In February 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, sending 120,000 Japanese Americans to United States concentration camps during World War II. Nearly 8,000 San Francisco Bay Area Nikkei were first evacuated to Tanforan Racetrack in San Bruno, a journey that marked the beginning of a several years-long revocation of their civil rights.

Last year, a group of Nisei former internees approached the JCCCNC with the idea of organizing an event to commemorate the experience and to reunite with those who also suffered through it. There are approximately 2,000 former Tanforan internees alive today, most in their late 80s and early 90s.

The event, “Journey to Tanforan,” is set for Saturday, June 2 to commemorate the 65th anniversary of the signing of Executive Order 9066 and the resulting internment.

“For many of the former internees of the Tanforan Assembly Center, this could be their first return to Tanforan since being incarcerated there 65 years ago. This event could help put closure to a chapter of their lives at the Tanforan Assembly Center — the first stop of what would eventually become years behind barbed wire,” says JCCCNC Executive Director Paul Osaki. “Tanforan was the place where the community got their first glimpse of what was in store for them. It is the place of stories and the smell of manure, it is the place where some too old and sick friends passed away behind barbed wire fences, and it is a place where babies were born in horse stalls.”

In the past year, the JCCCNC and members of the “Journey to Tanforan” committee — most of them former internees — along with Breevast U.S., owners of the present-day The Shops at Tanforan, have worked together to organize the commemorative events.

On Saturday, June 2, 2007, beginning at 10 a.m., a program will be held at The Shops at Tanforan in San Bruno. Congressman Mike Honda, Assembly Member Gene Mullins of South San Francisco and poet Janice Mirikitani are scheduled to be part of this historical event. A reenactment of the evacuation and arrival at Tanforan is being planned, with members of the Grateful Crane Ensemble dressed in period clothing arriving on an old bus — a reminder to some, and a somber lesson to others, about the events that transpired 65 years ago. Former internees and their descendants will toll a bell to remember the occasion and pay tribute to the internees that have since passed away. June 2 will also mark a very special groundbreaking ceremony for the Tanforan Assembly Center commemorative garden. Breevast U.S. has dedicated a 16 by 36 foot plot of land near the front of the shopping center, in which will be created a Japanese garden designed by renowned landscape artists Mr. Isao Ogura and Mr. Shigeru Namba.

“This garden will not only be a beautiful Japanese stone garden, but it will be also be a garden that tells stories, that educates and that speaks to people,” says committee member Daisy Satoda, a former Tanforan internee.

Buses from locations throughout Northern California will provide transportation for attendees and a reunion luncheon will be held immediately after the program at the JCCCNC in San Francisco’s Japantown.

Former Tanforan internees are asked to contact the JCCCNC at (415) 567-5505 or e-mail Ruby Hata at rhata@jcccnc.org. Major funding provided by The Wallace Alexander Gerbode Foundation, Henri and Tomoye Takahashi Charitable Foundation, The James Irvine Foundation and The Shops at Tanforan, owned by Breevast U.S. and managed by General Growth Properties.
Planning For The Future of Our Community

In 2006, San Francisco’s Japantown celebrated its 100th anniversary in the Western Addition. However, it was a year marked by changes and anxiety, with the sale of significant portions of the commercial core of Japantown.

Until now, in our first 100 years of existence, we have simply been told what our community should be, how it could be, and we were forced to move and relocate — not once, but twice.

But now, in 2007, as we enter our second century of existence, we have the opportunity to help determine our own future. We, the members of the Japantown community, will finally have a say in what happens to our community.

On the evening of March 28, more than 200 people were here at the JCCCNC to witness the launch of an exciting new project, the Japantown Better Neighborhood Plan.

The Japantown Better Neighborhood Plan is part of the City of San Francisco’s Better Neighborhoods Program, which was launched in 2000 and is led by the City’s Planning Department. The Program’s mission is to “help guide the city’s growth and development in a way that meets citywide goals, while also fostering the needs of our unique neighborhoods.”

