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SFV JACL-SFVJACC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



(L-R): Elena Inamine, Keynote Speaker Gina Masequesmay (associate Professor at CSU Northridge) and Paige Negro.

On June 5, 2011, the SFV JACL-SFVJACC Scholarship Tea was held at the Nikkei Village. Elena Inamine and Paige Negro received the awards and were recognized for their outstanding achievements. McKen-Z Leong was also a recipient but was not able to be at the awards. Following are the recipients' profiles.

Elena Inamine, an AP Scholar, graduated from William Hart High School. She was an accomplished student leader with the Yearbook, National Honors Society and Habitat for Humanity. Beyond her extracurricular activities at Hart, she has already made her mark in the Asian American community, participating in Project Community!, Asian Pacific Youth Leadership Project and the Rising Stars Program, in addition to substantial volunteer work with the San Fernando Valley Holiness Church. She has also worked in the past with the JACL and was a PSW District intern.

Elena will be attending USC in the fall.

Paige Negro, a scholar-athlete, attended Harvard-Westlake School. She was an Honor Roll student since her freshman year and competed on the basketball, swimming and water polo teams. She also interned at the prestigious California Institute of Technology. Paige has dedicated much of her time to the Valley JA community, volunteering as a coach for the San Fernando Pee Wee Basketball Clinic, participating in Obon and doing community service projects with the YBA. She has worked towards alleviating hunger in Haiti and cleaning Santa Monica's polluted beaches.

Paige will be attending Tufts University in the fall.

Mural Unveiling

By Tadao Okui



On Tuesday, July 26, 2011, at the new Pacoima Neighborhood City Hall located at 13520 Van Nuys Blvd., Pacoima CA 91331, a beautiful mural by artist Ignacio Gomez was unveiled paying tribute to the history and community leaders of the Northeast San Fernando Valley. With the help of Harold Muraoka, some of our community center pioneers are a part of this beautiful mural. The trio of Mits Usui, Tom Ikuta and Berry Tamura are depicted together as pioneers for our San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center. Dr. Sanbo Sakaguchi and Dr. Mary Oda each have a frame stating their commitment and having their medical practice in the San Fernando and Pacoima areas for over 50 years and delivering over 4,000 babies. Seigoro Murakami has a frame for pioneering judo in the San Fernando and Pacoima areas plus hosting a training site for the 1984 Olympics held in Los Angeles.

Councilman Richard Alarcon hosted this event which drew almost 400 people. Visit the Pacoima Neighborhood City Hall and see this spectacular mural and the impressive new building. The mural contains over 30 famous people who helped shape the Northeast San Fernando Valley. The building is located on the corner of Van Nuys Blvd and Oneida Ave. in Pacoima.

*The profile on McKen-Z Leong is on page 9.



The Editing Board

By Karl Nobuyuki

Mid-Year Update 2011

It is unbelievable that we are beyond mid-year 2011! And, I can say that 2011 came in strong. We have seen an up-swing in participation for our annual events and a tremendous out-pouring of support for our “new” ventures. One could say, “...we are on a roll...” The new picnic tables between Judo and the CC have been well received and help us accommodate the growing number of participants. Even our playground is servicing more youngsters.

It appears that it began with the yard sale for JET Relief. The event co-chaired by **Kasey Yoshimura** and **Desiree Norihiro** drew a large gathering of *young adults* to put on the event. The results were overwhelming, raising over \$8,000 in four hours! True, the amount raised was spectacular, yet to me the participants, a younger group of adults, was the major achievement. Following this, events thereafter have proven to show a growing number of younger adults and children participating; a healthy sign of the CC’s future. ***The CC is the place to be...*** And, as follow-on, the JET Relief Fund’s first disbursement went to:

- Miyagi Prefecture 12,500+
- Iwate Prefecture \$4,000+
- Fukushima Prefecture \$4,000+
- Ibaraki Prefecture \$4,000+

Funds were disbursed through the Shin Koyamada Foundation, **Shoichi Nakagiri**, President. We will be sending our second disbursement soon. So, if you know anyone who has not yet contributed to Japan relief, send them our way. One can take pride in their tax-deductible contributions.

San Fernando’s JACL has stepped up and hosted two major accomplishments with their *Manzanar the Musical and Suzume No Gakko*. I am told that the second showing of the Manzanar performance was larger than the first. **Nancy Gohata’s** leadership in this venture was obvious. Then, the Chapter put on the return of *Suzume No Gakko*. Headed by **Nancy Oda**, the event drew over forty youths and had them participating in cultural activities that drew upon the “Japaneseness” of their heritage. My observations of some of the activities, was heart-warming to say the least. The body of volunteers that Nancy Oda drew is testament to her talents and administrative skills. It is good to see the JACL as an active participant in Center activities.

Then of course there was Obon. I was able to participate in the set-up and take down for **SFV JACL** and the **Bonsai Club**. The JACL’s dough-ball booth has evolved from an annual to a *traditional* protocol. JACL draws out its worker bees and engineers to configure the setup of the booth and gingerly take it down following Obon. The Bonsai Club has for years, pulled down their Bonsai stands from the upper level of the CC’s shed. Now they are more safely housed in the field container and more accessible. Bonsai Club President, **Akira Kimura**, reports that their sale of bonsai trees was the highest ever; which is their major fund-raiser for the year. (*The remaining trees are sold to a local vendor. The trees which sell for \$25 & \$40 are sold for \$75 & \$100 commercially and are in high demand.*) On July 17th, the **Bonsai Club** held their annual trimming day of black pine trees at the Buddhist Church and Community Center.

