O., & Eddie Kerbel



& Kaz U. cook away

San Jose Japantown Landmarks Dedication

By Amy Halcrow



Ikoi no Ba, Issei Memorial Building

On May 4, 2008 the dedication ceremony for the San Jose Japantown Landmarks was held as part of the Nikkei Matsuri Festival. The Master of Ceremonies and Deputy City Manager Ed Shikada, introduced the guest speakers which included Mayor Chuck Reed, Consul General of Japan Yasumasa Nagamine, Councilmember Sam Liccardo, and Retired Senator John Vasconcellos.

The landmarks include the Nikkei Lantern, Issei Stone, Issei Voices Wall on 5th and Jackson Streets; five Ikoi no Bas located at Issei Memorial Building, Japanese American Museum San Jose, Wesley United Methodist Church, San Jose Buddhist Church, and Lotus Preschool; and several Japantown Historic Marker benches throughout Japantown telling stories

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The creation of these Landmarks is a result of Senate Bill 307, authored by State Senator John Vasconcellos in February 2001, to preserve the three remaining Japantowns in California. As a provision of this Senate bill, the Japantown Community Congress was formed to work on the cultural and historic preservation of San Jose Japantown. The Landmark Projects Committee of the Japantown Community Congress worked closely with the Redevelopment Agency of San Jose on this project.



Mayor Reed, Councilmember Liccardo,
Senator Vasconcellos, Consul
General Nagamine, Warren Hayashi,
Ed Shikada and his children,

Children's Day in San Jose

By Lisa Kobayashi

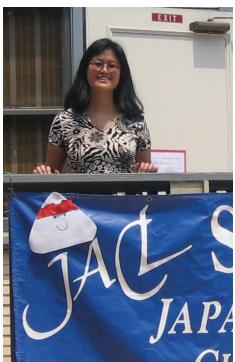
The San Jose JACL hosted the Second Children's Day event at the Issei Memorial Building, on Friday, June 27, 2008.

Children and their families came and enjoyed the beautiful backyard garden setting of the Issei Memorial Building. Originally known as the Kuwabara Hospital, the Issei Memorial Building has been home to many people, businesses and community organizations over the years. The San Jose JACL will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the building in 2010.

Lunch, beverages, snacks and dessert was provided by San Jose JACL. There were Japanese-inspired crafts and activities, as well as prizes for the kids and information about the San Jose JACL, including chapter events, scholarships, community service, and membership. The highlight for the afternoon was the drawing for the Stay at Home Fundraiser.

Last year's event drew over 80 community members. This year the day saw over 120 children and parents enjoying a perfect summer afternoon. The Issei Memorial Building is a treasure in Japantown, and we want to share it with some of the younger community members. Many of the old-timers know its history, but some of the younger people do not even know it exists.

Thanks to the volunteers who helped make food and organize the arts & crafts, Jeffrey Fudenna, Vernon Hayashida, Leon Kimura, Mark Kobayashi, Diane & Jeff Morimune, Kimbie Nakamura, Cecily, Kayla, Lia, & Susan Nishimatsu, Tom Oshidari, Joyce Oyama, Gail Sueki, Sharon Uyeda, Jeff Yoshioka, and many more lending a helping hand.



Lisa Kobayashi
Thank you Lisa !!



Jeff Fudenna
Dominates play



Gail Sueki
leads the children in J-A-C-L



Diane & Jeff Morimune,
Kimbie Nakamura, & Jeff
Fudenna helping out



Cecily & Kayla
Nishimatsu
Help at registration



Kyle & Kaely Mikami
Kyle Koshiyama



Miya Hilleslabnd & Caitlin Tanaka



Denise Yang, Jean Morino
Katie & Tyler



Stay at Home Drawing Winners

In conjunction with Children's Day the chapter held the 2008 Stay at Home Drawing. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets and help raise over \$2,000 for the chapter. Below are this year's winners.

