



by **HARRY TOKUSHIGE & FRED YASUKOCHI**

Are you planning for your 1995 reunion?

The 522nd FA Bn has scheduled a reunion in Los Angeles for April 27 - 29, 1995. Able Battery representative to the Planning & Coordinating Committee are TOMMY KONO, JOE HATTORI, TOOTSIE YOSHIMURA, and FRED YASUKOCHI. Details are sketchy at the moment. However, information is that the Hospital Room will be at the Miyako Hotel and the Banquet will be at the Otani Hotel. Members will be informed shortly. TOMMY KONO was in town recently and spoke to many of us by telephone. Indications are that the TAGUMA's are definitely planning to go.

In conjunctions with the forthcoming reunion, the Japanese American National Museum is planning to have a Battalion exhibit open in April, 1995. Your help is needed to provide the Museum with photos, artifacts, soldier's stories, etc. to make this exhibit a success.

Who's Doing What?

JOE & FLORENCE HATTORI enjoyed a family reunion in Nagoya, Japan with JOE's older brothers.

TOOTSIE and her sister YOSHI also enjoyed a vacation in Japan.

According to SAM BOYD's journal, JAMES KASAI was a lucky winner at Las Vegas.

GILBERT TAKAMORI now knows that a piece of paper can weigh a ton. Ask him what happened to his back.

TERUHISA NISHIYAMA is making progress and recovering from his mild stroke in 1993. Our young advice is: "If you are eighty something, recovery takes a little longer especially without beer."

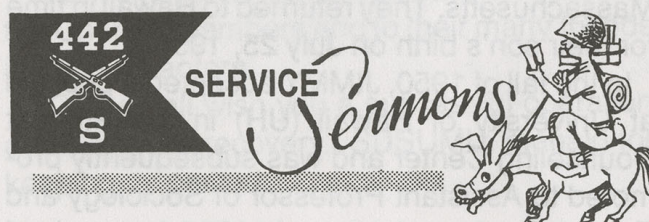
Are you looking for a public speaker? TADASHI

TOJO has the necessary experience.

Able Battery will be represented on the European tour this fall by TOM & THELMA KON and HARRIET & TADASHI TOJO. We'll all be waiting to hear of their wonderful experiences upon their return. Maybe at a Thanksgiving or New Year's party.

Next time you see GEORGE & YOSHI IKINAGA, ask them why they gave their daughter-in-law a copy of the Holocaust video and how their one-year old grandson is doing.

In closing this edition, and preparing for the next, we need some help from TERRY and MARIE to give us the latest from the Northwest.



by **ED IMAMURA**

Taps - In Memorium

PAUL TAKENOBU UEHARA, 76, of Honolulu, a Service Chapter member, passed away on February 27, 1994 in Honolulu, Hawaii. He was born in Kahuku and was a retired produce farmer and member of Oza Oroku Jin Kai. Our deepest condolences to the UEHARA family for the loss of their loved one.

Our deepest sympathy to TAKEMI KAJIKAWA and his brother and sisters who lost their brother, BRIAN, 62, on May 4, 1994, a retired clerk with the federal government.

Service Company Spotlight

Jimmy Miyake, Educator and Humanitarian

Service Chapter is proud of their many successful veterans. One of them is JIMMY MIYAKE, the wizard from Koloa, Kauai, who now resides in Aina Haina, Oahu, with his lovely wife, MARTHA.

The MIYAKE family has been a legend in the 442nd Regiment - four brothers volunteered for the unit: JIMMY with Service Chapter, PAUL

with Cannon Chapter, EDDIE (deceased) with "M" Chapter and WALTER with the 522nd Artillery Battalion plus UNCLE MUTT of Service Chapter and three cousins.

In Service Chapter, JIMMY worked in the Regimental Supply Office with his good buddies, RALPH CHINAKA and KOJI AKIMOTO (deceased). Although he faced several close calls at the battlefield, JIMMY returned home safe and sound and was discharged from the service in December 1945.

Shortly thereafter, JIMMY didn't waste any time and married MARTHA NITTA. He earned his Bachelors Degree in 1949 and his Master in Education in 1950 from Springfield College in Massachusetts. They returned to Hawaii in time for their son's birth on July 25, 1950.

In the fall of 1950, JIMMY accepted a position at University of Hawaii (UH) in the Student Counseling Center and was subsequently promoted to Assistant Professor of Sociology and Foreign Students Advisor. In 1955, he received the Certificate of Pacific and Asian Affairs Council Award for his outstanding work with foreign students.

In 1959, JIMMY was selected for a U.S. State Department position as the Executive Director of the U.S. Educational Commission in Bangkok, Thailand (the Fulbright Commission). JIMMY did such an outstanding job, in 1967, he received the rare and prestigious "Order of the White Elephant" decoration and scroll from the King of Thailand. This award is comparable to the Order of the Rising Sun Award given by the Japanese government.

After serving in Thailand for eight years, he returned to Hawaii in 1967. He was appointed by Governor John A. Burns to establish a program for economic development between Hawaii and Southeast Asian countries. This program was later called the Hawaii International and Service Agency (HISA) in the Dept. of Planning and Economic Development.

In 1968, JIMMY was appointed Education and Cultural Affairs Officer for the U.S. Dept. of State. In 1970, he relocated to the Department of Education and assigned to the Office of Li-

brary Services in charge of the Capital Improvement Program for the Libraries until his retirement in December 1983.

Since then, JIMMY has become actively involved with the 442 Mother Club activities. He is now serving as 2nd Vice President of the 442, and also has been an advisor to the 442 Sons and Daughter's Chapter for the past two years, and also belongs to the Tuesday Ukulele Club.

JIMMY and MARTHA are proud of their two children, son, GARRETT and daughter, CHRISTINE (JONES), and the apple of their eye, 5-year old granddaughter, JESSICA JONES. JIMMY'S favorite "job" is being best friend to JESSICA. JIMMY SAN: "Yoku Yarimashita. Gokuro sama deshita."

