



PORTLAND JACL NEWSLETTER

Founded in 1928, Portland JACL is one of the most respected civil rights organizations in the country.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Now thru December 31, 2018

Righting a Wrong

National Museum of American History

April 6

Portland Taiko Benefit Banquet
Wong's King Restaurant

April 12 - June 10

Arts & Crafts from
Incarceration Camps
Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center

April 14, 6 p.m.

Gambatte Be Strong
Chapel at Lewis & Clark

April 17

Community Forum: *Why
Portland should leave the JTTF*
4222 NE 12th - Maranatha Church

April 21 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

PNWDC JACL Board Meeting
Seattle, WA

April 22

OBT Spring Bazaar
Oregon Buddhist Temple

April 29

Epworth Spring Bazaar

May 6, 1 p.m.

Graduation Banquet
Monarch Hotel

May 11 & 12

Gaman Festival - PCC

May 28, 1 p.m.

Memorial Day
Rose City Cemetery

PORTLAND JACL STANDS AGAINST IP 22

by Marleen Ikeda Wallingford, Portland JACL President

The Portland JACL is standing by our immigrant and refugee neighbors. We are asking our members not to support Initiative Petition 22. This petition would repeal Oregon's 30 year old sanctuary law that was passed to address problems with discrimination and profiling by local law enforcement. Our sanctuary law helps ensure that all Oregonians rights are protected and no one is unfairly targeted because of their perceived ethnic or religious heritage. Our ethnic heritage was used against us 76 years ago and we were forcibly removed from our homes on the west coast in the interest of military necessity. There was absolutely no evidence that any person of Japanese ancestry was engaging in sabotage but war hysteria and fear fed the flames of racism. We cannot stand-by and let this happen again.

We have joined One Oregon which is a statewide coalition that defends against anti-immigrant and anti-Muslim policies and ballot measures. The coalition has over 75 organizational members including: ACLU, APANO, Causa, Basic Rights Oregon, and Unite Oregon. We want to ensure that all Oregonians regardless of country of birth are treated with dignity and respect. IP22 will make our communities less safe as it will shift our public resources from community safety to enforcing federal immigration laws without adding new money, necessary trainings, equipment or tools.

IP 22 is being proposed by a group in Oregon called OFIR, Oregonians for Immigration Reform. OFIR takes credit for

2008 bill which required proof of citizenship to obtain on Oregon driver's license, and the defeat of bills granting instate tuition undocumented immigrants, Dreamers.

OFIR has received funding from a national organization, Federation for Immigration Reform (FAIR). This organization has been described as a white nationalist organization by the Southern Poverty Law Center. The goals of both organizations is to limit the number of immigrants who come into the United States in what has been described in the interest of sustainability. We reject their nativist agenda.

Paid petition gatherers have been seen at various locations throughout the state. There have been reports that some of these petition gatherers have been misrepresenting the petition saying it would make sure that Oregon's sanctuary law would not be repealed. That is not true. If you encounter a person trying to get you to sign IP 22, make sure they are giving out the correct information and have their badge or paperwork stating they are a registered with the State of Oregon to be a circulator. Do not sign the petition. Report violations to the Secretary of State's office.

Take action. You can reject racism and fear by going to the One Oregon site, www.oneoregon.org/ and signing up to be a supporter. You can also send me your name, email address and zip code and I will add your name to the list of people who reject anti-immigrant policies. Almost 50% of the people who attended our Birthday Bash have already signed on. We know what it's like to be banned. #NeverAgain.



Oregon Buddhist Temple
OBT Spring Fundraiser!
Sun, April 22, 2018, 11am-3pm

FOOD PRE-ORDER FORM
*** Return to OBT by April 17 ***

Meat Menu	Price	Quantity (Eat in)	Quantity (Take Out)	Amount
Salmon Donburi	\$10	_____	_____	\$ _____
Pork Chow Mein	\$8	_____	_____	\$ _____
Mar Far Chicken	\$8	_____	_____	\$ _____
Vegetarian Menu				
Mabo Dofu Bowl	\$9	_____	_____	\$ _____
Tofu Curry Rice	\$9	_____	_____	\$ _____
Veggie Chow Mein	\$8	_____	_____	\$ _____

Name: _____

Total Amount \$ _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Make all checks payable to:
Oregon Buddhist Temple
3720 SE 34th Ave
Portland, OR 97202

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Thank you for your support!

