

# PORTLANDJACL NEWSLETTER

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Portland JACL is one of  
the most respected civil  
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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### October 17 thru January 17, 2016

- GAMBATTE!  
Legacy of Enduring Spirit  
Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center

### December 4, 7 p.m.

- Portland Taiko Bonenkai!  
Oregon Buddhist Temple

### December 5, 5 p.m.

- Nikkei Community Holiday Party  
Oregon Buddhist Temple

### December 13

- OBT Mochitsuki

### December 15

- Ikoi No Kai Holiday Lunch  
Reservations Required

### December 25

- Merry Christmas!

### December 27

- Nichiren Mochitsuki

### January 1

- Happy New Year!

### January 24, 1 p.m.

- Oshogatsu and Portland JACL  
Board Installation Luncheon  
Chinese Village Restaurant

### January 31

- Mochitsuki 2016  
Portland State University

### February 6

- JACL National Board Meeting  
Los Angeles, CA

### February 21

- Day of Remembrance  
PSU-Hoffmann Hall

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## Minoru (Min) Yasui Awarded Presidential Medal of Freedom

*Board Member Message by Chip Larouche  
National JACL VP for Planning and Development*

On November 16th, President Barack Obama named seventeen distinguished Americans to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom. The Presidential Medal of Freedom is the Nation's highest civilian honor, presented to individuals who have made especially meritorious contributions to the security or national interests of the United States, to world peace, or to cultural or other significant public or private endeavors. The awards were presented at the White House ceremony on November 24th.

Of special importance to the Japanese American Community and to JACL in particular, one of those seventeen Americans was Minoru (Min) Yasui.

As stated in the White House press release, Minoru Yasui was a civil and human rights leader known for his continuous defense of the ideals of democracy embodied in our Constitution. A graduate of the University of Oregon School of Law, Yasui challenged the constitutionality of a military curfew order during World War II on the grounds of racial discrimination, and spent nine months in solitary confinement during the subsequent legal battle. In 1943, the Supreme Court upheld the military curfew order. Yasui spent the rest of his life appealing his wartime conviction. At the time of his death in 1986, he had successfully convinced a trial court to vacate his arrest, and a case challenging the constitutionality of his conviction was pending before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Yasui also spent his life fighting for the human and civil rights of all people.

Min Yasui is a true hero in every sense of the word, and the one paragraph summary in the White House press release doesn't do him justice, but then again, Min always had to fight hard to receive justice.

Minoru Yasui (Min) was born in Hood River, Oregon, in 1916, and became the first Japanese American member of the Oregon State Bar. Min Yasui spent nine months in solitary confinement awaiting his appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. He dedicated his life to building communities and furthering human and civil rights. His leadership and activism spanned six decades from 1931 to 1986 and included:

- Founding member of the Mid-Columbia (1931, Hood River, OR) chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL)
- Founding member and officer of the Mile High (Denver, CO) chapter and Mountain-Plains District

## Medal of Freedom continued

- Member of the JACL National Council
- Scoutmaster of multi-racial Boy Scout Troops in Chicago, IL and Denver, CO
- Served in various offices on the local and district levels from 1945-1986
- Helped to found the Urban League of Denver in 1946 (addressing African American concerns) and served on its board until 1954
- In 1963 he helped found the Latin American Research and Service Agency (Colorado Latino leadership, advocacy and research organization) and continued as a consultant until 1972
- He helped to organize Denver Native American United in 1968 (now called Denver Indian Center) and served as their consultant until his death in 1986
- He lobbied against legislation introduced in the Colorado General Assembly to prohibit aliens from owning land (1945)
- He lobbied for and filed claims for Japanese Americans under the Evacuation Claims Act of 1948; lobbied for passage of the McCarran-Walter Act of 1952
- He served on the Denver Commission on Community Relations from 1959 to 1967
- And from 1970's to his death, he was Chair of Denver Anti-Crime Council along with dozens of other community leadership roles to his credit



Min Yasui also served as chair of the National JACL Committee on Redress from 1981 until his death in 1986 where he committed his heart and soul to that pursuit which ultimately resulted in the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 that granted reparations to Japanese Americans who had been incarcerated in American concentration camps by the United States government during World War II.

