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PORTLAND JACL NEWSLETTER

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Now thru December 31, 2018

Righting a Wrong: Japanese Americans and World War II
National Museum of American History
Washington DC

Now thru January 8, 2018

Only the Oaks Remain: The Story of Tuna Canyon Detention Station
Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center

December 2, 5 p.m.

Nikkei Community Holiday Party
OBT Basement

December 7, 5:30 p.m.

Voices of Remembrance
PSU, Lincoln Hall Rm 331
(See flyer inside)

December 13-21st

Kakehashi Trip to Japan

Jan 2, 2018

Kakehashi Applications due for
March Trip

January 28, 2018

Mochitsuki Festival
Portland State University

February 3, 2018

JACL National Board Meeting
San Francisco, CA

February 17, 2018, 11:30 p.m.

Portland JACL 90th Anniversary
Birthdays Bash

March 1, 2018

Application Deadline for JACL
& Community Scholarship

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by Setsy Larouche, Portland JACL Membership Chair

On October 26, 2017, the movie "Never Give up!" Minoru Yasui and the Fight for Justice, was shown at the Gymnasium of the Confederated Tribe of Grand Ronde. This documentary film by Holly Yasui (daughter of Min Yasui) and Will Doolittle and narrated by George Takei was well attended by the local public to include many from the Portland area. A question and answer panel session was held after the movie presentation. Members of the panel were: Holly Yasui, Sho Dozono, Anne Galisky, and Marion Mercier. Anne Galisky's Architecture of Internment exhibit was also on display in the Gymnasium. We are grateful for the Spirit Mountain Community Fund (SMCF), Chaired by our own Sho Dozono, who generously funded the film in the amount of \$35,000 through the Japanese Ancestral Society of Portland (fiscal agent). We must also be grateful to the SMCF for their generous \$50,000 donation in the past to Ikoi No Kai when the Multnomah County/Meals on Wheels program ended a few years ago. Other organizations who have received help from the SMCF are: the Minidoka Swing Band, Oregon Nikkei Endowment and Portland Taiko. We are very grateful for their ongoing generosity.

On Saturday October 28th, Portland JACL hosted the Pacific Northwest District Council at the Holladay Park Plaza. Many thanks to Jean Matsumoto for her help in providing the venue for our district meeting. On the membership side, overall the National

membership is down by 2% but our district is up by 2.2%. The National goal is to increase membership from 9,000 to 10,000. If everyone continues to renew and have their children and grandchildren join their local chapters, the National goal can be met. Onegaishimasu! For your information, the largest chapters are Portland, Chicago and Seattle. Pacific Northwest District is well represented but we must not rest on our laurels. The District meeting lasted most of the day and the following officers were elected to a two year term.

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On Sunday, Nov 5th, many Nikkei veterans led by Commander Ron Iwasaki and other community supporters met at the Rose City Cemetery for our annual observance of Veterans Day.

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Board Member's Message Continued

Rev Zuigaki Kodachi spoke and led us in chanting. This was followed by a visit to the Willamette National Cemetery. We were fortunate that the rain/wind stayed away for both events.

On November 8, the following people spoke in front of the City Hall at a news conference for Portland to withdraw from the Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF). They included Kimberly McCullough from ACLU, Portland JACL President Marleen Ikeda Wallingford and Attorney Brandon Mayfield who was falsely accused by the FBI of being a terrorist responsible for the Madrid bombings in 2004. Afterwards, all three spoke in the city council chambers.

On Friday, November 10th, all veterans were invited for a complimentary lunch at Iko No Kai to thank them for their service to our country. The delicious meals were prepared by Mr. Eietsu Yasuda, and many volunteers served the guests. A group photo was taken at the end of the luncheon. We thank everyone who has served our nation.

A friendly reminder to make your reservation for the 90th Birthday Bash for Saturday, February 17, 2018. This will be a special event celebration our chapter's existence for 90 years and to remember Executive Order 9066 and for the Civil Liberties Act of 1988.



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- **Phone** _____
- **Email** _____
- _____ boxes at \$140 each
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- **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 Nik- kei Legacy Center, 121 NW 2nd Avenue, Portland by Sunday, December 24.**
- **The traditional foods will include: nishime, kazunoko, makisu-shi, 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 21, 2017**
- **For more information: 503-224-1458 Mail order form to: O.N.E., 121 NW 2nd Avenue, Portland, OR 97209 ORDER PICK-UP: available on Sunday, December 31, 2017, from 1:30-2:00 PM, at the OBT (3720 SE 34th Ave, Portland)**

NIKKEI COMMUNITY WINTER HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday, December 2, 2017

At the Oregon Buddhist Temple Basement

Starting at 5pm

Please join us for the 5th annual Nikkei BCC/HKS+* Party
This will be a semi-potluck dinner where the main course
and rice will be provided and
you bring the side dish of your choice.

There will be activities for kids and a visit from Santa.

Start the holidays with food and fun!

