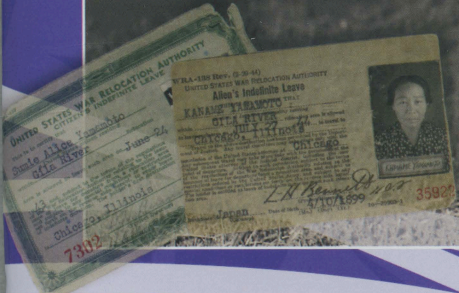
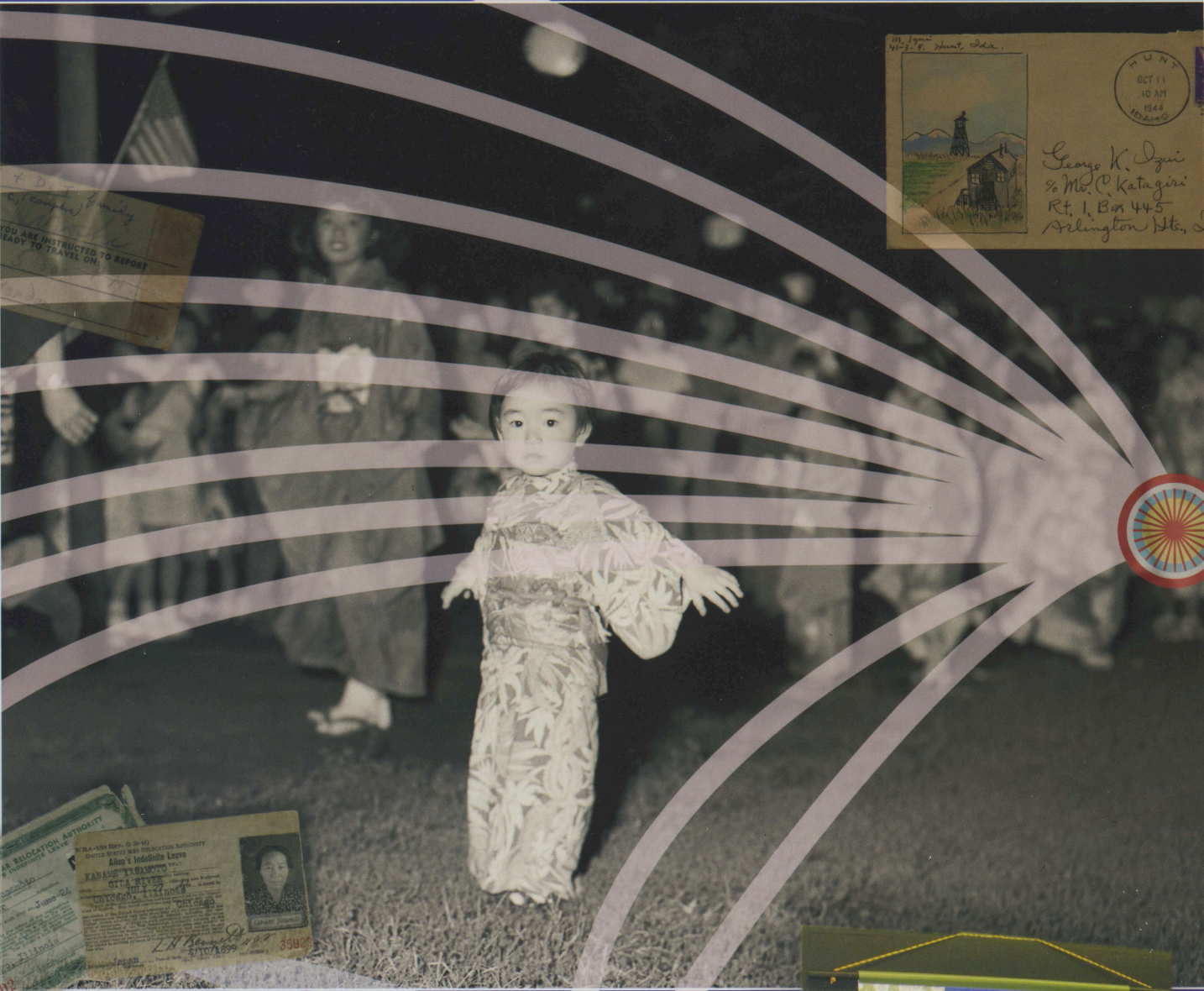
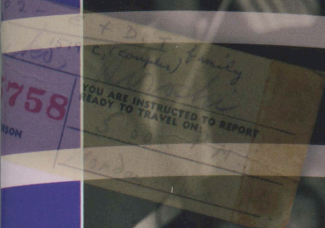