VFW post 4140 first introduced **Amber Piatt** as the SFV Queen Candidate for Nisei Week 2011. Amber made another active presence on Family Day, acknowledging her family’s support and thanking the CC and Coordinating Council for their support. The Queen Coronation is fast approaching, so if you haven’t purchased your tickets, act quickly.

Our **Family Day** event drew its largest crowd ever, over 350. Thanks to MC **Stan Date**, the program started and ended on time. We cannot accommodate any more, so a word to the wise, is to purchase your tickets early and arrive as soon as possible. Yet, what made this year’s Family Day special was the active participation of the **Athletics Organization**. **Athletics** sponsored venues for kids, so we had the sights and sounds of youth throughout the day (*the patter of little feet*). Likewise, the **Gardeners Association** was active on the Bar-BQ pit to prepare our food stuff and round out the day as a true *family affair*.

Finally, there is good news from Nikkei Senior Gardens. NSG has successfully completed its refinancing venture with Prudential and HUD. Their interest rates have been cut by nearly one-half and it appears they are now on their way to a successful commercial venture. There has been an active waiting list for NSG throughout the year as word of NSG has blossomed. **Mike Motoyasu** has been appointed as interim Director and the feedback is extremely positive. Residents now feel that there is someone they could approach and talk to and this is good.

So, as we move on towards the second half of the year, I want to thank all of you for your support, generosity and involvement for the last seven months. Things are on the upswing. You are a wonderful group of people and part of a spectacular movement known as the **San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community**.

Once again our apologies to the Heishi-Porter Family.

May Porter	\$400.00
May Heishi Porter & Hilary Hisako Porter For Donor Tree	
May Porter	\$400.00
In memory of George Sakutaro Heishi For Donor Tree	
May Porter	\$500.00
In memory of Matsu Sakuma Heishi For Donor Tree	

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June-July, 2011

Donations:

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In memory of Helen Nakada
Tom/Sue Hiraoka
Donation of a vehicle
Ted Iida
Tom W. Ito
Donation from Capitol Group
Sumiko Taguchi
Bake Sale
For SFV Nisei Week Queen
Minoru Sasaki
Tues. Dance Club
For floor waxing & cleaning
Richard/Reiko Iga
In memory of Helen Nakada
Coffee donation

Use of Facilities:

Nikkei Senior Garden
Little Tokyo Service Center
For Caregiver Seminar
SFV VFW 4140
For Memorial Service
Wed. Nite Basketball
Hitomi's Cooking Class
Tom/Mae Sakamoto
Kupunas
Tues. Exercise Class
Jan & Co.
Y. Matsuda, B. Nakatsu, J. Schuetze
Poker Club
SFV Quilting
Ping Pong Club
Country Western Music
Harmonica Class
Tai Chi Class
Crescent Bay Sports

Other Donations:

Curly/Flo Sato.....3 (2 lb) Coffee
2 (1-1/2 lb) Coffee
Suzume No Gakko1 (3 lb) Coffee
Yone Takimoto1 (3 lb) Coffee
Large bag of Candies

Additional Future's Fund Donations:

Anonymous\$1,000.00

DONATIONS TO HOT MEALS

FOR THE MONTHS OF MAY-JUNE 2011

Rev. Ruy Mizuki.....Phalaenopsis orchids & African
Violets for kitchen volunteers.
Rev. Ruy Mizuki & Chatsworth West United Methodist Church.....
Cake for May birthdays & to
celebrate Mother's Day with
flowers for all the ladies.
Ruby Yamaoka..... Birthday cake in memory of her
mother, Mrs. Hatsumi Yamaoka
Musashi Restaurant.....200 lbs. rice, 5 gal. oil, 5 gal.
shoyu & 5 pkgs. Chopsticks
Mrs. Ritsuko Shinbashi.....Cake to thank Community Center
members.
Marge & Eiji Sato.....Monetary Donation
Masako Rodriguez.....Tsukemono for kitchen
volunteers.
Dr. Shigeo Sumida..... Monetary Donation
Walt & Windee Fujimori..... 2 pkgs. dinner size plates.
Margie Yoshida..... Monetary Donation
Kazu Nakamura..... Birthday cake to celebrate his
birthday
Yone Takimoto.....Takuwan & cucumber tsukemono
for Tues. lunch.
SFV Nisei Memorial Post 4140....Monetary Donation
Rev. Ruy Mizuki & Chatsworth West United Methodist Church.....
Cake to celebrate Father's Day
Aiko Ross-Myring..... Tsukemono for kitchen volunteers
Dr. Bo Sakaguchi..... Swiss chocolates for kitchen
volunteers

FISH DONATIONS

Lynn Freed, Canoga Park.....Yellow fin tuna & wahoo
Bill Walsh, Chino Hills.....Yellow fin tuna
Bob Goka, Northridge.....Yellow fin tuna & wahoo
Laurens Rhineland, San Diego..Yellow fin tuna
Greg & Glenn Librando, Chris McBride (Greg's grandson) & Geoff
Arai.....Picked up fish in San Diego

Thank for your

*Thanks for your
generous donations*

SUPER BINGO FUNDRAISER
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2011

*Save the
Date!!*

Family Day Raffle Fundraiser

By Lois Okui

and all of the delicious side dishes, such as Chinese chicken salad, spam musubi, Char Shiu and cookies, which were prepared by many of our organizations and members. After lunch, the talent show began and many enjoyed the music and dance of the participants. In the courtyard, the children were competing and winning prizes, then finishing with a candy filled pinata. We ended the fundraiser with the raffle, with the top three winners winning cash prizes.

Thank you to those that helped, worked and donated to make this fundraiser a huge success. We were able to raise \$12,054 which will help pay for the new roof on the Nikkei Pioneer Building.