Legacy Foundation Exhibit

I was on my third can of Coors light beer when I received a call from my fellow chapter member, OSCAR MIYASHIRO, on Mother's Day (May 8th). OSCAR, very excitedly explained that he and his family attended the official opening day ceremony of the Legacy Foundation exhibit entitled, "Unlikely Liberators" at the Kapiolani Community College Library on May 7th.

OSCAR suggested I talk to MRS. ANN KABASAWA if I wanted more details on the opening day ceremony. ANN is the daughter of RAY NOSAKA, the past president of the Club 100 and is very active with the Legacy Foundation formed by the Sons & Daughters Club of Club 100 and 442. The Legacy Foundation, together with the Holocaust Oral History Project of San Francisco, co-sponsored the exhibit.

ANN relayed the opening day ceremony was attended by approximately 80 people. MR. SAKAETAKAHASHI, MR. MATT MATSUNAGA, and MR. EARNEST LOO gave the keynote speeches. She explained the exhibit is dedicated to the 813 AJA's killed in combat in WWII and to the memories of the late SENATOR SPARKY MATSUNAGA and to the late MR. MIKE MASAOKA.

My wife and I visited the exhibit on May 11 based on ANN's suggestion and true to her words, it was really a once in a lifetime experi-

ence. The exhibit highlighted the events of the 522nd Artillery Liberation of the Jewish people in the death camp of Dachau. The 90 photographs used in the exhibit were all enlarged and very clear and candid. The 522nd opened the gates to Dachau which was the home of 32,000 prisoners from 27 countries.

Yes, as ANN said, "It was a stirring and moving experience to watch the collection of photographs which constituted an extremely important piece of American and European histories." I, too, was overcome with emotion. "Namida ga demashita."

The exhibit will be open until June 30, 1994. I recommend all 442nd Vets visit the exhibit to honor our fallen comrades. I also suggest we give our 100% support to all our Sons & Daughters club activities. They can use our support.

(Mucho Mahalo to ANN KABASAWA and OSCAR MIYASHIRO for their input. ANN, you came across as a very charming person on the phone.)

Awaya's and Manaka's

The Chapter received a nice letter from SUSUMU AWAYA of Honolulu. He, his wife KOZUE, and their family recently returned from a visit to the West Coast.

SUSUMU wrote their 10-member family group visited Disneyland during the Easter break. After four days, SUSUMU and KOZUE left the group and visited San Francisco, Auburn, Reno, and with ROYAL and HIRO MANAKA.

SUSUMU said this was the third time that he and KOZUE have been privileged to enjoy the MANAKA's hospitality (Lodging in their large home and being shown around the Monterey and Carmel areas).

At our April chapter meeting, the members enjoyed reading SUSUMU'S letter and looking at the 17 snapshots he took of the MANAKA family. The snapshots gave the members an idea of how ROYAL, our former top-kick and his wife, HIRO, are doing at their home in Seaside, California.

There were pictures of a beautiful garden which ROYAL created for a 94-year young

woman with whom he has been associated with for over 40 years. This exquisite garden was later featured in the famous Hallmark Calendar which is distributed worldwide. When he told her he planned to retire, she coaxed him into staying on longer by hiring two laborers for him to supervise. HIRO also stays with her three days a week to take care of her needs.

The MANAKA'S, true to their nature, have been active in church and community affairs for a long time.

The forthcoming trip to Europe to participate in the Bruyeres-Biffontaine Reunion has been ruled out because ROYAL is scheduled for back surgery in June.

The MANAKA'S send their best wishes to all the Chapter members and to their many friends in other Chapters.

TOP, we all wish you a successful operation and a speedy recovery. SUSUMU, mahalo for keeping us posted.

Kajiwaras Trip

YUTAKA KAJIWARA and his wife TOMOE together with their Big Island friends, MR. and MRS. AKIRA WATANBE took a 7-day trip to the West Coast in March. This trip was sort of a reunion for the KAJIWARA'S and the WATANABE's with MRS. NAKASORA, 89, who they met on a trip to Hokkaido, Japan, in 1989.

The NAKASORA children and their spouses, BOB and SHIRLEY NAKASORA of Cupertino and SAM and SHIRLEY KURAMOTO of San Jose, were the wonderful hosts and hostesses and took the islanders on a sightseeing trip to several cities with their van. They visited San Jose, Gilroy, Monterey, Carmel, and took the 17-mile Drive. YUTA said the wives enjoyed shopping at the malls. The men golfed at one of the courses at San Jose. Incidentally, BOB and SHIRLEY NAKASORA are affiliated with Item Chapter. They showed the visitors a beautiful trophy that one of them won at the 1989 Item Chapter gold tournament.

SAM KURAMOTO visited the Island in May so YUTAKA, AKIRA WATANABE and yours truly enjoyed a day of gold with him at Leilehua gold

course on May 16.

Charley Saiki's Visit

CHARLEY SAIKI and his wife HELEN from Kapaa, Kauai were over in Oahu for a 2-day visit in May to attend HELEN's niece's graduation ceremony from UH on May 15.

The members enjoyed CHARLEY'S presence at our Chapter Meeting especially because he brought a case of beer for the gang.

The 442nd golfers will always be grateful to CHARLEY for being one of the key committee members of the annual Kauai 442 Golf Tournament. If I recall correctly, he served as the general chairman for a couple of the tournaments.

CHARLEY and HELEN are retired and taking life easy these days. They enjoy baby-sitting their grandchild. They are looking forward to the forthcoming Bruyeres trip in Europe with RALPH CHINAKA'S group.

Annual Banquet

The 442nd 51st Anniversary Banquet at the Ilikai Hotel on March 26, 1994, spot-lighted two people with Service Chapter ties: LT. COL. HERBERT SASAKI from Hattiesburg, MI, who received the Special Achievement Award, and GLENN MIRIKIDANI, one of the four keynote speakers for the evening's program.

We are proud of HERBERT, our former Supply Sgt., who was a special guest of the 442nd Club and recipient of the "Kansha" medallion for his outstanding work in establishing the 442nd Army Museum and the erection of the 100/.442/MIS Memorial Monument at Camp Shelby.

