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SONOMA COUNTY JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE

March

Calendar of Events

April

Please continue to check our website and the website for the Enmanji Buddhist church for updates on events that have been cancelled or rescheduled.

ENMAN NO TOMO NEWS

We applaud everyone for keeping safe and healthy in spite of these trying times. We especially appreciate everyone trying to stay positive and active both physically and mentally. With the hopeful possibility of a vaccine to be available, we hope that everyone hangs in there and maybe we can socialize again this year. Right now in Sonoma County, you can sign up if you are 65 or over. Please contact your primary physician or other resources as mentioned in the paper and internet for more information. Keep your spirits up and if anyone needs help to make an appointment for a vaccine shot, please contact any one of us as we want you to be safe. You are not alone and we can power through this together. We are all thinking of you and wish you good health, good spirits and peace and happiness.

We would like to acknowledge a special donation from Ann Bradley. Thank you, Ann, for your generosity.

To Our JAACL Friends,

As you all know, Sonoma County is in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. While under this shelter-in-place order, we hope you are safe and healthy. Please stay informed as this is a fluid and scary time. Below are the state and national websites that provide up-to-date and important information.

State of California's COVID-19 Response Site: <https://covid19.ca.gov/>

The Center for Disease Control: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

As we're all impacted by the spread of COVID-19 to some degree, Sonoma County JAACL wants to support you and your families during this time. Please let us know about community members that may need or want assistance during this health crisis. We would like to work with you to generate ideas on how to help our community – now and when we return to something closer to "normal." We welcome your feedback and suggestions.

We appreciate you being a part of the JAACL and look forward to reconnecting once things are safer for all of Sonoma County.

Best regards, Sonoma County JAACL Board

Contact us at: SonomaCountyJAACL@gmail.com or info@sonomacojaacl.org

Close to Home: A long, sad history of anti-Asian hatred

The following article, written by Phyllis Tajii and the Sonoma County JACL board, an edited version appeared in The Press Democrat "Close to Home" editorial section on February 15, 2021.

Close to Home: A long, sad history of anti-Asian hatred

The Sonoma County Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) commends President Biden for signing the Executive Memorandum in January condemning and combatting anti-Asian hate incidents. This is in stark contrast to the signing of Executive Order 9066 on February 19, 1942 during WWII that authorized the forced removal and incarceration of 120,000 people of Japanese descent, nearly 70,000 of whom were American citizens.

The Day of Remembrance, commemorating Executive Order 9066, reminds us how words and leadership matter. As COVID-19 swept the nation, some leaders began using inflammatory terms such as "China Virus" to deflect accountability of its deadly impact. Usage of these terms caused a surge of xenophobia and violent actions targeted at Asian Pacific Americans this past year. From March 2020 to December 2020, the COVID-related hate incident reporting site 'Stop AAPI Hate' received almost 3,000 anti-Asian reports.

Executive Order 9066 was not an isolated event, it was the culmination of years of bigotry, widespread hate speech and anti-Asian discrimination laws that resulted in my family spending 3 years and, in my father and uncles' case, 4 years in American concentration camps. It's been decades since my parents, grandparents, great-grandfather and every relative in America were forced to leave their homes to live behind barbed wire in spring 1942. Yet, the COVID-19 racial hostility we witness today is a reminder that those circumstances are still not far removed.

The trauma of incarceration and lost possessions took a great toll on everyone. Being a post-war child, I heard only about good friends and good times in camp, but my mother could never speak about it without feeling melancholy which sometimes turned into tears. There was no explanation for this until 2011 when my elderly mother, who was a teenager during the war, confided in me that her father (my grandfather) tried to commit suicide in camp by slitting his wrists and throat.

My grandfather had been taken away in the early days after Pearl Harbor to a prisoner of war camp in Bismarck, North Dakota, leaving his wife and children to save what they could before they were sent to a camp in Arizona. After release from Bismarck he joined the family in Arizona and was devastated to learn that all of his newly purchased farm equipment, his livelihood, was lost along with many other possessions. My grandfather's attempted suicide was a family secret that none of the following generations knew about until my mother told me a year before she died.

Sonoma County Museum Day of Remembrance

The Museum of Sonoma County is pleased to be joined by members of the Sonoma County Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) to commemorate Day of Remembrance. In this video, we are told the tale of a Sonoma County family's internment camp experience, through a "Kamishibai" (Japanese street theater) presentation, followed by members of the Sonoma County JACL Speakers Bureau sharing their own family's stories.