On Saturday, June 4, 2011, we had our Family Day Raffle Fundraiser. Genevieve Lew and Kay Yamada, co-chairpersons for the event did an amazing job. We had one of our biggest turnouts, with 350 people enjoying the festivities. The day started off with the Chili Bean Contest which was a nice complement to the lunch of hot dogs and hamburgers



Thank you to the following. These volunteers worked tirelessly through the heat to make this year's Family Day one of the best in past years.

Kitchen Prep—Kay Oda (lead), Ike Matsuda, Jami & Jacklyn Tanihana, June Tanihana, Mary Ishimoto, Doreen Kawamoto, Marcia Mahony, Evelyn Mitarai, Bettie Tamaki, Mabel Takimoto, Linda Tanaka, Sumi Yamaguchi, Al/Mitzi Kushida, Toji/Hitomi Hashimoto, SFV Jaguars—Ardath Paull, Leah/Doug Chong

Spam Musubi—Yas Gohata (lead), Eiko Muto, Julie Otake, Janet Yamamoto, Susan Akamine, Mitsu Asaoka, Sumi Kimura, Anna Shishido, Jane Okano

Chinese Chicken Salad—JACL Mitzi Kushida (lead), Marion Shigekuni, Linda Tanaka

Char Shiu—Kenji Watanabe

Watermelon—J-school, Linda Miyamoto, Sanae Turner, Chika Krouse, Yumi El-Sharkawi, Sayoko Chiba, Chip Yano, Kimiaki Chiba

Hot Dogs—Kay Oda

Beverages—Judo Club, Timbo Whitesell, Bobby Endow

BBQ—Paul Jonokuchi (lead), Fumio Nakama, Ken Shinbashi, John Kobayashi, Frank Tanaka

Others—Gary Endow, Mel Okano, Tom Uyeda, Henry Nakamura, Ken Furutani, Dr. Shig Sumida,

Cookies—SFV Hongwanji Buddhist Temple, SFV Holiness Church, Chatsworth West United Methodist Church, Sunrise Foursquare Church, Athletics—Ray Miyagawa, Marge Yoshida

Children's Activities (Athletics)—Jason/Stacy Tanaka & SFV Sharks

Food Serving (Nancy Oda—lead) or Clean-up Duty—Sandy Nobuyuki, Linda Tanaka, Mitzi Kushida, Kay Oda, SFV Jaguars—Rick/Lori Teraji, John Katzaroff, Mark/Dana Dahl, Vince Deng & Laura Fujita

Chili Bean Contest Participants—Sally Hamamoto, Kei Inoue, Patti Kimura, Greg Librando, Jacqueline Licciardi, Leslie Piatt and Kerri Tobin.

And thank you to Kay Yamada, Yo Monji and Linda Yamada for manning the reception table.

We want to acknowledge the following for their generous donations to our raffle drawing:

*Chiba Restaurant
Hisako Hazard
Yoshiko Kawada
Doreen Kawamoto
Patti Kimura
Musashi Restaurant
SFV Arts & Crafts
SFV Fishing Club
SFV Japanese Language Institute
SFV Meiji Senior Citizens Club
Small Island
Tri-Arts
Linda Yamada*

Thank you to the following people for doing the activities at our event—

*Children's Activities—Jason and Stacy Tanaka and SF Sharks
Sudoku Contest—Don Akamine
Model A & T Car Exhibit—Ken Radman and SFV Model "A" Club
Chile Bean Contest—Ron Kondo
Chili contest judges—Chiyo Goka, Alfredo Giron and Don Akamine*



Thanks to the following for their help in prepping the raffle ticket for mailing.

Grace Carbajal, Ritsuko Shinbashi, Yo Monji, Marge Yoshida, Kumiko Ishida, Peggi Okamoto, Gene/Genevieve Lew, Diane Fukuwa, Clarae Muroaka, Minoru/Yukiko Yoshimoto, Fujiko Shinozaki, Ikuko Sogabe, Ken/June Kumagai, Grace Iwamasa, Bo Sakaguchi, John/Kay Yamada.

Thank you to the following for the generous donations to our BBQ lunch:

*Kenji & Kyoko Watanabe—45 lbs. homemade Char Shiu
Bert Corona Middle School—25 lbs. tomatoes, 20 lbs. onions, 24 heads lettuce and 14 doz. white corn
Chiba Restaurant - 1 pkg. (100 sheets) nori
SFV JACL - Chinese Chicken Salad
SFV Japanese Language Institute - 8 watermelons
Sally Hamamoto, Kei Inoue, Patti Kimura, Greg Librando, Jacqueline Licciardi, Leslie Piatt and Kerri Tobin—
Pots of homemade chili*

Thank you to those who performed in the Talent Show—

**Maebelle Librando & the Kapunas
*Janet Schuetze & Tuesday Strings
*Japanese Dance Performers—Yoshiko Yamaguchi, Satomi Nishimoto
*Tomi Muranaga, accompanied by Don Akimine
*Masako Rodriguez & SFVJACC Meiji Ondo Dancers
*Bea Rosete
*Guitar Duet by AJ Malunao & Curtis Nagatoshi (SFV Holiness Church)
Alfred Giron

Thank you, too, to Stan Date who served as MC. Great job, Stan!

Top Raffle Prize Winners

*Haruko Sakamoto—\$1,000.00
Minoru Sasaki—\$500.00
Curly & Flo Sato—\$250.00*



Chili Bean Contest Winners:

*1st Prize—Sally Hamamoto
2nd Prize—Kei Inoue
3rd Prize—Patti Kimura*



A big THANKS to Genevieve Lew for chairing this event and to Kay Yamada who coordinated the raffle. Also, thank you to Gene Lew, our runner, who did a lot of the little things.

We also want to recognize and thank Roy Imazu, who did a lot of the pre-planning for the event.