Today, his legal legacy lives on through his daughters who have submitted amicus curiae briefs—along with the children of Fred Korematsu and Gordon Hirabayashi in cases that affect some of the country's most challenged communities: in *Turkman v. Ashcroft* (2007), a civil rights lawsuit filed on behalf of Muslim, South Asian and Arab non-citizens swept up by the INS and FBI racial profiling dragnet following September 11; *Hedges v. Obama* (2012), a civil rights suit challenging the Nation Defense Authorization Act, which permits the US government to indefinitely detain people suspected of supporting forces engaged in hostilities against the United States; and *Hassan et al. v. City of New York* (Third Circuit Court of Appeals, 2014), challenging the New York Police Department's surveillance and infiltration program that targeted Muslim American communities.

His legacy of public service lives on with the Minoru Yasui Community Volunteer Award (Denver) in recognition of his tireless spirit of volunteerism, in the Minoru Yasui Inn of Court, (American Inns of Court are designed to improve the skills, professionalism and ethics of the bench and bar, bringing together judges, lawyers, and in some cases, law professors and students), and at the University of Oregon School of Law "Minoru Yasui Endowment for Human and Civil Rights Law," among other activities.

Portland JACL is proud to have one of our "native sons" honored in such a way by the President of the United States, and we commend the members of the local Min Yasui Tribute Committee for all the hard work that has been ongoing for many months to have Minoru Yasui considered and selected for this honor.

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Cast members perform "Nihonmachi: The Place To Be" Gerding Theatre, Portland Center Stage, Portland, Oregon. Portland JACL was the Title Sponsor for the popular musical, produced by Executive Director and playwright Soji Kashiwagi of the Grateful Crane Ensemble. Photo by Rich Iwasaki



JACL member Randy Choy (c) moderates the Portland JACL board retreat on November 15, 2015, Pettygrove room, Multnomah Athletic Club, Portland, Oregon. The retreat focused on program, funds, and board development. Photo by Rich Iwasaki



Setsy Larouche (l), introduces Ed Fujii at the Veteran's Day luncheon at Ikoi-no-kai, basement of Epworth United Methodist Church, Portland, Oregon. Photo by Rich Iwasaki



Consul General Hiroshi Furusawa poses with the Cast and Staff of the Grateful Crane Ensemble at a reception sponsored by Perkins Coie. Photo by Chip Larouche



The Minidoka Swing Band started their Japan Goodwill Concert Tour near Tokyo with a performance to a packed house. Photo by Laura Baxter



Alice Sumida, Alice & Ace Hiromura, Chip Larouche and Lynn Grannan enjoy the reception preceding the evening production of the play Nihonmachi – The Place To Be. Photo by Setsy Larouche

## BOARD MEMBER VOTING BALLOT

Here is the slate for new Board Members for the 2016-2018 term. The following have been submitted for consideration by the nominating committee:

- ☐ Marleen Ikeda Wallingford – President
- ☐ Susan Leedham – Vice President
- ☐ Jean Yamamoto – Secretary
- ☐ Chip Larouche – Treasurer
- ☐ Setsy Larouche – Membership
- ☐ Jeff Selby – Newsletter Editor (non-Board Member)
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

Board members at large:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Rich Iwasaki    | <input type="checkbox"/> Verne Naito     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christopher Lee | <input type="checkbox"/> Kirk Tambara    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lynn Longfellow | <input type="checkbox"/> Heidi Tolentino |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Connie Masuoka  |  |

Please vote or write-in suggested officers and Board Members. Please send your completed ballot choices to [jacl@pdxjacl.org](mailto:jacl@pdxjacl.org) or to PO Box 86310, Portland, OR 97286 by 12/30/2015.

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Dr. Jim Tsujimura was born on February 10, 1931 and passed away on September 24, 2015. He was the only past National JACL President from the Portland Chapter who served from 1980 to 1982 during the early period of redress which eventually resulted in the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, which was signed into law by President Ronald Regan, that provided a national apology to all people of Japanese descent who were sent to concentration camps during World War II.

Dr. Tsujimura is survived by his wife Lolita, Son Dr. Ryan Tsujimura and daughter Dana Ono, grandchildren Justin & Lauren Ono, Step children Scott and Blake Sakamoto and Nancy DiSabato. Step grandchildren Zachary, Jaiden

Sakamoto, Sophia & Alexa DiSabato. Sisters Kimi Iwamoto, Lily Namba and Jean Takashima, many nieces & nephews. James attended Lewis & Clark College followed by University Oregon Medical School, followed by a residency at Devers Memorial Eye Clinic, also affiliated with Oregon Health Sciences University. Doctor Jim as he was often called was in private practice from 1964 until 1997 as an ophthalmologist. His final place of rest is the Japanese Cemetery located within the Rose City Cemetery in Portland.

