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FUN-FILLED FAMILY DAY

By Nancy Oda

It was so exciting that more than 400 members of all ages came out for Family Fun Day when we got together to eat, and hang out. There are so many people to thank for making the food, setting up, cooking, serving, cleaning up, and bringing their families. Super couple Genevieve and Gene Lew, shopped, set up schedules, and made sure the kitchen ran smoothly. Their leadership in logistics and planning were fine tuned weeks before.

Early in the morning, trusty volunteers put the table dressing in red and white. The younger generation moved tables, chairs, and put up shade with John Doomey and Wally Longworth supervising. Yas Gohata and the Meiji club ladies made perfect spam musubi while the SFV JACL made delicious Sumi salad. Again, George Matsumoto donated fresh corn and lettuce. The Japanese Language Institute beautifully cut ripe watermelons. Our strongmen and ladies, SFV Judo, donated the water, soda, and ice that the ping pong club passed out without a drip.

The Wednesday and Sunday night men's basketball teams showed up to cook giving the older guys a lot of help. The Kupunas made delicious pots of chilli rice with a kick. Thank you to SFV Holiness Church, Sunrise Foursquare Church, SFV Hongwanji Buddhist Temple, and Chatsworth West United Methodist Church for bringing cookies for dessert.

The First Annual Dr. Sanbo Sakaguchi Scholarship winners were introduced by Chisato Kanagi. They are: Cameron Amano, Kayla Aihara, Jenna Matsushita, Keith Matsushita, Kristen Nishida, and Zoie Pulkka. We wish them a great freshman year.

Our lovely master of ceremonies was Lauren Arii, past Nisei Week Princess. The most exciting change came from the newly formed Junior Board that brought the bingo games to a new level of fun. Outside, Dawn Tsutsui, Karie Gima Pham, and Danny Okazaki kept the young kids happy with games, activities, and prizes. Nancy Takayama helped them set up a fabulous photo experience where the kids dressed up with their pals. The huge Scooby Doo 5-1 jumper drew kids of all ages into the gym while the water balloons are always big fun.

Everyone helped clean up the Dr. Sanbo Sakaguchi Hall by recycling, putting tables and chairs away then sweeping and mopping making way for the next day's event. That's what our community center is all about!!



FAMILY DAY RAFFLE PRIZE & PRODUCTS DONORS

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| Donna Arii | Jon/Monique Oda |
| Lauren Arii | Nancy Oda |
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MISSION STATEMENT

To promote the Japanese culture and preserve the Japanese American experience through education, events and activities for our community.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE By Nancy Oda

Our Center has been the hub for many activities these days. In late June, the SFVHBT Obon which is both a spiritual and festival event brought many people together to reunite with old friends but a lot of us came for the food like Valley JCC's udon, teriyaki chicken, dango, JLI somen, Athletics' teriyaki and chashu bao, fresh sushi, shaved ice, and the famous bake sale. We loved the Judo and Temple games, and those goldfish too. Thank you for joining us for this annual event that benefits the temple and our community center organizations.

What does Gaman mean? Most of us have been successful because we have been taught how to achieve goals through patience and perseverance. It doesn't mean that you lack strength when you practice Gaman. It is not a unique character trait for Japanese Americans but it should not be lost. Recently, we witnessed the strength of the victims of the Tohoku earthquake and tsunami, people endured unbearable loss. Years ago, many of our grandparents lived in concentration camps for up to four years. These are two powerful examples.

Our Finance Committee members, Craig Asanuma, Paul Jonokuchi, Jeff Lee, Esq., Ken Mui, Kay Yamada, and especially former Treasurer, Ray Miyagawa, shepherded us through a challenging period in our history. These people demonstrated the art of Gaman working tirelessly for us. Now that loaners to NSG have been paid back, and the Center has been made whole, we are prioritizing needed repairs and looking forward to the future.

In September, I need four (4) good people to run for a position on the Board of Directors who have been members of the Community Center for three years. To be honest, it has been difficult to fill the Community Center Cabinet. Please take a moment and consider making a commitment for the next two years. I am sure that you understand how important it is to serve your community. Gaman is a sign of maturity and strength. The Center needs you now.

Junior Board

I am also seeking nominations for the Junior Board. They are younger members whose goal is to close the gap between the children and the senior citizens. Currently there are 10 people who have shown leadership and commitment. They are Kimiaki Chiba, Fuyumi Hashimoto, Chuck Itagaki, Akiko Manaka, Sharlene Miyagishima, Danny Okazaki, David Sumida, Denise Tanaka, Linda Yamada, Erin Yokomizo and Linda Kuratomi volunteers.

If you came to Family Day, you would have noticed their enthusiasm. They planned for great money prizes that the winners were thrilled to win. They are smart, energetic young professionals. Please submit your resumes by August 15 to nancyoda@juno.com. Currently, they are putting together Girl Scout recruitment night scheduled for Thursday, September 19, at 7:00 pm.