Thank you to all the following for their donation to our Family Day Raffle Fundraiser.

Akamine, Don/Susan	Gonzalez, Julia V.	Kawada, Yoshiko	Monji, Yoshiko	Ogimachi, Gary/Linda
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Fujimto, Stephen	Irving, Kiyo	Matsuda, Ikuo/Yoshiko	Nakata, Tomiko	Sato, Eiji/Marge
Fujitani, Donald K.	Isa, Yuki	Matsuda, Gene	Negoro, Harvey/Isabelle	Sato, Eric
Fujiu, Momoyo	Ishimoto, Taro/Mary	Matsumoto, George	Nishida, Nanako	Sato , Curly/Florence
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Giron, Alfred	Kamiya, Shizuko	Miyamasu, Kay/Walter	Oda, Fred	Shinbashi, Ken/Ruth
Gohata, Yas/Nancy	Kanemura, Itsue	Miyamoto, Roy/Mollie	Oda, George	Shinsato, Ray/Jean
Goka, Robert	Karimoto, Robert	Miyazaki, Fred/Sue	Oda, Tomiko	Shiotani, Tony/Tami
Goka, Chiyoko	Kariya, Paris Hiromi	Mochizuki, Kiyo/Yaeko	Oda MD, Mary	Shiraishi, Shizuko

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Takemoto, Mildred	Toji, Masami	Yamada, Johnny/Kay	Yoshida, Ben/Joan
Takeshita, Jack	Tokunaga, Michiko	Yamaga, Ardath	Yoshida, Margaret
Takimoto, Yoneko	Tomita, Asako	Yamaguchi, Sumiko	Yoshimoto, Minoru/Yukiko
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Takimoto, Mabel	Tomita, George/Emiko	Yamamoto, Gary/Sandra	
Tamaki, Bettie T.	Tomita, Jeanne	Yamamura, Henry	
Tanabe, Roy	Tomooka, Suyeo	Yamanaka, Tom	
Tanaka, Frank/Marge	Tsuda, James/Nancy	Yamane, Teddy/Midori	

We apologize if any names were omitted.

Let's Learn Japanese!!

Our new school year at San Fernando Valley Japanese Language Institute starts Saturday, September 10!

We welcome anyone interested in learning Japanese from age of 5 to 75! We offer classes for beginners for children (Nymon), beginners for teens/adults (Adult/Teen beginner), and other Japanese proficiency levels. High school students could earn high school language credits (most high schools accept the transfer of credits). The classes are every Saturday, starting at 8:30am to 12:30pm.

We not only teach the language, but we also encourage our students to get involved in Japanese-American community and they are exposed to various Japanese culture. Last school year, we were involved at the SFV Obon festival, made decoration for the Tanabata festival, participated in the clean-up of the Community Center, visited the Nikkei Senior Garden retirement center, made mochi rice cake for New Years, learned Japanese cooking, etc.

For more information and for registration forms, please visit our website at sfvjlj.com. If you need further information, call Kimiaki Chiba at 818 590-3362.



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It's been 30 years since the SFV Japanese American Citizen's League has done Suzume No Gakkou Summer Camp and they decided it was time to revive this wonderful cultural program. The mission of this camp is to nourish pride in Japanese American history through education and activities and to encourage youngsters to be well rounded and fair minded citizens in a diverse world. During the week of June 27-July 1, thirty-six children and fifty adults merged on the Japanese Language Institute campus for a week of fun and friendship. The youngsters were thrust into 16 hours of self-study through basic language, stories, traditional songs, arts and crafts. The books, "Wabi Sabi", about a cat who wanted to know what his name meant and "The

Bracelet", a story about the evacuation, were studied. Art projects were tied in with the teaching of Japanese traditions, such as the daruma, calligraphy, Ikebana and Tanabata Festival. The children also wrote haikus and worked with clay, making figurines which were displayed on a red, tiered platform. As a field trip, they took the Metro to the Japanese American National Museum. All week long the children were loved and nurtured by the flock of enthusiastic volunteers. The week ended with a program where the children sang songs that they learned, watched a slideshow and then feasted on the delicious pot luck lunch. It was a wonderful camp and many parents felt this program helped the children, some of whom were multicultural, understand who they are.

Submitted by Nancy Oda and Lois Okui

Thank you for your generous donations!

George Matsumoto Harriet Nishizaka Naomi Suenaka Mrs. Mitsuko Chiba.

Thank you to the Japanese Language Institute and the SFVJACC for the use of their facilities.

We need to thank the following people for their time, hard work and enthusiasm in making the Suzume No Gakkou program such a success!

Program Directors - Nancy Oda & Paul Jonokuchi
 Parent Coordinator - Mitzi Kushida
 Music Director - Nancy Gohata
 Registration - Barbara & Dennis Okita
 Culinary Coordinator - Marion Shigekuni

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 Kyo & Sho Doi
 Richie Endow
 Deanna Hanashiro
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Place: SFVJACC
12953 Branford St, Pacoima 91331

For more information or to RSVP, call Genevieve Lew (818) 988-3840 or email ghlew@aol.com.



Top row: Will Morales, Eric Truong, Michael Tanaka, CJ LaMadrid, Andy Ly, Max Saignavong.

Bottom row: Bank Sitisio, Kevin Sato, Vincent Tran.

Not pictured: Quinn Dam, Austin Hong, Kane Sasaki.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Continued from front page.

McKen-Z Leong graduated from Campbell Hall and during her four years there was active in the Yearbook, the Cheer Squad and the Dance Club. In addition to these activities, she earned the Argyll Academy Scholarship Award. McKen-Z has spent her spare time volunteering with a variety of causes including OneGeneration, the LA AIDS Walk, the Buddy Walk for Down Syndrome and the Ovarian Cancer Walk.