Origins of Now: ReBuilding Community



JASC Annual Report
2006-2007

Behind the Scenes of Another Outstanding Year

The Japanese American Service Committee has always been, at heart, a community organization. The board of directors and staff know that it is the energy, commitment and dedication of our members and the JASC community at large that help drive the agency forward each year.

During this past year's 60th Anniversary celebrations, hundreds of community members of all ages volunteered thousands of hours of their time and energy to make our events memorable, meaningful and enjoyable for all.

Here are just a few examples of our many volunteers in action. We hope you had a chance to enjoy the fruits of their labors (and those of the staff and board) during our 60th Anniversary events.

Domo arigato gozaimasu to all!



Origins of Now: ReBuilding Community



During his visit to the JASC, the Honorable Norman Mineta, who was interned at Heart Mountain and was himself a Resettler in Chicago, praised the exhibit as important in revealing little-known history.

An extensive series of programs to highlight and celebrate JASC's 60th anniversary year was planned by a committee of board and staff members.

Partnering with the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), Chicago Japanese American Historical Society (CJAHS), Chicago Arts Partnerships in Education (CAPE), Asian Improv aRts Midwest, Fujima Ryu of Chicago and Tohkon Judo Academy, a full year of special events was presented to the greater Chicago community. The programs served as a first look into Japanese American culture and history for many, and a re-establishment of roots, values and heritage for those in the Japanese American community.

To focus our celebrations, an exhibit exploring the question *Why is there a sizable Japanese American population in Chicago?* was mounted. Using information, artifacts and photographs mostly pulled from JASC's Legacy Center archive, the historical component of ***Origins of Now: ReBuilding Community*** took shape. Alongside it, an installation of contemporary art created by Chicago Public School students added depth and emotion. An estimated 4,000-5,000 people – many of whom were learning about the history of Japanese in America for the first time – toured the exhibit.

While these special events were being planned and held, JASC continued to deliver high quality social and wellness services alongside its cultural and heritage programming and classes. The board and staff successfully completed about 80% of the Year 1 objectives from its strategic plan, and all remained focused on the three long-term goals:

- developing JASC as a destination center;
- continuing to reach out to the dispersed Japanese American population and broader community; and
- providing leadership in a consensus-building, facilitating manner.

Core Services

Since its founding in 1946, JASC has maintained a focus on providing much-needed services to seniors. All of the agency's social services and wellness programs have in common a goal to allow seniors to maintain their independent living at a high quality of life for as long as possible. Originally founded to provide support to Chicago's Japanese Americans, JASC now serves a multi-ethnic population.



A variety of **wellness programs** aid community members in keeping in good health. Besides offering health screenings twice a year, in conjunction with the Chicago Department on Aging, JASC provides free flu and pneumonia vaccines and daily Golden Diners hot lunches for seniors. Tai Chi, taiko, folk dancing and judo classes are hosted, along with special presentations on prescription medicine insurance for seniors, and an AARP driver safety course.



During its 26th year of operation, **Adult Day Services** worked with an average of 42 seniors per month, and provided a total of 39,177 hours of care during the year. Seniors, who are either brought to JASC by their families or picked up by staff in the JASC bus, participate in a number of activities throughout the day to help stabilize and improve their mental, physical, emotional and social well-being.

Isolated Nikkei Elders

As part of JASC's commitment to reach out to the geographically dispersed people of Japanese ancestry, a research study, designed and implemented by Northwestern University's Buehler Center on Aging, Health & Society, was conducted (please see acknowledgements, page 12). This needs assessment investigated isolated Nikkei seniors in Chicago and the suburbs, to determine what services JASC should be providing that would enable them to maintain their independence and age with dignity.

Five areas of needs (psychological and cultural, safety, social, financial, and service and assistance) were identified, barriers and strengths were examined, and potential approaches and strategies for effective interventions were defined. The planning of the Wellness Outreach services continues.