## OSHOGATSU

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### Portland JACL Board Installation Luncheon

Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> 1 p.m.

Chinese Village Restaurant

All members welcomed

RSVP at [jacl@pdxjacl.org](mailto:jacl@pdxjacl.org) or 877-843-6914



The Pacific Northwest Council met in Seattle in October and held elections. Pictured L to R is Eileen Lamphere, Arlene Oki, Setsy Larouche, Sheldon Arakaki and Elsie Taniguchi. Photo by Chip Larouche



There was a large turnout for the annual Veterans Day Lunch at Ikoi No Kai. Pictured here L to R is Rich Iwasaki, Ron Iwasaki, Ed Fujii, Aya Fujii and Kira Iwasaki. Photo by Setsy Larouche



Consul General Hiroshi Furusawa and George Nakata share a laugh at a Portland JACL sponsored event by the Portland Japan Girls who put on a charity fundraiser for helping the survivors of the Tsunami in 2011 in the Tohoku region of Japan. Photo by Chip Larouche



A group of members of the Nisei Veterans gather to honor the fallen at Willamette Memorial Cemetery for the annual observance of Veterans Day. Photo by Connie Masuoka

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## Osechi Ryori

Japanese New Year's Food



Jubako box style  
and food content  
may vary

IN SUPPORT OF  
OREGON NIKKEI ENDOWMENT

Order at [www.oregonnikkei.org](http://www.oregonnikkei.org)

### ORDER FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ boxes at \$130 each

\_\_\_\_\_ boxes at \$100 each (provide your own jubako)

Checks: Make payable to Oregon Nikkei Endowment

Credit card: ☐ MC ☐ Visa ☐ Amex ☐ Discover

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_ Security code \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

Support the Oregon Nikkei Endowment and enjoy traditional Japanese New Year's foods (*osechi ryori*) prepared by Nikkei community cooks, displayed in a three-tiered lacquer box (*jubako*). Drop off your *jubako* marked with your name at the Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center, 121 NW 2nd Avenue, Portland by Friday, December 18.

The traditional foods will include: nishime, kimpira gobo, kazunoko, makizushi, sekihan, and more...

**Cost:** \$130.00 include the jubako box and foods OR \$100.00 if you provide your own jubako box. (\$60 is tax deductible).

**DEADLINE to order:** Friday, December 18, 2015

**For more information:** 503-224-1458 or [info@oregonnikkei.org](mailto:info@oregonnikkei.org)

**Mail order form to:** Oregon Nikkei Endowment, 121 NW 2nd Avenue, Portland, OR 97209

**Or order online:** [www.oregonnikkei.org](http://www.oregonnikkei.org)

**ORDER PICK-UP:** available on Thursday, December 31, 2015, from 2:30-3:30 PM, at the Oregon Buddhist Temple (3720 SE 34th Ave, Portland)



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# MOCHITSUKI 2016

*The Year of the Monkey*

**20th Annual Japanese American New Year Celebration**

**Sunday, January 31, 2016 • 11 AM-4 PM**

**Smith Memorial Student Union (SMSU)  
Portland State University  
1825 SW Broadway • Portland, OR 97207**

**Advance Ticket Prices**

\$10 Adult

\$7 Student (w/ID), Senior (62+)

\$4 Child (ages 4-12)

**Day of Event Ticket Prices**

\$12 Adult

\$9 Student (w/ ID), Senior (62+)

\$5 Child (ages 4-12)

**Free Admission For:**

Children three years of age and younger  
Honored Seniors 88 and older

Purchase tickets online at [www.boxofficetickets.com](http://www.boxofficetickets.com)



[www.mochipdx.org](http://www.mochipdx.org)

**2016 Marks the 20th Anniversary of Mochitsuki!**

Come celebrate the incoming New Year with Japanese American traditions at the Mochitsuki Community Festival! Experience family-friendly hands-on events, demonstrations, and activities with mochi pounding, calligraphy, origami, tea ceremony, ikebana, and games. Enjoy traditional Japanese dancing, drumming, and music with special 20th anniversary performances from the Minidoka Swing Band, Alton Takiyama-Chung, Takohachi, Larry Tyrrell, Utsukikai, G Yamazawa, Portland Taiko, Oregon Koto Kai, Mitch Iimori, Sahomi Tachibana Dance Group, and Unit Souzou. Presented by Portland JACL, and co-produced by Konko Church of Portland, Oregon Nikkei Endowment, and Portland Taiko.