We are equally proud of GLENN, sons of the late HARRY "PORTUGEE" and CLARA MIRIKIDANI, who gave an inspiring speech regarding the keynote dialogue: "Talk to me, Dad."

Attendees at the banquet were: RALPH and GRACE CHINAKA, ICHIRO HASEGAWA, RICHARD and ALMA HASHI and daughter, CAROL, EDWIN and AMY IMAMURA, TAKAO and JUNE ITO, and their guest, EUGENE FUNAKI. YUTAKA and TOMOE KAJIWARA,

MASAJI KUROSUMI, GEORGE and HISAKO MIYASHIRO with their sons CARY and EARL, TOSHIO and CLARA NAKANISHI, ALEXANDER and JEAN OKA, BEVERLY SASAKI and her friend GARY YAMAMOTO, TOM and CHIYOKO TANAKA and their guests RAYMOND and EDITH ARAKAWA, NOBORU and MASAKO TANOUYE, KIYOJI and FRANCES YAMADA and THEODORE and CLARA YAMATE.

ALLAN and SARA MASUDA canceled due to a last minute engagement and MRS. CLARA MIRIKIDANI and MRS. MARTHA MORIMOTO also had to cancel due to minor health problems. Hope they are both feeling better.

Herbert Sasaki's Party

19 members and wives honored our comrade in arms LT. COL. HERBERT SASAKI and his bride, ARNICE and daughter, BEVERLY and her friend, GARY YAMAMOTO, with a dinner party at the Kabuki Restaurant in Waimalu on Friday, March 25, 1994.

Those in attendance were: RALPH and GRACE CHINAKA, TAKAO "JUICY" ITO, EDWIN IMAMURA, YUTAKA KAJIWARA, MASAJI KUROSUMI, JIMMY and MARTHA MIYAKE, TOSHIO and CLARA NAKANISHI, HIDEO and DOROTHY NIMORI, ALEX and JEAN OKA, TOM and CHIEKO TANAKA, KIYOJI YAMADA, and TED and CLARA YAMATE of Princeville, Kauai.

Annual Picnic

"Oh, what a wonderful time we had." That was the sentiment of the 56 people who spent four exciting days at the Kaiahulu Beach Park in Waialua from Friday afternoon, 20 May to Monday after, 23 May. Kaiahulu Park, owned and operated by the Waialua Sugar plantation, is located about 2 1/2 miles from Waialua High School on Farrington Highway.

As in previous years, MASAMI "SASHBRUSH" TANABE was responsible to borrow the nice beach park camping area for us. KIYOJI "SAM" YAMADA did an outstanding job as the general chairman of this outing.

Those who enjoyed the camping and picnicking were: RALPH and GRACE CHINAKA with family and guests, TAKAO "JUICY" and JUNE ITO with family and guests, TOM and CHIEKO TANAKA with family, MASAMI and MARGARET TANABE, JIMMY MIYAKE, NOBORU and MASAKO TANOUE, KIYOJI YAMADA, TOSHIO and CLARA NAKANISHI, MASAJI KUROZUMI and ALLAN and SARA MASUDA and family.

Besides swimming and fishing, the campers enjoyed card games, volleyball and bingo. The bingo prizes were assembled and handled by CATHY and MARILYN, daughters of the ITO's. Yours truly visited the beach on Saturday afternoon to drink some beer and to find out whether everyone was surviving the outing.

Friends from Pukalani, Maui

I had the pleasure of meeting with MASAMI MAEDA (Svc) and TOSHI ENDO (F), during our annual Wahiawa/Waialua Kumamoto-ken off-island golfing trip in April. Both of them, whom I haven't seen since the war, live in Pukalani and are doing fine. MASAMI and I had dinner at the Maui Palms hotel restaurant. He keeps himself busy by helping on his friend's farm three times weekly. TOSHIO and I had coffee and a nice chat at the Pukalani golf course restaurant. TOSHIO is 80 and I'm 72 but he looks younger than I do. Is it his clean living or is it the fresh air of Pukalani?

Tidbits

1. I had the great pleasure of meeting our Executive Secretary, JENNIFER BAKER, at our anniversary banquet and also at HANK OYASATO's funeral service at Punchbowl. She is a charming and attractive lass. Her girlfriend at the banquet was also a beautiful girl. I thought they were sisters.

2. The most exciting and inspiring moment of the anniversary banquet was the singing of the 442nd "Go-For-Broke" marching song. I wanted to jump up on the stage and join in. Luckily, my wife held me back before I made a fool of myself.

3. Mahalo to RICHARD, wife, ALMA, and daughter CAROL HASHI for their thoughtful-

ness and generosity for giving a box of delicious Maui special macadamia nut chocolate candies for all the Service Chapter attendees to the banquet.

4. I'm still reading the old copies of the GFB bulletins. It's going to take me about 3 months to read all the bulletins. Some of the following names in the bulletins brought back fond memories:

DR. KENNETH INADA (L). I took a religion course from him at the Schofield Brks. Education Center in 1963. He gave me an "A" (my only one in my college career) because either I was the oldest guy in his class, we had 442nd ties, or because I invited him to the Post NCO club to drink some beers. I think it was for all the above reasons.

NORIMA HORIMOTO (deceased, "L"). I didn't know that he was so involved in "L" chapter activities after his retirement from the Army. He and I retired from the Army about the same time. We sure raised hell when we were young.

'FUDGE' KITAGAWA, sister of PETE FUJINA (KIA, "L"). I believe she used to operate a restaurant called "Fudgies" in Monterey when NORIMA and I used to go to school at the Presidio. She and her workers were always nice to the students from Hawaii, especially to the 442nd Vets.

TAKASHI NAKAMURA (Medics). The 1979 Subaru sedan that I bought from him in 1987 for only \$50.00 (worth 4 times more) is still running. The car takes me to the golf courses four times weekly.

CHILLY SASAKI (Anti-Tank). My wife and I am grateful to CHILLY for drawing the plans to extend our small house in 1983. We now have a guest room, an extended master bedroom and a room for a Japanese "furo." CHILLY, please come over with your wife IRENE to look at your masterpiece.