This spring and summer, the Planning Department will get to know our community to identify the specific issues we face, and to assist us in determining potential solutions. The fall will see the selection and refinement of the solutions, with the plan to be finalized in early 2008.

This planning effort will produce a Specific Area Plan, a vision for the future of the community and a program to implement the vision, with new zoning, planning codes and other regulations, as well as a public benefits and public improvements program.

Several key Japantown issues include the future of the mall properties; the proposed Geary Bus Rapid Transit; connections across Geary to the Fillmore area; cultural economic development including strengthening the family owned shops, small businesses and property ownership; and preserving the overall character of Japantown.

But the Planning Department can’t do it alone.

We — those of us who live, work, shop and play in Japantown — need to participate. Throughout the next few months, we need to specify exactly what the problems are, and what we think the solutions should be.

For the first time, the future of Japantown is up to us. It will be our plan, which could change the entire planning codes of what could be allowable here, and change the entire look of this community.

This plan must help preserve our community, but also allow for opportunities to grow and revitalize.

The results, good or bad, will be our own.

Although we may not always agree, we must always be open to change and believe that what we do over the next several months will ensure the future preservation of our community.

One hundred years from now, as San Francisco’s Japantown looks back on its second century of existence, our future generations will look back at this point in time — at our efforts and our actions.

What will they say?

Paul Osaki
Executive Director

Mission Statement

The JCCCNCC is a non-profit organization which strives to meet the evolving needs of the Japanese American community by offering programs, affordable services and administrative support and facilities for other local service organizations. The JCCCNCC also provides educational, cultural and recreational programs that meet and address the interests and concerns of the community. Our goals remain rooted in preserving the Japanese American cultural and historical heritage as well as fostering the foundation for future generations of Japanese Americans.
JCCCNCS Community

JCCCNCS Welcomes Incoming Board Members

The JCCCNCS recently announced two newly elected members to its Board of Directors:

Ms. Shari Fujii, San Francisco, CA

Shari Fujii is an independent marketing consultant specializing in the consumer products, licensing, technology, and financial services industries. She has an impressive career in marketing for national firms such as Charles Schwab & Co., Inc.; BabyCenter (a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson, Inc.); Google, Inc.; Yodlee; Dreyer’s Grand Ice Cream; The Walt Disney Company; Kraft Foods; Hunt-Wesson, Inc. and Nestle. She believes getting involved with the Nikkei community will help her to explore her cultural heritage. She recalls her younger days when there wasn’t any regular interaction with the Nikkei community, “Having grown up in a suburb of Portland, Oregon as a sansei, my exposure to the Japanese American community was limited to JACL Christmas parties and Nisei Veterans’ picnics. My family was the only Asian family in our city when we were young…” Now she says she deeply values the immense dedication of the community leaders, staff, partners, supporters and volunteers who keep the JCCCNCS’s mission alive, and she feels enthusiastic about joining the JCCCNCS Board of Directors to help support its mission, too. Other Japanese American organizations she is now affiliated with include the Japan America Student Conference as an alumni supporter, Japan Society of Northern California, Japanese American Citizens’ League, Japanese American National Museum, National Japanese American Historical Society and the Asian Art Museum of San Francisco. Shari received a masters degree from the Anderson School at UCLA and a bachelors degree from Stanford University. She is now a resident of San Francisco.

Mr. Jonathan Shindo, Concord, CA

Jonathan Shindo is the Group Senior Vice President of Greater Bay Bank. He is responsible for overall operations of this East Bay community bank since last summer. He is very well respected in the banking industry where he has over 15 years experience at Wells Fargo Bank. He first became involved with the JCCCNCS when his children participated in the Shinzen USA Nikkei Youth Goodwill Sports Program. Through the Shinzen Program he realized the importance of keeping the culture alive so as not to lose sight of his Nikkei heritage. When asked what made him decide to join the JCCCNCS Board of Directors, he replied, “I believe the JCCCNCS fills an important need to keep and promote the Japanese American culture not only to the American public and people of Japan, but especially to the JA community. As the community becomes more diverse and with so many things vying for people’s time, it is easy to lose touch with their heritage.” Other community organizations he is affiliated with include the Berkeley Rotary, Japanese American Religious and Cultural Center and the San Pablo University Avenue Merchants Association. He graduated with a degree in business administration and marketing from the University of Minnesota. He and his family reside in the East Bay.