1st \$500	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Kagawa	2nd \$200	Mr. & Mrs. John Hayakawa
3rd \$100	Shizuo & Michiko Itatani	4th \$75	Leo Oyama
5th \$75	George Yamanaka	6th \$50	Carl Fujita, Jr.
7th \$50	Yasuo Hara	8th \$50	Harriet Kitazawa
9th \$50	Rie Tamaki	10th \$50	Evelyn Hirai



"Nihonmachi - The Place To Be"



The San Jose JACL was one of four organizations that sponsored the play, "Nihonmachi--The Place to Be" for two shows on May 31, 2008 at the San Jose Buddhist Church Annex. This play is produced, directed and performed by Soji Kashiwagi and the Grateful Crane Ensemble from Southern California.

The audience enjoyed the musical trip down memory lane, as the performers tell the story of a manju shop, located in Nihonmachi, that will be celebrating its 100th anniversary and the possible closing down because of the shrinking Japantown and lack of interest to carry on the family business. A near sellout for both shows enjoyed this heartwarming story of a multi-generational families struggles to keep their manju shop open after being in business for 100 years.

The San Jose JACL, Yu Ai Kai, JAMsj (Japanese American Museum of San Jose, and CATS Contemporary Asian Theater Scene, worked together to put on this great production.

The San Jose JACL would like to thank the hard working committee of Sharon Uyeda, Wes Mukoyama, Aggie Idemoto, Reiko Iwanaga, Julie Hubbard, and the many volunteers for all their hard work in making this a show to remember.

Cast Photos provided by JK Yamamoto, "Hokubei Mainichi

San Jose JACL Welcomes New Board Members

The San Jose JACL is proud to announce the addition of two new Board of Directors. At the May board meeting Amy Halcrow and Ron Yamamoto were added as San Jose JACL Board members.

Amy Halcrow comes to us as a Japantown resident and a very active member of the Japantown area. She is currently on the Japantown Neighborhood Association (JNA), Japantown Community Congress of San Jose(JCCsj) serving as Secretary/Treasurer, and serving as Website Coordinator for Spirit of Japantown. Amy has become very active in Japantown groups because as a resident she wants to see a vibrant Japantown and helping to preserve the Japanese American Community. Amy is a hard working volunteer now working on the Outlook as editor.



Ron Yamamoto comes to us as a very active volunteer and friend of the organization. Ron has been volunteering for many chapter activities like the Senior Fishing Trip each year, Recognition Dinner, and Nikkei Matsuri. Ron is a great addition to the board bringing a new perspective on issues that come up. Ron currently is working on the Issei Memorial Building Planning Group which will be planning the upcoming capital improvements for the building, which will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2010.



2008 San Jose JACL Scholarship Presentation Photos by Tom Nishikawa

The Annual Scholarship Luncheon was held on Saturday, April 26th at the Issei Memorial Building. The recipients and parents enjoyed a delicious lunch, and heard about this year being the 20th anniversary of the signing of the 1988 Civil Liberties Act. They also informed them about the forum the San Jose chapter will be presenting on August 9, 2008 at San Jose City College. This year's scholarships totaled \$17,250.



Kenzo Kimura opens the program



Gary Jio talks about the 20th Anniversary Of Redress



Gail Sueki & Conor McClure
Sharon Uyeda & Brad Matsushita
Alan Takeda & Nicole Yamamoto



Ray Matsumoto & Michael Nakamura



John Hayakawa & Nancy Yokoyama



Sharon U., Alan & Nancy Takeda,
Bryan Finney, & Henry Uyeda



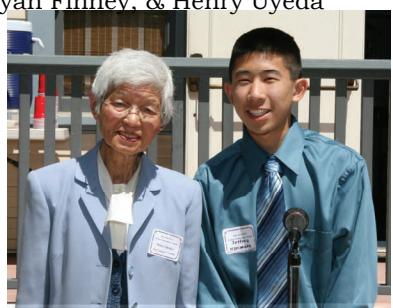
Jeffrey Ota & Alexa Chavez



Michi Masunaga & Erica Baba



Shizu Sakayue & Andrea Hyde



Shizu Sakayue and \$10,000 Scholarship to Jeffrey Morimune



Front Brad M., Michael N., Jeffrey M., Bryan F.
Back Nancy Y., Andrea H., Nicole Y., Erica B., Alexa C.