Featured presenters from the Sonoma County JACL Speakers Bureau:

Henry Kaku (11:10)

Jodi Hottel (15:12)

Gary Sugiyama (17:37)

Bruce Shimizu (22:39) Kamishibai paintings created by Becky Brendlin Sugiyama

For more information about the Sonoma County Chapter of JACL, including how to request a presentation from the Speakers Bureau, please visit: <https://www.sonomacojacl.org/>.

Please note a correction to the phone number listed in the slide: (707) 486-4576.



About Day of Remembrance: On February 19, 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, which gave the U.S. Army the authority to remove civilians from the military zones established on the west coast. This led to the forced removal and incarceration of some 120,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry. Day of Remembrance is an opportunity for the Japanese American community to commemorate Executive Order 9066 and remember the impact the incarceration experience had on families, the community, and the country. It is an opportunity to educate others on the fragility of civil liberties in times of crisis, and the importance of remaining vigilant in protecting the rights and freedoms of all.

the video can be view on the Museum webste and YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=32eMYp80PkY>

Sebastopol World Friends Annual Sister City Friendship Dinner - January 23, 2021

Thank you for helping make our 2021 Sister City Friendship Dinner another success!

The Sebastopol World Friends (SWF) Board of Directors would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the community of Sebastopol and our global supporters for their help in making the 2021 Sister City Friendship Dinner such a successful event on January 23, 2021. About 100 people attended the event, which was held online for the first time due to the pandemic.

Among the guests were Consul General Toru Maeda of Japanese Consulate in San Francisco, Consul General Dmytro Kushneruk of Ukrainian Consulate in San Francisco, and Kevin O'Donnell of Sister Cities International. From the Sebastopol City Council, the SWF liaison Patrick Slayter, Vice Mayor Sarah Gurney, Council members Neysa Hinton and Diana Rich joined the gathering.

The theme of this annual event was to celebrate Sebastopol's sister city relationships with Takeo, Japan and Chyhyryn, Ukraine as in the past. In this particularly challenging year, we also aimed at bringing the community together both locally and globally as we go through the pandemic. We were thrilled to finally welcome our friends from Ukraine and Japan to join us all at the same time! The guests enjoyed socializing and participating in the activities during the event.

In the spirit of the ever-popular food theme tradition "Where Sushi Meets Borsch", we partnered with two local restaurants Sushi Tozai and Hole in the Wall, who prepared special take-out dinner sets of sushi and borsch respectively. We were very happy to be able to give back to these long-time supporters by partially subsidizing the cost. And the generous gratuities provided by our community were noted and appreciated.

In addition to the cultural entertainment of Zoloti Maky Ukrainian Dance Ensemble, Bandura Ensemble of Northern California, and Sonoma County Taiko, we were pleased to present an exclusive interview of Former U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine, and proud Analy graduate, Steven Pifer.

This year's Honorary Membership was given to Darryl Yagi and Julene Leach of Enmanji Buddhist Temple in recognition of their long-time support of SWF.

This get-together powerfully showcased the importance of people-to-people connection during this difficult time, both globally across the ocean and locally at home. Once again, thank you for your support of Sebastopol World Friends. We look forward to continuing working with you for World Peace, One Friend at a Time.



A Message from Film Producer Lane Nishikawa

I hope this finds you safe and well. Here's some links for you to view.

OUR LOST YEARS Trailer - This feature length documentary examines the internment of the Japanese Americans during World War II and the ten year fight for redress and reparations. (100 mins.) Currently touring the U.S.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uoVop_jCRDM&feature=youtu.be

LEAGUE OF DREAMS Promo - Currently in the fundraising phase, this feature documentary chronicles the 90 history of the Japanese American Citizens League, the oldest and largest Asian American Civil Rights organization in the U.S.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R0Yn2vm3fpM&feature=youtu.be>

LEAGUE OF DREAMS NEW SCENES Film Clip - These raw, uncut scenes were presented at the 2019 San Diego Chapter JACL Never Forget Gala this year, commemorating the 90th anniversary of the JACL. A little preview of the new film in progress.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oXjuaN-b0kc&feature=youtu.be>

I've tried to let the JACL chapters know that OUR LOST YEARS is available to them for free, to hold film screening events to fundraise for their chapters, educate youth, and network. San Diego JACL was my sponsor to fundraise for the film and we are not charging anything. We just ask that we can sell DVDs after. I did about eight cities but had to postpone fifteen cities because of Covid 19. Many of these were JACL chapters. I work with each city to help create PR materials.

Also, I'm working with National JACL on LEAGUE OF DREAMS. We are about to kick off a fundraising campaign February around Day of Remembrance. I started shooting at the 2019 National JACL Convention in Salt Lake City and hope to begin again in 6-8 months, again, depending on the Covid 19 restrictions.