Congratulations to all the scholarship recipients and best of luck in the future.



San Fernando Predators—J.E.T. Relief Fund

On March 11, 2011 a devastating earthquake struck the country of Japan. Immediately afterwards a towering 23 foot tsunami swept the small island and left a trail of death and destruction. The two disasters combined to kill over 15,000 people and leave thousands injured. But by now every has seen or read about this tragedy.

Our team decided to hold a fundraiser to help the people affected by this disaster. We held a free throw-a-thon in an effort to raise money for the Japan's Earthquake Tsunami Relief Fund. We asked all of our friends and relatives to either give a straight donation or donate a dollar amount depending on the number of free throws we made.

Thanks to the hard work of our parents and players we are proud to donate \$1,702 to the J.E.T. It was a truly a team effort and left all of us with that "winning" feeling.

Bonsai Club's Annual Trimming

On July 17th the SFV Bonsai Club concluded its annual trimming of black pine trees at the Buddhist Church and Community Center. The 4 ½ hour event resulted in precision trimmings for 2011.

The participants were Akira Kimura, Takeyoshi Inoshita, Daito Ono, Ken Inabe Walter Zipusch, Mikizo Suzuki, Shigetaro Murata, Tony Castagna, Sanae Hironaka, Michael Matsumoto (wife and son), John Mayeno, Mieko Mayeno, Akio Nishimura, Karl Nobuyuki, Shogo Wakamatsu, Osamu Yakura, and Kuniaki Yamazai.



Experience the Art of Japanese Cooking

How many times have you asked yourself, "What should I make for dinner?" After taking Hitomi's Japanese Cooking Classes, you'll be able to say, "I'll make "Chuka Soba" which is a cold noodle dish garnished with chicken, crab, cucumbers and bean sprouts or maybe the shoyu based stew of potatoes and beef called "Nikujaga" or maybe you'll make a side dish of cucumbers seasoned with salt, dashi powder and the juice from one fresh lemon. Your meals will be simple and quick, yet delicious enough to have your family asking for second helpings.

Hitomi Hashimoto has been teaching those classes at the SFV-JACC for more than 12 years. After graduating from high school, Hitomi attended cooking school for three years in Tokyo. Later, she worked in

a Ryokan or Japanese Inn preparing Kaiseki meals. Kaiseki is a traditional, multi-course dinner composed of beautiful small dishes of appetizers, vegetables, fish and meats. Her vast knowledge of recipes includes cooking the easy way by adjusting a Japanese recipe as well as preparing it the more traditional, way.

These Japanese cooking classes are held every 4th Tuesday at 7 p.m. sharp. If you walk into the CC kitchen at 7:05 you will find the students already chopping and stirring the foods. The class fee is \$10, which is then donated to the Community Center. For more information or to receive class updates by email, please contact NJ Nakamura at 818-893-6503.

JAPANESE COOKING CLASSES



Every 4th Tuesday at 7 p.m. in CC kitchen
Class fee: \$10 is donated to Center

(no classes July, August or December)
Information: NJ Nakamura 818-893-6503

Previous lessons:

- Shabu Shabu
- Girl's Day Bento
- Noodle salads
- Chirashizushi
- Mochi desserts
- Kai Seki
- Shu Mai/Won tons
- Broiled salmon



Cleaning shrimp for
Sushi Hand rolls

San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center
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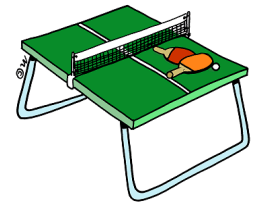


- * Date: October 15th 2011 (8:00pm - 12am)
- * Location: SFVJACC - 12953 Brandford Street
Areleta CA 91331
- * Tickets: \$12 Pre-Sale \$15 at the door
- * Reserve Tables (8-10 people)
- * Music by: High Resolution
- *** Delicious Appetizers will be served
- * Drinks Available (21+ over)
- * Dressy Casual
- * Contact Info: Lois Okui (818) 892-1487 email:loisokui@aol.com
- * All Proceeds will benefit the SVJACC Future Fund

THANK YOU, DOMO
ARIGATO...

To those that responded to Ping Pong Club's request for a donated ping pong table. We appreciate the following donations:

- Gilbert/Grace Iwamasa
- Roy Nagatoshi
(Fuji Bonsai Nursery)
- Soichi Kamada
- Dennis/Barbara Okita
- Hiko Hashimoto



GYM FLOORS
TO BE REFINISHED

The gym will be closed
**Monday, August 22—
Monday, September 5.**

Rising Stars™

Youth Leadership Program

The goal of the program is to train leaders and to inspire youth involvement in the Japanese American community by presenting a series of active, engaging workshops on a variety of leadership and cultural education topics.

Workshops topics include:

- Cultural Values
- Working in Teams
- Networking
- Powerful and persuasive Presentations
- Being Assertive
- Financial Fitness

Sessions will be held on selected Saturdays from October 2011 through March 2012, at the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center in Little Tokyo, Downtown Los Angeles.

The cost of the program is \$200, payable upon acceptance in the program. Applications are available on our website: www.nikkeifederation.org/risingstars



Nikkei Federation

Building tomorrow's
leaders today

The Picnic

By Old Wakaba, Bud Sagara

When I was a kid, the CC hosted a family picnic every 4th of July. The Picnic was a highlight summer event of fun, great food, and messing around with my CC friends. I don't remember where it was held, but I knew it was far away in the hills because it took so long for my mom May to drive us there. My dad had already left for the Picnic at dawn along with members of the CC Men's Club to help with the set-up, hosing off the picnic tables, and watering the grounds to keep the dust down. He was also in charge of transporting cases and cases of beer, which had been stacked in our garage a week ahead of the big event. That was one of the features many adults liked about the Picnic, free beer. I also remember that the picnic grounds were jumping with baby frogs, and kids would gather them up in cups. Moms were quick to warn their kids to keep the frogs off the picnic table so that an escapee would not hop into the potato salad.

