

NCWNP 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2006 10AM – 4 PM  
HOST CHAPTER – FRENCH CAMP  
LODI, CA  
SUBMITTED BY KEVIN NOBUO NAKANO

- I. 1015 AM - ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS
- II. WELCOME – LODI CHAPTER – HENRY ISAHARA (SP?) – PRESIDENT OF FRENCH CAMP
  - a. FRENCH CAMP IS SMALL FARMING COMMUNITY 15 MINUTES FROM LODI. BILL HINKLE (LODI CHAPTER) ALLOWED FRENCH CAMP TO USE THE LODI FACILITIES.
  - b. FOUNDED IN 1948 – 80 MEMBERS. ONLY 15% OF MEMBERS LIVE IN FRENCH CAMP.
- III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- IV. APPROVAL OF SECOND QUARTER DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES
- V. SPECIAL GUEST PRESENTATION
  - a. CALIFORNIA CIVIL LIBERTIES PUBLIC EDUCATION FUND (E. YAMAGUCHI)
- VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS
  - a. GOVERNOR’S REPORT – THAYA MUNE CRAIG  
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    - i. Convention Wrap-up and Feedback (Mune Craig)
      1. FEEDBACK
        - a. FROM FAMILY PERSPECTIVE, SUGGESTED THAT FUTURE CONVENTIONS ARE LOCATED IN MORE URBAN LOCATION, FAMILY CONDUCIVE LOCATION SO FAMILIES CAN ATTEND WITH DELEGATES.
        - b. MORE CARE WITH SCHEDULING. THREE DIFFERENT TIMES FOR ELECTIONS.
        - c. WORKSHOPS WERE POORLY ATTENDED.
        - d. WORKSHOP ROOMS LABELED WITH WORKSHOP NAME INSTEAD OF SYMBOL.
        - e. SPREAD WORKSHOPS OVER MORE DAYS INSTEAD OF CRAMED.
        - f. SHORTEN LENGTH OF COVENTION WORKSHOPS.
        - g. ORATORACLE CONTEST POORLY ORGANIZED.
          - i. TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES WITH PA SYSTEM.
        - h. MENTORSHIP PROGRAM FOR YOUTH OR NEW CONVENTION DELEGATES SO THAT THEY KNOW WHAT’S GOING ON.

- i. DISTRICT SOCIALS SHOULD NOT BE HELD IN SUITES, THEY SHOULD BE HELD IN CONVENTION CONFERENCE ROOMS.
  - j. WHEN YOUTH COUNCIL ARE AT BUSINESS SESSION, ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE ORGANIZED FOR THE YOUTH THAT ARE NOT ATTENDING THE BUSINESS SESSIONS.
  - k. CONCERNED ABOUT ALLEGATIONS ABOUT ELECTIONS AND ALLEGED ALLIANCES / DEALS THAT WERE MADE FOR LARRY ODA'S WIN FOR NATIONAL PRESIDENT.
  - l. NOT ENOUGH TIME FOR DINNER BETWEEN MEETINGS.
  - m. KEEP CANDIDATES IN GREEN ROOM SO THEY CAN'T HEAR EACH OTHER'S RESPONSES.
  - n. NORTHERN NOTES – SEE CONVENTION SURVEY.
2. Convention Newcomer Presentation (Goto)
    - a. RESOLUTIONS – MORE CONCISE. EXPLAIN MERITS OF RESOLUTIONS SO IT WOULD BE EASIER TO VOTE.
    - b. MENTORING – IT WOULD HELP NEW DELEGATES.
    - c. CANDIDATE GREENROOM – IT WOULD BE MORE INTERESTING TO SEE CANDIDATES INTERACT AND DEBATING ISSUES.
    - d. MARK, NATIONAL TREASURER, IS DOING A GREAT JOB EXPLAINING COMPLICATED ISSUES IN A WAY THAT WAS EASY TO UNDERSTAND.
  3. Convention Veteran Presentation (Marutani)
    - a. CONVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE DID A GREAT JOB. THEY WERE RESPONSIVE TO EVERYONE'S NEEDS.
    - b. IF YOU'RE GIVING FEEDBACK, TAKE INTO CONTEXT YOUR EXPERIENCE FROM PAST CONVENTIONS. RELATIVELY SPEAKING, THE CONVENTION WENT WELL.
  4. 2008 Convention Volunteers (Mune Craig)
    - a. NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR COMMITTEES.
    - b. SPECIFICALLY NEED HELP FOR COMMITTEE THAT SEARCHES FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS.
  5. CONVENTION SLIDE SHOW (KAMINAGA)

