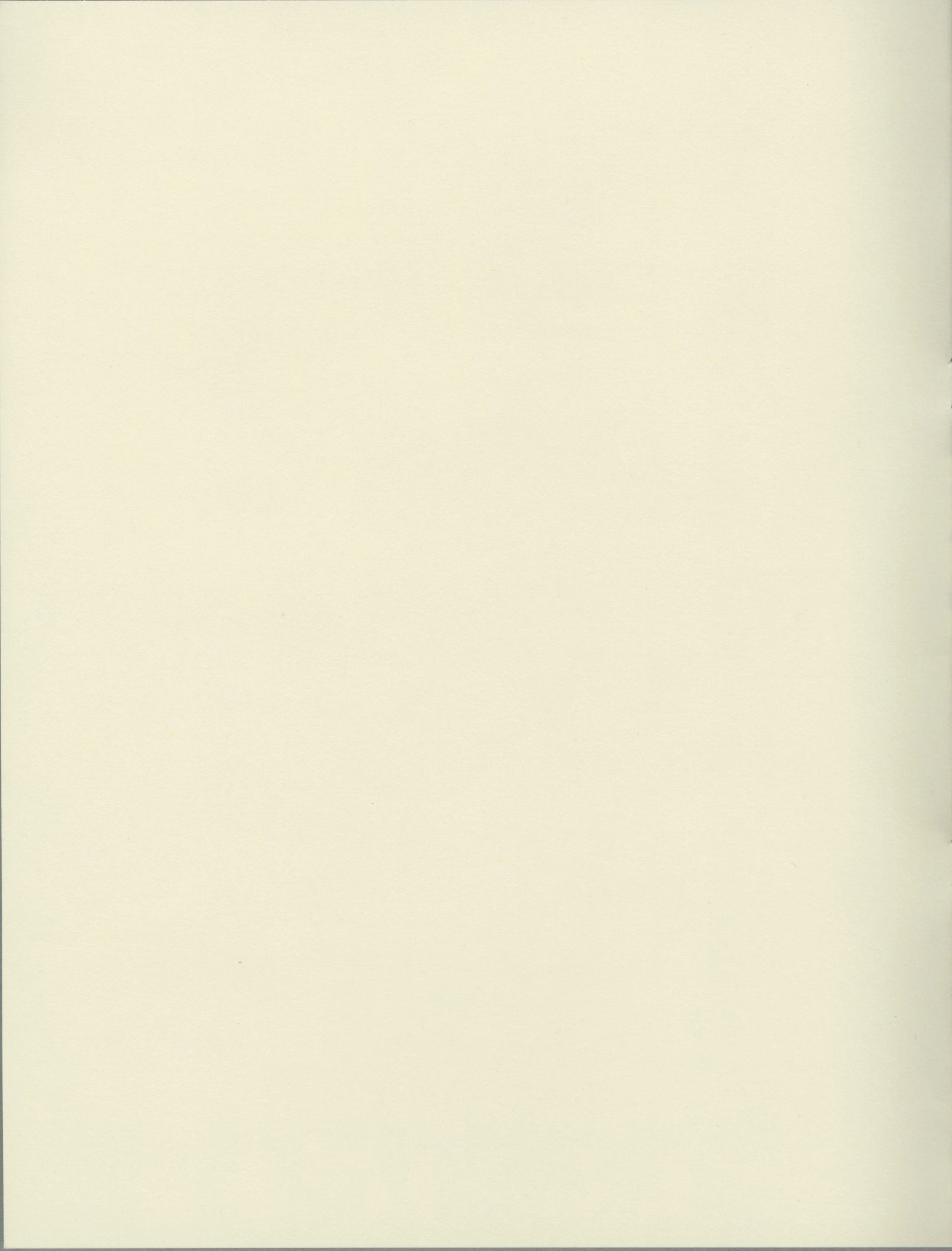




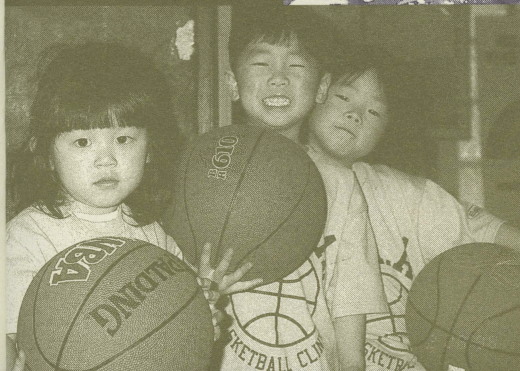
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- JASC YOUTH GROUP



WELCOME TO THE JASC

## connect thru history

We all belong to one world although we are moving in different directions, exploring, discovering, finding our own path. The JASC is where we connect with those who share our history and can support our individual growth. This has been our mission for more than 50 years and, although our community has changed and we have become more assimilated, we continue to enjoy the strength of unity and common values. We are proud of our legacy as a service organization, and we continue to find ways to enhance our role in the Japanese American Community and the Asian American Community.

