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# NEWSLETTER

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:**

It was a pleasure seeing many JAVA members and guests at the Columbia Country Club in Chevy Chase on 22 February. Thanks again to John Kiyonaga for making the elegant arrangements. It was also a privilege to hear Kay Kimura's thoughts on Homeland Security. As someone with an interest in many of the initiatives related to securing and defending our nation and its institutions, I found Kay's remarks to be rather original and insightful. It is an honor to have such an expert among our members.

On the business front, I was pleased with the positive unanimous voice vote on JAVA's charter and by-law revisions. I believe these revisions, which the Executive Council unanimously recommended in December, set a partial foundation for a successful future for our organization. The other part of the foundation are members and funds, both mutually reinforcing.

Let's aggressively go after the veteran Sansei and Yonsei. Once we have them engaged, talk them into a LIFE membership, if possible. After all, they will be both veterans and Japanese American for life. Besides, it's a better deal for them and we won't have to go after them year after year.

I just returned from a trip to Hawaii, where I was able to participate in a meeting of the National Japanese American Veterans Council and make some of the 60<sup>th</sup> reunion activities of the 100<sup>th</sup>/442d. At both, I was pleasantly surprised to get a vote of confidence on the importance of JAVA and its charter for the future of the Japanese American Veterans community.

Additionally, I did not get any resistance, which I expected based on rumors of turf sensitivities, from our vision as the organization representing all AJA veterans, including claiming as affiliate members all members of the community, here in the nation's capital. Indeed, one prominent and well-respected Hawaii-based AJA Vet leader made two comments to me: JAVA is the future of the AJA vet organizations and we like where you are going. This was also the sentiment of another prominent community elder. As I had never met most of the individuals I ran into while in Hawaii, I assume many of you have been conducting some very effective marketing for JAVA!

Of course, Dave's absence was noticed – mostly by me – but there seemed to be general consensus that the JAVA web site is the leading AJA Vet web site. Most of the youngsters were interested in the oral history projects. Couldn't help but notice that there are a few disparate efforts underway without coordination between them. One of the leading organizations, the Go For Broke Educational Foundation, wanted to maintain some restrictive rights on the content they developed. All well and good (except potentially duplicated efforts and overhead) -- as long as we get the

histories before older generations pass on. We can worry about how it's organized and made available when we have more time.

In March, JAVA helped sponsor the Cherry Blossom Freedom Walk. Suggested to the organizers, our own Seiko Wakabayashi, that next year we call it the Walk for Patriotism, to accord more closely with the symbology of NJAMF, its chief sponsor. I see the Cherry Blossom Walk as a good fundraising opportunity and would like to make it a standard part of the JAVA calendar. Also discussed with Warren Minami, NJAMF Chair, teaming with them on a golf tournament – July 14 – and a dinner September 23, so mark your calendars.

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### **WALL TO WALL CROWDS RESPOND WARMLY TO JAVA'S "AMERICAN PATRIOTS" AT D.C. CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL by Warren Tsuneishi**

The crowds were "wall-to-wall" most of the afternoon in the tent where JAVA's book, American Patriots: MIS in the War Against Japan, went on sale on April 5 during the annual Cherry Blossom Festival in the Nation's capital.

Some 48 copies of the book in which Nisei veterans recount their experiences with the military intelligence during World War II were sold, the largest single-day sale of the book since it was first issued in 1995 following the reunion two years earlier in Washington, D.C. of veterans of the war.

Successful sale of the book, edited by Stanley L. Falk and Warren Tsuneishi, was made possible by the cooperation and participation of several members of JAVA as well as other friends. JAVA was offered a free table under a tent in the "Ginza Arcade" running down 12<sup>th</sup> Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues, part of the *Sakura Matsuri* Arts and Crafts exhibits sponsored by the Japan America Society of Washington, D.C.

Special thanks go to *origami* specialist Marcia Mau, originally assigned the tent who contacted Grant Ichikawa to offer space superfluous to her needs waiving the usual \$1,000 registration fee and to Kurt Kumagai, who coordinated all of the Society's exhibits.

