

San Fernando Valley Japanese American Citizens League Newsletter April/May 2017

SFV JACL PRESENTS

MEET THE ASIAN AMERICANS IN THE ENTERTAINMENT FIELD

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2017 2:00 PM

At SFVJACC

12953 Branford Street, Pacoima CA 91331

On Sunday, April 23, 2017 at 2:00 pm, SFVJACL is proud to present a program featuring Asian Americans in the entertainment field. The panel will share their career story and how much of a factor their ethnicity plays in today's entertainment industry.



Keiko Agena, a Japanese-American, was born in Honolulu. She is probably best known for her role in *Gilmore Girls*.



Guy Aoki, founding president of Media Action Network for Asian Americans (MANAA) was our 2016 Installation speaker.



Francois Chau is a Cambodian American actor. He is best known as Dr. Pierre Chang in ABC's *Lost*.



Amy Hill is an American character actress and stand-up comedian. We know her from the television series All-American Girl.



Clyde Kusatsu was born and raised in Honolulu. He was in several episodes of *All in the Family* and many times at East West Players.



Elizabeth Sung is a Chinese actress and film director. She appeared in *The Young and the Restless* and directed the short film *Requiem*.



Chris Tashima is a Japanese American actor and director. He is an Academy Award winner for directing the film *Visas and Virtue* as well as starring in it.



Tamlyn Tomita, our own Valley Girl was born in Okinawa. She was Nisei Week Queen in 1984 and we all remember her in *The Karate Kid* and *The Joy Luck Club*.

Donation: \$10

Bento: \$10 (Must be ordered by April 14th)

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UPCOMING EVENTS



COME JOIN US IN THE FUN AND ACTIVITIES

April 18

Third Tues. Movie Outing

April 23

Asian Americans in the Entertainment Field

April 26

Manzanar Pilgrimage

May 16

Third Tues. Movie Outing

May 20

Visiting LA's Sports Museum

June 19-June 23 Kizuna Summer Camp

June 24/25 SFVH Buddhist Temple Obon

Questions or Comments?

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PRESIDENT'S MESSSAGE



It was three years ago, on International Women's Day when, along with then president **Harold Kameya**, I spoke in support of the Comfort Women's Monument in Glendale. At that time a couple of Japanese nationals were attempting to force the city to remove the monument, claiming the city had no right to allow Korean supporters of the monument to erect it on city property. The Glendale city council was supportive, despite being deluged with letters from Japan opposing the monument. The anti-monument lawsuit was defeated, and lost again on appeal.

This past Women's Day, March 7, supporters of the monument gathered once again to oppose a plea from the Japanese government asking that the monument be removed. This time around the event attracted local community activists, as well as state and federal officials speaking in opposition. Representing our chapter, I spoke in favor of the monument, comparing it to the redress we received from our government for our internment. To achieve redress, testimony from JA victims was heard by a presidential commission, resulting in an apology from the president, accompanied by a token restitution payment. The few remaining comfort women, now in their 90's, many of whom appeared weekly at a similar monument in Seoul for 20 years, received no comparable consideration.

Former Congressman, **Mike Honda**, who introduced HR 121 in 2007 which called for an apology from the Japanese government, spoke in support. I happened to stand next to Lillian Sing and Julie Tang, retired San Francisco judges, who eloquently spoke of the need to retain the monument. These two women head a committee formed to erect a similar monument in San Francisco.

Harold was unable to attend the ceremony, but submitted his strong support which is reported in this newsletter.

Let me point out a few significant events coming up in the next few weeks: On April 8, community leader **Iku Kiriyama** is presenting a Community Center sponsored event dealing with making plans to have all the necessary documents in order in preparation for one's death. On April 15, recently installed board member, **June Berk** is heading a committee planning a reunion of former incarcerees at Santa Anita. On Sunday, April 23, **Nancy Gohata** has put together a panel of Asian Americans in the entertainment industry, including our own **Tamlyn Tomita**, to tell of their experiences in today's world. On May 13, our daughter **Laurie Shigekuni**, will be down from San Francisco to tell of how Medi-Cal can be useful in estate planning. In addition, Board member, **Patty Takayama** is heading a 6 session workshop dealing with writing our life stories. They are scheduled to take place Thursday evenings and on Saturdays. She says there are still opening for the Thursday class. If you are interested, contact her at pe.high.mtn@juno.com.