Updates on the Nikkei Youth Sports Scholarship 2006 Recipients

In spring 2006, the JCCCNCS, in partnership with the Ronald McDonald House Charities/Asian Students Increasing Achievement (RMHC/ASIA) awarded two graduating high school students with $1,000 Nikkei Youth Sports Scholarships (NYSS). Alex Gong and Lindsay Chu were selected based on their community involvement, leadership development, personal qualities and strengths.

ALEX GONG is enrolled at the University of California, Berkeley, double majoring in International Political Economy and Rhetoric. After graduating, he plans on either attending law school or joining the Peace Corps.

“The one thing I miss the most from home is my mom and sister, without a doubt. And my mom’s home cooked meals, of course,” says Alex.

He is a former participant in the Shinzen USA Nikkei Youth Goodwill Sports Program and volunteered to do outreach for the 2006 community meeting regarding the sale of the Kintetsu properties. He continues to volunteer at the JCCCNCS when he returns to San Francisco.

Alex is the son of the late Mr. Howard Gong and Ms. Marilyn Oshiro of San Francisco.

LINDSAY CHU attends the University of California, Santa Cruz. Her intended major is Mathematics on the Math Education Track and she hopes to become a math teacher in a secondary school. This past year, she was accepted into the Cal Teach Program for the winter quarter and spent four hours a week at Mission Hill Middle School in Santa Cruz helping students with their math and observing in the classroom.

“Although Santa Cruz is not very far away and I can actually come home every weekend, I miss sitting around talking and watching television with my family,” says Lindsay. “Dorm food tastes okay...the food varies from day to day but it cannot compare to the home-cooked meals I would eat everyday for dinner.”

She volunteers at the JCCCNCS, including for the 2005 Salute to the Stars Annual Dinner, and has participated in the Shinzen USA Nikkei Youth Goodwill Sports Program.

Lindsay is the daughter of Alfred Chu and Kathy Inouye Chu of San Francisco.
The 50th Anniversary of the San Francisco-Osaka Sister City relationship was kicked off by a visit to Osaka, Japan lead by Mayor Gavin Newsom, Supervisor Ross Mirkarimi and a delegation of 45 members on February 16 to 22, 2007.

The San Francisco-Osaka Sister City relationship is the oldest sister-city relationship between the United States and Japan. Created by former Mayor George Christopher in 1957, at the request of President Dwight Eisenhower, the sister city program was developed to help build citizen diplomacy following post World War II. It was their hope and belief that through improved citizen relationships between our two countries that we could develop friendships, cultivate commerce and help build a road to enduring peace.

One of the highlights of the trip was a special business luncheon attended by over 80 Osaka businesses. The luncheon focused on Japantown and the many new developments in an attempt to encourage more businesses from Japan to come to San Francisco's Japantown.

The trip was organized by the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California (JCCCNC), which also organized the San Francisco-Osaka Citizens Ambassador Conference in 1997 that brought 174 delegates to Osaka and the Shinzen USA Nikkei Youth Goodwill Sports Program, now in its 11th year, as part of the celebration for the 40th Anniversary of the Sister City relationship. Continuing its tradition of organizing grassroots goodwill trips, the JCCCNC, in cooperation with the San Francisco 49ers, sent a delegation to celebrate the 45th Anniversary in 2002.


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Shinzen Program Celebrates SF-Osaka Sister City 50th Anniversary

2007 will be an exciting year for the Shinzen Program, as 22 players and their families will travel to Hiroshima, Osaka and Kobe, Japan from July 27-August 5. In addition, they will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the San Francisco-Osaka Sister City relationship, with planning of festivities in Osaka already in the works.