This August message is strong like the word August suggests. Please answer the call for community service.

Yours truly, Nancy Kyoko Oda

MEMORIAL TRIBUTE FOR DR. SANBO SAKAGUCHI



On August 25, there will be a tribute to the late Dr. Sanbo Sakaguchi at the Community Center. A musical prelude will be performed by the Asia American Symphony from 12:30-1:10. The program will begin at 1:15.

The Japanese American National Museum, the Japanese American Cultural Community Center will be joined by the SFV JACL, SFV Judo Club, Theta Kappa Phi (UCLA), and our Center to celebrate his life of perseverance dedication, and generosity to his favorite sports and his community. Please contact Lois Okui, SFVJACC Administrative Coordinator at 818 899 1989 or sign up at the center to reserve a space by August 10. A video will be produced by RGear to document his impact on lives.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Months of May and June 2013

Donations

Teruko Uyehara & Family
Commerce West (Mapfre)
Profit sharing from CC members insurance
Eiji Fukumoto & Family
In memory of wife Setsuko Fukumoto
SFV VFW Post 4140
Greg Kimura
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Use of Facilities

Nikkei Senior Gardens
SFV VFW Post 4140
For Memorial Service and special meeting
Yoga Class
Tuesday Exercise Class
Gene & Dana Chow
Kupunas
Line Dancing
Ping Pong Club
Mae Sakamoto
Thursday Nite Basketball
Seniority
Monday Nite Basketball
Tuesday Nite Basketball
SFV JACL
Margaret Takimoto
Jason & Stacy Tanaka
Wednesday Nite Basketball
Poker Club
Sunday Nite Basketball
Mandolin Class
Harmonica Class
Laura Fujita

Miscellaneous

Coffee Donation
Copier Donation
Foothill Police Department 2 lbs. Coffee, 1 large
creamer, 1 pkg. ea. napkins and plates
Lockheed Martin 12 Stackable chairs, 15
conference chairs, desk chair,
U-shaped desk, 3 modular desks
George Matsumoto 2 Reams of copy paper
Curly & Flo Sato 2 (2 lbs) Decaf Coffee
See's Candy Sale
SFV VFW 5 Coffee creamers, 5 sugars,
60 coffee cups
Yone Takimoto 2 lbs Decaf Coffee

DONATIONS TO HOT MEAL

FOR THE MONTHS OF MAY – JUNE 2013

Ruby Yamaoka Birthday cake in memory of her
mother Mrs. Hatsumi Yamaoka
Musashi Restaurant 200 lbs. rice, 10 gal. oil & 4 pkgs
chopsticks
Rex & Lorraine Shimizu Energy bars for kitchen
volunteers
George & Emiko Tomita Monetary Donation & 5 large
bags of green tea
Roy Imazu Kim chee
Jack & Rose Yamashiro Shoyu & rice
Tony Servera Box of cherries for kitchen
volunteer
Yone Takimoto Tsukemono for Tuesday lunch,
takuwan 4 times & fukujinzuke
Jean Asuncion & Cake for June to
Lorraine Kaneshiro celebrate their birthdays
Sylvia Yamashita 2 pkgs. each of luncheon size
plates & napkins
Eiji Fukumoto Monetary Donation
Rotary Club Monetary Donation
Kisue Fujimoto Monetary Donation in memory of
Dr. Sanbo Sakaguchi
Liz Doomey 1 pkg. luncheon plates & 1
box rubber gloves
Eiji & Marge Sato Monetary Donation

Fish Donations:

Joe Arimitsu – Simi Valley Yellow fin tuna & wahoo
Lynn Freed– Canoga Park Yellow fin tuna & wahoo
Robert Michener – Oxnard Yellow fin tuna
Glenn & Greg Librando, Use of Glenn's truck to
Harris Yoneoka & pick up fish in San Diego
Geoff Arai

DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF DR. SANBO SAKAGUCHI

Doxsee, Robert, Ruth & Evan	Niizawa, Masako & Family
Furuyama, Teruko	Nitta, John & Lilyan
Hazama, George & Yo	Ogami, Ben
Hori, Fukashi & Tomiko	Saisho, Giro & Janet
Imamoto, June	Takimoto, Yone
Imazu, Roy	Uyemura, Alden & Teruko
Iwamoto, George	Yabuno, Kats & Aiko
Kawamura, Yoko	Yamada, John & Kay
Kimura, Sumie	Yamane, Teddy & Midori
Loden, S. Brigitte	Yamane, Bob
Mochizuki, Kiyoshi & Yaeko	Yamaoka, Ruby
Moriguchi, Bob & Akiko	Yamashita, Sylvia
Muraoka, Victor & Lois	Yoshida, Ben & Joan
Muto, Eiko	Yoshida, Margaret

*Thank you for all your
generous donations!*

Thank You To All The Family Day Volunteers!