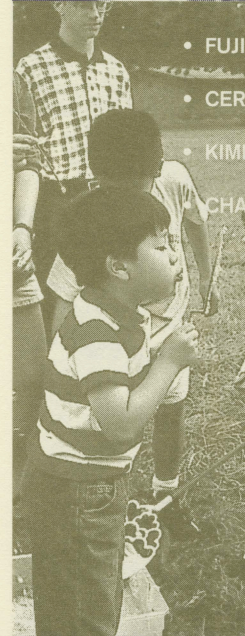
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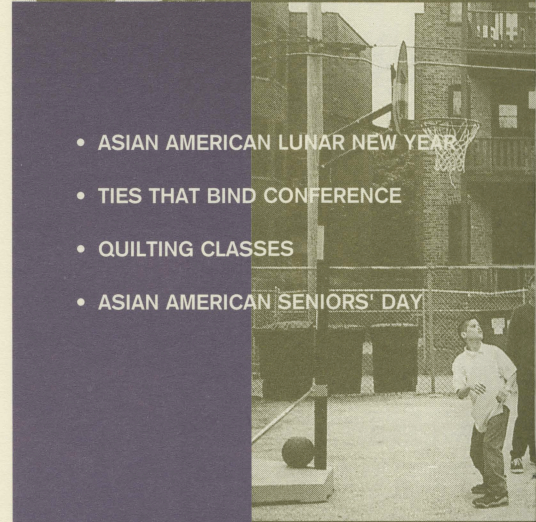
Through the JASC, we connect with an increasingly complex world of social services, hospitals, legal services and counseling. We also strengthen the bonds of ethnic identity by inviting each generation to interact and communicate in meaningful ways. It is by sharing our experiences and our ideas, we discover the values that unite us. We have much to offer, to each other and to the world around us, and the more we reach out, the more we receive.

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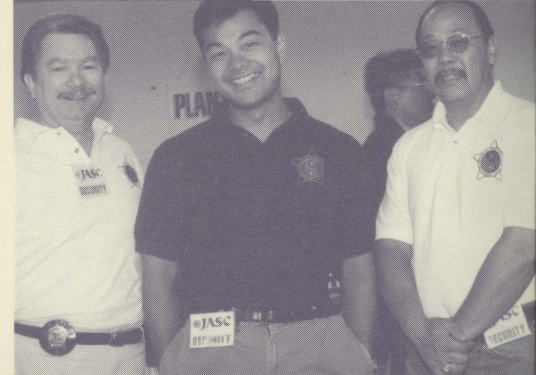
Throughout our history, we have faced many challenges. In the process, JASC has become an



- FUJI FESTIVAL
- CERAMICS
- KIMEKOMI-NINGYO
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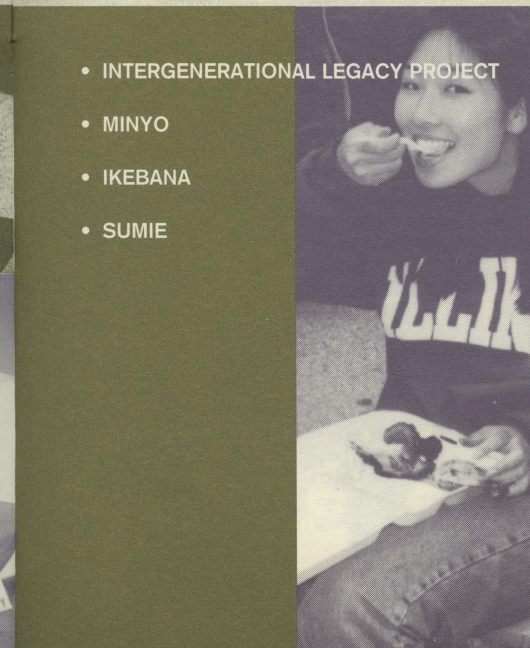
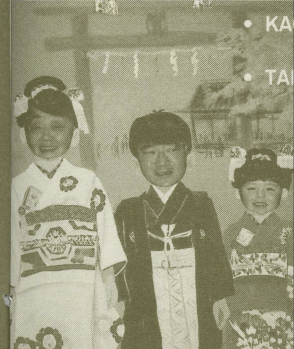
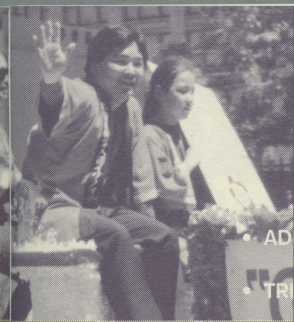