We always arrived early because my mom would help the CC Women's Club prepare *bentos* for all the invited dignitaries. My dad would save a table for us by placing our tablecloth on one. It was exciting to race my brother to the tables to look for ours, and later check out who our neighbors would be for this big event. Moms would go all out in preparing the *bento*. There would be delicious variations of beef, pork, chicken, fish, *sushi*, *nigiri*, *musubis*, potato salad, macaroni salad, fruit salad, cookies, chips, and watermelon. That was my first helping. Family *bentos* would be neatly arranged in stacked lacquered boxes that could be tied together with a colorful cloth. What a shame that these beautiful lacquered boxes became obsolete with the rise of Tupperware in the 1950's.

In addition to the beer for adults, a kid could have all the soda that he or she could drink. Wasn't the Picnic just the greatest? There was no bottled water back then, so kids drank high sugar, high caffeine, carbonated beverages all day long to keep them full of energy and monstrous burps. The soda was kept cold in big galvanized metal containers with large blocks of ice floating around in the cold water. Kids' hands would turn blue and their teeth would chatter from volunteering to fish out sodas for approaching guests despite the 90 degree weather.

After all the food and soda, it was time for the kids' races! The toddlers would walk, or at least hang on while being dragged by their mothers to the finish line to get a prize. Kids would run races determined by sheer speed alone. This was an opportunity for me to demonstrate among peers who was macho, who was the supreme athlete, and who got the glory! Usually, the blue flag winner was a girl, and the second and third places went to a kid visiting from Japan and a small kid wearing glasses. They won the adoration and the cool prizes I wanted. I got a pencil.

Among the public address announcements by the late Pete Nakao to tell kids to stay out of the hillsides because of rattlesnakes, there were speeches in *nihongo* by the dignitaries from the big stage area. That gave us plenty of time to hunt for frogs or play Titanic among the sodas. Sometimes a black and white photo of all the picnic attendees would be taken with a panoramic camera that would actually move as it scanned the crowd. Pranksters would stand in the back row on one side, and then run around to the other side so that they would be in the photo twice. The Picnic culminated with a raffle in which a new automobile would be given away. That's right, the CC gave away a new, full size sedan as the raffle's top prize along with a new TV set, plants, fertilizer, and dichondra seed donated from CC nurserymen. The winning raffle tickets would be drawn by Miss San Fernando. It seemed to me back then that Miss San Fernando was always so pretty, so grown up, and so much older! The 2010 Miss San Fernando, Erin Yokomizo, is the daughter of friends; and the 2011 Miss San Fernando, Amber Piatt, is Sally Hamamoto's granddaughter. Father Time just gave me another harsh shove forward.

After the raffle, it was time to clean up around the picnic table and head home. My dad would arrive home later, and together we would have the leftovers from the *bento* for dinner. Afterwards, we would either drive to San Fernando Recreation Park to watch the fireworks display, or we would pop our own in the front yard or watch the neighbors pop theirs. These are treasured memories of growing up at the CC. Only in the last few years have I begun to learn what really matters, and how to train for the race to win an imperishable prize. Looking back, I now understand the lesson of why I always received a pencil.

Roy's Corner

Somebody venturing near the Japanese Language School this past spring could have seen **Nancy Oda** seated in one of the classrooms. Another case of an old dog learning new tricks. No, calling her old would be too harsh. Mature would more likely fit the bill. She would be brushing up on her second or possibly third language...The twin occasions of **Helen Nakada's** reception following her funeral and the **VFW 4140 Memorial** service brought together many old Valley friends to the Pioneer Bldg. Among the visitors were Houston, Texas residents **Bob and Kimi Makuta**...Anyone driving down Branford St. at 6:30 in the morning on most Fridays would likely see a white Honda van parked near the Pioneer Bldg. That vehicle belongs to **Curly and Flo Sato**. They are here early to make preparations for the noon luncheon. They like to be here early to beat traffic from their Canyon Country residence... My congratulations and thank you to all the volunteers involved in the recent successful Family Day fund raiser...A care givers meeting is held on the first Saturday of the month at the Pioneer Bldg. Call Lois Okui at the Center for the updated schedule. Your comments are welcome at **(818) 522-4891**.