MOCHITSKI 2020

Around the start of the New Year, many Japanese households take part in the annual tradition of Mochitsuki , the pounding of rice to make mochi. Mochi sounds similar to the Japanese word for “to hold” or “to have”, so mochi is eaten in hopes of gaining good fortune over the coming year.” (indojapanpulse.com)

In the Fall of 2020, the SCJACL Board of Directors contemplated the cancellation of our annual community mochitsuki event due to the pandemic - yet another disruption to our cultural legacy. We decided not to cancel but change it up to a very small group using safe outdoor conditions. The process was videotaped so we could share it with the SCJACL membership and greater Sonoma County community. We invited our young members of our new Generation Mirai sub-committee to participate. In this way, Mochitsuki 2020 represented the sharing of the traditional mochi-making technique and skills from one generation to the next. And just as important, by keeping the tradition going without interruption, we honored all the dedicated people who worked tirelessly over the past decades to keep the spirit of Sonoma County Mochitsuki going year after year.

The JACL members who worked on the production:

Lina Hoshino, videographer, film editor, and film Producer

Henry Kaku, Project Lead, consultant and trainer

Bruce Shimizu, consultant and trainer (SCJACL board member)

Nao Noguchi, consultant and contributor of essential equipment and supplies

Sachiko Knappman, consultant and trainer (SCJACL board member)

Gail Seymour, production assistant and trainee (SCJACL board member)

Adrian Chang, trainee (SCJACL Generation Mirai Committee member)

Erin Wilkins, trainee (SCJACL Generation Mirai Committee member)

Zoe Wilkins, trainee and mochi taster

Music provided by Sonoma County Taiko

View the video on YouTube @:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KIJZ_OaWt-c&feature=youtu.be

The video is dedicated to all the Sonoma County Mochitsuki masters who paved the way for future mochi-makers.



Sonoma County JACL Generation Mirai members featured in SF Chronicle and on KQED radio

Cathy Erway, SF Bay Area food writer and host of the podcast, "Self Evident: Asian America's Stories" researches Traditional Chinese Medicine and traditional Asian American lifestyles. Her mission recently led her to JACL Generation Mirai members, Adrian Chang and Erin Wilkins who are on a similar mission. Cathy was introduced to Adrian and Erin via the Asian-American folk traditions workshops that Adrian and Erin teach together. These workshops seek to explore various Asian American folk traditions that were brought to America by earlier generations and are now an integral part of the Asian American legacy.

Erin, mixed race Japanese Yonsei, was raised by her Sansei mother and Nisei grandparents in South Sacramento. For the last decade she has practiced as a Japanese style acupuncturist and clinical herbalist. She is also the owner of Herb Folk, an Asian American herb shop in Petaluma, CA.

Adrian, as a child in San Francisco, often visited his grandfather's apothecary shop in Chinatown. Growing up, he viewed traditional Chinese culture as "foreign" and regrets not absorbing the herbal medicine that surrounded him as a child. As an adult, Adrian lived in Japan for a decade with time spent learning the traditions of Sri Lanka and other Asian cultures.

Cathy grew up with parents who practiced Qigong and visited Chinese medicine doctors for their ailments. She now wishes she would have tapped into her parents' Chinese traditions during her younger years. She is now a SF Chronicle food writer and wrote a compelling article and full three page spread in the Food and Wine section of the SF Chronicle on Adrian's and Erin's efforts and their collaborative Zoom workshops. Her article also highlights the "decades-long, rocky passage in America for Traditional Chinese Medicine" (SF-Chron digital news copy, January 26, 2021 and hardcopy, January 31, 2021).

In the Chronicle article, Cathy reported, "Though their lessons derive from China, Chang and Wilkins are conscious of applying the term "Asian American" to their work to acknowledge that their approach is filtered through their Asian American upbringing — a

collective experience that they believe transcends specific ethnicity." The workshops that are offered by Adrian and Erin are inspiring like-minded people of all ethnicities and backgrounds to "build a sense of community in the Bay Area around Asian American herbalism and folk traditions."

This story was picked up by "The Bay KQED" and in this segment, Cathy discussed her desire to reconnect with her Asian heritage and how in Sonoma County, young adult Asian Americans are reclaiming traditional practices while building community.