Scholarship Donors: Terry Ota, Jeffrey Ota, John Hayakawa, Henry Uyeda, Sharon Uyeda, Michi Masunaga, Ray Matsumoto, Lucy Matsumoto, & Shizu Sakayue

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 & JACL Youth:

- 4/11 SJ JACL Board Meeting
4/21 San Jose City Planning Commission – Japantown Project – Jeff Y., Leon K., Tamon N.
4/26 San Jose JACL Scholarship Lunch – Sharon U., Gail S., Kenzo K., Jeff Y., Kellie T., Joyce O., Ron Y., Tom Nishikawa, Shirley O.,
4/28 API Justice Coalition – Jeff Y.
4/29 Outlook Mailer – Amy H., Jeff Y., Tom O., Leon K., Neil K.,



- Ika Man & fans Leslie M., Rod L. & Jimi Y That looks yummy Mrs. Ika, and Ika Boy Eden volunteers
5/4 Nikkei Matsuri – Jeff Y., Gail S., Tom O., Kenzo K., Joyce O., Ron Y., Curt M., Kaz U., Kellie T., Ken N.,
5/4 NCWNPD District Meeting, – Tom Nishikawa, Neil K., Sharon U.
5/9 SJ JACL Board Meeting
5/16 Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI) 35th Anniversary Dinner – Gail S., Jeff Y., Kellie T., Joyce O., Tamon N., Leon K
5/17 Asian American Heritage Festival, National JACL Booth, San Francisco – Gail S., Jeff Y., Ron Y.
5/17 S.J. Sabercats Fundraiser – Leon K., Ron Y., Jeff Y., Tom O.. Gail S.
5/20 API Justice Coalition – Jeff Y.
5/22 Yu Ai Kai Sake San Jose – Kenzo K., Gail S., Jeff Y., Tom O., Leon K., Tom Nishikawa
5/26 Memorial Day Ceremony – Oak Hill – Gail S., Tom Nishikawa
5/31 Nihonmachi A Place to Be – Gail S., Sharon U., Joyce O., Leon K., Neil K., Ron Y., Jeff Y., Tom O.,



Sake San Jose at the IMB Joyce Oyama and helpers "Thank you" Lia N. and friends are big fans Tom O & Ron Y

- 6/13 SJ JACL Board Meeting
6/19 History Park - Jim Salata Dinner, Leon K., Jeff Y., Pat N.
6/19 Go For Broke Dinner Meeting – Gail S., Ron Y.,
6/20 SJ Taiko 35th Anniversary Dinner – Gail S., Leon K., Kenzo K., Pat N., Tom O., Jeff Y., Amy H., Ron Y., Tamon N., Joyce O.,
6/23 API Justice Coalition – Jeff Y.
6/27 SJ JACL Children's Day / Stay at Home Drawing – Lisa Kobayashi, Sharon U., Joyce O., Jeff Y., Gail S., Mark K., Leon K..
6/28 NCWNPD District Meeting S.F. – Tom Nishikawa, Sharon U., Mark K.
6/28 National JACL Convention Work session – Tom Nishikawa, Sharon U., Mark K., Jeff Y., Gail S.



Leon K., Jim Salata, Pat N. Jim accepts his recognition Shirley Abe, Terry & Tom O. Aggie I., Eva Y. Joyce O. at Taiko Dinner

Spirit of Japantown

Saturday, October 4, 2008, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

8 blocks surrounding Fifth and Jackson Streets, San Jose, CA 95112

The 118-year-old San Jose Japantown is one of three major Japantowns remaining in the United States. The Japantown Community Congress of San Jose (JCCsj), representing community members, organizations, and businesses was created to ensure the cultural and historic preservation of what has been called "the City's gem and best-kept secret in town."

From JCCsj grew the inception of the "Spirit of Japantown Festival," inaugurated in 2007 with over 10,000 visitors. The Festival's goal is to unite and preserve Japantown's rich multicultural community and promote awareness of Japantown with the Greater Bay Area.