Questions? Contact us at bazaar@oregonbuddhisttemple.com

What does Justice look like? - "Gambatte Be Strong"

Date: Friday, May 11, 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Location: Agnes Flanagan Chapel, Lewis & Clark

RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/GambatteB>

Gaman Festival

Date: Friday, May 11, 6:00pm - 9:00pm (Film Showing)

Saturday, May 12, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm (Art Booths)

Location: PCC Cascade, Albina & Killingsworth

Event: Gaman Fest is an intergenerationally inspired event showcasing art as activism

Sponsored by O.N.E. and Portland JACL

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Sachi Kaneko at sachi@pdxjacl.org

Teachable Moments

by Sharon Takahashi, Japanese Ancestral Society President

I lost my only brother in Sept. 2017. With his death, our family line and name came to an end and I have been "living in the past." I tell many stories about my mom who fancied herself to be a Benjamin Franklin quote expert. One she always paraphrased was "the only certain things in this life are death and taxes." (1789) Well, she gave credit to the wrong author. In 1726, it was Daniel Defoe who wrote, "Things as certain as death and taxes, can be more firmly believed." Sorry, Mom, you fell off the pedestal on this one.

As April 15th is rapidly approaches, I hear friends say "if I were dead I wouldn't have to pay taxes."

True and false: you don't have to pay the taxes owed, but whoever you put in charge of your affairs does. To add insult to injury, after the taxes are paid for the part of the year you lived (in my bro's case, January till September), then the estate pays taxes on his gains after he passed. What a rude awakening for those tending to the final details.

After that downer, I looked for some positives. While helping with the church's spring bazaar, I noticed the cookies baked by Alice and wondered if a child or grandchild has this recipe. That is a hot seller and if missing, will leave a void at the bake sale. I cannot imagine a bazaar without those cookies or the Hobara teriyaki chicken sauce.

There were many children and grandchildren helping out and that was uplifting. There were processes and procedures in customer service, health and safety, and common courtesy being taught throughout the weekend. I know this is not peculiar to this church and that this happens in many places in our Japanese American community. Hopefully, we older folk took the time to tell the young ones that we are grateful for their participation and we consider them our greatest asset. We are "banking" what we hope they will carry on. Our ethnic traditions are unique (though subject to modernization).

What an upper spring is—it revitalizes the soul! Enjoy!

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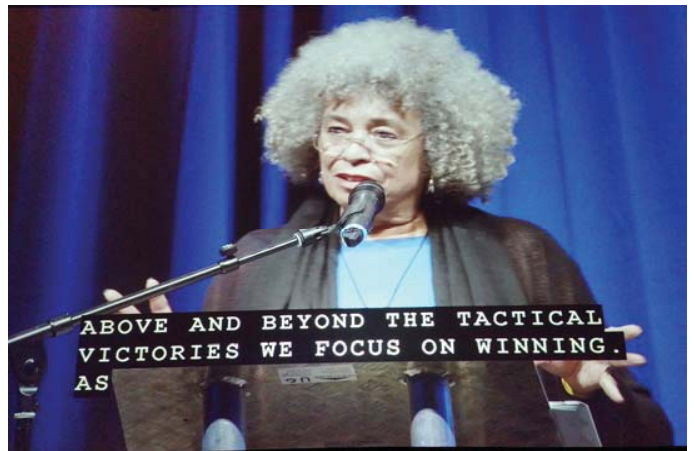
Right: Consul General Uchiyama, and his wife Karen receive gifts from Lynn Fuchigami and Sharon Takahashi at their farewell.



Left: Gabi Nakashima and Grace Shimizu pose prior to their presentation at Epworth recently describing the initiatives to get redress for Japanese Latin Americans.



Above: Hula dancers entertain at Iko No Kai on February 26th. Francis Doo plays the ukulele with the Kapa Hula O Kanaiaupuni dancers. Photo by Setsy Larouche



Above: Angela Davis is the keynote speaker at this year's ACLU Liberty Dinner. Portland JACL was again a table sponsor for the event.