- ii. 2006 Golf Tournament “SWING FOR JUSTICE” (Jim Craig) – HARDING PARK GOLF COURSE (WORLD FAMOUS GOLF COURSE), SF – SEE NATIONAL JAFL WEBSITE. FOR LINK VISIT [WWW.FLORINJAFL.COM](http://WWW.FLORINJAFL.COM).
    - 1. GOAL OF \$20K FOR FUNDRAISING. CURRENTLY WE HAVE ABOUT \$15K IN DONATIONS. GOLF REGISTRATION FEES DO NOT CONTRIBUTE TO BOTTOM LINE (BREAK EVEN ONLY). WE NEED TO HAVE 144 GOLFERS TO BREAK EVEN.
    - 2. \$200 EARLY BIRD FEE - GOLF FEES, CART, LUNCH, DINNER, RANGE BALLS, PUTTING CONTEST, HOLE IN 1 CONTEST, ETC.
    - 3. NEED VOLUNTEERS
      - a. REGISTRATION
      - b. PHOTOS
      - c. LUNCH PICK UP AND DISTRIBUTION
      - d. CONTEST WORKERS
        - i. PUTTING
        - ii. HOLE IN ONE
        - iii. LONGEST DRIVE
    - 4. CHAPTER CONTRIBUTIONS – WATSONVILLE, PLACER COUNTY, HOUSTON, TRI-VALLEY AND INDIVIDUALS. NEED MORE CONTRIBUTIONS.
    - 5. NEED MORE RAFFLE PRIZES.
    - 6. 9/1 IS EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE (\$200) AND CONTRIBUTOR DEADLINE.
    - 7. 60+ GOLFERS CONFIRMED FOR TOURNAMENT. NEED 144 GOLFERS TO BREAK EVEN.
  - iii. Washington, DC Leadership Program (JOHN Hayashi)
    - 1. APPLICATIONS DUE IN DECEMBER, DECISION TO BE MADE IN JANUARY, RESULTS ON FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>
    - 2. ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO APPLY
    - 3. PROGRAM IS 2<sup>ND</sup> OR 3<sup>RD</sup> WEEK OF MARCH, FROM FRIDAY THROUGH TUESDAY
- b. Treasurer’s Report (Okimoto)
- i. REPORT ON DISTRICT FINANCES
  - ii. AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS RELATING TO CHAPTERS AND MEMBERSHIP
    - 1. PER MEMBER ASSESSMENT SHAL BE BASED UPON AN AVERAGE OF THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY CHAPTER MEMBERSHIPS OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR.
    - 2. RATIONALE – EXECUTIVE BOARD FELT THERE NEEDED TO BE A MORE EQUITABLE METHOD OF ASSESSMENT TO REDUCE WIDELY FLUCTUATING MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT DURING THE

CALANDAR YEAR AND BECAUSE SOME CHAPTERS HAVE NATIONAL RENEW MEMBERSHIP AUTOMATICALLY AND SOME CHAPTERS RENEW THEIR MEMBESHIP MANUALLY.

