

# NSRCFUND NEWSLETTER COMMEMORATING THE PAST, EDUCATING THE FUTURE

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# 2014 NSRCF AWARDS IN HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA

The 31st awarding of the Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund scholarships took place on a beautiful hot and humid early summer afternoon in Hickory, North Carolina. Approximately 100 awardees and their friends and families from all over North Carolina came to celebrate. This was the Fund's second visit to Hickory. The first time was in 1999 when \$25.000 in awards were made. 15 years later, \$50,000 was awarded. The NSRCF board was represented by Yutaka Kobayashi (who attended with his wife, Maureen), Jean Hibino and Jim McIlwain. Also attending were Diane Hibino, chair of the 2010 Washington, DC awards committee and her husband, John Triplett.

By Khang, chair of this year's and 1999's awards committee, welcomed everyone and his wife, May Khang, who also served in 1999, was the emcee. Following the NSRCF video, Yutaka spoke on behalf of the board. As a young Nisei, he was helped out of the concentration camp in Topaz, Utah by the WWII National Japanese American Student Relocation Council to attend college in New York. It was so important for the attendees to hear his story because Yutaka is the last Nisei board member who went "from camp to college." He is the face of the NSRCF story.

During his talk, Yutaka presented two gifts from the board - one to Chair By Khang and one to Dr. Nicole (Niki) Pope.



Niki also worked on the 1999 committee. Yutaka said of her contribution, "There is always an outstanding member who works tirelessly to see that everything gets done and done right." When he concluded his talk, the committee presented Yutaka with a surprise, gigantic homemade birthday cake in celebration of his 90th birthday. All of the awardees burst into "Happy Birthday!"

The mayor of Hickory, Rudy Wright, graciously extended his welcome to all and warm congratulations to the students whose accomplishments were being recognized.

One of the highlights of the ceremony was a YouTube video made by Xamul Vang. Xamul was a 1999 recipient. Originally slated to speak, he was called away suddenly but made a video to convey his message to the awardees and their families. Xamul graduated from North Carolina State University with a B.S. in Computer Engineering. He works as a Product Technician with Lenovo. His message to the students, "Grow in Your Wisdom" is a must view on the Fund's website.

Niki Pope spoke of perseverance in her own life. She was told she would never make it past high school but she proved everyone wrong and received her Doctorate in Education. She said, "The point is, if I can do it, YOU can do it" and told the students to call on her if they had questions or needed anything as they embarked on their college lives.

The recipients were given an opportunity to speak and several did. They were heartfelt and sincere as they thanked their parents and grandparents, a special

### GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD



Dear NSRCF supporters and friends,

The NSRCF's 34th year has been busy and rewarding. We deeply appreciate all who supported the Fund's mission and work through the year, allowing us to provide educational opportunities for students in North Carolina.

This year's scholarships were awarded in Hickory on June 21st. THANKS to Chair By Khang and his committee: Somsak Sambinb, May H. Khang, Diana Rmah, Kimle Ras, Phongsavanh Thavichith, Nicole Pope, Cat Bao Le and Jaha Seechang, for their hard work and enthusiasm in making sure the process was a big success. \$50,000 in scholarships was awarded, twice as much as we awarded when we first were in Hickory in 1999. The board of directors is so appreciative of the all-volunteer local awards committees who rise to the occasion year after year. To start from scratch and be asked to make a commitment of 18 months of intense, hard work requires a special group of people. We are heartened to see the recipients, their proud and grateful

parents, grandparents, siblings, friends, teachers and guidance counselors at the awards ceremony. Just as we do, they come to celebrate the accomplishments of these students, to see their hard work and diligence bear fruit. Every year the awards ceremony is a concrete reminder that the vision of the founding Nisei lives on. It was the sae in Hickory.

To date, the NSRC Fund has awarded 815 scholarships totaling nearly \$808,000. As an all-volunteer group, the board of directors is committed to keeping operating costs to a minimum so that gifts to the Fund go primarily towards scholarships. (The NSRC Fund's financial statement is made available upon written request.) We are pleased to report that as of July 12, 2014 the Fund stands at \$1.5 million dollars.

In July the board welcomed back Islanda Khau. We were so excited to put her graphic design talents to work that we asked her to do a complete redesign of our newsletter! Don Misumi, our newsletter quru for 21 years (!) is taking a break this year because he is co-chairing the 2015 scholarship awards committee. We also report that due to health reasons, board member Bob Maeda has resigned. Bob's longtime board service, quiet leadership and commitment to education in general and the Fund in particular are inspiring. We appreciate all he did for the NSRCF but most especially, we appreciate his friendship.

