

PORTLANDJACL NEWSLETTER

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Now - January 15, 2017
Exhibit: Captain Hardy and the Black Ship Scroll
Oregon Nikkei Legacy
Center

Nov 11- Dec 24 Omiyage Holiday Shop ONLC

December 3, 5 p.m.Holiday Party
Oregon Buddhist Temple

Dec 7, 7-9 p.m.
Pearl Harbor Day
Remembrance
Oregon Historical Society

December 14 6-8 p.m.National Parks Meeting on Tule Lake at ONLC

December 15

Applications due for March 2017 Kakehashi trip to Japan www.pdxjacl.org

December 17, 5 p.m.UP Holiday Dinner at
Cherrywood

January 29 2017Mochitsuki
Portland State University

WE MUST BE A VOICE IN THE MOVEMENT

by Jeff Selby, Newsletter Editor

On September 10, 2001, I moved across the country to begin a new chapter in Portland. The next day, we were attacked and the nation was thrown into a frenzy of fear and hatred—fear and hatred that led to the targeting of Arabs and Muslims across the country by many.

On October 14, 2001, Portland JACL responded in full support of the Arab and Muslim community, gathering community members, faith leaders, and government officials together for a forum called, "Dialogue for Peace and Understanding." The event was my introduction to Portland JACL and I was so proud of my community and the Portland chapter.

Marginalized communities are facing increased hate crimes/speech, threats of deportation and religious registries, and the potential loss of hard-won civil liberties.

Portland Nikkei: the community needs us to rise up in the social justice movement in a more meaningful way. Ours is a unique history and now, more than ever, we have a responsibility to be a voice and a force whenever we witness injustice. The good news is that there are organizations with higher capacity, in the trenches, doing great work—we just need to support them in any way we can. Groups like the Immigration and Refugee Community Organization

(IRCO), Asian
Pacific American
Network
of Oregon
(APANO), Muslim
Educational Trust
(MET), Unite
Oregon, Basic
Rights Oregon,
and so many
more can use
our attention and
advocacy.



Portland JACL's Dialogue for Peace and Understanding in 2001. Photo: Joni Shimabukuro

Here we are in 2016, and hatred is rearing its head in ways we haven't seen since 9/11, and then some. But this time, there are more targets: communities of color, the LGBTQ community, women, Muslims, Jews, immigrants, and refugees.

This is not a political issue.

It's a human rights issue. We honor our heroes, like Min Yasui and Fred Korematsu. What would they expect from us today, as communities are facing increased threats and oppression? They would expect us to act. Now.

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AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Another: Building the Beloved Community in an Era of Division, Suspicion, and Isolation" There were nearly 400 people in attendance from various civic and religious organizations. Pictured (L to R) are Chip Larouche, Scott Sakamoto, Lynn Longfellow, Susan Leedham and Rich Iwasaki. Also attending were Dr. Connie Masuoka and Marleen Wallingford. Photo by Setsy Larouche



Joni Kimoto (r) speaks as part of a dialogue during the event "Beloved Community In An Era of Division, Suspicion, and Isolation" in Al-Madinah Hall, MET Community and Educational Center, Portland, Oregon. Dialogue participants included (I to r) Cantor Ida Rae Cahana, Rev. M. Linda Jaramillo, Marion Dawan and Ms. Kimoto. Photo by Rich Iwasaki



Wajdi Said speaks at "Beloved Community In An Era of Division, Suspicion, and Isolation" in Al-Madinah Hall, MET Community and Educational Center, Portland, Oregon. Said is President and Co-Founder of Muslim Educational Trust. Photo by Rich Iwasaki

CALLING ALL MEMBERS: GENERAL MEETING

Sunday, January 22, 2017, 1:00 pm Chinese Village Restaurant | 520 SE 82nd Ave., Portland

Please join your Portland JACL Board at our annual meeting for a light lunch at the Chinese Village on Sunday, January 22, 2017. We will be discussing our path forward in light of the election of Donald Trump.

The racist and exclusionary rhetoric has created a 400% rise in hate crimes, and we are very concerned about polices that will further marginalize people of color, immigrants, women and the LGBTQ community.

Carl Higbie's shocking statement that the incarceration of 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry during WWII could be used as a precedent to allow registration of Muslims living in our country should ring alarm bells in all of us.

We would appreciate hearing from all of you. Please RSVP: susan@pdxjacl.org.