Without the volunteers listed below, the Family Day event would not have been possible. They helped with making the lunch (Sumi salad, spam musubi, chili, watermelon, corn, cookies and desserts), barbecuing the hot dogs/hamburgers, serving the food, doing bingo games, kids' activities, set-up, clean-up, registration and preparing raffle tickets for mailing.

Dwayne Andres
 Donna Aarii
 Garrett Aarii
 Lauren Aarii
 Mutsumi Arisue
 Mitsu Asaoka
 Kim Asanuma
 Marjune Bagadiong
 Doug Carden
 Kimi Chiba
 Leann & Jared Doi
 John & Liz Doomey
 Family Day Participants
 Mo Fujii
 Cathy Fujimoto
 Laura Fujita & Andrew Vasquez
 Erin Fujitani
 Ken Furutani li
 Karie Gima Pham
 Yas & Nancy Gohata
 Kaori Hall
 Fuyumi Hashimoto
 Toji & Hitomi Hashimoto
 Hisako Hazard
 Kevin & Alec Imamoto
 Roy Imazu
 Derrick & Spencer Isa
 Yasu Ishii
 Mary Ishimoto
 Grace Iwamasa
 Craig & Troy Kadonaga
 Harold Kameya
 Lance & Ryan Kaneshiro
 Doreen Kawamoto
 Patti Kimura
 Roy & Russell Kimura
 Sumi Kimura
 Patrick Ku
 Ken Kumagai
 Linda Kuratomi
 Beverly Kurihara
 Jeff Lee
 Greg & Maebelle Librando
 Lani Librando
 Wally & Joy Longworth
 Brian Loo
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 Ike/Yoshi Matsuda
 Evelyn Mitarai
 Sharlene Miyagishima
 Linda Miyamoto
 Ruri & Yuga Miyamoto

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 Saeko Nakamori
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 Steve Nakata
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 Kazuko Nomura
 Nancy Oda
 Noelle & Shel Ogasawara
 Janet Ogata
 Jane Okano
 Danny, Yumi & Andy Okazaki
 Dennis & Barbara Okita
 Lois Okui
 Charlene & Michael Paloma
 Roel Punzalan
 Mae Rivera
 Bo Sakaguchi
 May Sakamoto
 Sets & Marge Sato
 Dorothy Shiba
 Phil & Marion Shigekuni
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 Tami Shiotani
 Anna Shishido
 Terri & Gary Shundo
 Kiyomi Smith
 Michiko Sugahara
 Toshi Sugii
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 Patty Takayama
 Denise Tanaka
 Linda Tanaka
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 Stacy Tanaka
 Michiko Tokunaga
 Dawn Tsutsui
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 Megan Urquico
 Noriko Uyeda
 Mike & Raffy Verano
 Kiyo Watanabe
 John & Kay Yamada

Linda Yamada
 Sumi Yamaguchi
 Tamie Yamaguchi
 Sylvia Yamashita
 Clara Yee
 Erin Yokomizo
 Marge Yoshida



**Raffle Prize Winners
 (\$500 each)**
 Tomi Muranaga
 Kenneth & Geri Radman
 Keiko Pinson
**Bingo Blackout Winner
 (\$500)**
 Rachel Shimoda



Thank You To Everyone That Supported The Raffle!

Ahn, Ralph/Ann	Iida, Ted	Miyagishima, Sharlene	Otake, Julie	Tanaka, Frank/Marge
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Corpuz, Jim	Kadonaga, Shoichi/Dale	Muraoka, Harold/Shige	Sakamoto, Sachi	Tomomatsu, Kiyo
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Fujiu, Mo	Kawamoto, Doreen	Nakamura, Richard/NJ	Shigeta, Stanley	Welch, Maleta
Fujiwara, Betty	Kawamoto, Ray	Nakata, Sam	Shimizu, Mark	Welch, Nobuko
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Furutani, Kazuo	Kishi, Marilyn	Negoro, Harvey/Isabelle	Shiotani, Tami	Yabuno, Kats/ Aiko
Furutani, Sadao	Kita, Gregg	Nicklaus, Garland/Debbie	Shiraishi, Shiz	Yagi, Li
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Furuyama, Teruko	Kobayashi, John	Nishida, Pam/Gary	Shishido, Anna	Yamada, John/Kay
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Hashimoto, Toji/Hitomi	Lew, Gene/Genevieve	Ogami, Ben	Suyemoto, Terrie/Albert	Yamauchi, Victor/Darlene
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Hirayama, Duane	Matsuda, Ike/Yoshi	Okui, Toshio/Joyce	Takimoto, Margaret	Yoshizumi, Richard/Lynn
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Honma, Tsuneo	Minami, Monte	O'Neill, Coleen	Tanabe, Roy T.	
Hori, Fukashi	Mitarai, Evelyn	Ono, Daito	Tanaka, Denise	

SFV VFW Post 4140 - LAST CALL



On Sunday, September 29, 2013, the SFVJACC will honor the SFV VFW Post 4140 as the recipient of the 2013 Lifetime Achievement Award. The luncheon will be held at the community center. This article, written by Victor Muraoka, shows many of the reasons why they were chosen and sadly, why they are closing their post and joining the Gardena post. Their post included WWII, Korean War and Vietnam vets, and currently has one member on active duty.