Left: Representing Portland JACL at the Liberty Dinner were Jean and Ralph Yamamoto, Susan & Chris Leedham, June & John Schumann, Setsy Larouche, Peggy Nagae & Connie Masuoka.

Photos by Chip Larouche



The 2018 Portland JACL did a commendable job putting this luncheon together. Pictured L to R: Marleen Wallingford, Heidi Tolentino, Setsy Larouche, Jean Yamamoto, Chip Larouche, Susan Leedham, Chris Lee, and Sachi Kaneko. Not pictured are Connie Masuoka, Lynn Fuchigami Parks, Verne Naito & Ryan Nakano



Left: Larry Nabori, Music Director for the Minidoka Swing Band plays the clarinet during the Birthday Bash

Right: The Buffet Lunch featured stuffed chicken and Prime Rib preceded by Shrimp and Cheeseburger Slider appetizers.

More 90th Anniversary pictures. A big *thank you* to Curtis Suyematsu of Refelections Photography for covering our event with photography!





EPWORTH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

SPRING BAZAAR

11:30 AM TO 2:30 PM

LUNCH TAKE-OUT, BAKE SALE, & PLANT AND PRODUCE SALE

Please use the following order form and make checks payable to Epworth United Methodist Church.
Please mail by April 26 to: *Epworth United Methodist Church*

1333 SE 28th Avenue
Portland, OR 97214
Phone #: (503)232-5253

<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Teriyaki Beef Bowl	\$8	_____	_____
Chow Mein	\$7	_____	_____
Inarizushi	\$6	_____	_____
Asian Chicken Salad	\$5	_____	_____
Total Amount			_____

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

Food is take-out only.

You may pick up your tickets on the day of the bazaar at the Pre-Sale ticket area.

All proceeds benefit Epworth United Methodist Church.

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Ikoï no Kai, April 2018

1333 SE 28th, 503-238-0775

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> LemongrassPork/ rice noodle salad	3 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Wor wonton soup	4 X	5 <i>Qi Gong: 11:30</i> Hayashi Japanese stroganoff	6 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Gyoza
9 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Blk beanChicken/ yaki udon <i>Hanafuda & Bridge: 12:30-2</i>	10 Fujinkai Board:10:30 Blood pressure: 11:15 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Sukiyaki	11 X	12 <i>Qi Gong: 11:30</i> Pork stir fry w/ vegetables	13 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Kathryn Work on piano Mar Far chicken
16 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Ohana Lunch Bunch Crispy Beef bibimbap <i>Hanafuda & Bridge: 12:30-2</i>	17 Sage Circle: 10:30 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Mapo tofu/ cala- mari salad	18 X	19 <i>Qi Gong: 11:30</i> Curry seafood pilaf	20 Japanese pottery sale <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Ebi & fish fry
23 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Somen salad/ salmon chowder <i>Hanafuda & Bridge: 12:30-2</i>	24 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> LemonPlumSauce chicken	25 X	26 <i>Qi Gong: 11:00</i> <i>Sing Along: 11:30</i> Birthday Sushi	27 Closed for Epworth bazaar
30 <i>Chair Exercises: 11:30</i> Pork udon <i>Hanafuda & Bridge: 12:30-2</i>				

Cooks: Sharon Ogata M-Tu

Noriko Dozono, Judy Yamauchi, Haruyo Takei & Nobuko Wedick Th-Fri

Apr 10: Fujinkai Board: 10:30

Apr 13: Kathryn Work on the piano: Noon

Apr 16: Ohana Lunch Bunch: Sansei gathering, reconnecting, networking: 11:30

Apr 17: Sage Circle: 10:30

Apr 20: Japanese Pottery Sale, 10-2, the collection of Maurice Holcombe

Apr 26: Sing Along with Reiko & Jerry

Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays: Chair Exercises with Nobuko Kaji: 11:30

Thursdays: Qi Gong with Kathleen Kuba: 11:30

Blood pressure with Jane Kawashima: April 10



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Consul General Kojiro Uchiyama delivers a heart felt farewell message to the Japanese American Community in Portland as he and his wife Karen head off to their next assignment in India.



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