UPCOMING SHOWS

December 11, 2016

Christmas/Holiday Program Van Mall Retirement Vancouver, WA 2:00pm - 3:30pm

December 31, 2016

New Year's Eve Dinner/Music Vancouver Hilton Dinner - 6:00pm Music - 7:00pm to 9:00pm Dinner & Music \$75 Tickets: minidokaswingband.com

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Omiyage

Oregon Nikkei Endowment's holiday pop-up shop has now been integrated into reconfigured space at the Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center to create the Omiyage Museum Store!

Now you can celebrate the tradition of gift giving year-round. The Omiyage Museum Store features Asian-inspired gifts and crafts, many created by local artisans, designers and authors. Choose from a unique selection of jewelry, fashion and home accessories, books, cards, origami creations, kokeshi, art objects and a selection of curated vintage items from our ever-popular Cherry Blossom Bazaar.

All the proceeds from the Omiyage Museum Store support our museum, programs, exhibits and educational offerings, so come do your holiday shopping and gift buying year-round while supporting the mission of Oregon Nikkei Endowment.



Omiyage offers a perfect harmonious blending of modern and ancient traditions, making our gifts perfect for you, a family member, or a treasured friend.

Omiyage Museum Store Holiday Hours: November 11 – December 24 Tuesday through Saturday 11:00a-6:00p Sunday 12:00-5:00p, Closed Monday

Proceeds support the mission of Oregon Nikkei Endowment.

Joy & Peace to All Friends of O.N.E. Preview & Special Reception Friday, November 11, 2016 | 3:00p to 7:00p



Osechi Ryori

Japanese New Year's Food

Order at www.oregonnikkei.org

ORDER FORM

Name
Address
Phone
Email
boxes at \$140 each
boxes at \$110 each (provide your own jubako)
Checks: Make payable to Oregon Nikkei Endowment
Credit card: ☐MC ☐Visa ☐Amex ☐Discover
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Expiration dateSecurity 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 Thursday, December 22.

The traditional foods will include: nishime, kazunoko, makisushi, chirashi, and more ...

Cost: \$140 includes the jubako box and foods

OR \$110 if you provide your own jubako box. (\$60 is tax deductible)

DEADLINE to order: Thursday, December 22, 2016

For more information: 503-224-1458 or info@oregonnikkei.org

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

Or order online: www.oregonnikkei.org

ORDER PICK-UP: available on Saturday, December 31, 2016, from 1:30-2:00 PM, at the Oregon Buddhist Temple (3720 SE 34th Ave, Portland)



MOCHITSUKI 2017

21st Annual Japanese American New Year Celebration

Sunday, January 29, 2017 • 11 AM-4 PM

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

Usher in the Year of the Rooster!

Join us for the 21st annual celebration of the Japanese American New Year featuring a feast for the senses. Enjoy traditional foods, art, performances, and many exceptional hands-on cultural experiences, displays, family-friendly activities, demos, and games.

- Calligraphy
- · Children's bento making
- Food demos
- GO (board game)
- Ikebana
- Kendo
- · Mochi-pounding
- · New Year card making
- Origami
- Tea ceremony
- · Games and more!

Stage Performances

- · Taiko drumming
- Traditional dance & music
- Robert Kikuchi-Yngojo
- The Slants and many more!

Presented by Portland JACL Co-produced by: Konko Church of Portland Oregon Nikkei Endowment Portland Taiko



www.mochipdx.org

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: Children 3 years of age and younger, Honored Seniors 88+



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IKOI NO KAI AT EPWORTH MENU FOR DECEMBER

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

Thu. 1 - Tara-chiri nabe Fri. 2 - Kare-udon

Mon. 5 - Korean beef & noodles

Thu. 8 - Hamburg steak

Fri. 9 - Tempuraudonburi Mon. 12 - Holiday Meal -Reservations required

Tue. 13 - Shrimp w/lobster Fri. 23 - Chicken mizutaki sauce

Thu. 15 - Tofu donburi Fri. 16 - Beef teriyaki

Tue. 6 - Peruvian chicken **Mon. 19 -** Mabo tofu/salad

Tue. 20 - Lemon plum sauce chicken

Thu. 22 - Onion croquette

nabe

Mon. 26 - Closed

Tue. 27 - Pho chicken noodle soup

Thu. 29 - Asparagus beef

Fri. 30 - Birthday sushi

Menu Notes:

- Meals include salad or soup and dessert
- Closed Wednesdays
- Mondays, 12:30-2: hanafuda and bridge
- Mon-Tue-Fri, 11:30: chair exercises
- Dec 8, 11:15: Blood pressure
- Dec 9, Noon: Kathryn Work on piano
- Dec 13, 10:00: Fujinkai Board
- Dec 15, 11:30: Singalong-Reiko and Jerry



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