COORDINATING COOUNCIL ORGANIZATIONS-MEETINGS-CONTACT PERSONS

Coordinating Council.....	1st Wed., 7:00 PM.....	Paul Jonokuchi	818 894-5327
Community Center.....	1st/3rd Wed., 7:00 PM.....	Karl Nobuyuki.....	818 892-9103
Athletics.....	3rd Tues., 7:30 PM.....	Margaret Takimoto	818 701-7628
Bonsai Club.....	4th Sun., 8 AM-12 PM.....	Ken Inaba	818 349-6555
Chatsworth West United Methodist Church.....			
	2nd Sun., 1:00 PM.....	Doreen Kawamoto.....	818 764-8850
CC News.....	Laura Fujita.....	818 648-2652/ Lois Okui.....	818 892-1487
Credit Union.....	2nd Tues., 7:00 PM.....	Mayko Martinez	818 362-0680
Fishing Club.....	3rd Mon., 8:00 PM.....	Lance Updyke	805 660-6262
JACL.....	2nd Wed., 7:00 PM.....	Doreen Kawamoto	818 764-8850
Japanese Language Institute.....			
	Sat., 9:30 AM-12:30 PM.....	Kimiaki Chiba.....	818 590-3362
Judo Club.....	4th Wed., 7:03 PM.....	Mike Murakami....	818 648-6044
Landscape Gardeners.....	1st Mon., 7:30 PM.....	Nob Tamai.....	818 347-3912
Nikkei Senior Gardens.....	1st Tues., 7:00 PM.....	Toji Hashimoto	818 897-4216
Nikkei Village.....	4th Mon., 7:30 PM (at CC)...	Kenji Watanabe....	818 892-1308
SFV Holiness Church.....	2nd Sun., 12:30 PM.....	Diane Date	818 701-6607
SFV Hongwanji Buddhist Temple.....			
	2nd Mon., 7:30 PM.....	Neil Higashida	818 360-7420
SFV Meiji Senior Citizens.....	1st Fri., 12:30 PM.....	Kay Yamada	818 763-4861
Sunrise Foursquare Church.....		Reverend Paul Iwata	818 782-8738
Valley Japanese Community Center.....		Neil Hashiba	213 792-2507
	2nd Fri., 7:30 PM.....	Christine Inouye.....	818 825-9583
VFW 4140.....	1st Fri., 10:00 AM.....	Frank Tanaka.....	818 361-8951



**Want to reserve the
Community Center
for an event?**

Call Tadao Okui at
818-892-1487 or email:
tadokui@aol.com

**Want to submit an
article for the CC
Newsletter?**

Email:
loisokui@aol.com
or
XxAkiyomi24xX@aol.com

SPECIAL CLASSES

Arts & Crafts*	Monday	9 AM-12 PM	Sally Hamamoto	818 361-2902
Bridge*	Mon/Wed	12:00-4:00 PM	Ray Shinsato	818 767-5550
Country Western Music*	1st /3rd Tuesday	10:30-11:30 AM	Janet Schuetze	818 767-1819
Exercise Class*	Friday	10:00-11:00 AM	Reverend Leo Fong	818 618-4368
Exercise Class*	Tuesday	9:00-10:00 AM	Ralph Ahn	818 897-1322
Guitar Class*	Tuesday	10:15-11:30 AM	Greg Librando	818 896-6503
Hanafuda*	Friday	1:00-3:00 PM	Yone Takimoto	818 765-6735
Harmonica Class*	Friday	11:00-11:30 AM	Don Akamine	818 367-1723
Hawaiian Hula*	Friday	12:30 PM	Carmen Postrzech	818 367-8045
Hawaiian Ukulele Class*	Friday (Gym)	10:00-11:30 AM	Greg Librando	818 896-6503
Hawaiian Ukulele Class*	Friday (Hall)	9:30-11:00 AM	Wendee Fujimori	818 352-1075
Ikenobo Ikebana Class	2nd Thurs	10:00-1:00 PM	Ritsuko Shinbashi	818 892-0470
Japanese Classical Dance	Friday	1:00-6:55 PM	Diane Fukuwa	310 217-0443
Karaoke*	1st/3rd Thurs	10:00 AM-12:00 PM	Walter Fujimori	818 352-1075
Line Dancing*	Thursday	8:30-10:00 AM	Mark Nakamura	818 363-3038
Mah-Jong*	Tuesday	1:00-3:00 PM	Yoko Kawamura	818 765-3513
Obon Dancing	2nd/4th Fri	7:00-9:00 PM	Masako Rodriguez	818 899-8777
Ping Pong Club*	Thursday	10 AM-3 PM	Burt Tokuhara	818 469-8934
SFV Judo.....	Mon/Wed/Fri	7:00-8:30 PM	Mike Murakami	818 648-6044
Tai Chi Class*.....	Monday	9:00-10:00 AM	Florence Takaaze	310 202-6693
JACL Beginners Ballroom Dance	Tuesday	7:00-8:30 PM	Nancy Gohata	818 899-4232

*Seniors' Activity

SUPPORT GROUPS

Alzheimer's Support Group 1st Saturday 10:00 AM-12 PM
For more information, call the Center at (818) 899-1989.

Facilitator: Isabelle Miyata



**SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
HONGWANJI BUDDHIST TEMPLE**

9450 Remick Ave. Pacoima
899-4030 www.sfvhbt.org

Rev. Patricia Usuki:
Temple President: Neil Higashida
Dharma School - Sunday 11:00 am

Buddhist Temple Calendar

August

- 7 Summer Service 10:00 am
- 14 Summer Service 10:00 am
- 28 Summer Service 10:00 am

September

- 4 No Service
- 11 Dharma School starts; Shotsuki monthly memorial & Shuki Higan-e Fall Equinox service followed by luncheon & seminar with guest, Rev. Dr. Duncan Williams (Eng/Jpn), Chair, USC School of Religion/ Director, USC Center for Japanese Religions & Culture
- 18 Regular Service 10:00 am
- 25 Regular Service 10:00 am



**San Fernando Valley
Holiness Church**

9610 Haddon Avenue
Pacoima, CA 91331
(2 blocks east of Laurel Canyon Blvd.
between Branford and Osborne St.)

Office Phone: 818-896-1676

Please refer to our website for more information: www.sfvhc.org

English Department

Pastor Roland Hazama
Associate Pastor Raynold Nakamura

Sunday Schedule

- 9:30 AM.....Kid Venture Children's Ministries (infant -6th grade)
Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 AM.....Coffee Fellowship
- 11:00 AM.....Worship Service (childcare for infants-Pre-K)

Youth Fellowship & Parent Night
Friday, 7:30 PM

Meetings at the church for Jr. High, Sr. High and Parent of Teens.