Exercises, craft projects, games and other group activities are conducted by the staff. A hot lunch, provided by the Chicago Department of Aging's Golden Diners program, and served by staff and volunteers, along with a morning and afternoon snack, keep the seniors energized during the day.

Staff nurses continually evaluate the participants' daily performances, and work closely with family members to make sure all needs are met as they arise.





JASC's **Counseling** department provides a variety of programs to support whole-person well-being, from individual therapy sessions to ongoing group activities. An average of 26 clients each month participate in the various programs.

JASC is able to provide psychotherapy to individuals and families in Japanese and English. Therapy sessions are reimbursed through

Medicare for qualifying clients.

The Jukunenekai support group at Heiwa Terrace, led by a volunteer, had eight attendees, on average. Eight senior women regularly attended the Out of the House group twice a week. They are led through exercises, crafts and group activities. They also just spend time talking with each other, an opportunity they would not get sitting at home alone.



Home Support Services is JASC's longest-running program. Staff members provide housekeeping services, as well as much-needed social interaction and emotional support to seniors living independently. Many of the program's clients live alone in apartments at Heiwa Terrace in the Uptown neighborhood. This past year 233 clients were served a total of 4,675 hours and provided with personal care, housekeeping, shopping, escort and related services.



Cultural Programs

JASC continues to be a vital resource for people interested in learning more about Japanese culture or pursuing excellence in their chosen art or sport. Cultural classes – including cooking, Sumi-e, Taiko, judo, dance, Tai Chi, Japanese language, Shamisen, ceramics and Origami – attract hundreds of people of all ages and ethnicities to the JASC each week.



2007 Community Service Awardee

Sharon Harada, JASC's assistant executive director and cultural and community affairs coordinator, was honored by the State of Illinois with a Humanitarian Service Award. It was presented to her by Secretary of State Jesse White during Asian Pacific American Heritage month celebrations.

The award was made to Sharon in recognition of her 45 years working and volunteering in the Japanese American community.



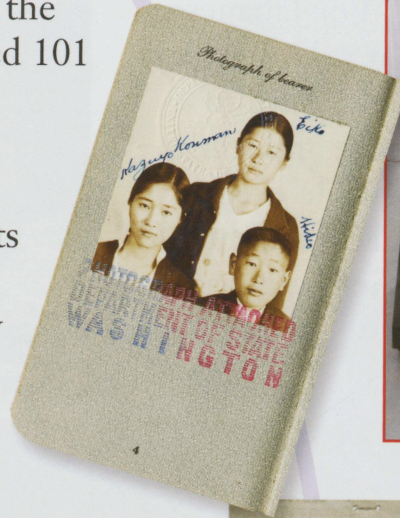
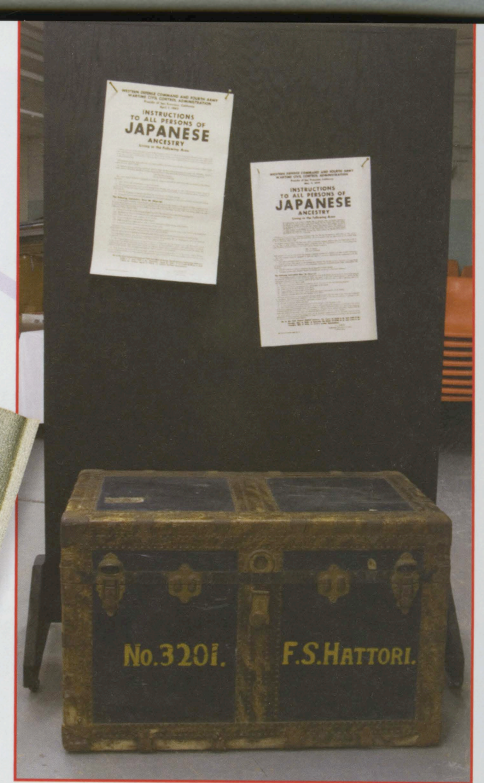
Community Center

Having a meeting place, whether for a few or hundreds at a time, is a vital resource in any community. For Japanese Americans, JASC fulfills that role. Besides providing organizations with a place to meet, worship, dance, rehearse and learn, JASC is host to community-wide events like Kodomo Matsuri/Holiday Delight and Kagami Biraki New Year's Celebration.