As JACL chapters across the nation are challenged with declining membership and the realization that we wish to attract members from the younger generations, we can learn from what these three inspirational people are creating. Followers of their Instagram accounts and podcasts number in the thousands and their network is expanding. They are discovering and uncovering what has been around for generations with the enthusiasm to share these traditions with their communities. On behalf of the Sonoma County JACL, I look forward to working with Generation Mirai and this young generation that will carry on our good work to build community and celebrate our heritage. Learn more about them at:

Adrian Chang mykitsunecafe.com and on instagram [@mykitsunecafe](https://www.instagram.com/mykitsunecafe) and [@morihouse](https://www.instagram.com/morihouse)

Erin Wilkins at HerbFolkShop.com and instagram [@herbfolkmedicine](https://www.instagram.com/herbfolkmedicine)

Asian-American Folk Traditions workshop schedule at www.herbfolkshop.com

Cathy Elway, food writer and author of, "The Food of Taiwan" and "Sheet Pan Chicken"; Host of the podcast "Self Evident: Asian America's Stories". Email: food@sfchronicle.com

Gail Seymour, Board Member
Sonoma County JACL



It was recommended by the NCWNP District members that the JACL chapters educate themselves on the following legislation:

HR 40 - 115th Congress (2017-2018): Commission to study and develop reparation proposals for African-Americans Act.

Introduced by Representatives John Conyers, Jr. and Sheila Jackson Lee.

The bill establishes the Commission to study and develop reparation proposals for African Americans to examine slavery and discrimination in the colonies and the United States from 1619 to the present and recommend appropriate remedies.

A National JACL press release was published on February 17, 2021 from, David Inoue, Executive Director, National JACL, dinoue@jacl.org
Sarah Baker, VP Public Affair, National JACL, sbaker@jacl.org

"Today the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties held a hearing on the reintroduction of H.R. 40 - Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans Act. H.R. 40 has been introduced in Congress every year since 1989, the year after the Japanese American redress passed in the Civil Liberties Act of 1988. It is long past time that this legislation pass Congress and be implemented to begin the path towards restorative racial justice.

Over 30 years ago, redress was achieved for the wrongful forced removal and incarceration during WWII of nearly 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry on the west coast. The egregious abrogation of civil rights was carried out by our government ignorant to the citizenship and because of the racial and ethnic background of the victims. It took over 40 years for our government to take full responsibility and offer a full apology and economic reparations to incarcerated.

We are now over 155 years past the end of the Civil War and the end of slavery and over 50 years past the passage of the Civil Rights Act, Voting Rights Act, and Fair Housing Act which ended many of the Jim Crow Laws which extended the power of White Supremacy beyond the end of the Civil War. The legacy of these laws continues today.

Just as the CWRIC enabled Japanese Americans to tell our stories of the impact of incarceration, the H.R. 40 Commission would provide members of the Black community to share the impact of the institution of the legacy of slavery.

This week over 300 testimonies from the Japanese American community are being submitted to the Congressional Record in support of H.R. 40. JACL and several other Japanese American organizations have signed on to the "Why We Can't Wait" letter in support of H.R. 40. Japanese Americans fully understand the power of redress and reparations in our community and cannot silently stand by as our government denies the same overdue apology and reparations to the Black community.

Just as our government took responsibility for the World War II incarceration of those of Japanese ancestry, it is time for our nation to take responsibility for the institution and ongoing legacy of slavery."

H.R. 5734 and S.B. 4837 - The Neighbors Not Enemies Act

Original bill, H.R. 5734 introduced by Representative Ilhan Omar with companion bill, S.B. 4837 introduced by Senators Mazie Hirono, Cory Booker, Ed Markey, and Bernie Sanders.

H.R. 5734 will repeal the Alien Enemies Act of 1798. "The Alien Enemies Act of 1798 allows the President of the United States to target foreign nationals to be apprehended, restrained, secured, and removed without due process while America is at war. President Franklin D. Roosevelt used this law during WWII to target and incarcerate and deport Japanese, German, and Italian Americans. In 2016, then candidate Donald Trump referenced the Alien Enemies Act during the election as justification for his Muslim Ban."

David Inoue, Executive Director of the National JACL stated, " It is past the time for the repeal of this antiquated law which has been abused to justify the incarceration of Japanese Americans and more recently the Muslim Ban. As we have seen, the courts have been overly differential to Presidential claims of necessity due to national security, both in 1944 and 2018. It is up to Congress to place a check on the overreaching power of the President and act where the courts have failed the people."

Endorsements of the bill include the JACL, Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, Black Alliance for Just Immigration, National Iranian American Council Action, Asian Americans Advancing Justice, Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, Muslim Public Affairs Council, International Refugee Assistance Program, and National Immigration Law Center.