Thank you for recognizing the post. We are sad at leaving the community without a VFW post. But VFW posts are slowly losing members due to the ages of WWII vets who are dying at a rapid rate and Korean War Vets who are only 5 years behind our WWII comrades. Since we were instituted in 1961, we have lost a lot of good members. Time has taken its toll and we have lost a lot of friends and fellow veterans.

To remind those who didn't know our post and our accomplishments, let me quickly summarize what we've done:

- Built the Kiyoshi Muranaga MOH Memorial court (VFW Garden)
- Built the Issei-Nisei Pioneer Garden
- Built the flag pole court
- Built the playground
- Built the Gardeners Memorial Court (garden in front of the gym)
- Built the Kiyoshi Tomei Garden (in back of the gym)
- Donated the movie screen and bingo equipment
- Donated thousand of dollars and hours on community center projects such as the paper drive, the Entertainment books, clothing drives
- Sponsored our annual Las Vegas outings for years at the 4 Queens, Stardust, Landmark, Main Street Station, and Laughlin.
- Held annual picnics and beach outings for members and CC members
- Held an annual Luau at the CC with real Hawaiian music, food and entertainment
- Sponsored the community center New Year's Eve Dances for years
- Sponsored and paid for teenage bowling leagues and fishing derbies
- We had lite-bike safety programs for youngster
- We donated goods to poor children in Mexico by taking truckloads of clothes and toys.
- We started the community center fish program which is still going on today - thanks to my fellow appraiser at the County Assessors office, Len Fried.
- We participated in the Obon with various activities, with the Yaki Soba booth being the most notable
- We held weekly dance lessons with Uncle Joe Hamamoto as the leader.
- Sponsored trips to Hawaii, the Carribean, and Japan
- We made sure our kids were included in all of our projects. Ask any of our kids if they remember the things we did and grew up better for it.

Help us (the CC) celebrate Post 4140's wonderful legacy at the luncheon on September 29th.
(Flyer and registration form are on the next page.)

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING



Every 3rd Friday of the month from 9-11 am, seniors can have their blood pressure taken. Nurses Geri Radman (on left), Mary Ralston (on right) and Yo Motoyasu (not pictured) volunteer their time. We would like to thank Mary for her many years of service as she will be leaving us soon.



SAN FERNANDO VALLEY JAPANESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY CENTER

Lifetime Achievement Award Recognition Luncheon



Honoring

SFV VFW POST 4140

For Their 52 Years Of Service

Sunday, September 29, 2013

11:30 AM - 2:00 PM

\$35.00 per person

Reservation Form

Deadline: Monday, September 16, 2013

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

No. of persons @ \$35.00 each _____

Total amount _____

Please send this form and your check made payable to: SFVJACC - Lifetime Achievement
12953 Branford Street, Pacoima CA 91331

For more information, call Lois Okui at SFVJACC, (818) 899-1989.



SFVJACC AND SFVJACL

WILL BE SELLING **NAKANO NURSERY** POTTED FLOWERS
ON THE LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH BEGINNING

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Nakano Nursery has been donating potted flowers to our community
for many, many years. Let's say thank you to the Nakano family.





SFV JACL SUZUME NO GAKKOU

“Minasan Arigatou.” Everyone, thank you very Much

“Two years ago, I had often heard that if it weren’t for everyone’s help, *Suzume no Gakkou* would not be a success. I was so amazed how willing, generous, cooperative, and efficient the volunteers are.” says Linda Tanaka, Co-Chair.

Each day started with exercise to get their intellectual and emotional juices going. This year’s high point was the *Hagoita* which is a Japanese toy that is elaborately decorated. Paul Jonokuchi prepared each wooden paddle while Mitzi Kushida selected the authentic male and female faces that adorned them. We are especially proud of our two new teachers, Molly Serizawa and Jaymie Takeshita who taught Japanese language classes plus Jenna Matsushita and Kayla Aihara who were tremendous teacher assistants. Joseph Welch helped every day and was much appreciated by our menfolk. Kayla Chong, Peggy Furutani, Megan Ikemoto, Taryn Manaka and Kylie Okazaki were awesome Junior TAs.

Thank you to the Japanese Language Institute for the use of their classrooms and to the Community Center members like the ping pong club, the ukelele club and mandolin club that cleared their schedule so we would have a place for our final show.

This year’s field trip was a visit to Nikkei Senior Gardens. Co-chair, Linda Tanaka, taught the children how to make a scroll with beloved *Sakura* for the residents. The visual and performing art of singing and dancing brightened NSG’s lunch room big time. Head teacher, Nancy Gohata, organized experiences such as making *sushi* with Priscilla Mui, and singing eight songs like *chi -pa -pa!*. Kai Sugahara and Miku Inoue sang outstanding solos. Priscilla Mui taught the kids how to make *maki sushi!* Marion Shigekuni ran snack time with contributions from the parents and grandparents. The snacks were so great that we even shared recipes.