The JAVA exhibit drew immediate attention of other exhibitors and spectators as they arrived for the annual Cherry Blossom parade down Constitution Avenue; the exhibit consisting of multiple copies of the book on display highlighted by a JAVA poster with logo created by Hank Wakabayashi, a multi-colored illustrated poster of the Military Intelligence Service obtained from Phil Ishio, display copies of the 100<sup>th</sup>/442<sup>nd</sup> and MIS, application forms for JAVA membership, and flyers on the 100<sup>th</sup> and 442<sup>nd</sup> and MIS, some 100 copies of each which were soon completely gone because of the strong interest of the passing crowd.

Not one buyer turned down the offer by Falk, Hirabayashi and Tsuneishi to sign "American Patriots." Hank and his wife, Seiko, joined the group and when Seiko was passing out the flyers, business rose sharply to the point where Falk complained of writer's cramp.

Terry Shima, wearing his 100<sup>th</sup>/442<sup>nd</sup> cap, served as the expert on the 442<sup>nd</sup> and was besieged by questioners who had heard of the valor of the "Purple Heart Battalion" and about the volunteers from the internment camps; questioners who were warm in their praise of the Nisei soldiers.

In contrast, very few knew about the MIS and Hirabayashi, wearing his Ranger Badge, drew attention and queries of his exploits with Merrill's Marauders in the jungles of Burma.

Many of the book purchasers were veterans themselves, not only of WWII but of Korea and Vietnam, and *sansei* and *yonsei* who had heard about the Nisei GIs from their grandparents, while several were Japanese citizens including one who was a Ministry of Justice official who had

studied the Tokyo war crimes trials and the role of the Nisei interpreters and translators in the trials. Queries were also received from school teachers about educational materials.

Perhaps what is more important than the number of copies of the book sold is the outreach to the general public with the story of the Nisei soldier during WWII.

**Editor's Note:** Copies of the book which gives first-hand accounts by 25 Japanese Americans who served in the U.S. Military Intelligence Service in the Pacific during WWII are still available for \$10 plus \$2 handling charge from: JAVA Book, P.O. Box 59, Dunn Loring, VA22027. Checks should be made out to JAVA.)

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## **NEW CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS IN LIBRARY OF CONGRESS JAVA ORAL HISTORY PROJECT**

Terry Shima, coordinator/interviewer of JAVA's oral history project for the Library of Congress, has issued a new call for any previously reluctant JAVA members to participate in this effort to preserve the Nisei experience on video for future generations.

"If there are any JAVA members who have reconsidered their decision not to participate in video interview and now wish to participate, please call," Terry said in material prepared for JAVA distribution. He can be reached by phone (301) 279-7823 or E-mail: [ttshima@worldnet.att.net](mailto:ttshima@worldnet.att.net).

"In addition, if you know of someone who is not a JAVA member, who, you believe, may be interested in being interviewed, JOHPC (JAVA Oral History Project Committee) would be happy to accommodate them too."

The committee, he said, has established procedures for such interviews and with this advance preparation, "the interview will be completed smoothly and successfully. There should be no pain and lots of fun and gain."

Preparations include a biographic data form; prior contact by the interviewer to review such data; advance discussion on format, venue, modality and content, and a detailed written outline, synopsis or narrative in response to an interview guide.

The committee already has sent letters and interview guides to 40 JAVA members who have expressed interest in having their oral histories placed in the Library of Congress, 35 are from the Washington, D.C. area, five from elsewhere, while nine want more time to decide and 14 have already given oral histories to other organizations such as the Go for Broke Educational Foundation's *Hanashi* Project, the Japanese American National Museum or the JACL.

The committee members in addition to Terry include Grant Hirabayashi (cameraman), Barbara Nek, "va (researcher); interviewers Calvin Ninomiya, Glenda Nogami, Sumiye "Sue" Okubo, and Paul Tani, and Warren Tsuneishi, advisor.

The project, officially the Library of Congress Veterans History Project, was established by Congress in May 2001 to capture on video the veterans "recollections of life experiences and most memorable moments" before, during and after military service.

An important part of JAVA's oral histories is the inclusion of experiences during the evacuation, internment camp, and post internment camp readjustment periods with JAVA members having a particularly important statement to record for history.

It is part of the library's nationwide effort to "create a comprehensive, searchable, national catalogue of all oral histories and documents that will be of immeasurable value to American and international historians, educators, students, authors, film makers, researchers and family members."

The New York Times, in endorsing the project, said, "The collective memory... becomes more and more precious as it becomes scarcer and scarcer."