We invite you to join the variety of sections and activities planned for the Festival. The Festival offers something for everybody and includes the following:

Main Street: Local Japantown merchants, restaurants, professionals, and organizations

Original Arts & Crafts: Clothing, jewelry, and more

Car Exhibition: Imports, classics, and more

Sports: Local sports teams and martial arts

Fruits, Flowers & Plants

Antiques & Fine Arts

Food & Products from Japan

Hawaiian Section

Chinese Section

Kids' Activity Zone

Entertainment

Exhibits: Ikebana, Bonsai, Samurai Swords, WWII Japanese American Veterans

Festival proceeds support JCCsj's historical and cultural preservation efforts. For more information visit the web site: www.spiritojapantownfestival.com

Questions? Please contact Festival Co-Chairs: Jeanne Katsuro (jeannekats@aol.com or 408.569-1415)

76th Annual Aki Matsuri (Fall Festival)

All are welcome and invited to attend the Wesley United Methodist Church's 76th annual Aki Matsuri (Fall Festival) on Saturday, Sept. 13 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

It's an old fashioned church bazaar right in the heart of San Jose's Japantown at 566 N. 5th St with plenty of parking on 6th St.

This Japanese American Christian church has been a presence for over 112 years, and for 76 of them, has brought its unique cultural flavor to the neighborhood, the outlying community and to the city of San Jose

Enjoy traditional American foods — plate lunch, *sushi*, chicken, *teriyaki*, *yaki soba*, *udon*, BBQ ribs, *manju* and other baked goods. Shop for farm fresh fruits and vegetables, fragrant flowers and houseplants, and hand-made crafts.

Ongoing entertainment includes, San Jose Taiko, and showcases some local talent with The Wesley 11:30 Band, the Wesley Jazz Ensemble and the Wesley Ukulele Band. There will also be fun activities for the children.

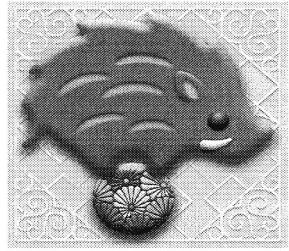
It's a wonderful time of outreach for the church, a wonderful time of fellowship and loads of fun for everyone of any age. For further information, visit the website: www.wesleysj.net or call the church office at (408) 295-0367 or e-mail at office@wesleysj.net

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July

- 11 - SJ JACL Board Meeting, 7:00 IMB
- 15 - Deadline for Redress Essay Contest
- 16-20 - National JACL Convention , Salt Lake City, UT
- August**
- 1 - S.J. JACL Thank You BBQ 6:00 pm IMB
- 8 - SJ JACL Board Meeting, 7:00 IMB

9 - Redress Forum, San Jose City College Theatre

September

- 12 - SJ JACL Board Meeting, 7:00 IMB
- 27 - SJ JACL Senior Fishing Trip

October

- 4 - Spirit of Japantown Festival, 10am- 6pm Japantown
- 10 - SJ JACL Board Meeting, 7:00 IMB

November

- 1 - 7th Annual Recognition Dinner, 5:30 pm, Holiday Inn

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Lori Nishimatsu	NM
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SL - Scholarship Committee & Lunch

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San Jose JACL will be hosting the 7th Annual Community Recognition Dinner at the San Jose Holiday Inn (North First Street on Saturday November 1, 2008 at 5:30pm. It is an honor for the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) San Jose Chapter to recognize distinguished community volunteers. The honorees are selected for their dedication to upholding the mission of the San Jose JACL: education, civil and Civil rights, community partnerships, and social/cultural activities. 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. At this time we are finalizing the list of honorees for this year. There will be live entertainment and a silent auction. All proceeds from this event will allow the San Jose JACL to continue to serve our community.

2007 Community Recognition Dinner Honorees



John & Alice Hayakawa



Tom & Terry Oshidari



Jack Matsuoka



Tom & Helen Masuda



Sue Toyoshima



San Jose Taiko

This year we are proud to announce that ATT and Southwest Airlines are on board to be major community partners.

Our Community Recognition Dinner will be held at the Holiday Inn 1740 North 1st Street San Jose, CA 95112. 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, email sanjosejacl@sbcglobal.net, or download a flyer as soon as the honoree's are set. The chapter website www.sanjosejacl.org