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unique and respected organization. We include all and have become as diverse as the generations we serve and the communities of which we are a part. With social services and programs, we attend to the needs of our family—both old and young—and find value in what each has to offer. As we look to the future, our challenge is to continue to be one organization that represents and serves an increasingly diverse community: to speak for many with one voice. One way we do this is by reaching out and connecting with other organizations that share our goals. At the local, state, national and international level, we have been part of many events that raise the visibility of Japanese Americans in a positive way. Through our connections, the JASC also has a voice on issues that directly affect us, individually and as a group. Other organizations look to us to represent our community, to speak on their

- ADULT DAY SERVICES
- TRIP TO JAPAN
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- TAIKO

- INTERGENERATIONAL LEGACY PROJECT
- MINYO
- IKEBANA
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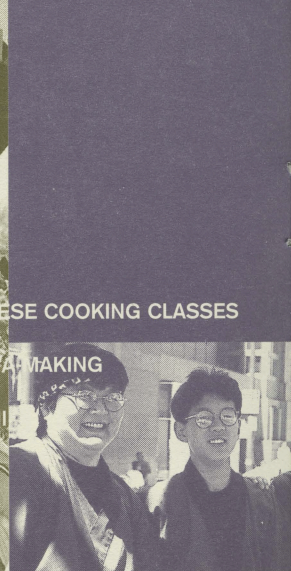


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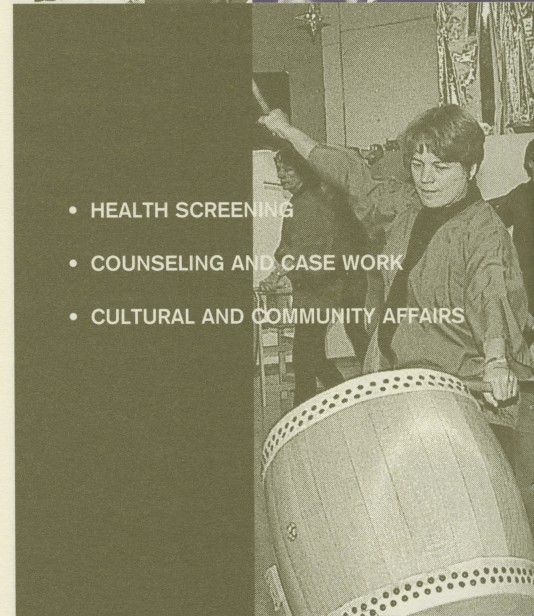
behalf and strengthen the connection between Asian Americans and groups around the world. Every day, through personal visits, phone calls, and letters, the JASC is building the relationships that allow our organization to better serve Japanese Americans. We are planting the seeds of goodwill, understanding and knowledge that we can harvest in the years ahead.

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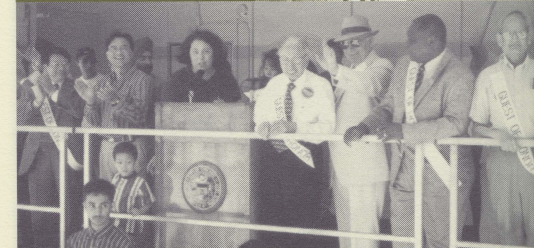
The JASC is "home," a place that welcomes all in our extended family and provides a generous sense of belonging. We reflect the world around us and yet we remain connected with the history, the culture and the values that define us as Japanese Americans.