Legacy Center

Known to researchers, historians and educators as a local treasure trove of Chicago's Japanese American history, the JASC Legacy Center and staff serviced 101 research and referral requests and accepted 35 donations this past year. The collection includes documents, photographs, publications and artifacts donated by members of Chicago's Nikkei community. The vast majority of the material used for reference or display in the *Origins of Now* exhibit was from the JASC's own archive.



The Legacy Mural Project

During the year, community members spanning all ages met weekly to work on the JASC Legacy Mural. Under the leadership of experienced mural artists Juan-Carlos Perez and Mirtes Zwierzynski, the mural took shape from the collective consciousness of the many participants.

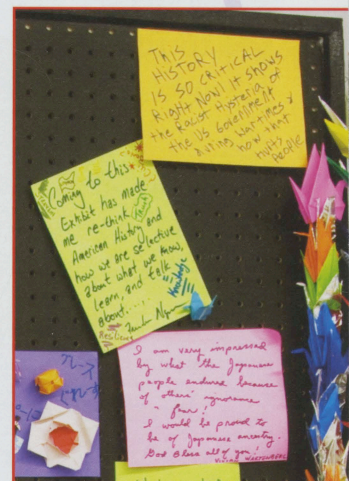


For the 20-or-so regulars, the reminiscences, discussions, self-examinations and realizations were as important as the painting.



Origins of Now Exhibit

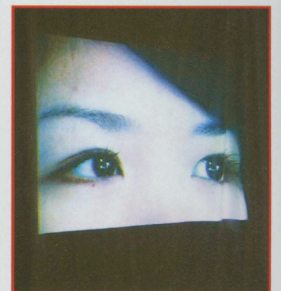
Origins of Now: ReBuilding Community told the story of Americans of Japanese descent, from immigration, through World War II, to resettlement in Chicago. Although the exhibit spanned a 60-year period, a large portion was devoted to trying to understand and illuminate the rebuilding of lives, families and community here in Chicago, for this was **our** unique story of perseverance, acceptance and triumph during a time of open hatred and racism.



Partnerships &

JASC once again partnered with JACL and CJAHS for the annual Day of Remembrance program, this year presenting historian Greg Robinson, author of *By Order of the President: FDR and the Internment of Japanese Americans*.

The *Origins of Now* exhibit could not have been accomplished without the support of many partners (see page 13), but it was the involvement of CAPE and teachers and students at Mark Sheridan Math/Science Academy and Northside College Prep that added emotional depth to the historic exhibit with their creation of sophisticated artwork reflecting what they had learned from interviewing some of our community leaders who had lived through the racism, forced evacuation, internment and resettlement.

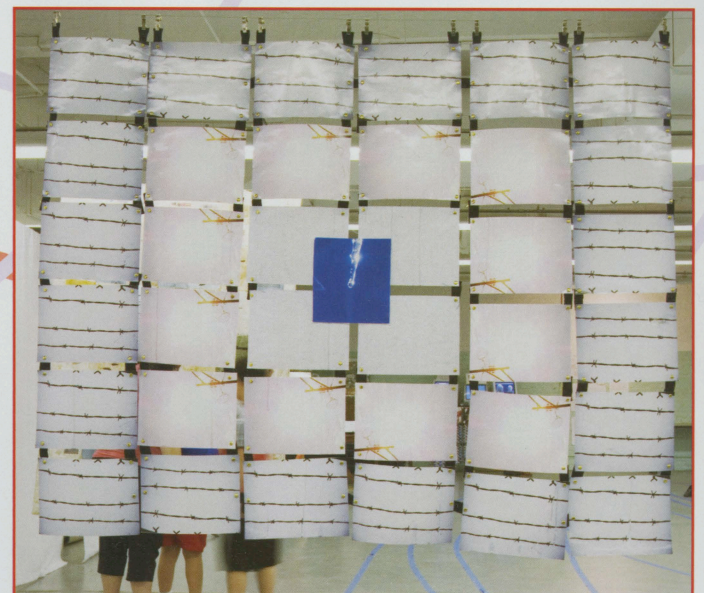
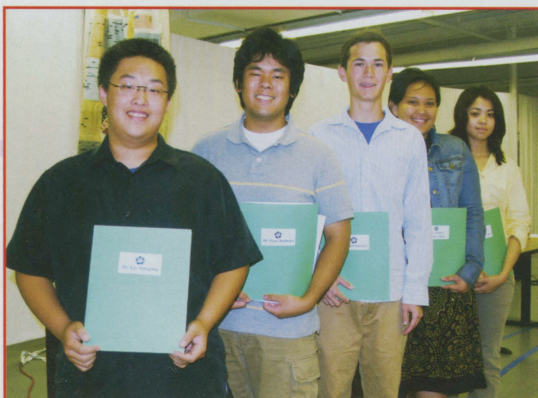