- iii. OUTSTANDING DISTRICT INSURANCE INVOICES
- c. CIVIL LIBERTIES PUBLIC EDUCATION FUND (E. YAMAGUCHI)
  - i. IN THEIR 8<sup>TH</sup> YEAR OF EXISTENCE
  - ii. ELAINE WILL BE TRAVELING AROUND CALIFORNIA TO PROMOTE THE FUND
  - iii. APPLICATION PACKETS WILL BE SENT OUT IN NOVEMBER 2006.
- d. Regional Director's Report (Wada)
  - i. Staffing
    - 1. BOOKKEEPER @ NATIONAL – FILLED BY TEMP
      - a. STILL LOOKING FOR 80% EMPLOYEE
    - 2. FLYOD MORI IS A 80% STAFF
    - 3. MEMBERSHIP – LUCY IS ON CONTRACT, NATIONAL DIRECTOR WILL HIRE FOR POSITION
    - 4. MIDWEST OFFICE – BRANDON MITA, POLICY FELLOW
  - ii. NCWNP Administrative Items
    - 1. CORRECTIONS TO BOARD ROSTER
    - 2. NOMINATIONS – 2 POSITIONS OPEN
    - 3. DUE HOST CHAPTERS
      - a. ALAMEDA (LAST HOSTED 1987)
      - b. SACRAMENTO (LAST HOSTED 1999)
      - c. CORTEZ (LAST HOSTED 1999)
      - d. SALINAS (LAST HOSTED 2000)
      - e. ETC.
    - 4. SUGGESTION REGARDING MEETING
      - a. PROPOSAL 1 - PROPOSE THREE DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING FOR NEXT YEAR SINCE NCWNP IS HOSTING TRI-DISTRCT MEETING IN RENO.
      - b. PROPOSAL 2 – HAVE MEETING IN RENO.
      - c. NOTE: CHAPTERS PAY FOR FOUR MEETINGS, SO WILL THEY RECEIVE CREDIT?
  - iii. Immigration Handouts
  - iv. Hate Crimes (Website, CA Stats, Workshop)
    - 1. SACRAMENTO COUNTY – 70 HATE CRIMES REPORTED
  - v. Federal/State Legislation
  - vi. PRESERVING CALIFORNIA'S JAPANTOWNS

1. THE PROGRAM IS GOING TO TOWNS THAT FORMERLY HAD JAPAN TOWNS TO DOCUMENT WHAT THEY WERE LIKE
2. IF YOU'D LIKE TO GET INVOLVED, VISIT [WWW.CALIFORNIAJAPANTOWNS.ORG](http://WWW.CALIFORNIAJAPANTOWNS.ORG) OR CALL 510-277-2164.

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VII. Membership

- a. Blue Cross/Blue Shield (K. Kamei/M. Hashimoto) ?
  - i. JACL WILL ATTEND MEETING ON NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>
  - ii. WHY ONLY PUBLICIZE BLUE SHIELD ON JACL WEBSITE? THEY ARE WORKING ON OBTAINING BLUE CROSS INFORMATION.
- b. MEMBERSHIP - \$60, STUDENT - \$25, FAMILY - \$110
  - i. PLEASE REVISIT YOUR CHAPTER'S DUES STRUCTURE
- c. INCENTIVE PROGRAM
  - i. TWO NEW MEMBERS, GET ONE FREE
  - ii. 81 FREE MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE
- d. NATIONAL JACL CREDIT UNION INCENTIVE PROGRAM
  - i. IF YOU GET NEW MEMBERS TO JOIN THE CREDIT UNION, YOU'LL RECEIVE VOUCHERS FOR CRUISE.
- e. Tru-Script and Vision Health Insurance Programs (M. Yoshino/E. Teruya)
  - i. SEE HANDOUT.
- f. ***Results of (National) Governor's Membership Contest (M. Yoshino/E. Teruya)***
  - i. ***EXTENDED UNTIL DECEMBER***
- g. District Membership Training CD (E. Teruya)

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VIII. HOST CHAPTER PROGRAM (French Camp JACL)

IX. **Tribute to Barry Saiki (Stockton Chapter)**

X. Pacific Citizen Report (Nagai)

XI. Continuing Business

- a. Youth/Students (Kaminaga)
  - i. 2007 National Youth/Student Conference Bids
    1. DEADLINE FOR BIDS - AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>
  - ii. Upcoming NYSC Retreat in Los Angeles – AUGUST 15-17TH
  - iii. Upcoming DCYC Activities – SAN MATEO
- b. Cultural (Mune Craig)
  - i. 100th Anniversary of SF Japantown Gala Dinner (Mune Craig)
    1. ***DCYC WILL SUBSIDIZE YOUTH (\$35) ATTENDANCE TO THE 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF***