Activities for these grassroots ambassadors include preparatory workshops where they will learn about Japanese customs, language and etiquette, as well as participating in basketball and hip-hop dance practices and volunteering at community events. Players are currently undertaking the difficult task of fundraising for this once-in-a-lifetime trip and would appreciate your support at their fundraising events.

The 2007 Girls Team will be coached by Lindsey Yamasaki, a former WNBA and Stanford basketball and volleyball player, and include players: Elise Chan, Colette Flores, Katie Gong, Nicole Harada, Kelly Lem, Michaelyn Miyagishima, Melissa Nishihama, Shea Nishimura, Lindsay Oda, Stephannie (continued on page 10)

Kodomo no Hi Festival Featured Alan from ‘Sesame Street’

The JCCCNC celebrated its 15th Annual Kodomo no Hi (Children’s Day) Festival on May 5. The day began with a puppet show featuring “Sesame Street’s” Alan Muraoka from Mr. Hooper’s Store, puppeteers Jennifer Barnhart and Pam Arciero and their puppet friends. Everyone learned about Children’s Day and performed both Japanese children’s songs as well as favorite tunes from the Emmy Award-winning children’s television show.

In the afternoon, participants of all ages learned about Children’s Day traditions and Japanese culture through fun activities, entertainment and hands-on arts and crafts that they took (continued on page 10)
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**FROM PAGE 5: Shinzen 2007 Basketball Program**

Okimura and Miya Yung.

The 2007 Boys Team will be coached by Richard Hata, head coach of the Convent of Sacred Heart Girls Varsity basketball team, and include players: Dillon Gee, Brenden Glapion, Keith Inokuchi, Cole Iwamasa, Jonathan Lowe, Drew Mametsuka, Kevin Nakaso, Remy Orans, Alex Teranishi, Thomas Tomioka and Jared Wong.

For more information on the Shinzen Program or possible sponsorship opportunities, please contact Lori Matoba at (415) 567-5505, ext. 226.

**FROM PAGE 5: Kodomo no Hi Festival**

home. Activities included a hands-on puppet making and puppeteering station led by the “Sesame Street” performers.

The Kodomo no Hi festival also featured Hinamatsuri (Girls Day) and Tango no Sekku (Boys Day) doll exhibits, food and an art contest.

This year marked the JCCCNC’s 15th annual Kodomo no Hi celebration, held in recognition of the national holiday of Japan, which was established in 1948 by the Japanese government to promote the welfare and well-being of their children.

This year’s festival was sponsored by the JCCCNC, Wells Fargo Asian Connection Bay Area, Consulate General of Japan in San Francisco, Kristi Yamaguchi’s Always Dream Foundation, Gray-Pas Sakura of America and Sanrio, Inc.
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13th Annual Nikkei Open

WHEN: Thursday, June 28
WHERE: San Ramon Golf Club, 10:30 a.m. shotgun start.
DETAILS: Includes lunch, tee prize and awards program to follow with buffet dinner, raffle and entertainment by the JCCCNC’s ukulele class.
ENTRY FEE: $145 for JCCCNC members, $160 for non-members or $180 for 2007 tournament entry fee, one year JCCCNC membership and 2008 tournament entry fee at the member rate.
INFO: Call Ken Maeshiro at (415) 567-5505, ext. 239, e-mail kmaeshiro@jcccnc.org or visit www.jcccnc.org

2007 JCCCNC Track Meet

WHEN: Sunday, June 24.
WHERE: Palo Alto High School Track, 50 Embarcadero Road in Palo Alto.
DETAILS: Masters Division (30 years+), Division 1 (17 years+), Division 2 (15 to 16 years), Division 3 (13 to 14 years), Division 4 (11 to 12 years), Division 5 (9 to 10 years) and Division 6 (8 years and under). Pre-meet training available in San Francisco, on the Peninsula and in San Jose.
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