For more information or to RSVP, contact Connie at
cmasuoka@comcast.net or 503 243-3291

*Bodhi Day, Christmas, C/Hannukah, Kwanzaa, Solistice

Now Accepting Applications for the JACL Kakehashi Program 2017-2018!



Apply now for the 2017-2018 JACL Kakehashi Program! Up to 200 participants will be selected to participate in this year's JACL Kakehashi Program. The goal of the ACL Kakehashi Program is to build relations between Japan and Japanese Americans/Asian Americans.

Participants selected in a competitive process will travel to Japan for 9-days where they will visit a number of historical and educational sites, experience traditional and cultural activities, and participate in a homestay with a local family.

Go To WWW.JACL.ORG for more information and links to apply.

Trip Schedule

Trip Date	Application Deadline	Copy of Passport Deadline	Notification of Selection
Trip 2: March 12-20, 2018	January 2, 2018	No later than January 25, 2018	February 2018

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PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF THE ARTS PRESENTS

Valerie Otani

*Voices of
Remembrance*

The artist discusses her monumental 2004 public sculpture commemorating Japanese American incarceration at the Portland Assembly Center in 1942.

Film screening

*Conscience and
the Constitution*

A documentary on the Japanese-American struggle for civil rights during World War II, written, produced, and directed by Frank Abe, with Lawson Fusao Inada and George Takei.

THURSDAY, 7 DECEMBER 2017

LECTURE 5:30 P.M.
Lincoln Hall 331

SCREENING 6:30 P.M.
Lincoln Hall 331

1620 SW Park Blocks
Portland, Ore.

Program offered in conjunction with the Broadway Gallery exhibition "Our American Eyes: Prints by Roger Shimomura" marking the 75th anniversary of Executive Order 9066 by which 120,00 Japanese Americans were imprisoned in the U.S. during World War II.

The event is free and open to the public.
Co-sponsored by Trimet.



November 8, 2017

Contact: Marleen Wallingford, President

The Portland JACL urges the Portland Police to pull out of the Joint Terrorism Task Force.

The Portland JACL is a civil rights organization that was formed in 1928. We want to remind the mayor and city council of what our city and government did 75 years ago. Our lives were changed forever when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor on a Sunday morning on December 7, 1941. By 2:30 in the afternoon in Portland, the FBI swarmed over the Japanese neighborhood and began arresting our community leaders: businessmen, doctors, newspapermen, Buddhist priests, and Japanese language teachers. A total of 110 individuals were taken by the FBI from the Portland area. They were placed in places the Multnomah County and Rocky Butte Jails. None of these people were charged with a crime and for several days their wives and families had no idea what had happened to their husbands and fathers. Some families were not reunited for two years. Obviously the FBI had been investigating the Japanese community and had come up with lists of “suspicious” people before Pearl Harbor happened. The government identified these Japanese as a national security threat solely because of their ancestry despite the fact that surveillance had found no sabotage or subversive activity. General DeWitt, the commander in charge of the defense of the west coast proclaimed, “The very fact that no sabotage occurred to date is a disturbing and confirming indication that such action will be taken.” Wartime hysteria fanned the flames of fear and hatred after the attack at Pearl Harbor. False rumors sensationalized by the media or vote-seeking politicians overwhelmed and contradicted the government’s own research, a fact kept secret until the 1970’s. When America felt threatened, we strayed from our democratic ideals under the guise of military necessity.

On 9/11 America had another catastrophic attack. Thousands of New Yorkers lost their lives because of by the Islamic terrorist group al-Qaeda. Suddenly we are facing a new enemy. We cannot let prejudice and fear guide our government policies. Crime data shows that far-right extremists are behind far more plots and attacks than Islamist extremists. Our local police department should be protecting our citizens and not conducting investigations that conflict with our local sanctuary laws. We should not be using our scarce resources to enforce federal laws. We are urging that the Portland Police does not participate in the Joint Terrorism Task Force.

Our history is valuable lesson for all American. We should not repeat the mistakes of the past as we confront challenges of Islamophobia, hate violence, the rise of the white supremacist movement and the pervasiveness of institutional racism that criminalizes communities of color.

Thank You from Portland JACL!

Portland JACL would like to thank everyone listed below for their generous donations during the past year (through November 12, 2017) 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 unless the donor requests a mailed acknowledgement which we are very pleased to provide.

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**Thank you all for
your continued
membership,
helping to keep
Portland as the
largest Chapter
in JACL**



December 1, 2017

The Portland JACL is very excited to celebrate the 90th year of our organization. It will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. at the Aerie at Eagle Landing, 10220 SE Causey, Happy Valley, Oregon. Our early history will be shared and some of our former presidents will tell stories of their tenure in office. We will also enjoy the music of the Minidoka Swing Band. Please let us know if you will be able to come.