Special thanks to Jill Clever, Kaori Hall, Priscilla Mui and Saeko Orozco for making forty seven bright green *Hapi* coats while Al Tokunaga expertly silkscreened the logo on it. About twenty four children danced at the SFVHBT *Obon* with their *Hapi* coats or delicate soft hued *yukatas*.

Nancy Oda read "How Baseball Saved Us", "Where Sunflowers Grow" and "Urashima Taro". Roy Sugahara helped the kids write *haiku* for their chosen animal that they loved. Kay Yamada followed up with a "*Urashima Taro*" book. Each child received a sunflower plant from seeds donated by Dorothy Oda. Thank you to Dr. Sanbo Sakaguchi who donated a book for each child. Other donations came from Cathy Krohn, Kisui Fujimoto, Hazel Isa, Linda Kuratomi, Rouxann Kuwata, Isabelle Miyata, Barbara Nakatsu, Harriet Nishizaka, Pauline Okutake, Reiko Sauer, Patty Takayama and Karen Yoshino. The kids decorated their own "*Bachan's Goodie Bags*."

On the last day, guest experts like Kaneshiro *Sensei* demonstrated the ancient martial art of *kendo* with his two growing sons. Master Akira Kimura brought three gorgeous bonsai. Sensei Ritsuko Shinbashi created exquisite *ikebana* arrangements. Sensei Setsuko Murakawa showed *kimekomi* artwork. These exhibits gave students and their families a top notch experience with the valley’s living treasures. Everyone took home memories of new friends, great food and Japanese traditions and culture.

SF ATHLETICS ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center Athletics Association would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to our donors for their contributions to the Beef Teriyaki booth at this year's Obon Festival. Our annual fundraising event is successful due to the generous support from our community businesses and families. We would like to acknowledge the following donors:

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Wednesday
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(Must a CC member to
participate.)



Historic Designation for Tuna Canyon: Looking Back and Moving Forward

By Jean-Paul de Guzman

On June 25, 2013 the Los Angeles City Council unanimously voted to add Tuna Canyon Detention Station (TCDS) to the Register of Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monuments. This bittersweet moment gave dignity to the immigrant detainees held at TCDS during World War II and their families and marked the culmination of a long struggle that conjoined a diverse set of constituents.

Last fall, City Councilman Richard Alarcón, who has a long history with the Nikkei community stretching back to his youth, growing up next to Harry Nakada and learning judo at the CC, introduced a motion to designate TCDS a historic cultural monument. Shepherded by Mr. Alarcón's unflagging staff, including Gerald Gubatan, Mary Benson and Brenda Fortune, our coalition grew.

Indefatigable local historian and past-president of the Little Landers Historical Society, Dr. Lloyd Hitt unearthed important documents such as aerial maps from the 1930s and 1940s to provide the "hard evidence" of the camp's past. To complement those primary sources, individuals whose fathers and grandfathers were detained at TCDS, such as Haru Kuromiya of Altadena, Russell Endo of Denver, and Ryan Yokota of Chicago, stepped forward to share their stories. Filmmaker Joe Barrett made several short documentaries designed to educate the public. Members of our Valley community including CC President Nancy Oda, former JACL president Nancy Takayama and myself joined this coalition to strategize how to generate further support for Alarcón's motion as it made its way through the legislative labyrinth of city hall.

In April the city's Cultural Affairs Commission voted against the motion citing a lack of physical structures at the current site of TCDS, the Verdugo Hills Golf Course (which is slated for residential development). We faced another set-back when the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee similarly voted against the motion and recommended our coalition privately work with the developers to work out a deal. Undeterred, and unwilling to compromise, we buckled down and became even more determined. In the course of a few months, the grassroots mobilization was overwhelming. We secured letters or other expressions of support from the Sunland-Tujunga Community, veterans of the Asian American and Redress Movements, the Manzanar Committee, Rep. Adam Schiff, State Senator Carol Liu, and a variety of Asian American Studies scholars at CSUN, UCLA, University of Colorado, Texas A&M, CSU Dominguez Hills, San Francisco State University, and the University of Hawaii. Because the history of TCDS spoke to larger issues about race and democracy, we received touching support from APIAs in Historic Preservation, the Council of American-Islamic Relations, Islamic Shura Council, Muslim Public Affairs Council and the Italian American Museum of Los Angeles. Over 1,300 individuals from Arleta to Japan signed onto our online petition. Local media also took notice, with reporters from KPCC, the *Rafu Shimpo*, *Pacific Citizen*, *Crescenta Valley Weekly*, and eventually, the *Los Angeles Times* all taking note.