ANDY HAYASHI (L). I read that he's the MISTER PAPAYA KING of the Big Island. I didn't see ANDY since we left Mannheim, Germany after V-E Day. We were stationed in the same Ordnance outfit after we left the 442nd at Nice. I'm glad to hear that he's doing fine.

Leilehua High School Classmates: I'm glad to

know JOHN CHINEN (SVC), RICHARD FURUKAWA (L), HIDEO HIGA (L), HOWARD HIRONO (232), MORRIS MIYASATO (232), and EDWARD TAMANAHA (G), my Leilehua High School 1940 classmates, are all doing fine. RICHARD has the distinction of being the "star" of our OIA basketball team which HOWARD was our first-string forward and I was the third-string fill-in player. I golf with MO every Friday. I see JOHN and ED TAMANAHA occasionally but haven't seen HIDEO for quite awhile. We should all get together at Vegas next September for our 55th class reunion. You all bring your golf clubs, you hear!

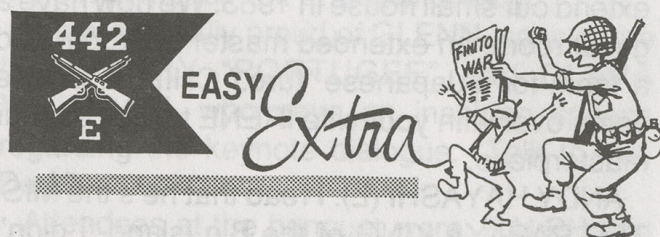
Roommate Wanted

This reporter is looking for a roommate for the forthcoming Bruyeres-Biffontaine reunion trip. Man preferred. I do not snore, do not drink too much and most importantly, will listen more than I will talk. Please contact my tour lead HENRY KUNIYUKI (escort for tour No. 3 Cruise) or me.

Bulletin Articles

Please send your reports and articles to EDWIN IMAMURA, 906 Lemiwai St., Wahiawa, HI 96786, Tel: (808) 621-7045.

P.S. I need some rest after writing all these articles. My wife and I will be visiting our daughter at D.C., our granddaughter and her 2 children in Baltimore and our son in New York City from June 20 to July 10. We will then join our Wahiawa golf gang at Reno from July 10 to the 15th. See you next edition.



by TERUO IHARA

Quarters 1 and 2, 1994

In the years of reporting EASY's chapter activities for the 442nd Newsletter, this writer missed

his first deadline by a week-so apologies. It's probably time what we get a new writer who won't miss deadlines. As a consequence EASY readers will have to wait a quarter, the second in 12 months, to read about their activities as the reports of the first two quarters are combined in one. So the report begins with an event in December.

Including this writer ten EASY members turned out to place Christmas poinsettias at the grave-stones of our 16 comrades who were killed in war and another 22 who died following the war. Several others who died since the war are buried at private cemeteries on Oahu including one ROKURO IMAOKA whose remains were disinterred and reinterred elsewhere. The whole exercise took only about thirty minutes as four groups spread out to place the poinsettia pots at the headstones of our fallen comrades. Several dozen red gingers were donated by LARRY IWAHASHI and these were placed at the headstones in receptacles already there or placed nearby. It was the original plan to place red gingers in two and a half tall cans but last minute calls made the poinsettias available.

The hurry up and wait training of the U.S. Army certainly has had a strong impact on veterans as everyone but one was ready at Punchbowl at 9:15 for a 9:30 start. Those already there on the writers arrival at 9:15 were TADAO YOSHIMOTO, SHIGERU TOMOOKA, DON MASUDA, TOMO UYEDA, MASAMI DOI, GEORGE TANDO, EDWIN GOYA, L.A. native, TOK SHIOMICHI, whose wife is a local girl, who were home for the holidays and this writer. WAICHI TAKEMOTO was the only one not there at my arrival but he showed up a few minutes later.. He lives in Mililani. This group has at least three men, TOMO UYEDA and TADAO YOSHIMOTO, who know the burial plots of two thirds of the plots and that makes placing the poinsettias very simple. This writer wishes to express his and the chapter's gratitude for the splendid support for the project.

HARRY TACHIBANA was at the chapter's last meeting looking chipper and healthy as ever. HARRY experienced some health problems that

has placed him in limbo for awhile but he seems and looks like a new man. LOUISE IWAHASHI fell in December and broke her hips.

LAWSEN SAKAI and his fellow "EASY" Northern Californians have packaged a very attractive Mediterranean cruise plus a visit to Bruyeres where they will receive a heroes welcome with a parade through town and to the memorial to the 442nd RCT in the woods. The tour also will include a visit to Biffontaine. PIERRE MOULIN who has a special relationship with EASY COMPANY through LAWSEN SAKAI promises that EASY visitors will have a memorable visit. The trip is labeled a mini reunion for EASY company veterans and has an extensive list of participants from California, Hawaii and other cities on the mainland. U.S. SENATOR DANIEL & MAGGIE INOUE are expected to be there. KATHY CROWLEY, TOM CROWLEY'S widow, will also be there. There is still room for anyone wishing to make the tour. Contact man in Hawaii is TSUNE TAKEMOTO, who can be reached at 20 Lukini St., Hilo, Hawaii 96720, Telephone 1-935-1477.

At his writing (late May) this may not be possible.

Following Bruyeres the group will visit Paris as well as the beaches of northern France where the Allied forces made their invasion landings in June, 1943. The tour of Bruyeres certainly looks like a tour that will bring back some vivid memories of our battles of fifty years ago.

Annual Banquet

Eighteen EASY members, spouses and friends attended the 51st annual 442nd Veterans Club anniversary dinner. Attending the dinner which was catered by Empress Restaurant were the following: MARILYN & MASAMI DOI, JOHN T. & NANCY SUZUKI, TADAO & SAKAE YOSHIMOTO, MILDRED NAKATA, LEFTY & KAY SUGIHARA, GLENN & MIYONAKASONE, EDDIE & LENORE PESTANA, TERUO IHARA and brother, LES IHARA, SR. and spouse SHIRLEY. Also sharing one of the two tables was the retired Judge MASATO DOI, an overflow from a neighboring table.