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### Thank You from Portland JACL!

Portland JACL would like to thank everyone listed below for their generous donations during the past year (through November 2015) to our programs which include the Nikkei Community Picnic, our ongoing programs for civil rights advocacy, our youth program and scholarships, the Minidoka Swing Band, the Nikkei Community Directory, our annual calendar, the monthly newsletter, and the Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue advertising. Domo Arigato Gozaimashita!

Please note that all donations of \$100 dollars or more are acknowledged by return mail. All others are acknowledged in our newsletter

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Sheldon Arakaki	Joyce Gee	Japanese Garden
Jessica Asai	Scott & Lynn Grannan	Japanese Heritage School
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Deb Chapman	Hiltop Mall - Danielson's	Kathy Kato
Lynne Charriere	Diana Hinatsu	Terry Kawamoto
A.C. Chavis	Sally Hinatsu	Katie & Ken Kawazoe
Chef Naoko Corp	Julie Hirai	James Kennedy
Chehalem Cultural Center	Ace & Alice Hiromura	Alice Kida (IMO Jim Tsujimura)
Danny Chinn	Betty Hirota	Joan Kimoto
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Nobuko Masuoka	Frances Palk	Patrick & Heidi Tolentino
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Robert Matsunaga	Bettye Parker	Lew & Jean Tomita (IMO Jim Tsujimura)
Yoji & Martha Matsushima	Amy & John Peterson	Tomas Tone
Yumiko Mayeda	C Thomas Pfingsten	Frances Toyooka
MBA Properties Frank Hasebe	The Plaid Cat	Neil F Toyooka
Charles & Machiko McNearney	Alice Price	George Tsugawa
LK Meiners	Joy Pruitt	Himeko Tsugawa
Linda Metellus	Atsuko Richards	Jim & Amy Tsugawa
Carol Mick	RJ Riddle	Dr. Jim & Lolita Tsujimura
Gerald Migaki	Riverview Abbey	Yukitoshi Uchiya
Evelyn Migaki (IMO Robbie Tsuboi)	Carol Saiget	Henry & Atami Ueno
Misao Minagi	Fumi Saito	USJ Connect
Jeannette Misaka	Carrie Saito (IMO Jim Tsujimura)	Uwajimaya
Terry & Kelly Mishiro	Henry & Julianne Sakai	Veleda Club
Taro Miura	Kiyohiko Sakai	Marleen & Roger Wallingford
Richard & Jean Miyahira	Scott Sakamoto	Beti ann Wantroba
Taka Mizote	Henry Sakamoto (IMO Bruce Brown)	Alice Watanabe
Joseph & Martha Moreau	Don Sasaki	Audrey Watanabe
June Moriyasu	Nami Sasaki Trust	Dale Watanabe
James Nagae	Dorothy Sato	Osamu & Suwako Watanabe
Peggy Nagae	June & John Schumann	May Watari
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Vicki Nakashima	Kiyo Shioishi	Carolyn Woody
George & Keiko Nakata	Jeff & Marilyn Sholian	Grace Yabuki
Kay & Ruth Nakata	Daniel & Carlota Sinclair	Miyeko Yagi
Lorry Nakatsu	Paul Singer	Kenji Yaguchi
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Sachiko & Yoshio Nasuie	Andy Steich	Ralph & Jean Yamamoto
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Nichiren Buddhist Temple	Andy Streich	Yumiko & Dean Yamamoto
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Elsie Onishi	Reiko Takeshige	
Yoshi & Tomoko Ono	Kirk Tambara	
Oregon Buddhist Temple	Katie Tamiyasu	

*Join us for the return of Omiyage*

*O.N.E.'s Holiday Pop-up Shop!*

*Opening November 10, 2015*

*341 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Portland*

*Hours:*

*Wednesday-Friday 11:00 am-6:00 pm*

*Saturday & Sunday 12:00 pm-5:00 pm*

*Omiyage is a pop-up shop that is part of the Portland Business Alliance and Portland Development Commission PDX Pop-Up shop project.*