The showdown came on June 21 when Mr. Alarcón pushed a vote on the motion, going against the recommendations of the PLUM Committee. Armed with the numbers and wearing our brightest red clothes to demonstrate the passion with which we felt about TCDS our coalition and supporters boarded a large bus (generously funded, I might add, by the CC) in Sunland, drove past the site of TCDS, and made our way to downtown. Our coalition filled an entire half of the marbled council chambers. Members from the CC and/or JACL included Nancy Oda, resplendent in her red suit and black hat, Karl Nobuyuki, Mabel Takimoto, Nancy Takayama and myself. We tensely sat, listening to legislative jargon, perfunctory commendation presentations, and various gadflies. Noticing that the councilmembers continuously bypassed our agenda item caused great worry, but we could see Gerald, Brenda and Mary from Alarcón's office and coalition member and city hall veteran JoAnn Kumamoto quickly darting across the chamber taking to other staffers and councilmembers. Eventually Mr. Alarcón spoke out passionately. The chair of the PLUM committee, Ed Reyes, voiced his disapproval for not respecting the terms of his committee's recommendation. Yet, our sheer presence forced him to acknowledge the gravity of TCDS and its meanings for Japanese Americans and the entire community. Afterwards, we could see Alarcón earnestly negotiating with other councilmembers as some of

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Members of the Tuna Canyon Historic Designation Coalition with Councilman Richard Alarcón (center).



L-R: Mabel Takimoto, Doreen Kawamoto, Nancy Gohata, Mitzi Kushida, Marion Shigekuni, Nancy Oda

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his other colleagues spoke at length about preservation efforts in their districts. Eventually, the members reached a compromise: the Council would designate one acre of land, an oak grove, as a monument and mandate the creation of a task force to oversee the development of the site. A week later, the updated motion was unanimously carried.

Although some wished for more land to be allocated, it was a victory nonetheless.

Our scrappy coalition is now looking to incorporate as a non-profit organization so we can fundraise, secure a plaque, and begin the process of building an interpretive and educational center that will bring the tragic, but rich, stories of World War II to the residents and school children of Los Angeles. That our friends, neighbors, family, and youth will be able to travel just a few miles from their homes to bear witness to this past is an important feat unto itself.

At this point, and I'm sure she'd certainly disapprove of this turn, I would like to personally thank Nancy Oda for her leadership, vision, and energy during this process. In addition to securing the invaluable institutional support of the CC, Nancy has served as an indispensable cornerstone in the coalition. With grace and foresight, she has articulated the historic, educational and moral imperative to save TCDS. Nancy has been a critical figure in bringing together members of the Nikkei and wider Asian American community, the Sunland-Tujunga neighborhoods, legislative staff and others. Sitting down with interviewers, criss-crossing the east Valley from the CC to the TCDS site, and making countless personal appeals, Nancy has demonstrated a profound commitment to this cause and all that it represents: excavating long buried histories, defending democracy, and imagining a better future.

Jean-Paul de Guzman is a member of the Tuna Canyon Historic Designation Committee.

Photos from Nancy Oda.



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Friday, November 8, 2013
9:00 - 11:00 AM

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Tuna Canyon Poem

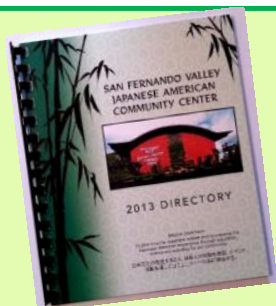
By Ernie Nishii, grandson

Oak rings remember
Hate, fear, pain,
yet space allows
Green growth to arise

Thefts at the CC



In recent months, there have been a few incidents of theft. Purses, backpacks or anything that looks valuable have been stolen. They are breaking in through car windows. Please protect your things and report any thefts or break-ins with the Police!!



2013 CC DIRECTORIES

The new CC directories are now available for all CC members. If you would like one, please come to the CC office or call (818) 899-1989. Sorry, we are not able to mail the directories due to the high cost of postage.



SAN FERNANDO ATHLETICS BASKETBALL SIGN-UP

Boys and Girls grades Kindergarten – 12th Sign up deadline September 1, 2013

The San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center Athletics Association invites you to join one of our Boys or Girls basketball teams. The Boys basketball teams participate in the Crescent Bay Optimist Sports League (CBO), and Girls basketball teams participate in the Japanese American Optimist Girl's Basketball League (JAO). Practices are held at the Community Center and/or at local middle and high school gyms.

The SFVJACC and the Athletics Association thank you for your continued participation. We know this coming season will be as enjoyable as seasons past. **Every player, new and returning, must submit this completed registration form and payment to be placed on a team by September 1st.**

- Boys and Girls in grades Kindergarten through 12th are eligible to play.
- Volunteerism is key to the success of this program. Family participation in the Athletics fundraisers is required to keep the program running. The two mandatory fundraisers are Pancake Breakfast (March) and Obon (July).
- **\$65** per player registration fee and **\$55 per family** annual SFVJACC membership fee is due with this registration form. Cash or checks payable to *SF Athletics*.
- League and uniform fees will be collected at the beginning of the season by team parent representative.