The whole affair was run by the Sons and

Daughters chapter and we can rest assured that the future of the MOTHER CLUB will be in good hands. They ran the whole affair in precision form with everyone seeming to have a script to follow. All former presidents were honored including our late DAN AOKI who was one of the prime movers at the early stages of the organization of the 442ND VETERANS CLUB OF HONOLULU. LEFTY SUGIHARA stood in DAN's place. Master of ceremony was WARREN H. HARUKI, President of GTE/Hawaiian Tel, and son of a deceased 442 vet.

GUY KOGA, son of the late SMITTY KOGA of Item Co. and 3rd vice president of the Mother Club addressed the gathering about the Sons & Daughters Chapter and the work they are doing to keep alive the traditions and lore of the 442nd RCT. He was followed by a trio of one spouse and two children of the 442nd whose combines message was the Keynote Dialogue "TALK TO ME, DAD". As stated earlier the future of the 442nd Veterans Club is in good hands. The sansei and yonsei will do a better job than their seniors about carrying the torch of the 442nd RCT into the future.

Earlier that day the Sons and Daughters also organized and directed the Anniversary Memorial Service at Punchbowl. As with anniversary dinner, the Memorial Program was conducted with dignity and solemnity befitting the enormous contributions and lasting sacrifices made by those buried at Punchbowl. Keynote speaker was Dr. Kenneth P. MORTIMER, president of the University of Hawaii who reminded the gathering that we must speak up against movements like that which brought about WWII if we are to survive as civilized peoples. He also stated that in order for the generations to follow we, of this generation, leave an accounting of the trials and tribulations that brought us here where we are today. And this means that we need to do the kind of things the Sons and Daughters are now involved; i.e., giving of ourselves to providing oral histories so that our Sons and Daughters could put together several volumes of what made the men of 442nd do what they did.

As a take-off from the ideas presented by

SONS & DAUGHTERS and the President of the University of Hawaii, EASY Chapter invited JUDY WEIGHTMAN as guest speaker at the May 12 dinner meeting at the Flamingo Chuckwagon restaurant. At a previous dinner meeting the women of the club raised questions about the role their husbands played in the war and were anxious to learn more about the war.

JUDY WEIGHTMAN is an attorney and staff member of the WILLIAM RICHARDSON School of Law at the University of Hawaii. She also was the prime mover in the project that culminated in the video presentation of the involvement of the 522nd Field Artillery Battalion of the 442nd RCT in the liberation of Jews from Dachau prison. In her presentation JUDY spoke about how they went about developing the bases for the video production. It was actually a series of oral history video tapings of the experiences of the men of the 522nd Battalion and the eventual production of the final product.

Besides the video tape they also completed a transcription of the tapes into a two volume oral history record for library purposes. These two volumes include the questions and answers of the oral history interviews and should serve EASY chapter well in its desire to do an oral history project on its own. JUDY referred EASY to the Mother Club as a source of the two volumes from which the questions asked could be lifted so that the blind need not lead the blind. The project is going to be a Herculean task and will sorely test the Chapter's will to undertake something not only for the spouses but for the sake of the children of the chapter.

Other News

Now for some news about happenings among chapter members. Poor MAUI OKAMURA had his gold clubs stolen so now he is using LEFTY SUGIHARA's extra set. If the set suits him he will purchase it instead of buying a completely new set.. Talking about gold, one would never believe that NEKA MATOI now carries a gold handicap of 20. MASAMI and MARILYN DOI are the grandparents of their first grandchild, a boy. DOUGLAS and PAMELA DOI are the proud

parents of the unnamed son. GLENN NAKASONE has periodically brought eggplants for distribution at chapter meetings. He also has brought *araimo* and at the last meeting brought *hyotan* which everyone relished. Talking about *hyotan*, NOBORU UESUGI has brought the *togan*, the big bulky melon, for distribution at chapter dinner meetings.

Talked to HARRY TACHIBANA over the phone and he seemed winded. He has been undergoing chemotherapy treatment for his prostate condition which has the tendency to drain a person's energy and stamina. Hang in their HARRY and get well. Saw DON and ALICE MASUDA with one of their grandsons at the Beretania Foodland. ALICE looked good and hopefully we may see her participating more fully in chapter dinner meetings. It was a welcome and pleasant surprise to see ED and LENORE PESTANA at the dinner meeting. Pau/.T.I.



by ALLAN NAKAMURA

51st Anniversary

For the past 4 - 5 years, maybe longer, the 442nd RCT anniversary banquet was held at the Pacific Beach Hotel in Waikiki. This year, it was held at the Ilikai Hotel's Pacific Ballroom with the Sons & Daughters in charge. Chapter president HIDE NAKAYAMA was asked at the monthly meeting, "Where's the ticket?" So he sez, "They said no need tickets. Just send in your check and go." Problems galore for the senile and those claiming senility. "What if I forget the date?" Such d—b questions better left unanswered, I suppose. Ha!

So what happens? The ballroom was filled to capacity, maybe 700 plus? Yes, the Sons and Daughters did it again! Besides saving on non-

printing of tickets, they had a well-rounded program based on the theme "Talk to me, Dad." The event was held on Saturday, March 26, 1994. They had all kinds of wartime memorabilia on display such as C rations and K rations, canteen, uniforms (including EISENHOWER's model jacket), etc. and books by author's THELMACHANG, DOROTHY MATSUO, JOHN TSUKANO, ORVILLE SHIREY. Some of the books were available for orders.

The program presented was outstanding. Past club president were honored with the deceased represented by their next-of-kin. We have live bodies starting with WILLIAM "BILL" OSHIRO (1947), the 3rd president since the formation of the club (HIDE NAKAYAMA received the award for BILL since he was away on a trip); MATSUO "MATSY" TAKABUKI (1952); STANLEY WATANABE (1956-57); who served two terms and arrived just in the nick of time from Idaho; and Dr. KOBE SHOJI.