Phil Shigekuni

In Memoriam - Paul Jonokuchi

Board member Paul Jonokuchi passed away on March 21, 2017, after a brief battle with cancer. Paul leaves eldest son Richard, Howard and daughter-in-law Jeannie, Scott and daughter-in-law Jomay, and Andy and daughter-in-law Lena. Paul taught Japanese for a number of years. He was the president of the San Fernando Valley Hongwanji Buddhist Temple from 1995 to 1997. He was president of the Community Center in 2008-2009 and again in 2014-2016 and was continuing in 2017, making it four consecutive years. As a strong supporter of community involvement, Paul will be greatly missed.



SFV JACL Annual Manzanar Pilgrimage, Saturday, April 29 2017

Coinciding with the 75th Anniversary of Executive Order 9066, our annual pilgrimage to Manzanar this year will include students, faculty, and alumni from California State University, Northridge (CSUN). CSUN's Asian American Studies Department, Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies Program, and Muslim Students Association have cooperated this year with the SFV JACL to bring CSUN students, faculty and alumni from the Muslim American, Asian American, and other communities to share the

outbound bus trip with our traditional Manzanar pilgrims. In light of the new challenging political climate faced by Muslim Americans and other communities of color, we hope this sharing of the outgoing bus trip will give all of us a chance to meet one another and share our stories.

All participants will meet at the San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center at 12953 Branford St., Pacoima at 5:30 AM for a 6:00 AM departure to the Manzanar National Historic Site. We would like to mix each of the two outgoing buses with riders from both the SFV JACL and CSUN on a voluntary basis.



The first returning bus for participants from the SFV JACL will leave Manzanar at 4:00 PM and arrive at the Community Center around 8:00 PM. The second returning bus for participants from CSUN will leave Manzanar at 8:00 PM and arrive at the Community Center around midnight.

For more information, please contact Patty Takayama at <u>pe.high.mtn@juno.com</u> or Nancy Takayama at <u>nt.high.mtn@juno.com</u> or call and leave a message at 818 899-7916.



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DAY OF REMEMBRANCE - 2017

Saturday, February 18, 2017 at the Japanese American National Museum, an overflow crowd filled the Museum hall, the Democracy Center and gathered in front of a screen outside, in commemoration of the Day of Remembrance.

It was February 19, 1942, 75 years ago that President Franklin Delano. Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066. For Japanese Americans living in California and along the Pacific West Coast, it was a day that is forever seared in our minds and psyche. It was the day that the President of the U.S.A. exercised his executive war powers and delegated authority based on "military necessity" to the War Department. The executive order he signed included: Germans, Italians and Japanese enemy aliens from military zone 1. However, when General DeWitt implemented the various Public laws, the orders no longer focused on Germans and Italians, but only persons of Japanese ancestry, including American born citizens of Japanese ancestry.

From registration of persons of Japanese ancestry, to voluntary movement out of military zone 1, to temporary removal of "all persons of Japanese ancestry" to assembly centers, eventually turned into indefinite incarceration in relocation camps or Department of Justice internment camps.

Emcees for the Day of Remembrance event were: Kay Ochi from NCRR and Kurt Ikeda, JACL Pacific Southwest District.

Former Congressman, Mike Honda was the keynote speaker. He reminded those present that vigilance was important in a Democracy where principles of free speech and freedom of religion are cornerstones of our United States Constitution.

Afterwards, California State Assemblyman Al Muratsuchi presented a special Assembly Resolution commemorating the Day of Remembrance.

Personal testimony was presented by Haru Kuromiya who was incarcerated at Manzanar but later sent to join her father at the Department of Justice camp at Crystal City, Texas. Also, speaking were: Kahlid Abdul Al Alim, representing his community of South Central L.A., Samara Hutman, who spoke

about children who survived the Holocaust, and Sahar Pirzada, a Pakistani-American Muslim woman who was with the Council on American-Islamic Relations and #VigilantLove Coalition for LA County.