Scholarship Award Winners

JASC was honored to be able to award scholarships to very deserving high school graduates who exemplified themselves through their academic achievements and community involvement.

This year's honorees (from left) were Kai Yamagiwa, Kenji Morimoto, Justin Harada Rowland, Jennifer Palmejar-Takaki, and Lauren Massa Segal. The

students and audience were treated to a special performance by JASC Tsukasa Taiko instructors.



Performances

JASC's resident partners all helped make the year's worth of 60th Anniversary events a community success. The Asian American Law Enforcement Association, Chicago Nisei Post no. 1183, Japanese Mutual Aid Society of Chicago, New Horizons, Tampopo Club and Tohkon Judo Academy provided much-needed manpower, energy and expertise.

The 60th Anniversary also featured performances from our resident artists. Asian Improv aRts Midwest, Fujima Ryu of Chicago, Stir-Friday Night! and JASC Tsukasa Taiko all staged special presentations, free to the public.



Dear Friends,

It is amazing that just a year ago we were looking forward to commemorating our 60th anniversary, envisioning the *Origins of Now: ReBuilding Community* exhibit and performance series. This was a year that exceeded expectations and had some wonderful surprises such as the visit from former U. S. Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta, for our program, *To Honor the Resettlers*. This was a year of making meaningful memories enriched by bringing together longstanding friends and new friends in special and successful collaborations. In addition to our primary partners: Asian ImprovArts Midwest, the Chicago Japanese American Historical Society and the Chicago Arts Partnerships in Education, there were many more individuals, groups, organizations, corporations and foundations that made our vision a reality.

It has been a rare opportunity to learn about our beginnings. Everything that I've learned has deepened the pride and respect that I have for the Issei and Nisei leadership that rebuilt the community and made Chicago our home. What also impressed me about our founding leadership, is that they were committed to the values of collaboration and diversity. In the annual report from 1946, it is clear that the board and advisory council were intentionally diverse in race, ethnicity, gender and religion. These are values that we, at the JASC, are committed to today.

Everything this year was conceived and developed with that same commitment to collaboration and diversity. It was not just an exhibit – it was an unprecedented combination of history and artistic interpretation – it was a performance series, a mural project, a dynamic ongoing initiative. The synergy of people coming together, sharing similar values, having respect for one another and with a passion for the same vision, gives

Mission

The mission of the Japanese American Service Committee is to preserve and raise awareness of Japanese American culture and heritage, and promote the physical and spiritual well-being of Japanese Americans and the greater multicultural community in the Midwest.

us the momentum to pursue that vision. When the vision is inspiring, compelling and important, people are attracted to making the vision a reality. We feel so fortunate that this happened in so many ways this past year. There is a Japanese word, “kimochi,” which means feeling. A lot of kimochi has developed this past year. It is at the heart of our efforts to redefine and rebuild our community today.

While these exciting and public cultural heritage programs were going on, we were also quietly accomplishing another initiative that is just as important in our mission to serve the community – we made a qualitative assessment of the health access issues of Nikkei elders. Thanks to continuing support from United Way, and with valuable consultation from our Community Advisory Board, we will be planning an expansion of services based on what we learned.

So often our community has been buffeted by waves of racism and national tragedy. We have had to deal with circumstances beyond our control. To survive we have had to draw on our resilience, our fighting spirit, our “gaman,” our endurance and our persistence in order to rebuild our community. The JASC has adapted and changed in order to serve the changing needs of the community. Whether through social services, or cultural heritage programs, we have the strength as well as the flexibility to serve the community into the future. Today, we are in a position to create positive waves, to celebrate diversity, to share our rich culture and heritage and to expand our community.