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Check if Boys or Girls Sign-Up: **BOYS** K-8 Winter Prep deadline Nov 1 Spring Prep deadline Feb 1
GIRLS K-8 Winter Prep deadline Nov 1 Spring Prep deadline Feb 1

New: _____ **Returning:** _____ **If returning, team played with last year:** _____

(Use one form per child)

Mail Sign ups to: Boys: Denise Tanaka

22140 Halsted St., Chatsworth, CA 91311
(818) 718-7321 (home) (818) 652-3018 (cell)

email: bball15543@yahoo.com

Girls: Karie Gima

12139 Mission Ridge Way, Granada Hills, CA 91344
(818) 577-6744 (cell) email: Karie.Gima@yahoo.com

Please print

PLAYERS NAME: _____ SCHOOL GRADE: _____

AGE: _____ BIRTHDATE: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____

PARENT(S) NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

NEW PLAYER or if any information has changed from previous year, please complete below:

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

If multiple children are participating in the program, \$55 CC Family Membership fee is paid through which team:

Team Name: _____

For Registrar use: \$55 CC Family Membership Fee: Cash or Check # _____ \$65 Player Fee: Cash or Check # _____

COORDINATING COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONS-MEETINGS-CONTACT PERSONS

Coordinating Council.....	1st Wed., 7:00 PM.....	Paul Jonokuchi.....	818 894-5327
Community Center.....	1st/3rd Wed., 7:00 PM.....	Nancy Oda.....	818 786-0914
Athletics.....	3rd Tues., 7:30 PM.....	Margaret Takimoto	818 701-7628
Bonsai Club.....	4th Sun., 8 AM-12 PM.....	Daito Ono.....	818 349-1310
Chatsworth West United Methodist Church.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	2nd Sun., 1:00 PM.....	Doreen Kawamoto	818 764-8850
CC News.....	Lois Okui.....	818 892-1487.....	Email: loisokui@aol.com
Fishing Club.....	3rd Mon., 8:00 PM.....	Lance Updyke	805 660-6262
Golf Club.....	2nd Tues., 7:00 PM.....	Mas Yamashita	818 368-5315
JACL.....	2nd Wed., 7:00 PM.....	Doreen Kawamoto.....	818 764-8850
Japanese Language Institute.....	Sat., 9:30 AM-12:30 PM.....	Kimi Chiba	818 590-3362
Judo Club.....	4th Wed., 7:03 PM.....	Patrick Kelly	818 808-5514
Landscape Gardeners.....	Sat. of every other month.....	Nob Tamai	818 347-3912
Nikkei Senior Gardens.....	2nd Thurs., 7:00 PM.....	Toji Hashimoto	818 897-4216
Nikkei Village.....	.....	Stan Date.....	818 701-6607
Porter Ranch Bonsai Club.....	1st Sun., 9 AM-12 PM.....	Walter Zipusch	818 746-6677
SFV Holiness Church.....	2nd Sun., 12:30 PM.....	Diane Date.....	818 701-6607
SFV Hongwanji Buddhist Temple.....	2nd Mon., 7:30 PM.....	Rod Kuratomi.....	.....
SFV Meiji Senior Citizens.....	1st Fri., 12:30 PM.....	Ken Kumagai	818 363-6468
Sunrise Foursquare Church.....	.....	Reverend Paul Iwata	818 782-8738
Valley Japanese Community Center...2nd Fri., 7:30 PM.....	.....	Christine Inouye	818 825-9583
.....	Neil Hashiba	818 732-5837
VFW Post 4140.....	1st Fri., 10:00 AM.....	Frank Tanaka.....	818 361-8951

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Call Tadao Okui
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**Want to submit an
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loisokui@aol.com

CC Deadline:
2nd Friday of
every odd month.

SPECIAL CLASSES

Arts & Crafts.....	Monday	9:00 AM-12:00 PM	Sally Hamamoto	818 361-2902
Ballroom Dance.....	Tuesday	7:00-8:30 PM	Nancy Gohata	818 899-4232
Bowling*, Mission Hills Bowl.....	Thursday	9:30 AM	George Seko	818 998-0682
Bridge*.....	Mon/Wed	12:00-4:00 PM	Ray Shinsato	818 767-5550
Japanese Calligraphy.....	1st/3rd Thursday	9:30-11:00 AM	Yuriko Muso	818 726-8935
Country Western Music*.....	1st /3rd Tuesday	10:30-11:30 AM	Janet Schuetze	818 767-1819
Hitomi's Cooking Class	4th Tuesday	7:00 PM	NJ Nakamura	818 893-6503
Craft Workshop.....	2nd Sat, even months	10:00 AM-12 PM	SFVJACC@hotmail.com	818 899-1989
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	Call CC office	818 899-1989
Hawaiian Hula.....	Friday	12:30 PM	Jan Kondo	818 888-5124
Hawaiian Ukulele Class.....	Friday (Gym)	10:00-11:30 AM	Greg Librando	818 896-6503
Hawaiian Ukulele Class.....	Friday (Hall)	10:00-11:00 AM	Bea Rosete	818 340-2571
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
Mandolin.....	Friday	9:30-11:00 AM	Call CC office	818 899-1989
Mah-Jong*.....	Tuesday	1:00-3:00 PM	Yoko Kawamura	818 765-3513
Ondo Dancing*	2nd/4th Friday	7:00-9:00 PM	Masako Rodriguez	818 899-8777
Ping Pong Club.....	Thursday, 2nd/4th Tuesday	10:00 AM-3:00 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
Yoga Class.....	Wednesday	10-11 AM/7:30-8:30 PM	CC Office	818 899-1989
Zumba.....	Monday	7:30-8:30 PM	Margaret Takimoto	818 701-7628