Attending the event from the SFV JACL chapter were **Phil and Marion Shigekuni, Nancy Oda, Nancy and Patty Takayama** in the JANM hall. Other JACL members may have viewed the program from the other venues.

Finally, make your "Call to Action "pledge. It can be shared on social media using #DORLA2017, or on Facebook. Take one minute to remind your representative through https://5calls.org – 5 Calls determines which representatives are most influential for each important issue (e.g.: Reject the Muslim Ban). Keep the phone numbers handy and call frequently.

Article submitted by Patricia Takayama

Photo (L-R): Patty Takayama, Marion Shigekuni,

Bruce Embry, Nancy Takayama

Missing: Phil Shigekui



UNDER THE BLOOD RED SUN SCREENING

The San Fernando Valley JACL hosted the screening of feature film, "Under the Blood Red Sun." to a record crowd of 145 on March 12, 2017 in Dr. Sakaguchi Hall. It is a great story based on a book written by Graham Salisbury with its historical setting in Oahu.

On December 7,1941, men from the Japanese embassy, priests, Japanese Language teachers, and others were taken away to Sand Island on Honolulu or one of sixteen other jails on different islands. The film gripped the audience when innocents were wrongly arrested, shot, and harshly treated by military police. Thus, actor-director, **Chris Tashima**, portrayed the innocent fisherman who was forcibly taken from his father, wife, and children because his character did not have the American flag on his boat. He related that he realized the strength of the women and children left behind.

Many people have asked what happened to Japanese, German, or Italian aliens in Hawaii after Pearl Harbor although it was not yet a state. There was a heavy presence of the armed forces there at that time which made the premeditated roundup easy. The arrests were less than the west coast because of its potential economic harm since the islands were 40% Japanese.

The typical Nikkei audience sits silently but there were several questions from teachers like **Wendy Hirota** who were interested in seeking lesson plans. Chris Tashima explained that the film was first seen online since the younger generation is into handheld technology. Then, **Stan Rivera** raised his hand to tell Kalama that he knew Kalama's grandpa who was a Native Hawaiian Entertainment legend, E.K. Fernandez and Rose Nearing from Vaudeville and High Wire Act. Young Kalama Epstein played Billy who was the best friend of character, Tomi Nakaji, 13, read the book in the third grade. As a Jew, he knew a lot about the history of the holocaust and learned a lot about the Japanese in Hawaii as a cast member. **Kiyo Fukumoto** was touched by the humanity of the video.

Most history books do not write about women and children. Red Sun was an emotional and eye opening episode. Much like the Tuna Canyon Detention Station, no one knew where they were or where they were going since the world was in chaos. Tuna Canyon held "enemy aliens" when it opened as an Immigration and Naturalization Service camp run by the Department of Justice.

Kanji Sahara's posters described the sequence of events and provided details about Hawaiian martial law and subsequent rise of the 100th Infantry Battalion and 442 infantry regimental that proved the loyalty and courage of the Japanese although their parents were in one of the ten concentration camps on the mainland.

Carolyn Sanwo from Heritage Books offered author Graham Salisbury's titles and related DVDs for sale. http://underthebloodredsun.com/

Thank you to John and Liz Doomey, Nancy and Yas Gohata, Nancy Hayata, Sean Iwaoka, Ellen and Harold Kameya, Doreen Kawamoto, Linda Kuratomi, Al and Mitzi Kushida, Isabelle Miyata and Harvey Negoro, Aaron Sanwo, Marion Shigekuni, Geri Shiraki, Patty Takayama, Linda Tanaka, Sumi Yamaguchi and Karen Yoshino for selling ticket sales, hospitality and/or desserts.

Special thank you **to Nancy Takayama** for her valuable technology expertise. Best to JK Yamamoto, journalist from the Rafu Shimpo, our community newspaper.