Sincerely,

Marleen Wallingford,
President



Portland JACL 90th Birthday Bash

February 17 ~ Aerie at Eagle Landing, 10220 SE Causey, Happy Valley, Oregon 11:30 a.m. Buffet Luncheon

Directions to Aerie at Eagle Landing

From I-205 N, take exit 14, Sunnybrook Blvd, right on Sunnyside Rd., left on Stevens, right on Causey
From I 205 S, take exit 16 to SE Johnson Creek Blvd., right on 92nd, left on Causey

SEND THIS FORM AND CHECK, MADE OUT TO Portland JACL

c/o Setsy Larouche 12811 SE Hawks Crest Place, Happy Valley, Oregon 97086

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RSVP by January 15, 2018

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Birthday Bash Tickets

February 17, 2018 at Aerie at Eagle Landing

Name _____ Number _____ x \$50 = _____

Guest Name(s) _____ Number _____ x \$50 = _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

Email address for confirmation (please print) _____
or phone number _____

Please note dietary needs _____



Portland, Oregon
Sunday, January 28, 2018
11 AM - 4 PM

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MOCHITSUKI 2018

22nd Annual Japanese American New Year Celebration | Year of the Dog

Demonstrations & hands-on activities!



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**Smith Memorial
Student Union (SMSU)
Portland State University**
1825 SW Broadway
Portland, Oregon

Advance Ticket Sales:

\$10 Adults
\$7 Students/Seniors (62+)
\$4 Child (ages 4-12)

Door Tickets:

\$12 Adults
\$9 Students/Seniors (62+)
\$3 Child (ages 4-12)

Free Admission:

Children under 3 years of age
Honored citizens 88 & older

Family-friendly festival offers a wealth of cultural experiences, tastes, and entertainment! Enjoy demonstrations, activities, displays, and **Japanese food** vendors. Experience **mochi pounding**, ikebana, tea ceremony, calligraphy, origami, children's bento making class, games, arts & crafts and **much more!**

Pass through the ongoing cultural performances to see taiko drumming, Japanese music, live dance, storytelling by **Alton Takiyama-Chung**, music by violinist **Tomoki Martens**.

Live stage performances!



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AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Top: Reverend Kodachi leads a simple service at both the Rose City Cemetery and the Willamette National Cemetery to honor the Nikkei veterans who helped to keep all Americans free.

Left and bottom: Yoshi Ono is bid a fond farewell as he heads off to California after many years in the Community. Yoshi has been very active in the Oregon Buddhist Temple and Portland JACL and the friends who gathered to say goodbye and many others will miss him and his daughter Alyssa who won the Alice Sumida Scholarship in 2016.

Photos by Chip Larouche



Right: Community veterans pose for a group picture after enjoy a great Veterans Day meal at Ikoi No Kai.

Photo by one of the volunteers



Left: Host President Marleen Wallingford administers the oath of office to the new Pacific Northwest District Council Officers.

(L to R) Governor Chip Larouche, Vice-Governors Eileen Lamphere and Setsy Larouche, Secretary Stan Shikuma and Treasurer Sheldon Arakaki.

Photo by Rich Iwasaki

Right and Below: Portland JACL President Marleen Wallingford, Attorney Brandon Mayfield and ACLU Policy Director Kimberly McCullough testify before the Portland City Council and hold a press conference outside City Hall, explaining why it's not a good idea to have Portland Police Officers on the Joint Terrorism Task Force. Photos by Setsy Larouche



*We hope your
Holidays are
filled with fun, joy
and great health!*



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Fri. 1- Gyu-don, Beef
Soup

Mon. 4 - Beef Broccoli

Tue. 5 - Chicken Pot Pie

Thu. 7 - Kitsune Udon &
Iri-Tofu

Fri. 8 - Chicken Karaage/
Namuru

Mon 11- Lemon Plum
Sauce Chicken

Tue. 12 - Holiday Meal -
Reservations Required

Thu. 14 - Tonkatsu/

Nasu Nimono (Simmered
Eggplant)

Fri. 15 - Gomoku-

Kamameshi/Buta (5
ingredient rice, sweet pork)

Mon. 18 - Salmon

Chowder/Salad Rolls

Tue. 19 - Panko Shrimp
Singapore Noodles

Thu. 21 - Kiritanpo Nabe/
Dashimaki Tamago
(Chicken Hotpot Omelet)

Fri. 22 - Birthday Sushi

Mon. 25 - Holiday Closure

Tue. 26 - Holiday Closure

Thu. 28 - Holiday Closure

Fri. 29 - Holiday Closure

• **Dec 15,** Kathryn Work on
Piano

• **Dec 5, 10:30:**
Sage Circle - with Dr.
Wang

• **Dec 14, 11:30** Sing
Along with Jerry

• **Dec 21, 12:30** Angel
Workshop, Sign Up!

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 12 & 19, 11:15:**
Blood pressure
- **Thursdays 11:30:**
Qi Gong w/Kathleen
- **Dec 12** Fujinkai Board
- **Dec 18,** Ohana Lunch
Bunch

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