Thank you for all that you have done to rebuild our community then, now and for the future.

In deepest gratitude,

Jean Fujiu
JASC Executive Director

Vision

The vision of the JASC is to promote and provide quality services and innovative programs, available to all, from a foundation of Japanese American culture.

Dear Supporters,

What an exciting and rewarding year 2007 turned out for JASC as we celebrated our 60th anniversary! It was wonderful to reconnect and celebrate with so many old friends and acquaintances at the numerous programs and activities throughout the year. It is also important to recognize the fact that it was through the collective efforts of many people, staff and volunteers, partners, companies, corporations and organizations coming together that made last year the success it was.

I want to take this opportunity to direct your attention to the relationship between all the activities, programs, and services highlighted in this year's annual report and the various initiatives outlined in JASC's strategic plan. The Board and staff continue to use this living document as the guide by which we use for all our planning and implementation. I hope you can

agree with me that the JASC core values are present throughout all the work we do and provide to the community.

Our near term plans are indeed ambitious as we identify new ways to broaden our capabilities for impacting more people. Additionally, we continue to assess our physical space to determine how best to create a facility that can truly be a "Destination Center" for the community. Change is very much in the air at JASC as we continue to make improvements and adapt to the changing environment in which we operate.

Thank you for your support and assistance for helping us be so successful.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Takada
President, JASC Board of Directors

Strategic Plan Long-Term Goals

1. Destination Center

Create a destination center whose design showcases Japanese culture and tradition. The space will be flexible in use and be designed to accommodate a variety of programs and services.

A variety of highly professional programs, services and events would be offered at the center, with specialized programming being developed for families, children, teens, young adults and seniors. Concurrent use of the facility by different groups would be fostered, so that all members of the community can feel comfortable utilizing the facility at any time, and the environment helps build, not fractionalize that feeling of community.

2. Outreach

Reach out to the dispersed Japanese American population, offering broader services, partnering/coordinating with other organizations to share resources and consolidate efforts. This includes the development of the infrastructure and

capacity needed for the support of outreach programming.

To meet the needs of a Japanese American population scattered throughout Chicagoland and the Midwest, satellite programming and services would be developed. The expanded staffing, communication, transportation and facility needs required to deliver and support these new programs would also be developed, so that they provided an alternative delivery site for some of the programs and services located at the destination center.

3. Leadership

Provide leadership in a consensus-building, facilitating manner among all Japanese American community organizations, and look for a commonality of purpose and opportunities for collaboration.

As the largest non-sectarian locus of Japanese Americans, and the organization with the most community resources, the JASC will strive to collaborate and coordinate with other community organizations for the betterment of all. The development of teens and young adults into community leaders will be another organizational focus.

Special Thanks

Isolated Nikkei Elders Assessment Project

Through this qualitative assessment project, the JASC sought to take a deeper look into the needs and strengths of isolated Nikkei elders. Reaching out across a wider geographic area and to engage participants who could give us a comprehensive view was essential to the effective completion of this study. Attempting this feat would not have been possible without the cooperation and support of many local Nikkei organizations, groups, and individuals. The JASC is grateful for their generosity.

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定住者が誇る 60 年の歴史

2006 年 7 月から 2007 年 6 月までの 1 年は、定住者の創設 60 周年を祝う 1 年でしたが、定住者が常に日系人社会のセンター的役割を果たしてきたことから、まさにシカゴ日系社会の歴史を振り返る 1 年でもありました。

9 月の富士まつりや 12 月のホリデー・ディライトなど従来の行事のほかに、10 月のシカゴ藤間流の創立 30 周年記念リサイタル、アジア・ジャズ・フェスティバル、12 月の太鼓レガシーにも共催団体として参加。2007 年は 1 月の闘魂柔道アカデミーの鏡開きに始まり、2 月は日系市民協会シカゴ支部、シカゴ日系人歴史協会との共催で、恒例の「デイ・オブ・リメンバランス」の記念行事を開催しました。