Mid-Week Home Groups

We believe that fellowship, friendship, and spiritual growth happens best in our small groups that meet during the week. We have a number of groups meeting in the San Fernando and Santa Clarita Valleys. Come, visit, and get to know our church. For more information, please call us or check our website.

Japanese Department

Pastor Robert Tsujimoto
818-896-1676

Sunday Schedule

- 11:15 AM Worship Service
- Lunch and Fellowship
- After worship service on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays

Wednesday, 10:00 AM.....Prayer Meeting @ church

Please ask about other weekday meetings 818-899-4115



**Chatsworth
West United Methodist Church**
(Formerly West Valley UMC merged with Chatsworth UMC)

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors
10824 Topanga Canyon Blvd.
Chatsworth, CA 91311
818 341 1270

E-mail: chatsworthumc@juno.com
FAX: 818 341 1271

Pastor: Ruy Mizuki
Lay Leader: Jim Melichar

Worship Service 10AM
Sunday School 10AM
Social Hour following service
Nursery care provided

Bible Study Thurs @ 10AM & 7:15PM
Tuesdays @ 1PM

Choir practice 1st and 3rd Wednesday @ 3:00PM
Musical Director: Steve Foreman

Japanese Class – 2nd & 4th Sunday @ 9AM
Instructor: Junko Wayama

Shotokan Karate of America
Fri. @ 6:30 PM Rm.1
Instructor: April Warynick
www.ska.org
1 213 437 0988

Electrobattles Dance for children
Fri. evening, Rm. 5
Instructor: Sharon James

Chi Fung Mind & Body Fitness
Tuesday @ 9AM Rm.2
Instructor: Leo Fong



**SUNRISE
FOURSQUARE
CHURCH**

"Connected to God-Connected
to One Another"

Pastors:

Rev. Paul Iwata
Rev. Haruko "Spring" Iwata

Meeting Address:

5853 Laurel Canyon Blvd.
North Hollywood, CA 91607

Mailing Address:

14705 Wyandotte St.
Van Nuys, CA 91405

Sunday

10:30 AM Worship Services
English: Rev. Paul Iwata
Japanese: Rev. Spring Iwata
12 noonPotluck Lunch

Thursday

7:00 PM.....Prayer Meeting and
Bible Study

Friday

6:00 PM.....Prayer Meeting at Court
Yard Assisted Care Living Center
7:30 PM.....Youth & Young Adult
Meeting at Church

Home Meetings

Yukio Masai's 2nd Wednesday
7:00 PM in Gardena
310-329-1586

Pastoral counseling is available for
individuals, couples, and families.

Pastor Spring's artwork is displayed in
the 2010 Springwater Calendar with
scripture for every month in English
and Japanese. Call for orders at a
donation of \$10 per calendar.

Phone: 818-782-8738
818-642-2332

Email: pmiwata1@hotmail.com

Website:
www.sunrisejapanesechurch.org



**NEW LIFE
Christian Church**

"Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a
new creation, the old has gone, the new
has come!" 2 Corinthians 5:17

**Meeting Sundays at the Crescenta-
Canada YMCA
1930 Foothill Blvd.
La Canada, CA 91011**

(Exit at the end of the 2 Freeway –
Foothill Blvd. exit. Turn left, go ½ mile –
YMCA will be on your left OR exit
Ocean View Blvd. from the 210 Free-
way. North to Foothill Blvd., turn right
onto Foothill: go 1 mile: YMCA will be
on your right.)

Senior Pastor:

Rev. Arnold Doi

Associate Pastor:

Rev. David Watanabe

English Dept. Sunday Schedule

Sunday Service 9:30 AM
Sunday School:
Infant – 6th grade during 2nd
half of service
7th – 12th grade 1st & 3rd
(Youth) Sundays – during
2nd half of service

Nichigo Dept. Sunday Schedule:

Sunday Service10:00 AM

Adult Grow Groups:

(Bible Study, prayer, fellowship)

Mon	7:00 PM	(2 nd & 4 th) Marrieds
Tues	9:30 AM	Women
Wed	9:30 AM	(1 st & 3 rd) Seniors
Wed	7:00 PM	S. Pasadena
Fri	6:00 PM	Nichigo
Fri	7:30 PM	Glendale
Fri	7:30 PM	Pasadena
Fri	7:30 PM	San Fernando Valley
	Once a month	Parents of young children

Youth Group: (7th – 12th Grades)

Sat 5:00 PM (1st & 3rd)

**Please call the church office for de-
tails:**

1800 Lake St. Glendale, CA 91201
818-242-4738 Fax: 818-242-4324
Email: info@nlc2.com
Website: www.nlc2.com

**SFVJACC
UPCOMING EVENTS**

September 25, 2011

Lifetime Achievement Award
Luncheon

October 2011

Board of Directors Nominations

October 15, 2011

Benefit Dance

October 29, 2011

CC Fall Clean-up

November 2011

Board of Directors Elections

November 5, 2011

Super Bingo Fundraiser

November 12, 2011

SFV Holiness Church
Thanksgiving Dinner

December 3, 2011

CC Annual General
Membership Meeting

January 7, 2012

SFVJACC New Year Installation

**ALZHEIMER'S
SUPPORT GROUP**

If you have a loved one affected
by Alzheimer's disease, come
join us — A non-judgmental,
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Meetings:

First Saturday of the month.
Time: 10 am — 12 noon

For more info, call the Center.
(818) 899-1989



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1. Complete the information below.
 2. Tear off the membership card for your records.
 3. Make check payable to "SFVJACC".
 4. **Send your check and this form to: SFVJACC – Membership**

Family Membership - \$55.00

 Single Membership - \$35.00
- 12953 Branford Street**
Pacoima, CA 91331

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 FAX is (818) 899-0659.