- JAPANESE COOKING CLASSES
- YUKATA MAKING
- TAI CHI



- HEALTH SCREENING
- COUNSELING AND CASE WORK
- CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS



# JASC

## social services

### HOME SUPPORT SERVICES

Supervisor: Helen Nakayama

Home Support Services is designed to maintain and enhance independent living for the elderly. The program offers an array of practical services that enable the individual to remain in the supportive environment of their home and familiar surroundings. We offer supervised support and care for frail older adults. Services



may include: house-keeping tasks and laundry, shopping, escort service, preparation of meals (includes special diet), nutritional assistance, bathing, grooming, and personal care. Private clients accepted, based upon worker availability.

### ADULT DAY SERVICES

Coordinator: Melba Ristow, RN

The Adult Day Services program allows the elderly to stay with their families and avoid institutional care. Transportation to and from JASC is provided by our customized bus. Activities are structured in a group setting to improve the physical and mental well-being of older adults.



Participants eat a noon meal together and share such activities as field trips, ceramic and exercise classes. The social service and nursing staff develop individual plans for each participant and monitor their progress.

**COUNSELING AND CASE WORK**  
Social Worker: Rina Murao, LCSW

This service helps clients achieve optimal psychological functioning and social adjustment. A bilingual counselor who speaks Japanese deals with questions involving financial and health issues as well as intergenerational relationships,



language, and cross-cultural difficulties. Information about, and referral services to, other community resources, as well as case management, is also available.

**CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**  
Coordinator: Sharon Harada

This program offers cultural classes such as minyo (Japanese folk dancing), sumie (ink painting), calligraphy, ikebana (flower-arranging), chanoyu (the art of tea), kimekomi ningyo (Japanese doll-making), and other crafts. Ceramics, taiko (Japanese drumming), Japanese language, tai chi, and Japanese cooking classes are



also offered. Programs on health and education are presented by this division of JASC as well as city-sponsored nutrition and "Volunteer Home Delivered Meals" services to the home-bound elderly. JASC's health screening and free flu shots are also part of the program.

**JASC ARCHIVES**  
Coordinator: Deborah King

The JASC has undertaken an Archival Project to locate and catalogue the rich collection of records documenting the JASC's history and Japanese Americans' heritage in Chicago. The hope for the



future is to create a permanent Legacy Center to house archives and a reading room to make available these important materials.



## learning from the past

For the JASC, FY 97-98 was a year of reassessment and redirection. It featured some new leadership and some original or revamped programming. It started with the happy addition of a new executive director, Jean M. Fujiu. Jean brings to the position a keen sense of responsibility, a strong sense of organization, and a deep commitment to our Japanese American community. Fortunately for us, Jean is also blessed with a sense of humor that allows her to deal with the steady stream of reports that need to be written, meetings to be attended, crises both major and minor, and the many personalities that comprise our staff, our board, and our community. It's no easy job but certainly one which Jean has jumped into with enthusiasm and good grace.

The JASC Board has taken to heart the lessons it has had to learn. The Board now includes three Nisei members, ten Sansei members, three Yonsei members, one shin-Issei member, two multiracial members, and two European American members; the JASC board is beginning to reflect the diversity within the Japanese American community. Furthermore, in light of the minimal staffing that operates the JASC, the JASC Board recognized the need for it to become more of a working board. Consequently, the Board adopted a series of guidelines that spell out the expectations for board members in terms of fundraising and program participation.

The JASC has made a concerted effort to reinforce our community's traditions, building upon them so as to stimulate increased interest while adapting them to

contemporary realities and current concerns. Our programming and services continue to reflect that endeavor. Therefore, we were thrilled to be able to honor Judge Lance Ito at Fuji Festival; his deeply moving and inspirational remarks left everyone who heard him feeling a renewed sense of pride in our common Japanese American heritage and in the accomplishments of the JASC.

Other events continued this effort to celebrate our past while planning for our future. The Holiday Delight Sale and Kodomo Matsuri, for example, again brought out the younger members of the community in force. One young boy was overheard telling some younger children that "...this (the JASC building) is where Barney lives."

In March, the JASC took 110 children on "A Trip To Japan." This fun-filled day featured an inventive, imaginary journey on the bullet train through various Japanese cities where our young passengers had a chance to experience some hands-on arts and crafts from each city. By the end of the day, the "jet-lagged" children each had a bag of beautiful, handmade "souvenirs" along with a "passport" full of colorful stamps, ready for a real trip.