*Omiyage features Asian inspired gifts and crafts created by local artists, perfect for your holiday gift giving!*

*Proceeds from Omiyage sales will support local artists and the programs, exhibits and mission of Oregon Nikkei Endowment.*

*Special Tuesday Grand Opening on November 10<sup>th</sup>*

*Pop-up shop will be open through December 24<sup>th</sup>.*

*For more information contact 503.224.1458*

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## **New Newsletter Editor for 2016**

I am retiring after over two and a half years as editor. Jeff Selby has graciously volunteered to edit the newsletter for 2016. Please send all future content to Jeff at [jeff@pdxjacl.org](mailto:jeff@pdxjacl.org). The deadline for newsletter submission is the 20th of the previous month (e.g. January 20th for the February newsletter).

It's been a pleasure to serve you,

Ralph

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### National JACL Announces 2016 Scholarship Program

SAN FRANCISCO -- The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) announces its National Scholarship and Awards Program for the 2016 academic year. The JACL annually offers approximately 30 college scholarships for students who are incoming college freshmen, undergraduates and graduates, and those specializing in law and the creative/performing arts. There are also student aid scholarships for those in need of financial assistance in this era of rising tuition costs.

Scholarship Program information, instructions and applications can be found on the JACL website, [www.jacl.org](http://www.jacl.org), by clicking "Youth" on the menu bar.

Freshman applications must be submitted directly by the applicant to his/her local JACL chapter, with a postmark no later than March 1, 2016. Freshman applicants may obtain the mailing address of his/her chapter by contacting Membership Assistant Tomiko Ismail at [tismail@jacl.org](mailto:tismail@jacl.org) or by calling the Membership Department at (415) 921-5225.

Chapters will then have one month to evaluate their freshman applications and will forward only the most outstanding ones to the National Freshman Scholarship Committee, c/o the San Diego JACL, 6917 Town View Lane, San Diego, CA 92120, no later than April 1, 2016.

Applications for the "other" scholarship categories (undergraduate, graduate, law, creative/performing arts, and student aid) are to be sent directly by the applicant to the National JACL Scholarship Committee, c/o Central California District Council, with a postmark no later than April 1, 2016. The mailing address for this committee can be found on the application itself.

All those applying to the National JACL Scholarship Program must be a student or individual member of the JACL.

For more information on the National JACL Scholarship Program, contact Regional Director Patty Wada at [pwada@jacl.org](mailto:pwada@jacl.org) or National JACL Vice President for Planning & Development Chip Larouche at [clarouche@jacl.org](mailto:clarouche@jacl.org).

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## **Iko no Kai at Epworth December 2015 Menu**

1333 SE 28th Ave, Portland, 503-238-0775

**Tuesday 1** - Mar far  
chicken

**Wednesday 2** - Closed

**Thursday 3** - Shrimp &  
fish fry

**Friday 4** - Sukiyaki

**Monday 7** - Kung pao  
chicken & noodles

**Tuesday 8** - Clam  
chowder / Sichuan pork

**Wednesday 9** - Closed

**Thursday 10** - Nikujaga  
(beef & potatoes)

**Friday 11** - Rice ball stew

**Monday 14** - Panko  
shrimp donburi

**Tuesday 15** - Holiday  
Meal featuring Huber's  
turkey. Reservations  
Required

**Wednesday 16** - Closed

**Thursday 17** - Butternut  
squash casserole / Cod

**Friday 18** - Konnyaku  
menchikatsu (beef)

**Monday 21** - Spring roll /  
cashew chicken

**Tuesday 22** - Pork miso  
ramen

**Wednesday 23** - Closed

**Thursday 24** - Closed

**Friday 25** - Closed

**Monday 28** - Cioppino-  
fisherman stew

**Tuesday 29** - Birthday  
sushi

**Wednesday 30** - Closed

**Thursday 31** - Closed

### **Menu Notes:**

- Meals include salad  
or soup and dessert
- Mondays, 12:30-2:**  
hanafuda and bridge
- Mon-Tue, 11:30:**  
chair exercises
- Dec 8, 10:30:**  
Fujinkai Board Meeting
- Dec 15:**  
Holiday Meal,  
reg. price + \$2
- Dec 18, noon:**  
Kathryn Work piano
- Dec 21, 11:30:**  
Ohana Lunch Bunch

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