We also sadly report the passing of board member Fumio Robert "Bob" Naka last December at age 90. Bob joined the NSRCF board in 1998 and helped shape the Finance and Investment Committees. He established the Kaizo and Shizue Naka Scholarship Fund in his parents' memory as well as the Naka Endowment Tribute Fund. [See separate article.] We also acknowledge the passing of NSRCF President Paul Watanabe's mother, Ida, this past January in Midvale, Utah at age nearly 96. Both Bob and Ida, in their own unique ways, were quintessential members of the Greatest Generation.

This year we are privileged to have Sansei David Sakura pen our appeal letter. David recently agreed to help on the NSRCF Investment Committee [See separate article.]

The 2015 scholarships will be awarded in the San Francisco Bay Area, specifically the East Bay. The co-chairs of the scholarship awards committee are Don Misumi and Rattana Yeang. The NSRCF was last in the Bay Area in 1983. It was the first time the Fund awarded scholarships. The chair of the committee was the late Prof. Kenji Murase and 8 students each received a \$500 scholarship for a total of \$4,000. In 2015 we are awarding \$50,000 in scholarships. 2015 will also be the 35th anniversary of the establishment of the Fund. Thank you Don and Rattana for volunteering to help us and we look forward to another successful endeavor!

The NSRCF welcomes Max Salvatore Hibino, born last December, first child of Liz and our Treasurer, Steve Hibino. CONGRATULATIONS!

SPECIAL RECOGNITION to three very exceptional people: David Aman of Hanover, NH (database/ IT), Maureen Kobayashi of Wellesley, MA (investment), and Don Misumi of San Francisco, CA (newsletter). Your commitment, hard work, and support of the Fund mean so much to the board. We cannot do our work without you. THANK YOU.

And last but not least, thank you to the Fund's supporters. Your unwavering belief

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in the mission and work keeps us going. We look forward to the coming year with renewed energy.

With thanks, NSRCF Board of Directors Paul Watanabe, President Stephen Y. Hibino, Treasurer Jean Y. Hibino, Executive Secretary Kesaya E. Noda, Recording Secretary Islanda Khau Yutaka Kobayashi, Awards Committee National Liaison Phuoc Van Le James McIlwain Keith Schuricht May O. Takayanagi Phitsamay Sychitkokhong Uy Margie Yamamoto



# GAME SET MATCH!

90 year old Nisei board member Yutaka Kobayashi proudly displaying his championship tennis balls. This year Yutaka won gold in both singles and doubles in Vancouver, WA and won gold in doubles and silver in singles at Laguna Hills, CA. These victories rank him NUMBER ONE in the nation for men over 90 by the United States Tennis Association. CONGRATULATIONS!

## LENDING A HELPING HAND

[Ed. Note: We are pleased that longtime NSRCF supporter, David Sakura, has penned this year's NSRCF appeal letter. Recently joining the Investment Committee, David brings his experience, expertise, and enthusiasm in helping to ensure the Fund's decisions are sound.]

David Sakura is a third generation Japanese-American (Sansei) whose grandfather was a leader in Seattle's Japanese community during the late 1800's. Prior to World War II, his family and relatives, along with 40 other Japanese families, lived in Eatonville WA, a small logging community located in the foothills of Mt Rainier.

Upon the outbreak of World War II, David, who was six years old, and his family were involuntarily detained at Camp Harmony, a temporary detention camp and were subsequently transported to Minidoka, a permanent internment camp in Idaho. During the internment, David's father and three uncles enlisted into the US Army and served with the



all Japanese-American 442 Regimental Combat Team. Toward the end of World War II, David's mother and her three boys were released from Minidoka and moved to Wisconsin under the sponsorship of the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

David attended Washington High School in Milwaukee. Wisconsin and received a BS in chemistry from Wheaton College, a PhD in biochemistry from the University of Arizona and a MPH from the Harvard School of Public Health. In 2008, he retired from Fortis Bank as a Managing Director and a founding member of its Biotechnology Investment Banking group. In 2008, he retired from Fortis Bank as a Managing Director and a founding member of its Biotechnology Investment Banking group. David and his wife, Maryellen, a retired school teacher, reside in New Hampshire where he is happily devoting more time to fly fishing and is currently building a Japanese style stroll garden.