The JOHPC and JAVA's executive council give special thanks to Julia Kuroda, who contributed \$500 to be used to buy a camcorder for the project. Other JAVA members who may wish to do so, can send contributions designated for the project to Jack Tashiro, JAVA treasurer, 9907 Inglemere Dr., Bethesda, MD 20817.

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### **AMBER MEYERRATKEN, UNSUNG HEROINE by Grant Ichikawa**

Though most Nikkei veterans of WWII have heard of Leila Meyerratken and the 120,000-tassel tapestry created in their honor by her eighth grade students in Lafayette, IN, few, if any, read or even knew of Amber Meyerratken, Leila's daughter.

Amber truly is the unsung heroine of the project.

Amber devoted many hours to ensure successful completion of the quilt tapestry, working on parts of the quilt which were difficult for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students; something she did but was never thanked or recognized for because (1) she was not an 8<sup>th</sup> grader and (2) she only "helped" her mother and the students to complete the massive 19 ft by 41 ft quilt honoring the Japanese American soldiers of WWII .

Among other things she used her computer to transpose 23,000 or so names of Nisei soldiers onto a special sheet for attachment to the quilt so that the quilt would be completed in time for the scheduled display at the National Japanese American Memorial for Patriotism inaugural dinner held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Washington, D.C. on June 29, 2001. According to her mother, Amber worked many nights until 2 a.m. on the 23,000 names of Nisei veterans of WWII.

Amber will be graduating from high school with honors this coming May. Among her awards, she recently won the best woman scientist award for her science fair project and soon she will enter the Economic State competition. She was accepted by Harvard, but Leila could not afford to send Amber to Harvard. She will go, instead, to Purdue University to study physics and veterinary sciences with a partial scholarship to attend the university.

The tapestry was last put on display over the Easter weekend, April 18 through 20, by the National Veterans Committee of Seattle during the city's Cherry Blossom and Japanese Cultural Festival.

A card, especially from some of the WWII veterans, congratulating Amber on her graduation from high school and thanking her for her work on the 120,000 Tassel Tapestry would be nice.

Her address is: Amber Meyerratken, 1126 Montgomery St. West Lafayette, IN 47906.

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### **MEMORIAL FOR AMERICA'S "GREATEST GENERATION" TO BE DEDICATED MAY, 2004 by Yeichi "Kelly" Kuwayama**

The National World War II Memorial, the first to be built in the nation's capital honoring the WWII veterans, will be dedicated on May 29, 2004, during next year's Memorial Day weekend by the American Battle Monuments Commission.

The memorial ([www.wwiimemorial.com](http://www.wwiimemorial.com)) honoring America's "Greatest Generation" currently is under construction on a 7.4-acre site on the National Mall between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument.

The Memorial Day weekend celebration will culminate an 11-year effort. The memorial was authorized by Congress in 1993 with construction beginning in 2001 after several years of fund raising and public hearings.

President Bush, former Senator Bob Dole, Tom Hanks and others will participate in a two-hour ceremony which is expected to draw more than 100,000 veterans and their families, including JAVA's members. Of the 16 million Americans who served in uniform during the war, an estimated 3.5 million will be alive to witness the dedication.

The Commission expects other events to take place with the dedication to include a WWII-themed reunion exhibition on the Mall staged in partnership with the Smithsonian Institution's Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage; a memorial service at the National Cathedral, an entertainment salute to WWII veterans, and related activities throughout the city.

America Celebrates The Greatest Generation, co-organized and produced by the Washington, D.C. Convention and Tourism Corporation, and the D.C. Heritage Tourism Coalition, will be promoted nationally and regionally through an integrated marketing campaign.

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### **442<sup>nd</sup> 60<sup>th</sup> REUNION – A LAST TIME? by Norman Ikari**

Perhaps for the last time (or did we say the same thing after the 50<sup>th</sup> reunion in 1993?), members, families and friends of the 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion, the 442<sup>nd</sup> RCT and the MIS met in Honolulu April 2 – 6.

Many memorable events and programs were held over the 4-5 day period, interspersed with numerous 442<sup>nd</sup> chapter get-togethers. MIS group meetings, the AJA National Veterans Council, seminars, workshops and film showings.