The Go For Broke song rendition by the Sons & Daughters jazzed up a little sounded good. The keynote dialogue of the evening, "Talk to me, Dad" by CAROL FUKUNAGA, DR. DOROTHY MATSUO, AND GLENN MIRIKIDANI was received with resounding applause and hopefully the message got across. A huge banner, I can only define it as such and defined in the dictionary as bearing design, motto, slogan - of the regiment was on display, covering the entire background of the stage. It was impressive to say the least of this relic, which was discovered by the Sons & Daughters in the clubhouse storage! The irony is that no one seems to know the origin, the group or individual responsible for this magnificent relic. The arrangement was quite different from previous banquets. The ingenuity of the Sons & Daughters surfaced once again!

Love Chapter having lost some of its active members in recent years and others especially from the rural districts wary of night driving, had 3 1/2 tables at the banquet thanks to the SHOJI clan headed by KOBE/CHIZ, DAVID/MARY, in-laws JENS/JEAN TENNEFOS of North Dakota (MARY's parents), TOMMY/CHRIS (from Iowa),

and KELVIN/LYNN at one table. The other tables had; GENRO/MURIEL KASHIWA, VICTOR/TIMMY YAMASHITA, ROBERT/LILY SASAKI, WALLY/MABEL KAWAMURA, and PAUL/GENNY MATSUMOTO; ISA/HILDA TAKIYAMA, FUMIO/MICHIKO OHASHI, JOE/NANCY OSHIRO, YOSHITO/PAULINE TOME, HIDE NAKAYAMA & JIRO WATANABE. The 1/2 table was shared by STANLEY/ASAKO WATANABE, MATSY/AYA TAKABUKI, ALLEN NAKAMURA, & KAZUMA OGATA.

The March 27 Honolulu Advertiser newspaper had a large clear picture of 442nd veterans, including FUMIO OHASHI & MICHIKO at the memorial ceremonies held at National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl on Saturday morning, March 26. The article was based on interview of some of the veterans with JOE OSHIRO as one of the interviewed. Quotes of JOE in the paper: "He thought of the Sons and Daughters chapter was a good idea." "He told his children just a few stories of his war experiences. It is maybe an Oriental thing; you don't want to brag or talk too much." It is typical of JOSEPH, ever so humble. A gentleman's gentleman, if you know what I mean.

Donations

GEORGE M. HATA of Salt Lake City, Utah, an annual visitor to our isles that we get to know of his visit each time after he leaves, left a generous \$200 donation to our chapter which was received by president HIDE NAKAYAMA whom he happened to meet at the clubhouse. Thanks, GEORGE, we appreciate your generosity.

Taps

MORAN SUEYOSHI NOJIRI passed away on April 14, 1994. Private family services were held with a later memorial services at the Punchbowl Chapel on April 20, 1994. Many members in either 442nd shirt or the LIKM uniform attended the services as a final salute to him. MORAN is survived by his son, WAYNE, and daughter, SUSAN BUNN, of California. Our deepest sympathy and condolences to the family. Although he has been inactive for many years in our

chapter, his heart was still with his wartime buddies. He was one of the first to send in his assessment when notice was mailed to members for the 50th reunion. Unfortunately, he was not able to join us for this celebration as I learned from him that he has a severe case of emphysema. May you rest in peace, MORAN.

Golden Anniversary

March 21, 1944, 50 years ago, camp-mate bride CHIZUKO was joined in union with KOBE SHOJI. How time flies! As CHIZ sez's, 'Hardly any divorces, we should be having many 50th anniversaries in the not too far distant.' Of course they had a head start, but that's another story for another day.

March 21, 1994, Oahu Country Club was the setting for the 50th Wedding Anniversary for KOBE & CHIZ given by his family of sons, DAVID, TOMMY & KELVIN. Besides a number of Love members, business associates, former UH colleagues and out of state relatives and guests, his sister KIYO HANAMURA & her family from Upland, CA., and her brother HENRY FUJIWARA & his family from Calif. were present for this joyous occasion. The food was plentiful & oishi with make-your-own-buffet-style plate and endless drinks! ROBERT YUKITOMO, the personable & witty former 4th platoon sergeant, on an impromptu recollection had the guests in a relaxed, humorous mood with his story of how the army showed no favoritism in the selection of machine gunners, citing the huge difference in the height of KOBE & YOSHITO TOME and how well-liked he was, that is, until he became First Sergeant! Ha! CONGRATULATIONS, KOBE & CHIZ.

Traveling Abroad

BILL & LILY OSHIRO took a month long across the country trip, starting from Florida aboard the AMTRAK in March. Besides taking in the Caribbean Cruise in between, they visited their daughter JOSLYNN & her family in Maryland and LILY'S sister in Seattle. The trip was different but comfortable & exciting is about all I can get from BILL for now.

JACOB & TERRY JICHAKU are scheduled to leave for Alaska on June 11 for salmon fishing. Good fishing TERRY! I guess we all know by now who's the skillful fisherman, oops, fisher lady although it doesn't sound right. Ha! Blame it on the masculine gender world! Ha!

Emiko's Scholarship

I received a letter from DOROTHEA LENNON, treasurer of Delta Kappa Gamma Society, and my contact with the organization for EMIKO NAKAMURA Scholarship, that PATRICIA JENK of Mu Chapter (coincidentally the chapter that EMI helped to organize and belonged to) was awarded this years \$1,000 Scholarship. MS. JENK will pursue her doctoral studies in education at the University of Southern California.

I wish to thank MABEL FUJIMOTO for her generous donation of \$100 to Emiko's Scholarship Fund I received through the mail. It is difficult to express adequate words of appreciation in light of her own loss of "HAPA" last year. Thank you MABEL!

To be remembered for these many years by my circle of friends in EMI'S memory, I truly am grateful. The Delta Kappa Gamma Society from my initial donation to the organization in memory of EMI, have created an EMIKO NAKAMURA Fund and on info from DOROTHEA that today, they are in a position to carry on some of EMI's wishes as the president of the organization when she passed away during her second biennium year. She had recognized early on that membership recruitment of qualified younger candidates for the organization is a must. To achieve this, she formulated a plan of recruitment grants and subsidy for neighbor island members to attend Leadership Conferences and other educational forums.