SUPPORT GROUPS & SERVICES

Alzheimer's Support Group.....	1st Saturday	10:00 AM-12 PM	Facilitator: Isabelle Miyata
Blood Pressure Screening*.....	3rd Friday	9:00-11:00 AM	Nikkei Pioneer Conference Room
Podiatrist*.....	2nd Saturday	12:30 PM-?	Nikkei Pioneer Conference Room

*Meiji Senior Citizens' Activity or Service

For more information, call the CC at (818) 899-1989.



**SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
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9450 Remick Ave. Pacoima
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Rev. Patricia Usuki:
Temple President: Rod Kuratomi
Dharma School - Sunday 11:00 am

BUDDHIST TEMPLE CALENDAR

August

- 4 Summer Service 10 am
- 11 Summer Service 10 am
- 25 Summer Service 10 am

September

- 1 No Service
- 8 Shotsurki: Monthly Memorial Service 10 am & Dharma School start
- 15 Regular Service 10 am
- 21 Fall Equinox Ohigan Seminar with Bishop Kodo Umezu, 1 pm
- 22 Shuki Higan-e: Fall Equinox Service 10 am with Bishop Umezu
- 29 Temple Clean-up



**San Fernando Valley
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9610 Haddon Avenue
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Office Phone:

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(818) 899-4115 (Japanese)

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

English Department

Pastor Roland Hazama
Pastor Raynold Nakamura

Sunday Schedule

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

Youth Fellowship

Friday, 7:30 PM
Meetings at the church for Jr. High and Sr. High

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 In Hyun

Sunday Schedule

- 11:00 AM
Worship Service
- Lunch and Fellowship
After worship service on the 1st and 3rd Sundays
- Wednesday, 10:00 AM
Prayer Meeting @ church

Please ask about other weekday meetings.



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Lay Leader: Jim Melichar

Worship Service 10AM
Sunday School 10AM
Social Hour following service
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**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**

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Shotokan Karate of America

Fri. @ 6:30 PM Rm.1

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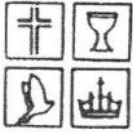
Fri. evening, Rm. 5

Instructor: Sharon James

Chi Fung Mind & Body Fitness

Tuesday @ 9AM Rm.2

Instructor: Leo Fong



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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

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE CC

August 19 - September 2, 2013
Gym Closed— Redoing the Floors

August 28 - September 2, 2013
Nikkei Pioneer Building Closed—
Stripping and Waxing the Floors

August 25, 2013
Memorial Tribute to Dr. Sanbo
Sakaguchi

September 29, 2013
Lifetime Achievement Award
Luncheon Honoring SFV VFW
Post 4140

October 12, 2013
Craft Workshop

October 19, 2013
CC Clean-up

Rising Stars™
Youth Leadership Program
Building Tomorrow's Leaders Today



The development of youth leadership is a common need expressed by almost every community organization. To address this need, the Nikkei Federation

Youth Development Programs team developed the **Rising Stars Youth Leadership Program**. **Rising Stars** is a leadership development & cultural education program for high school students.

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 and engaging workshops on a variety of leadership and cultural education topics.

Workshops topics include:

- Cultural Values
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- Being Assertive
- Financial Fitness

Participants will have an opportunity to apply their skills by planning and executing a group project. Professional trainers with extensive leadership development experience facilitate the leadership workshops.

When and Where

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How To Apply

Applications for the 2013-2014 Rising Stars Youth Leadership Program is available on our website in July 2013:

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San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center

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(Membership period: January 1 to December 31, 2013)

1. Complete the information below.

2. Tear off the membership card for your records.

3. Make check payable to "SFVJACC".

Family Membership - \$55.00

4. **Send your check and this form to: SFVJACC – Membership**
12953 Branford Street
Pacoima, CA 91331

Single Membership - \$35.00

(Please Print)

Name _____ Phone _____
(Last Name) (First Name)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

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Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

* For information, please call SFVJACC at (818) 899-1989. Thank you for supporting our Community Center.
FAX is (818) 899-0659.