Article submitted by Nancy Oda

Seated (L-R): Kalama Epstein, Nancy Oda, Chris Tashima Standing (L-R): Geri Shiraki, Doreen Kawamoto, Nancy Gohata, Mitzi Kushida

Back Row (L-R): Harold Kameya, Patty Takayama, Linda Tanaka Nancy Takayama Sumi Yamaguchi

SFVJACL MEMBERS ATTEND VENTURA JACL'S INSTALLATION

A contingent of our members attended the Ventura County JACL's installation on February 5, 2017 at Ottavio's Italian restaurant in Camarillo, California. The attendees included **President Phil Shigekuni** and **Marion Shigekuni**, **Nancy & Yas Gohata**, **Mitzi & Al Kushida**, **Geri Shiraki**, and **George Wakiji**.

The guest speaker was Lily Anne Yumi Welty Tomai of Oxnard. She presented a fascinating and informative history of the Oxnard Japanese Cemetery. Many Issei and Nisei were buried there in the 1900's. Lily received her PhD in history from UC Santa Barbara. She was a Ford Foundation Fellow, and

conducted doctoral research in Japan, including Okinawa. She also was a Fulbright Graduate Research Fellow. Tamai was a curator of history at the Japanese American National Museum.

Article submitted by George Wakiji

Photo (L-R): George Wakiji and Greater LA Members: Louise Sakamoto,

Janet Okubo





Photo (L-R): Marion & Phil Shigekuni, Nancy & Yas Gohata, Geri Shiraki (Missing) Mitzi & Al Kushida.

Kizuna Summer Camp

Join Kizuna for its Summer Camp, a local summer camp for kids ages 7-13 (entering 2nd grade to entering 8th grade), centered on building a foundation of Japanese American culture and heritage. This is Kizuna's third year hosting the program in the San Fernando Valley area!



Camp this summer is on July 19-23, 2017, from 9am-5pm at the San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center. Pricing begins at \$215 per child. Please see website for more information on dates, times, locations, and pricing.

Visit <u>www.camp.kizuna-la.org</u> or contact Paul Matsushima at <u>paul@kizuna-la.org</u> or (213) 973-4465 for more information.

GLENDALE COMFORT WOMEN MEMORIAL PRESS CONFERENCE

On March 7th, **President Phil Shigekuni** spoke at the Glendale Central Park, along with former US **Representative Mike Honda**, NCRR's **David Monkawa** and **Kathy Masaoka**, and other API judges and community leaders. The press event was in reaction to Japan's filing of an amicus brief supporting the removal of the Comfort Women statue.

I sent Phyllis Kim, KAFC director, the following letter of support.

Dear Ms. Phyllis Kim,

I regret not being able to join you at your press event to show support of the Glendale City Council regarding the 'Comfort Women' memorial in the Glendale Central Park.

In 2013, I attended the dedication of the 'Comfort Women' memorial, as well as the presentation the evening before at the Jewish Museum of Tolerance. In January of 2014, I led the effort to pass a resolution in support of the Glendale 'Comfort Women' memorial by our San Fernando Valley chapter of the JACL (Japanese American Citizens League), a civil rights group founded in 1929. I was president of our chapter at that time, and our chapter was the only chapter to do so, among the over 100 chapters in our national JACL organization.

I had little knowledge of the suffering of civilians in the Pacific war. Not until 1996, when I saw the film "In the Name of the Emperor" at UCLA, was I made aware of the <u>unprecedented</u> level of cruelty and brutality inflicted by the Japanese Imperial Army. George Bernard Shaw said that "*Patriotism is the belief that your country is the best in the world, simply because of the fact that you were born in it.*" I believe the statement reflects a natural tribal instinct in all of us.

I feel proud and feel very fortunate to have been born on U.S. soil. However, because my grandparents emigrated from Japan, I also feel a desire to be proud of the country of my ancestors. However, the cruelty and brutality exhibited by the Japanese Imperial Army in all aspects of their conduct left me feeling ashamed after exposure to historical details. Later, when I learned that the Japanese government was denying the findings of the US Congressional Research Office and thus denying the specifics of Rep. Mike Honda's Congressional Bill HR 121, it made me feel even more ashamed.

