

# Japanese American Citizens League

## NEWSLETTER

TWIN CITIES CHAPTER

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### 1985 BOARD MEMBERS

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Election of officers at the next board meeting on December 13th. Also, committee chairpersons will be decided on that day.

I'm sure all of you have noticed our new newsletter heading. Our thanks to Todd Grande for designing the new format.

#### SHORT TAKES

High school seniors, still undecided about what to do after graduation? The Scholarship Committee is seeking qualified applicants for scholarships to Carleton College.. Also, the chapter is looking for students interested in enrolling in Presidential Classes in Washington D.C. next year. If you are accepted the chapter will sponsor you. For more information, call Kimi Hara at 479-1460.

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#### MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING NOTES, OCT. 11, 1984

Treasury has a total of \$20,290.37.... Human Rights chair Matt Abe will start a Human Rights Committee newsletter in November ...National and MDC request that individuals meet with their congressional representatives to find out their stand on redress, and report back to JAACL.... There are 161 families/individuals who are presently members of the chapter. The Board voted to increase dues an additional \$5.00 for individuals and \$10.00 for families, making the new rates respectively \$35 and \$60. Reasons cited for the increase were that the chapter has subsidized membership dues for the last two years and no longer can afford to do so; and that national dues will increase \$1.25 in 1985 and \$2.00 in 1986..... Suggestions for new fundraisers: a booth at the State Fair which will sell Hawaiian shaved ice (we need an ice machine and space); garage sale; art auction; geranium sale; silent auction. Board made no decision on which to hold, but it needs events that are simple and lucrative (suggestions from readers?).... Sukiyaki dinner for next year set for May 19, 1985. Festival of Nations will be held May 1-3, 1985.... Board passed motion to donate \$150 to the MIS organization.... Board discussed reducing its members (current number is 14 plus the JAYs representative). Decision will depend on whether nominations for the vacating spaces can be filled, but it will not be made until next year.... The question was brought up as to whether the Twin Cities chapter of the JAACL can remain a viable entity within the local Japanese American community. A long-range planning committee was suggested. Stone, Kushino, Sandberg, Hara and others will start it.

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**Minnesota Nikkei Project** ..... Sam Honda, Chairman

On October 8th Issei had a real good look at the Mississippi River with its Fall Colors, bridges and locks. A boat ride from St. Paul to Prescott was co-sponsored by the TC Buddhist Association and the Nikkei Project. The boat docked at Prescott and there waited was 60 steps for us to climb. Issei were more enthusiastic about climbing the steps than I was. Lunch at the Steamboat Inn was great and the event ended with a comfortable bus ride back to St. Paul.

On October 24th we were on the road again. Issei visited 3M's World Headquarters in St. Paul. They shopped for 3M products at the company store. For lunch we went a little ways to 3M's Recreation Center. It was a nice day and the golf course looked good, but instead of playing golf we headed out to Aamodt's Apple Orchard in Stillwater. Since we didn't have dessert at the recreation center, everyone enjoyed a slice of fresh baked apple pie. I don't want to mention any names, but some guys had loads of ice cream with their pie.

Wednesday Day-out Program is still going strong meeting twice a month. I'm still showing "O shin" Japan's most popular TV soap opera....very sad story, but the Issei like it. I'm not too much on crafts, but I thought the sushi made from yarn and other materials was pretty clever. Maybe Phyllis Takekawa will write all about the day-out crafts in the next issue.

The many volunteers who help out enjoy these programs as much as the Issei. Volunteers make this program successful, however, it's your donations that make this program possible. In the last two months we received donations from following donors.

George & Michi Rokutani  
Rev. Otani's Church  
Hatsumi Popov  
Joyce Hirabayashi  
Harry & Charlene Honda

Fumi & Warren Kyono  
Dr. Akira Takemori  
Sakae Hinataya  
Ruri & Ted Matsuyama

I can't say enough for all those who volunteer to prepare lunch for the day-out program. Every lunches are delicious and bountiful.

On September 19th lunch was prepared by Mrs. Miwa's daughters and daughters-in-law, Toshiko Erickson, Yoko Metoki, Toshiko Miwa and Yoshiye Kuga.

On October 3rd, Debie Tsuchiya prepared lunch for us. Debie is Mrs. Noma's grandson, Paul Tsuchiya's wife. Lily Honda, volunteer, made salad.

On October 17th, Lunch was by Hatsumi Takashima Popov and Linda Hashimoto Van D. Hatsumi & Linda are Sansei members of the board.

On November 7th, lunch was prepared by Mrs. Harada's daughters, Ruri Matsuyama & Mariko Tashiro. Also on that day, Kazuko Hanzlik made pork tonkatsu and Chizuko Hirakawa treated us to yokan. Both Kazuko & Chizuko are Wednesday volunteers.

On November 21 lunch was prepared by Amy & Jim Sugimura. Mrs. Torii & Mrs. Kirihara passed out chocolate covered macadamia nuts they brought back from their Hawaii vacation.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH ALL OF YOU