

July 30

Rededication of the Japanese American Historical Plaza 5:00 p.m. in the Plaza

July 31

O.N.E. Annual Banquet, 5:00 p.m. at the MAC. Honoring Harold Onishi and Eleanor Davis. Keynote speaker: Irene Hirano

August 6

Hiroshima-Nagasaki Memorial Service

August 7

Obon Fest, Oregon Buddhist Temple. 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

August 15

Nikkei Community Picnic. Noon to 5:00 p.m., Oaks Park. See flyer inside.

August 27

JASO Golf Tournament and Dinner Auction, The Resort at the Mountain

September 25-26

Festival of Japan, Uwajimaya, Beaverton, OR

October 15

Last day to join one of the 11 sponsoring organizations for high school seniors to qualify for local scholarships! Students can join Portland JACL for only \$30 and qualify for thousands of dollars of local and National scholarships! Call Setsy for details.

Human Rights in the City of Portland

Vice-President's Message by Susan Leedham

In May, the National JACL announced it was joining the lawsuit to challenge the Arizona Law SB 1070 which would, in effect, turn law enforcement officers into immigration officers, allowing the Arizona police to detain people they believed to be in this country illegally. As we can all agree, this is a very controversial law fraught with civil rights implications.

It made me curious about what's happening in our city. There was the very high-profile incident in 2007 involving the raid of a Del Monte cannery with the image of buses with blacked-out windows taking workers to be deported, but what was happening now?

Board members Jean Yamamoto and Marleen Wallingford and I attended the May 27, 2010, meeting of the Human Rights Commission of Portland. It was an opportunity to learn about the current policies of our local law enforcement agencies and to hear concerns from citizens.

As background, in October 2008 a national immigration program called Secure Communities was created to deport undocumented immigrants who have been convicted of serious and dangerous criminal offenses. The estimate is of the non-citizen immigrants in Multnomah County, 36% are Latino, 35% Asian and 20% European.

I'm sure we would all agree that we don't want dangerous felons living amongst us whether here legally or not, but what is happening is undocumented immigrants are being deported even when just booked for

minor driving offenses, often without even being convicted of anything.

What happens when a person is arrested in Multnomah County is their fingerprints are taken at a Central Booking Facility, and those fingerprints are run through the Department of Justice Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System to check for a criminal history, and then through Secure Communities, those fingerprints are also checked against the Department of Homeland Security's database to check on immigration status. If the check shows an illegal immigrant, US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) determine if enforcement is required.

Currently, Multnomah County gives ICE agents unescorted access to the jail. The Oregon State Police have agreed to implement the Secure Communities program, along with Clackamas and Marion Counties. The ICE agents have the power to take these arrestees and send them to Tacoma to be deported, even before a trial. And even if the charges are dropped, ICE can still detain and deport.

We heard from attorney Stephen Manning that there is a huge monetary cost as well. There are 400,000 people in privately-run detention centers paid for by our tax dollars.

And since there is limited oversight, there have been complaints of human rights violations.

Shizuko Hashimoto of Safe Communities (not to be confused with Secure Communities) reported that Travis County, Texas, which includes the city of Austin, spent \$1.3 million on detainers. And in the Pacific Northwest, there have already been 11,000 deportations, and only 7.2 percent were convicted of felonies.

The irony is Secure Communities

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JAPANESE ANCESTRAL SOCIETY

OF PORTLAND

June 2010

Dear Golfers and Friends:

You are cordially invited to participate in the 10th Annual Jerry Inouye Memorial Golf Tournament to be held on Sunday, August 1, 2010 at Glendoveer Golf Course-East (14015 NE Glisan, 503.253.7507). While the JAS has hosted this event for over 20 years, the tournament was renamed in 2001 to honor and recognize Jerry for his many years of service in promoting this event. This shotgun start will begin at 7:30 a.m. with check-in starting at 6:45 a.m.

You must be a JAS member to participate. You can include your membership dues along with your entry fee.

A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the lowest net scorer among the men's "A" and "B" flights and also to the "ladies" flight. Prizes will be awarded for KP's on all par 3 holes, a longest drive hole, and low gross honors in each flight. In case of a tie, players score cards will be evaluated from the 18th hole backwards with the first low score winning. Everyone will ride a cart, and lunch will be served at Chinese Village following the tournament. If you have a golfing preference for your foursome, please let us know and list the names of each person of your group. If a foursome is requested, please make sure that a golfer(s) of a group is not duplicated in another foursome.

If you are not interested in golf but would like to donate to this annual event, please call Kurtis Inouye at 503 627-0740 or Merianne Nagae 503 256-2776. Due to course regulations, we must collect your entry fee by July 21, 2010 to reserve our tee times. No exceptions! **Entry fee is \$65 which includes golf, cart, and lunch.**

Best Regards from your Golf Committee

(Al Abe, Jackie Alderman, Kay Endo, Pat Gilman, Marian Hara, Kurtis Inouye, George Kanegae, Scott Kato, Terry Kawamoto, Wimpy Kawata, Bill Koida, Gordon Kondo, Chip & Setsy Larouche, Yoji Matsushima, Merianne Nagae, Lynn M. Nishida, Lynn N. Nishida, Ken Ogawa, Katie Tamiyasu, Lew Tomita, Henry Ueno, Skip Yamamoto, Jeff Yoshida, Shig Yuzuriha)

Please return this information from and a check for \$65 (consider renewing your membership too!) made payable to Japanese Ancestral Society of Portland, **no later than July 21, 2010**

_____ I will play _____ I will stay for lunch _____ Single JAS membership (\$19)

_____ I will **not** play _____ I will **not** stay for lunch _____ Couple JAS membership (\$29)

_____ Please accept my tax deductible donation of \$ _____

Golfer's Name _____ (circle) Male Female

Golfer's Phone # _____ USGA GHIN Number _____

USGA Handicap Index as of July 1, 2010 _____ or List last 5 golf scores (18 holes) _____

If playing with a group, please add names _____

Mail form to: JAS, c/o Chris Shiraishi, 5200 SW Macadam #550, Portland, OR 97239

We continue to remind our Nikkei community and the general public that this is a significant year providing us the opportunity to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Japanese American Historical Plaza located in the north end of the Tom McCall Waterfront Park.