News from Abroad

It was in March that I had asked for assistance in news from elsewhere. Since then, I received from KEN HIGASHI of Seattle as reported in the last Go For Broke (GFB) issue. As a follow up, he sent me an article of interest for Love chapter members in the Seattle Nisei Veterans Newslet-

ter by BEN SUGAWARA, titled "Lovers' Welcome New Year."

At a potluck dinner held on January 14 at the NVC Memorial Hall, Seattle, members and associates of "L" Company enjoyed good food and camaraderieship. In the ethnic tradition, ozoni and other New Year's foods were enjoyed. Other news of change in the leadership was already reported in the last GFB. What was not reported is that, TOM & TOYO MIZUNO will be visiting Seattle as part of their cruise to Alaska.

Members attending this Ozoni gathering with their spouses and a meeting of who's going to Last Vegas are: NOBI TANAKA, ROY FUJIWARA, ART KOURA, TOSH OKAMOTO, TOSH TANIMURA, MAS WATANABE, PAUL MINATO, JUGGO HATA, MITS TAKAHASHI, KEN HIGASHI, JIM SUZUKI, SHIG KASEGUMA, GEORGE KOZU, BEN SUGAWARA, MAS SAKAGAMI and also attending were JACK SAMESHIMA, PETE KOZU, SEIJI HATA, 'BUGZY' MIYAHARA and MARY KOSUGI.

Also in the newsletter under Seattle Sansei News, the Sansei received a copy of "From Hawaii to the Holocaust" from GUY KOGA, president of Sons & Daughters of the 442 RCT. This film tells the heroic story of the 522 FABn and gives the overview historical moments from the bombing of Pearl Harbor, to the internment, to the formation of 100/442 RCT, to the rescue of the Lost Battalion, to the gates of Dachau. It is narrated by ED ASNER. A special showing of this film was held on March 6 at the Vet's Hall. KEN HIGASHI'S brother was in 522 FA, A Battery. I hope KEN was able to get copies of the book for his brother.

The following is news in the form of a personal letter from FUDGE KITAGAWA that things are simmering down around there, and that not much of importance and interest are happening. She'll be sure to write if things start humming again! Well, it seems that she and BEN were quite active on return home following the 50th reunion, hopping around the Caribbean for a couple of weeks, a retirees dream!!

BEN has a corner lot in Bullhead City that it

seems endless to tackle the weeds, especially at summer when the heat is terrible. The Bullhead city she mentions-I'm sure I got it right-is just a coupla hours south of Las Vegas and across the Colorado River is Laughlin, familiar grounds to all you Vegas veterans, which they frequent quite often.

Shinenenkai

That's right, Shinenenkai in June, only it's the reporting of it as it's better late than never. This family gathering was really outstanding with chairman VICTOR YAMASHITA, once again showing his versatility by putting on a tremendous program! Job well done, VICTOR! His chairmanship is so much in demand that he gets the job even while not being at the meeting because of commitment to the family, baby sitting his grandchildren.

This even is successful and ALIVE!, because of the help from a number of people. Two that especially comes to mind as "unsung heroes" to coin a phrase, handling their unglamorous assigned chores with nary a bitch from them are: JACOB JICHAKU and HIDE NAKAYAMA.

JACOB since the death of TAD SAKAI, handled the necessary collection of monies for our family social events with a beer or two patiently sitting at the entrance table; sacrificing his time of mingling among friends. This year, he at least had KILA HARAGUCHI's help & companionship. It's a little known fact that he is on the Draft Board Commission which was chaired by the late HENRY OYASATO. He also was the treasurer in the early formation years of the 442nd VC, long forgotten as only presidents are remembered! His revision of the budget proposal system on the DAV while he was commander left a profound effect, that revenues & expenditures can now be pinpointed unlike the years past of hodgepodge budget proposal system prior to his administration. This was known only to insiders like me. After all, I was his adjutant. Ha!!

"HIDE" our perennial president who conscientiously attends the monthly board meeting, this in itself makes him appreciated by our members,

go far beyond his services especially at Shinenenkai festivities. He makes all the purchases for the lucky number drawings, loading it in his compact station wagon to be brought to the DAV hall. Besides, he makes available his station wagon together with COWBOY MATSUMURA's to load LAWRENCE FUJII's contribution of plants. All this takes hard work, believe me!

We were fortunate this year to be able to use the new HARRY & JEANETTE WEINBERG Memorial Hall for our Shinenenkai. Everyone was very impressed and in awe of the beauty of the building, the color of the interior design, the matching colors & selection of chairs & tables, the acoustic effect, the loud speaker system and how clean it was - just like getting into a new car! All these are a tribute to TOMMY KAKESAKO generally known as MR. DAV and the number of volunteers of whom much has been written in the last issue of the Go For Broke.

The program started at exactly 4 PM on the direction of chairman YAMASHITA. As the M.C. for the event, I gave a brief explanation and recognition of TOMMY and the volunteers to the benefit of our guests on the new WEINBERG Hall. The entertainment was provided by JIRO WATANABE's Akogare orchestra made up of JIRO, YOSHITO TOME & TED YANAGIHARA. We had our reliable BETTY NAKAHARA, who replenished our supply of paper goods, forks, spoons, instant coffee, etc. She had purchased enough plates to take leftovers home by the group, and also had the convenient tofu containers that she saved, just for this kind of occasion - akamai this wahine!

Donors

We are fortunate to have generous donations of all kinds of items from individual members and friends. We casually ask for donations of sodas & beers at our chapter meeting. The following responded for this occasion. Case of soda from: ERNI UNO, ISA TAKIYAMA, MICKEY KUROKAWA, YOSHITO TOME, MAMO ISOBE, MABEL FUJIMOTO. BILL OSHIRO, 2 cases. ALLEN N. 2 cases from stock. To keep the

sodas & beer cold, we had use of ice chests from: BILLO., ERNI U., VICTOR Y., & ALLEN N.