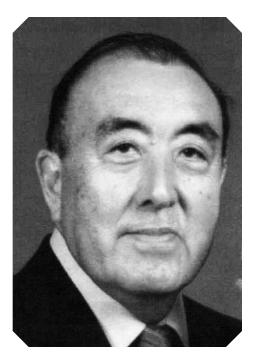
### IN MEMORIAM DR. FUMIO ROBERT "BOB" NAKA, 1923 - 2013

"Google" Bob's name and the list of his lifetime accomplishments astounds. We featured Bob many times in this newsletter because he was a wonderful example of how to turn a negative, his WWII internment, into a positive.

Bob was born in San Francisco and grew up in Los Angeles. He was attending UCLA when the war came and he and his family were interned at Manzanar (California). With the help of the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council, he gained his release from camp after nine months to study at the University of Missouri, Columbia. He received his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, then his master's degree in the same field at the University of Minnesota, and his doctorate in electron optics from Harvard. Bob was a nationally recognized expert in reconnaissance, surveillance, and communications and command systems, components and technologies, active and passive sensors, countermeasures (including low observables), countercountermeasures in spacecraft (in particular), aircraft and ground stations. The irony of his WWII incarceration solely because of his ancestry and his high security clearance with access to the upper echelons of government did not escape him. He would laugh, shake his head, and say, "Only in America."

Bob clearly got his generosity from his mother. He said she used to tell him, "Bobby – you have to give twice as much because someone isn't going to give anything." Besides the NSRCF, he was active in his church in Lexington, MA and in the Massachusetts Life Care Residents Association, serving as president for many years. Bob's generosity also established the Naka Infusion Center at Emerson Hospital in Concord, MA, and is named in memory of his beloved wife, Patricia Neilon Naka. In May of 2010 UCLA awarded honorary degrees to the Nisei who were forced to leave school after Pearl Harbor. Bob was among those former college students. He was chosen to give the commencement address on behalf of the honorees and used the opportunity to recognize the efforts of the Fund's namesake, the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council. Being on the NSRCF board was one specific way that Bob repaid the Council's faith in him. Although many people and organizations "lent a helping hand" along his path to career success, Bob concluded his speech by saying he accepted the honorary degree in memory of his parents.

[Ed. note. It was the NSRCF, I'd like to think, that held a particularly special place in Bob's heart. My mother was the one who encouraged (dragged?) him to join the Fund's board in April of 1998. She was a fellow San Franciscan and her mother knew Bob's mother very well. After so many years away from the West Coast, I think Bob, like my parents, very much enjoyed the company and camaraderie of his fellow Nisei on the board. Here's to the passing of another member of the Greatest Generation. JH]



### AWARDS contd.

guidance counselor, and friends who encouraged and pushed and supported them along the way. The awards were then presented by committee member, Cat Bao Le. Executive Director of the Southeast Asian Coalition in Charlotte and board member of the Southeast Asian Resource Action Center in Washington, DC. The committee specially acknowledged the Southeast Asian Coalition, Greensboro Buddhist Center, Golden Corral Buffet & Grill, Thai Lotus Restaurant and Asian Supermarket Restaurant. A reception was held following the program giving the attendees time to eat delicious food, take pictures, mingle, and celebrate their well-deserved accomplishments.

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2014!

### 2014 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA

#### AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIP

**Ana Nia Touprong**, Southeast Guilford HS, Greensboro. She arrived in the U.S. 2.5 years ago with few skills, especially speaking English. Since that time, she learned English, completed all necessary courses and graduated with a 3.0 GPA. She plans to become a nurse and return to her community.

#### HIROKO FUJITA AND PAUL FUKAMI SCHOLARSHIP



**Tony Lieu**, Garinger HS, Charlotte. Tony was the Valedictorian of his senior class. He was president or vice

president of numerous clubs, mentored and tutored middle school students, and volunteered at a nursing home. His biggest cheerleader was his grandmother and Tony is determined to succeed for her. He attends the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, planning to major in business and biology.

#### MICHIHIKO AND BERNICE HAYASHIDA SCHOLARSHIP



Hoang Le Nguyen, South Mecklenburg HS, Charlotte. Hoang had a GPA of 5.24, enjoys science and math,

annually medaling at the North Carolina

Science Olympiad. His commitment to community service earned him the Presidential Service Award. Hoang attends Brown University and is looking forward to taking advantage of all that a liberal arts degree provides.