シカゴ日系歴史展 7 ヶ月のロングラン

60 周年記念の最大行事、シカゴ日系社会の歴史展、「オリジン・オブ・ナウ：リ・ビルディング・コミュニティ」は、多くの外部団体やシカゴ公立校の生徒らの協力を得て開催され、3 月 10 日のオープニングから 10 月 26 日の閉会までに 4~5000 人が入場しました。このような規模の大きな日系歴史展がシカゴで開催されたのは初めてのことでした。

移民、戦時キャンプへの強制収容、キャンプを出て生活再建を目指してシカゴに転住した人々の様子を写真やドキュメントのほかに収容所のバラックの一部を作り簡易ベッドを設置、トランクやキャンプで実際に使われた手作りの家具や工芸品、装飾品なども展示し、当時の暮らしを再現。新聞、テレビ、ラジオなどのメディアにも大きくとりあげられ高い評価を得ました。これらの展示物の多くは、定住者の歴史資料室レガシー・センターのコレクションと、コミュニティから提供された貴重な資料でした。

5 月 2 日には元運輸省長官のノーマン・ミネタ氏をゲストに招いて、シカゴ日系社会の基礎を築いた

転住先駆者を称えて、”To Honor the Resettlers”h を開催、歴史展を視察したミネタ元長官も子供の頃の戦時体験を語り、会場は参加者で埋まりました。

壁画プロジェクト

この歴史展示会と平行して、2 月からは 2 人の壁画アーティスト、マーティス・ズワイジンスキーさんとワン・カーロス・ペレズさんの指導でボランティアによる日系人の歴史と定住者の活動をテーマにした壁画制作プロジェクトがスタート、毎週土曜日の午前中には小学生からシニアまで、平均 20 人前後の参加者が、日系人の歴史を学び、体験談を基にディスカッションを繰り返しながら 5 枚パネルの壁画の制作に励みました。

パフォーマンス・シリーズ

多くの祝賀行事の関連プログラムとして、日本の芸能文化にも焦点が当てられ、4, 5, 6 月は J A S C 司太鼓の和太鼓演奏、スティア・フライデー・ナイトのスケッチ・コメディ、シカゴ藤間流の日本舞踊と豊秋三味線アンサンブルの演奏がいずれも定住者会館で催され、日系人だけでなく、一般市民の注目をあびました。

また 5 月 20 日には 2005 年に開催され好評を得たファンド・レイジング・イベント「蛍飛ぶ」の第二回を記念行事としてウォルター・ペイトン・プレップ高校で開催、日舞と太鼓、三味線にブルースの野毛ヨーコさんをゲストに迎えたバラエティー・ショーで会場を沸かせました。

コミュニティ・ピクニック

このほか 2008 会計年度に跨りますが 8 月には他の日系団体と共にコミュニティ・ピクニックを開催しましたが、このピクニックは収容所から転住してきた一世、二世の先駆者たちが楽しみにしていた恒例行事の一つでした。

以上主な記念行事を拾い上げましたが、これらを通して多くの非日系人にも日系人の歩んできた道や定住者の歴史と活動を認識してもらう良い機会になりました。

アダルト・デイサービス

定住者会のソーシャル・サービスは、アダルト・デイサービス、カウンセリング、ホームサポート・サービスと大きく分けて3つの柱から成り立っています。

シカゴ市でも最も古い歴史を持つ定住者会のアダルト・デイサービスは、一ヶ月に平均42名のクライアントが参加、昨年度は39,177時間のサービスを提供することができました。体操やいろいろなゲーム、工芸、ダンスなどのアクティビティ、日米の四季の行事、健康管理や衛生、栄養などの指導、家には忘れがちな服薬も常勤の正看護婦が家族や医師と連絡を取りながら確認を怠りません。プログラムにはシカゴ市のオープン・キッチンと提携して、毎日日替わりメニューのホットランチ、スナック、地域に制限はありますが専用バスによる送迎も含まれています。

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- 3) This FY 2007 annual
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for the year ended June 30, 2007

Revenues

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Individuals | \$81,874 |
| Membership | \$73,048 |
| Special Events (net) | \$104,951 |
| Corporation and Foundation Grants | \$11,655 |
| United Way | \$168,000 |
| Governmental Agencies Support | \$381,246 |
| Program Fees, Activity Fees and Other | \$265,672 |
| Investment Income | \$163,664 |