The celebration involves a rededication ceremony on July 30, 2010, involving many who participated in the original dedication ceremony on August 3, 1990. The original dedication was attended by about 1,000 people, many of whom were participating in the Reunion 2000 of Or-

egon Nikkei, past and present residents of Portland and Oregon.

The rededication ceremony on July 30, 2010 is free to the public and will take place at the Japanese American Historical Plaza at 5:00 p.m. The entertainment session starting at 6:00 p.m. is free to the public and will feature the Minidoka Swing Band, Portland Taiko and the Slants.

Please join us at this very important Nikkei community event and please participate in the annual banquet of Oregon Nikkei Endowment on July 31, 2010, at

the Multnomah Athletic Club. We will feature as keynote speaker Irene Hirano Inouye, wife of Senator Daniel Inouye, founding CEO of the Japanese American National Museum. The banquet honorees are Eleanor Davis, Harold Onishi and the founding members of the O.N.E. Board of Directors.

Henry Sakamoto is Vice President of O.N.E. and maybe reached at 503-233-2001 or by email at hcsak@comcast.net.

Human Rights in the City of Portland, continued

is, in fact, creating insecurity in the immigrant communities. It is making them fearful to report crime, cooperate or aid law enforcement, and it is tearing families apart, sometimes leaving children alone and other family members having to step in and take care of their relative's children.

We heard many stories from people in the community who shared how friends and family were deported without trial, and there is no redress, transparency or grievance.

We heard from the new chief of the Portland Police, Mike Reese, who said they are aware of the unintended consequences of giving ICE access to their bookings, and they are investigating the feasibility of implementing a program that would keep minor offenses out of the system. The Portland Police have worked very hard on their Community Policing program and realize that the Secure Communities program will undermine their hard work.

I think we all agree that our current immigration policy needs change, but I hope we can come to some humane resolution and not throw away more civil rights in the process.

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NIKKEI COMMUNITY PICNIC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2010
OAKS PARK
 (SOUTH PARK AREA - UNDER THE LARGE STRIPED TENT)
NOON TO 5PM

Join us for an afternoon of food and fun! The picnic is sponsored by organizations of the Nikkei community to celebrate our ethnic heritage.

We will provide at no cost:

- Main dish: Fried Chicken
- Beverages: hot tea, soda, and beer
- Eating utensils: plates and napkins
- Watermelons
- Games and prizes and ride bracelets for kids high school and younger
- Parking

Please bring a side dish to share. In order to ensure a variety we suggest that you bring a side dish that corresponds to the alphabetical groupings listed below:

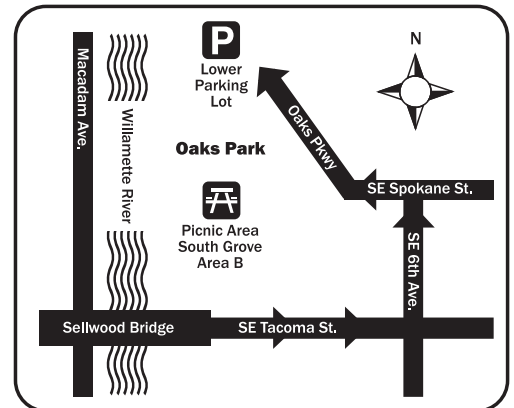
- A-Ki Rice or a noodle dish
- KI-Sa Salad or Vegetable dish
- Sc-Z Dessert or Bread

主催方からの供給

- 焼き鳥
- お茶、ソウダ、ビール
- 西瓜
- 遊芸と遊技の賞品
- 駐車場

持ち合わせ品

- A-Ki サラダ
- KI-Sa ごはん
- Sc-Z デザート



Performances by Portland Taiko's Camp Kids and Youth Camp!

Please RSVP by August 2: Connie Masuoka at 503-243-3291.

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Ikoi no Kai Menu for July

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Thursday 1

Chicken Teriyaki w/Baked Eggplant
Tai Chi Class 11:15 a.m. - noon

Friday 2

Turkey Sandwich, Roasted Vegetable, Radiatore Soup

Monday 5

Closed

Tuesday 6

Shumai

Wednesday 7

Submarine Sandwich

Thursday 8

Beef Curry
Tai Chi Class 11:15 a.m. - noon

Friday 9

Lil Okazaki's Chow Mien

Monday 12

Skip's Spaghetti & Meat Sauce

Tuesday 13

Yakisoba

Wednesday 14

Egg Salad Sandwich

Thursday 15

Baked Pork
Tai Chi Class 11:15 a.m. - noon

Friday 16

Lil Kiyokawa's Taco Pie

Monday 19

Skip's Chicken Stir Fry

Tuesday 20

Chicken Katsu

Wednesday 21

Asian Chicken Wrap

Thursday 22

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Tai Chi Class 11:15 a.m. - noon

Friday 23

Ginger Turkey

Monday 26

Skip's Calamari Steak

Tuesday 27

Vegetable Tempura

Wednesday 28

CLOSED

Thursday 29

Sushi Happy Birthday!
Tai Chi Class 11:15 a.m. - noon

Friday 30

Baked Salmon

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