#### NOBU AND YOSH HIBINO SCHOLARSHIP



H'tiep Siu, Dudley HS, Greensboro. H'Tiep came to the U.S. in 2008. According to an English teacher, "She

is a passionate student, understands the importance of education as she strives to do her best in her courses." H'Tiep graduated with a 3.5GPA and is determined to be the first in her family to receive a college degree. She attends Guilford Technical Community College in Greensboro.

#### TAMA AND JIRO ISHIHARA SCHOLARSHIP



Douglas Lee, West Mecklenburg HS, Charlotte. Douglas is interested in the environment, science, math,

history, technical computer skills and business. He plans to major in biology, especially botany, zoology and the environment. He attends the University of North Carolina, Charlotte.

#### AUDREY LOGAN SCHOLARSHIP



Jennifer Xiong, A.L. Brown HS, Kannapolis. Jennifer is from a family of 11 and it is her hope that her parents

see all of their children graduate from college. She graduated with a GPA of 3.75. She plans to major in pharmacy and hopes to go to medical school. One of her goals is to be able to buy her parents a house. Jennifer attends Western Carolina University, Cullowhee.

#### ALICE ABE MATSUMOTO SCHOLARSHIP



#### My Nguyen,

Garinger HS, Charlotte. My came to the U.S. five years ago, not speaking any English. She graduated

with a 4.2 GPA, participated in many school clubs, her church and community. She plans to major in pharmacy and minor in nursing. She attends the University of North Carolina, Charlotte.

#### HISAYE HAMAOKA MOCHIZUKI SCHOLARSHIP

**Sheng Yang**, Hickory HS, Hickory. Sheng's family came to North Carolina from Stockton, California. She says she was always shy and quiet but working at the Catawba Science Center in Hickory "opened my mind and personality."

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### 2014 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS contd.

She plans to be a pharmacist and attends Campbell University, Buies Creek, NC.

#### KOH, MITSU AND DR. KOTARO MURAI SCHOLARSHIP



Megan Yang, Maiden HS, Maiden. Megan graduated 10th in her class with a GPA of 4.7. She

is interested in engineering and bioengineering, fields of study she knows very few women pursue. She credits her parents with motivating her to get a college education. She attends North Carolina State University.

#### KAIZO AND SHIZUE NAKA SCHOLARSHIP

Yahara Touprong, Southeast Guilford HS, Greensboro. Yahara comes from a big family and wants to be a role model for his younger siblings. He graduated with a 4.3 GPA and was active in sports including soccer, wrestling and tennis. Yahara plans to major in engineering and is also considering joining the Air Force upon graduation from college. He attends the University of North Carolina, Greensboro.

# LAFAYETTE AND MAYME NODA SCHOLARSHIP



Huan Pham, West Mecklenburg HS, Charlotte. He came to the U.S. five years ago, speaking no English. Huan

has tried very hard to excel academically. He says, "the best result in my studies is a gift I can give to my parents for their sacrifices." Huan played football and baseball, was a member of the National Honor Society, DECA and HOSA. He plans to major in Chemistry and attends the University of North Carolina, Charlotte.

#### GLADYS ISHIDA STONE SCHOLARSHIP



Lisa Bui, Southeast Guilford HS, Greensboro. Lisa graduated 10th in her class and says, "There is

always something positive that comes out

of everything. I believe that anything can be done through hard work and passion." Lisa plans to be an orthodontist. She attends North Carolina State University.

#### MICHI NISHIURA WEGLYN SCHOLARSHIP



**Crystal Thao**, Bunker Hill HS, Claremont. She played tennis, participated in many clubs and

volunteered in her community, and was a student speaker at graduation. She hopes to start her own business someday and help others in her community interested in doing the same. She attends North Carolina State University.

#### KAY YAMASHITA SCHOLARSHIP

#### Dow Bailey Xaysanavongphet,

Freedom Hill HS, Morganton. Dow was active in gymnastics, dance, kickboxing, soccer and cheerleading. She found time to work and also volunteer in her community. Her grandmother is her inspiration and has instilled in her the goal of helping others. She plans to major in business and hopes to create a charitable



organization to help people in third world countries. She attends Western Piedmont Community College.

[Ed. Note: Named Scholarships are a very special category of awards that are given in memory of, in honor of, or in tribute to, individuals, groups or events. Each Named Scholarship enables an annual \$2,000 award. There are currently 14 Named Scholarships.]



### 2014 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS contd.

#### 2014 GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Vy Le Bui Southwest Guilford HS, High Point

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