Total Support and Revenue **\$1,250,110**

Expenses

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Program Services | \$981,425 |
| Management and General | \$95,810 |
| Fundraising | \$116,027 |

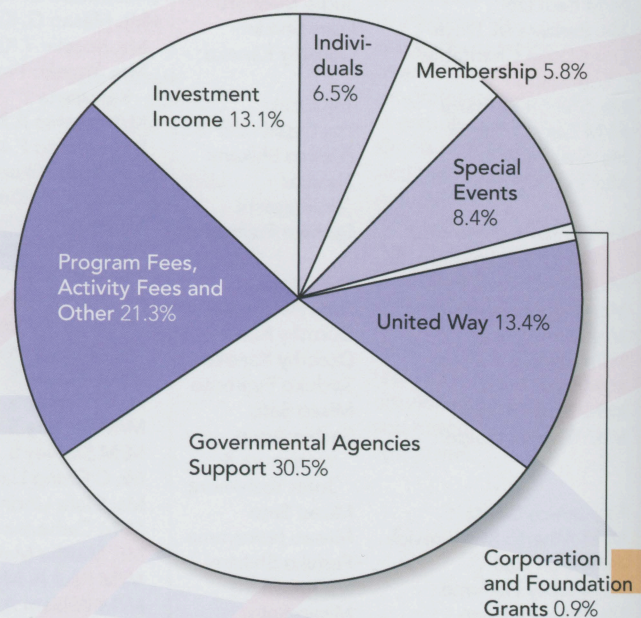
Total Operating Expenses **\$1,193,262**

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|-------------------------|----------|
| Non-Operating Expenses | |
| Pension Related Charges | \$62,061 |

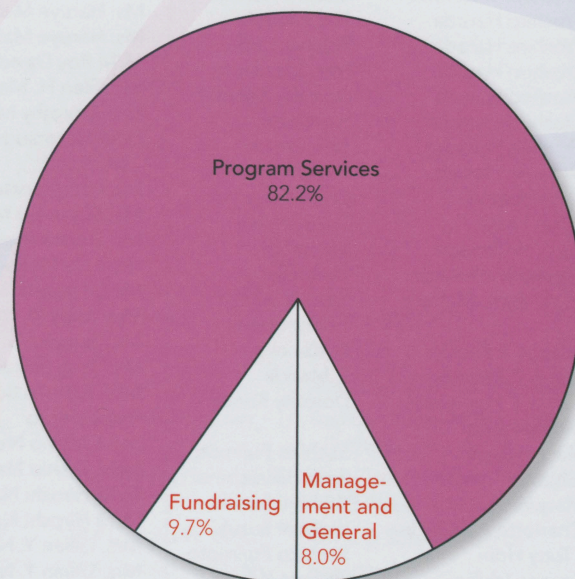
Total Expenses **\$1,255,323**

Deficit of Revenue and Support over Expenses **\$ [5,213]**

Revenues



Operating Expenses



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representation of *Origins of Now* exhibit: **Forced Migration in Flight Patterns**

Topic: Socially Engineered Segregation

Created by: Gianna LoCocco, Michelle Chin, Chris Davis & Derotte Wright, 7th grade students from

Mark Sheridan Math & Science Academy

Teachers: Dorothy Glodo & John Nieciak

Teaching Artist: Mark Diaz

an arts integrated learning project under the direction of Scott Sikkema, Director of Education, Chicago Arts Partnerships in Education

Flight Pattern Floor Mapping:

Students designed a grid map to tape onto the JASC floor, creating flight pattern-like representations of the forced movement of Japanese Americans. The mapping moves from homes on the West Coast (red circles) to internment camps (orange squares) and finally to resettlement in Chicago.

The students were made aware of the history of Japanese Americans during World War II by interviewing Japanese American community leaders who had lived through these experiences. From their interviews students learned that the forced migration had permanent effects, not only on the *Isei* and *Nisei* who had experienced it, but also on the future generations of Japanese Americans.

Mapping out this movement was done to show the huge changes that the internment wrought. This is why there is still a relatively large population of Japanese Americans in Chicago.

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