In April, the JASC was delighted to present performance artist and storyteller Brenda Wong Aoki at the Field Museum. Through her deft mixture of stories and music, Aoki had her audience laughing (and occasionally crying) in self-recognition.

Market Day featured a more family-oriented

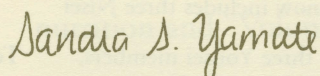
program this year, and June saw the JASC sponsor its first lock-in for our youth members. We hope that we're laying the foundation for a strong future generation of the Japanese American community.

The JASC has continued to strive to offer our membership and the broader Japanese American community, cultural programs, community events and services that will continue to instill a sense of pride in our cultural identity and inspire community service and participation in all of us. We believe that this is the right direction in which to move and judging from the feedback we receive from our members, you agree.

Membership is up again for the second year in a row.

As we look toward the new millennium, it seems appropriate that as a community we begin to take stock of ourselves and the rapid changes we are facing. No longer do we easily fit into the comfort of traditional Issei/Nisei/Sansei designations. Many of our community members are mixed race. Some come from families that experienced the World War II in Japan or in Hawaii rather than in an internment camp. Still others see no relevance of the Japanese American community in their lives. As our community grows older, we need to prepare to relinquish leadership to Yonsei and Gosei who are proving themselves in other social, professional, and civic arenas. It makes for a complex community, but it's ours and the sooner we see it for what it is rather than what we want it to be, the sooner we can plan and adapt for our future.

At the JASC, we've forced ourselves to take many long, hard looks at ourselves and at our community and identify our mistakes as well as our successes. FY 97-98 has been a year of evaluation and reflection as well as planning and preparation. We're by no means finished; there's a lot in store for the future of the JASC and the Japanese American community. But it is a future which we are facing with a clear and strong sense of our history and lessons well-learned. At the JASC we are moving forward with energy, optimism, and enthusiasm. In doing so, we thank you, our members, for your continued support and we ask for your future participation and involvement. We need you. Above all—it's for all of our parents and all of our children.



Sandra S. Yamate  
President

## a word of thanks

Dear Friends:

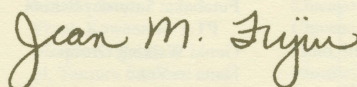
My first year as Executive Director went by with the speed of a shinkansen—bullet train. We were simultaneously rebuilding and moving forward and expanding at the same time. My feeling was that many in the community had been thinking of ideas for the JASC that they were eager to share with me. As I listened to them I felt that there was still energy and commitment for the future. I felt like a catalyst in a process where the membership regained a sense of ownership and a vision for the JASC as a center for the community. There were many who seemed to view the change in leadership as an opportunity to reinvest and participate to a greater degree. I am very grateful to all those who are willing to be a part of the JASC moving forward.

I was also very fortunate to have the support of many Board Members, past and present—in particular, Art Morimitsu, Calvin Manshio and Sandra Yamate. Each had special gifts that complemented the others, connected the past and present, and provided for a smooth transition. Sandra's gift is seeing the larger vision and through her incredibly active community service having a national network of connections. Calvin gave me the gift of financial stability and a thorough knowledge of the JASC from both an administrative and a board perspective. Art gave me the gift of the history of the community and made sure that I was welcomed at all the significant community events. I am so grateful that Art was still here to facilitate my introduction to the community.

This has been a year of developing relationships and renewing connections that will benefit the JASC. There has been an open and warm reception to my participation in the Nikkei Community and in the Asian American Community. I believe that this is a legacy from the hard work and respect earned by the previous JASC Boards and Executive Directors and staff. It is essential that we continue to provide the high quality social services in a more financially and logistically accessible manner. But we are also beginning to see the fruition of the vision of the JASC as a community center. It is one of the greatest pleasures of my position that I am able to see people and organizations at their best—giving of their time and resources to care for others. In order for the JASC to be a true center of the community, we must provide more opportunities for the connections that we make within ourselves, with our families, with our friends, with our Nikkei Community, with the Asian American Community and beyond.

You have my deepest gratitude for your past support and future participation.

Sincerely Yours,



Jean M. Fujii, LCSW

Executive Director

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Condensed Statement of Activities for the year ended June 30, 1998.