GEORGE MATSUMOTO who's not able to get around much these days, and the member responsible for the many years of sashimi on the table at the Shinenenkai from his friend, CAPTAIN TOM & DOROTHY FUKUNAGA, we were not disappointed again this year. In fact, I was surprised at the generous amount of ahi donated when I pick up the ahi from Capt. Fukunaga (Ret.) at his fishing agency. Is this what we have been receiving all these years? This guy is some generous, As they say on Maui. The display of sashimi on the plate received quite a number of compliments. My daughter, CYNTHIA, cut the sashimi to fit the plate. Must take after her MOM!

TOM & DOROTHY and their group of friends really enjoyed this get-together. They anxiously look forward to it. Info received from TOM is that, the friends meet for dinner at a restaurant every Thursday and quite often they have guests from the mainland. What better opportunity to show their guests what Hawaiian hospitality is all about at our shinenenkai!

This past year, I mailed the FUKUNAGA's the same notice you received for the Shinenenkai with the intent of just notifying them on the date of the event. Lo & behold!, I received a phone call from TOM that he'll make collections at the next dinner. "Hold on" I said. "If they want to make donations, fine, but no collections! This is where "The end justifies the means", diplomatically, of course! Ha!! We received \$60 donation from the group! As TOM told the group, "Hey, nowhere can you afford a feast & good times for the price!" I guess we have him securely in our corner. As a gesture of appreciation, I mailed TOM the 50th Anniversary booklet as I said I would. He was, to say the least, very appreciative in his phone call to me.

Desserts & Pupus

Without the help of TERRY JICHAKU & DORIS ISHIDA jotting down the list of donors, I don't think I would have survived the day trying to have the list for my reporting and as the M.C. There were unbelievable amount of desserts &

pupus! For next year I'll have a sign, designating a table with a sign-in sheet. After all these years, the idea finally dawned on me. I guess wisdom comes with age. Ha!! This should make it easier all around for everyone and accommodate the late comers!

With TERRY listing the prizes, DORIS took care of the following donors & contributions: BOOCHIE LEONG-Chinese Gau, Cheese Dip & Crackers; LILY OSHIRO-Brownies; GENNY MATSUMOTO-Mochi; TIMMY YAMASHIRO-Pretzels & Chips; TERRY JICHAKU-Haupia, Jello Strawberry Kantan; MARIAN MATSUMURA-Tsukemono, Kim Chee, Cauliflower Pickles, Manju; FLORA WATANABE-2 jars Senzuri Sanbaizuke; HILDA TAKIYAMA-JELLO; BETTY NAKAHARA-Okara & Almond float; DORIS ISHIDA-Baklava; NANCY OSHIRO-Apricot Cinnamon; CHIYOKO FUJII-Pastries; PAULINE TOME-Chocolate Mochi Cake & Jello Cake; MICHIKO OHASHI-Coffee Kante; ASAKO WATANABE-Pastries; GRACE UNO-Chocolate Eclair & Carton of cookies; EDNA KURAMOTO & ROGER CONKEL-Squid; ELLEN MURATA-Marble Cake; PATSY KUROKAWA-Chocolate Chip/Peanut butter Cookies; HARUKO KAWAOKA-Fruit Cups; LORI PROTZMAN-Brownies.

Prizes

Fittingly, HENRY ISHIDA's, who contributes greatly with snapshots of our events, spouse DORIS, won the top lucky number prize, a \$300 Men's watch! MICHIKO OHASHI got the next top prize, a \$115 Ladies watch while KANANI MEDEIROS, my granddaughter won a beautiful genuine onyx necklace, bracelet & earrings, just what she wanted! All of these were donated by TOMMY KAKESAKO, the ever generous one, besides the following jewelry, watches & novelties: 2-genuine belts; wallets; earrings; perfume; 4-Sheaffer Pens; 1-Pulsar, 1-Quartz, 1-Ladies Citizen watches; 1-G.F. Kremenz Bracelet; 1-Gold Oneida Silver Plate; 1-G.F. Playboy Necklace; G.F. Bracelets.

LAWRENCE FUJII has never failed to generate excitement with all the plants. His donations

comes from a different source than TOMMYS, as he has to give long care year 'round to the plants and also at times making contact with his nursery friends for plants. Some of the names of the plants are foreign, exotic plants, so excuse the misspelling, just take it as close enough. Ha!! Plants such as: Kwaifha (Calabium); Ixora; 10-Snowball Hydrangia; Aluminum Plant; Mothers Peru; Boston Peru; Specifilum; Pepperonia; Dwarf Brasilia.

These were other donations that involved much time and effort. MABEL FUJIMOTO had 2 quilted Baby Blankets that were very much appreciated. EDNA KURAMOTO had 2 Pillows. ALLEN N. had 2 Yuban coffee as I graduated to grinding Kona Bean Coffee now. Try it, it's pretty good! HIDE NAKAYAMA had 10 Cattleya Orchid Plants with buds and flower in bloom. JIRO WATANABE had 8 one half gallon Aloha Shoyu. All of the above plus HIDE's purchase of prizes such as Soda, Coffee, Sugar, Rice, etc. If the list is incomplete, please, "no hunu" (Okora nai de). So we give one hearty THANK YOU to all the donors!!

Participants

No event is more important than the participants and did we have them, parents, sons & daughters, grandchildren and great grandchildren, all 150 plus!! It seemed like old times when we all were much, much younger! It was a great day for the following: KUNIO FUJIMOTO (new active member from Hanele 100th BN Chapter). STANLEY/ASAKO WATANABE (glad to see them back from Idaho trip). LAWRENCE/CHIYOKO FUJII. MABEL FUJIMOTO, daughter LINDA KALUA & granddaughter SHERRY, & great grandchildren, TIFFANY & CHRISTIAN, daughter AMY & spouse, WESLEY HARANA & grandson BLAKE. KILA/JANE HARAGUCHI. HENRY/DORIS ISHIDA. JACOB/TERRY JICHAKU. TOMMY KAKESAKO. MICKEY/TATSUE KUROKAWA, daughter SHERRY. PAUL/GENNY MATSUMOTO. COWBOY/MARIAN MATSUMURA. HAJIME/LANI MATSUURA, daughter AIMEE & spouse JEFF SCHU, granddaughter, KIYOMI SCHU. ALLEN