**JAPANTOWN, FIRST COME FIRST SERVE UP TO 20 SPOTS. CONTACT MEGUMI, YOUTH REP.**

- ii. "After the War" by Phillip Kan Gotanda at ACT (Mune Craig)
- c. Civil Rights/Public Affairs (Goral/Teruya)
  - i. Voting Rights Act (Tanakatsubo/Hayashi)
    - 1. [WWW.RENEWTHEVRA.ORG](http://WWW.RENEWTHEVRA.ORG)
    - 2. [WWW.CIVILRIGHTS.ORG](http://WWW.CIVILRIGHTS.ORG)
  - ii. Immigration Update (Tanakatsubo/.Hayashi)
    - 1. SEE HANDOUT.
  - iii. National JAACL Position on Lt. Watada Court Martial (Oda)
    - 1. NATIONAL HAS DIFFERENT OPINION THAT HONOLULU CHAPTER. SEE NORTHERN NOTES.
  - iv. Discussion on Lt. Watada Court Martial (Hayashi)
- d. Aging & Retirement (Yamada)
- e. 2007 Tri-District Conference/NCWNP Dinner (Mune Craig)
  - i. Location
    - 1. HOTEL - PEPPERMILL
    - 2. **RENO, CA**
  - ii. COMMITTEE – DAVE, KAREN KURASAKI AND THAYA
  - iii. Timing – FIRST, SECOND OR THIRD WEEKENDS IN SEPTEMBER
  - iv. **Volunteer Opportunities**
- f. **BI-ANNUAL DISTRICT FUNDRAISING DINNER**
  - i. WE WILL ELIMINATE THE 2007 GOLF TOURNAMENT AND HAVE A RAFFLE AT THE BI-ANNUAL DINNER DEDICATED TO RAISE THE \$10K REQUIRED NATIONAL FUNDRAISING
- g. **National Director Search (L. Oda)**
  - i. PAY IS NEGOTIABLE (TOP RANGE IS \$104,000)
  - ii. SELECTED BY PERSONEL COMMITTEE
  - iii. TIMELINE
    - 1. RECRUITING STARTS AFTER 9/30 BOARD MEETING, SEARCH FOR 2 MONTHS
    - 2. INTERVIEWS START IN JANUARY 2007
    - 3. MAKE OFFER IN FEB 2007
    - 4. 2-4 WEEKS NOTICE FOR SELECTION
    - 5. MARCH 2007 START OF NEW NATIONAL DIRECTOR
- h. PSW DIRECTOR SEARCH
- i. District Website (Kurasaki)
  - i. PRESENTATION OF NEW DISTRICT WEBSITE AND OBTAIN FEEDBACK

- j. EDUCATION COMMITTEE (GREG)
  - i. TEACHER TRAINING WORKSHOPS
  - ii. MUSEUM OF CRAFT & FOLK ART – 51 YERBA BUENA LANE: OPEN EXHIBIT ON THE BOOK OF “THE ART OF GAMAN”

XII. Calendar Items

a. JACL Events

i. Chapter/District/National

1. August 19, 2006 -- Daruma Craft Boutique (Fund Raiser for the West Valley JACL Senior Clubhouse), 9:30am-4:00pm at the Saratoga Community Center: 19655 Allendale Avenue, Saratoga
2. August 25 & 26 2006– “Nihonmachi”, the musical by Grateful Crane Ensemble (San Francisco)
3. August 26 2006– 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Obon Festival (San Francisco)
4. September 2, 2006 – 100th Anniversary of SF Japantown Gala Dinner (San Francisco)
5. September 29 to October 1, 2006 – National Board Meeting (San Francisco)
6. September 30, 2006 – 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of SF Japantown Community Picnic (Golden Gate Park, San Francisco)
7. National JACL Golf Tournament: Harding Park, SF
8. November 5, 2006 – 4th Quarter District Council Meeting (San Mateo)
9. April, 2007 – Advance Screening of Ken Burns’ Documentary on WWII (San Francisco)

ii. Other Chapter & Community

XIII. Announcements

- a. Next DC Meeting: Sunday, Nov. 5, 2006, Hosted by San Mateo JACL

XIV. Adjournment