On April 4, a guided tour of the USS Missouri, locale of Japan's surrender, was followed the next day with a memorial service at the National Cemetery of the Pacific in the Punchbowl in honor of the AJA's and officers buried there.

The film-showing of "A Tradition of Honor," a compilation of interviews conducted by the *Hanashi* crew of the Sons/Daughters of the 442<sup>nd</sup> RCT (including interviews with several JAVA members) generated keen interest.

Another event drawing a packed room was a preview of comprehensive histories of some of the 800-plus AJA's and Caucasian officers who were killed in action or died of wounds. These histories have been digitized on a CD-ROM entitled "Echoes of Silence." One cannot ask for a more moving record of some of our WWII soldiers.

Plaudits and our gratitude for this project go to Dr. Roy Machida, Jim Yamashita and numerous others for this first of more CD-ROMs to follow.

A glowing finale was the Anniversary Luncheon Banquet of April 6 where 1,700 attendees, (half of whom were WWII veterans) filled the Hawaii ballroom of the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel. Mainland attendees constituted a significantly large – and gratifying – portion of this number.

Lt. Col. Howard Sugai was emcee in masterful fashion while five Congressional Medal of Honor veterans were escorted to the stage by generals and admirals. Guest speaker, Admiral Thomas B. Fargo, praised the Japanese American contributions to the WWII efforts despite the incarceration and bitter prejudice they faced during the war.

This led to the main thrust of the entire evening, which was official recognition of U. S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye's accomplishments by his fellow GI's of WWII, particularly by veterans of the 442<sup>nd</sup> RCT.

JAVA members attending the reunion included Phil and Connie Ishio, Joe and Suzie Ichiuji, Kelly and Fumi Kuwayama, Fred Murakami, Gordon Yamada, Ron Yonemoto, Peter and Mutsu Okada, and others. JAVA president Bert Mizusawa was reported to have made a brief appearance.

Personally, I enjoyed being with my Easy Company group in the Ohana Reef Towers and the many “talk stories” and nostalgic exchanges and meeting some, possibly for the last time. Heart-felt thanks go to the Hawaii hosts – they sure know how to put on an event!

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**GORDON TOMIO YAMADA -- Multi-talented, multi-faceted**

JAVA member Gordon T. Yamada, a long-time Washington, D.C. area resident, top federal civil servant and international business consultant, past away unexpectedly April 24.

“We are struck with how multi-talented and multi-faceted he was.” his daughter gayle\* said as she and the family went through preparations for his memorial service. “He had such a curious energy to find out ‘why?’ and his mind was always working to figure out creative and innovative ways to make things easier to do.

“We also note how important family and heritage were to him, and how he wanted to pass that on to us and our children.”

“Education was always very important to my father, so we just established a memorial fund\* in his name at MIT (the Massachusetts Institute of Technology), where he was a Sloan Fellow.”

JAVA president Bert Mizusawa, in expressing the condolences of the organization, said “We at JAVA all are deeply saddened to hear of Gordon’s passing away. Gordon and I had planned to meet in the near future to discuss moving the JA community ahead.

“I’m sure this was a shock to the community as it was to me. Our heartfelt sympathies are with Kiyō and gayle and the rest of Gordon’s family, in their mourning, and our offer assistance for whatever they might need.”

Born in 1924 in Hollywood, CA, Gordon was raised there until he and his family were incarcerated in the War Relocation Center in Manzanar, CA, in 1942, where he left after two years to go to Chicago. He was drafted into the U.S. Army from there and sent to the Military Intelligence Language School at Fort Snelling, graduating there at the top of his class.

He was then sent to Tokyo and assigned to GHQ as part of the U.S. Occupation Forces. When discharged continued to work for the federal government as an industrial property specialist. He later married Kiyō Nishida of Los Angeles, moved from Japan to Hawaii in 1957, then to Ohio where he continued to work for the federal government.

He was selected as a Sloan Fellow for MIT, got his MS degree in industrial management, and in 1962 moved to Washington, D.C. to work for the Defense Supply Agency and the Air Force. He retired from the federal government in 1977 as Chief of Management Systems for the Office of Management and Budget in the Executive Office of the President.

In retirement, he founded an international management company, Executive Resources Associates, work which took him and his wife Kiyō all over the world. After selling the firm in 1993, he continued as a consultant in both the private and public sectors.