### Support and Revenue:

Public support . . . . .	\$ 221,417
Governmental agencies support . . . . .	191,789
Revenue . . . . .	<u>198,953</u>
Total revenue . . . . .	<u>.612,159</u>

### Expenses:

Program services . . . . .	417,627
Support services . . . . .	<u>198,362</u>
Total expenses . . . . .	<u>.615,989</u>

Excess of Expenses Over Support and Revenue Before Other Item . . . . .	(3,830)
Income from Discontinued Operations . . . . .	<u>4,401</u>
Excess of Support and Revenue over Expense . . . . .	<u>.571</u>

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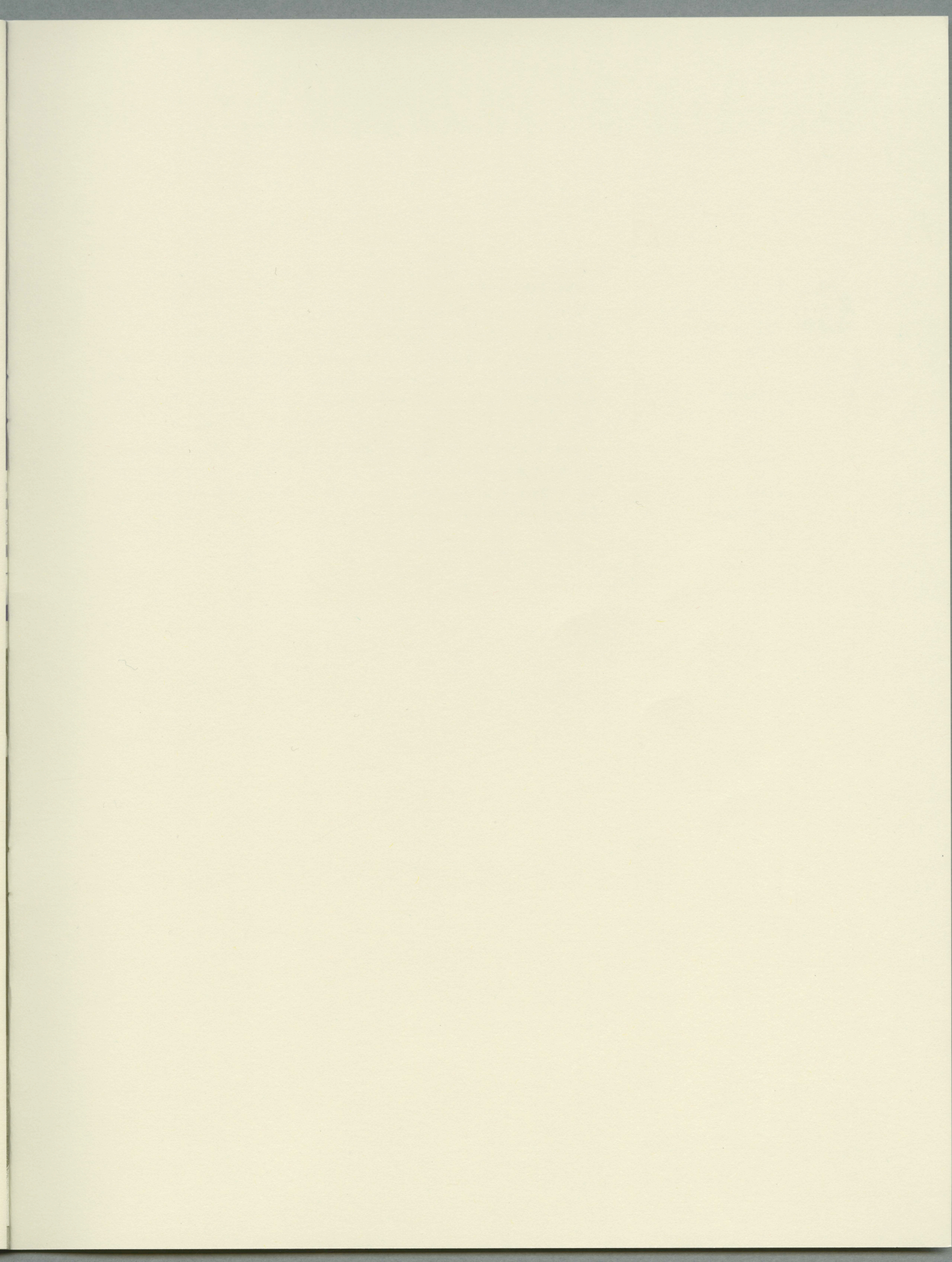
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