Empathy is not highly valued nor displayed in much of Japanese culture, from what I have observed. Japanese officials might be incapable of participating in a mental exercise, imagining their own emotions if it had been their daughters, mothers or their wives who had been forced into being a 'comfort woman'.

In 2017, it is very disheartening to see the Japanese government contest the court rulings made on the legality of the Glendale memorial. We do not need to be exposed to another set of "alternate facts". Honesty and truth are still core values in the United States of America.

Sincerely,

Harold Kameya, Past President SFV JACL

Photo: Former U.S. Representative, Mike Honda supports "Comfort Women" statue in Glendale.





MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORANT TO OUR ORGANIZATION

During these uncertain times, membership in our JACL organization becomes more important!

A special welcome to new members **Dawn Kunihiro** and **Caitlin Sunada**. Please contact me at any time. We hope both of you will wish to get involved with our upcoming events.

Our thanks to renewing members: Janice Kubota, Kimiko McCown, Robert Y. Nagata, Frank and Margie Naka, Joyce Okui, Pauline Okutake, Emi Suyehiro, Jean Taguchi, George Wakiji, Sumi Yamaguchi, and Mas and Norma Jean Yamashita.

Sumi Yamaguchi has served on our Board for many years, most recently as the treasurer. We wish our best to her as she progresses in her move to the San Jose area. Thank you for your work over the years, Sumi!

As a gentle reminder to people whose membership has lapsed, I have begun to add short reminder notes to those receiving hard copies. Hopefully, the reminders will help to get people to renew faster!

For questions and more information please contact Harold Kameya, Membership Chair at hkameya@gmail.com or at (818) 368-2008.

COMMUNITY CORNER

Our positive thoughts and well wishes are sent to Ernie Jane Nishii, sister of Nancy Oda, who is now staying with Nancy and Kay Oda.

Congratulations to **Marion and Phil Shigekuni**, who participated in the 5K Run for North Valley Caring Services at Dodger Stadium on March 18th. They helped raised \$704 for the North Valley Caring Services.

Our Chapter will soon be saying good-bye to Board member, **Sumi Yamaguchi**, who will be relocating to the Bay area to be closer to her family. Sumi, served on the Board as Scholarship Chair and most recently as the Treasurer

DONATIONS

Our sincerest appreciation goes to **JANICE TERAMURA** for her year-end gift.

The generous monetary donation will assist the chapter in meeting our goals and activities.

The Board members and its committees are working feverishly to present the members with meaningful and enjoyable programs, including our most recent *Under the Blood Red Sun* film. We had an unprecedented response that filled the SFV JACC Sakaguchi Hall. Now don't miss our next event, *Asian Americans in the Entertainment Field*, on Sunday, April 23rd. For details, please read article on another page in this newsletter. Thank you JANICE for making these activities possible.

TELLING OUR STORIES CLASS RESUMES

Tim Toyama, academy award winning writer for his "Visas and Virtues" will be leading three more writing classes at the SFV JACC beginning:

Thursday, March 30th - May 4th, from 7-9pm at the Pioneer Center; Saturday, May 6th - 20th, June 3rd - 17th, from 2-4pm; and Thursday, July 13th - August 17th from 6-8pm.

The cost of the six-week class is \$30 or \$5 per class for drop-in attendance. This is a memoir class. Writers will bring their short stories – 500 words, or one page single-spaced to class and share them with the other class members. The writing topics such as: superstitions, favorite holiday, cultural faux pas, sibling rivalry, are announced the week before. If you'd like to attend occasionally, please call or email the week before to find out the writing topic. The class is designed to encourage multi-generational participants to share their stories and to hear and be enriched by the stories of members of other generations.

At the end of the summer, class participants will be encouraged to submit a story toward a short story collection for publication – that is if funding can be raised to cover the publication costs.

Please contact: **Patty Takayama**, if you have questions or are interested in participating in any of the class sessions, please leave a voice message with your name and phone number at: 818-899-7916 or email her at: pe.high.mtn@juno.com. The class size is limited, so please reserve your space in advance.