Gordon is survived by his wife Kiyō, daughters Kathryn Mukai and Janet Soto Mukai (who married brothers), gayle and Debbie Yamada; eight grandchildren, and four sisters. Two other sisters, Midori and Michi, passed away many years ago.

The Service of Celebration for Gordon T. Yamada was to be held at 10 a.m. April 30 at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2701 Cameron Mills Road, Alexandria, VA.

*\*Gayle is the producer of "Uncommon Courage: Patriotism and Civil Liberties" a program on Japanese American GI's who served with the Military Intelligence Service during WWII and has been shown nationwide on National Public Television.*

*\*In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to: The Gordon T. Yamada Memorial Fund, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Office of Memorial Gifts, 77 Massachusetts Ave. E19-439, Cambridge, MA 02139.*

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### **COLUMBARIUM CEREMONY for RICHARD "SUS" YAMAMOTO by Norman Ikari**

A light spattering rain and almost too cool temperatures didn't affect the warmth and camaraderie of Sus Yamamoto's inurnment ceremony at the Columbarium in Arlington National Cemetery, a most appropriate resting place for a veteran of WWII's Headquarters Co., 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 442<sup>nd</sup> Regimental Combat Team.

About 50 relatives, friends and associates, 442<sup>nd</sup> and MIS veterans gathered at the Columbarium Canopy on April 11 to pay final respects to Sus, who passed away last December 7 after a long illness. A memorial service also had been held previously at the Cedar Lane Unitarian Church on December 13.

We were joined in the Columbarium ceremony by Sus' brother and sister, Thomas and Carol Yamamoto and family from Hawaii together with Sus' wife Fumi and her immediate family members, daughter Joyce and her children.

Under the Columbarium Canopy, an Honor Guard held the American flag over the ashes. Brief comments by the Arlington Chaplain were followed by a tribute from JAVA president Bert Mizusawa, which was read by Norman Ikari of the 442<sup>nd</sup> RCT.

Taps echoed over the Columbarium as the Honor Guard ceremoniously folded the flag, which then was presented to Fumi by the Chaplain.

Another very brief ceremony was then held at the inurnment site with the Chaplain presiding. The group then filed by the temporary cover stone engraved with Sus' name in final respect.

Later the mourners gathered at the Far East Restaurant in Rockville hosted by Fumi and her family.

All of us parted with, shall we say, "contented sadness."

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### **THE NISEI AND THE CIC by William F. Aimone**

Some of our Army's most active and worthy, yet least heralded, combat intelligence soldiers in the Pacific in WW2 were Japanese-Americans, i.e. Nisei. They were also counter-intelligence even as CIC was combat MI when attached to combat units.

This newly married shave-tail was promoted to CO of the 81st CIC Detachment bound for Japan and the Pacific. I hardly knew how a division was organized, or worked, with up to 25,000 troops. Or what my CIC team [15 men] could possibly contribute to success.

The 81st Infantry "Wildcat" Division boarded ship in Frisco for the Pacific early in 1944. The 81st IIT (Interpretation/Interrogation Team) with no officer was attached as was the 81st CIC of which I was CO.

CG Paul Mueller called me to his ship cabin HQ. He stated: I was his only officer with an intelligence classification; that a 15 Nisei IIT with no officer was attached to his division. So, it was

now my additional duty to command that team with great care (watch them: any trouble, it's your head?).

The match-up was perfect. They had been trained to interrogate captured Japanese and translate captured documents, e.g., maps, personal diaries, orders, etc.; to broadcast psychological warfare; and any other activity to obtain information. One had been educated in Japan as well as America, an extra bonus.

As we neared our first battles, it became vital to assign Nisei to each of the three regiments, keeping a pool at G-2 HQ. Why? Our Nisei were invaluable, being the only ones of our thousands of soldiers who could speak, read or write the foreign language.

With them, we broadcast psychological warfare not only by radio but by powerful loud speakers across close battle lines in dense jungles, broad fields or over coral hills and sandy beaches - in perfect Japanese.

Results: a few surrendered but lots of the enemy fired on our guys, which I found decidedly unforgettable (CIC school never told us about this.)

Captives usually were taken from front lines to regimental HQ for interrogation. Less than half made it that far even though escorted; our GIs tried to shoot them! This was one reason CIC guarded our Nisei and made them better known to the GIs. Detailed interrogations took place with G-2 cooperation at Division HQ.