CSUN PANEL ON MUSLIM IMMIGRATION BAN

Board member **Dr. Tomo Hattori** made arrangements for President **Phil Shigekuni** to be on a CSUN panel on February 27th at the CSUN library. The four other panel members included representatives from CAIR and the Muslim Student Association. Attending from our chapter were **Marion Shigekuni**, **Bob and Akiko Moriguchi**, and **Harold and Ellen Kameya**, besides Professor Hattori.

The event began at 11:00 AM. Phil spoke about the common experiences of fear and discrimination faced by the Japanese Americans, and of the 75th anniversary of the signing of EO 9066 that past week. Phil informed the audience of the efforts of the JA community in combating discrimination since 9/11.

About 300 people had crowded into the Ferman Presentation room, with people standing, covering all three walls. During the Q & A, a lady announced that she heard that an ICE raid had been conducted that morning in a work place, and that workers had been taken away. That sent an audible sobering murmur through the audience. The atmosphere changed from a distant discussion to an atmosphere of being under siege.

Audience members were very grateful for Phil's participation. Phil's column on the event appears in the March 11th issue of the Rafu Shimpo.

Article submitted by Harold Kameya

VISITING THE JAPANESE AMERICAN MUSEUM WITH DOCENT MAS YAMASHITA

Mas Yamashita is a docent at the museum and we were fortunate to get a personal tour. As we entered the museum, the first exhibit was "*ONLY THE OAKS REMAIN*", for which board member, **Nancy Oda**, has been a prime sponsor. This exhibit is of the Tuna Canyon Detention Station during World War II. We learned that Japanese, German, and Italian immigrants and Japanese Peruvians were targeted as dangerous enemy aliens and imprisoned at this location.

We then went upstairs to "COMMON GROUND: THE HEART OF COMMUNITY", an exhibit of Japanese American history from early immigration to the present day, incorporating artifacts, artwork, and media—including rare home movies and a section of the barracks from the Heart Mountain concentration camp. One of the first things that caught my eye in this exhibit was this quote by Benjamin Franklin 1751: "Why increase the Sons of Africa by planting them in America, where we have so fair opportunity, by excluding all Blacks and Tawnies (Asians), of increasing the lovely White?"

The next exhibit was "INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PERSONS: REFLECTIONS ON EXECUTIVE ORDER 9066". The signing of Executive Order 9066 paved the way for the World War II incarceration of 120,000 Japanese Americans. We saw photographs and artifacts of people being sent to, and life in Detention Centers. A number of members of our group shared personal experiences of this time, greatly enriching our experience.

Also on the second floor is "NEW FRONTIERS: THE MANY WORLDS OF GEORGE TAKEP" This entertaining exhibition explores the life and career of pioneering actor, activist, and social media icon George Takei. By examining Takei's diverse experiences and achievements, New Frontiers creates a portrait of a unique individual while offering an innovative means of engaging with the social history of America. the lovely White?

Mas gave a wonderful tour adding many enriching anecdotes. The exhibits took on special meaning for me in its continuing relevance today.

Note: Mas Yamashita is a long time member of our Chapter and has served on the Board. Margarete is a new member to our Chapter.

Article submitted by Margarete Allen



HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE SCHOOL A

The San Fernando Valley chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League – the nation's oldest and largest Asian American civil rights organization – invites applications for our DR. SANBO AND MRS. KAY SAKAGUCHI SCHOLARSHIP

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WHEN IS THE APP DUE?

MAY 15, 2017

WHO CAN I ASK FOR MORE INFO?

Email the Scholarship Chair: jacl.sfv@gmail.com

Seminar:

Estate Planning & Medi-Cal For Long-Term Care

May 13, 2017 10:00-12:00

San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center 12953 Branford St., Pacoima, CA

Laurie Shigekuni, Esq., daughter of Phil and Marion Shigekuni, will discuss the new Medi-Cal recovery law in California, SB 833, and why it adds to the advantages of simple living trusts for homeowners. She will discuss ways for seniors to obtain assistance for long-term care needs through the Medi-Cal program and how estate planning documents drafted in the context of the Medi-Cal program may help.

Laurie is a graduate of Granada Hills High School, class of 1979, University of California Santa Cruz, 1983, and University of California, Hastings College of the Law, 1989.

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