The CG was pleased ... all our men received commendations from him and the G-2. Most POWs were terrified of the treatment they were led to expect, and also from being shot at before CIC got to them. Our tactic was to speak to them in Japanese to put them at ease and become cooperative.

One POW told where his army payroll safe had been submerged in a muddy pond; we recovered millions in yen. Most became souvenirs for many GIs; in Japan we used these same type bills to meet our civilian payrolls.

Palau Invasion: Pelelieu -- Army historians termed this the "Bloodiest Operation in the Pacific." Thousands of Army/Marines died while hundreds of Japanese ultimately committed suicide by leaping off high cliffs rather than surrender. Our CIC/IIT and other HQ G-2 personnel found and rescued several hundred island natives held prisoners in caves.

After Hawaii and Palau (Angaur-Pelelieu), our voyages on troop ships took us to New Caledonia, Leyte and Manila where we were in a CIC school when the first A-bomb was dropped. Great news! No more bloodshed.

Shortly after the Japanese surrender we landed with the Division some 500 miles north of Tokyo, in Aomori Prefecture.

Our CIC/Nisei team was the first ashore to test the readiness of government and prepare its officials for basic first rules of our occupation: news of any released American prisoners; cooperation from police; surrender of all weapons, traffic rules; fair treatment of locals who had fled the city to the hills, etc.

Our Nisei with their language and other skills remained to serve our occupation authorities. Two of our Nisei won battlefield commissions, others won Silver and Bronze medals for service in the USA, Pacific, Philippines and Japan.

Americans should be proud of these exceptional Nisei soldiers who contributed greatly (and quietly for security reasons; as many had families behind barbed wires in our camps) to our victory in war and close cooperation in peace.



Original 1994 Roster of 81st IIT: James "Jimmy" KAI, team leader; Masao ABE, Shiuso "Jonesy" CHOJIN; Tomio ICHIKAWA, Kei KITAHARA, Michael "Frank" KUBOTA; Saburo NAKAMURA, Shiro SAKAKI, Robert "Bob" SAKAI; Hiroki "Hiro" TAKAHASHI.

*(Editor's note: This article was published by the Golden Sphinx, the National CIC Association newsletter. JAVA's Duval, along with Aimone, was in the first CIC school in Chicago in 1942. Duval sent the article to Grant Ichikawa, who said it's a "small world" -- Tomio Ichikawa is Grant's younger brother.)*

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### **SPREADING THE WORD by Norman Ikari, Coordinator, Nikkei Speakers' Bureau**

JAVA's Francis Sogi will kick off various events marking May as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with an address May 1 at the Library of Congress on "Honoring Asian Americans and Pacific Americans Through the Veterans' History Project."

He will speak at 12 noon in the Mumford Room on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor of the James Madison Memorial Bulding, 101 Independence Ave. SE. The program is free and open to the public. For further information call Nancy R. Mitchell, Veterans History Project, Library of Congress (phone: 202-707-4918 or FAX 202-252-2046).

Meanwhile, JAVA members as well as the Speakers' Bureau made up of JAVA and JACL members, continued busy schedules of various outreach programs over the past half year aimed at making the general public in the Washington DC area more aware of the Japanese Americans experiences during World War II.

Included were:

-- Grant Hirabayashi's presentation of his role with the Merrill's Marauders in Burma during WWII; personal appearances by Grant, Joe Ichiuji, Phil Ishio and Kelly Kuwayama before the Maryland Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific Americans Affairs; Joe's address before the North American Clergy Leadership Conference attended by 1,000 conferees from various religious groups including some 150 from Japan, and Norman Ikari's video-taped interview by Chris Burge of Gleneig Country School in Howard County, MD.

-- Recently, on April 19, Jean Kariya was interviewed by Julie Gilmore from the Washington Bible College. Julie, who spent three years in Okinawa, is fulfilling a requirement calling for a one-on-one interview with a former internee of America's wartime "Relocation Center" interning the *Nikkei*.

-- Informative sessions were held by Jean, Norman, Cherry Tsutsumida and Julia Kuroda at various other middle and senior high schools.

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### **CORRECTIONS TO JAVA DIRECTORY 2003:**

The following corrections/changes to the JAVA Directory 2003 will bring the listings up-to-date:

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