Submitted by Gail Seymour
Board Member, Sonoma County JACL

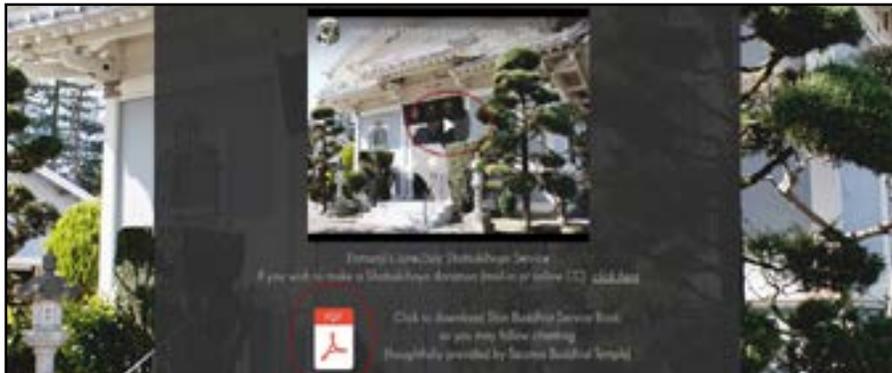
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ENMANJI SERVICES can be accessed on the Enmanji website at www.enmanjitemple.com
Here you can find various links to church services and lectures.

TO ACCESS ENMANJI SHOTSUKIHOYO SERVICE for June and July:
log onto the Enmanji website at www.enmanjitemple.com
click on " *click here to view* "



ENMANJI SHOTSUKIHOYO SERVICE Click on triangle view to video of service
Click on PDF icon to download service manual for songs and chants



SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP RATES DURING COVID EPIDEMIC

Dear Sonoma County JACL members,

We hope this letter finds you and your loved ones well and safe.

This is an extraordinary and unprecedented time, bringing many challenges to our lives. We understand many people are experiencing health and financial challenges in ways we have never faced before due to the covid-19 pandemic.

We have been offering a special discounted individual membership fee of \$10 for new members for the last couple of years. The Sonoma County Chapter of JACL Board has approved extending this discount to all members for one year beginning in April of 2020 through March of 2021. This means that all memberships, new and renewals, for individuals will only be \$10 and \$20 for couples. If you want to receive the printed copy of the Pacific Citizen, the \$17 fee still be an additional fee. We will reevaluate the situation early next year.

This is a way to show our appreciation to members who have been supporting JACL for so many years, and to make sure we are not going to lose any members due to financial challenges people might be facing. We also hope this will continue to help us grow our membership.

If you would like to still continue to send a full amount, we will accept anything above the discounted dues as a donation to National since they are also experiencing financial challenges.

We thank you for your continued support and if you have any questions, please email Sachiko Knappman, VP of Membership at sachikoc@sonic.net. Please take care and continue to be safe.

**38th Annual Sonoma State University
2021 Holocaust and
Genocide Lecture Series**
January 26-May 11, 2021/ Tuesdays 5:00 PM-6:50 PM
Via Zoom

SSU Students: POLS 307, Perspectives on the Holocaust and Genocide,
counts as 4 units of upper division GE credit, category D5.

OVERCOMING ADVERSITY

January 26: **THE HOLOCAUST IN HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE**
Professor Stephen Bittner, Ph.D., Sonoma State University

February 2: **THE LIBERATION OF BERGEN-BELSEN**
Bernice Lerner

Sylvia G. Sucher Memorial Lecture
Underwritten by Arline Thomas

February 9: **HARBOR FROM THE HOLOCAUST**
(documentary film and online panel discussion)--asynchronous presentation

February 16: **ISLAMOPHOBIA AND ANTISEMITISM: DIFFERENCES,
PARALLELS, AND CHALLENGES**
Professor Mehnaz Afridi, Director, The Holocaust, Genocide, and Interfaith
Education Center, Manhattan College

February 23: **OVERCOMING ADVERSITY**
Professor Michael Berenbaum, Ph.D., American Jewish University
Robert L. Harris Memorial Lecture
Underwritten by Barbara Lesch & Michael J. McCaffry

March 2: **THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE**
Professor Sergio La Porta, Ph.D., CSU Fresno Armenian Studies Program
& Interim Associate Dean, College of Arts & Humanities

March 9: **"THE IRISH NEED TO KNOW THEIR PLACE:" FAMINE,
IRELAND, AND THE POLITICS OF FOOD**
Professor Kathleen Noonan, Ph.D., Sonoma State University

March 16: **THE STATELESS DIPLOMAT: DIANA APCAR'S HEROIC LIFE** (film)
Mimi Malayan (filmmaker)
Armenian Genocide Memorial Lecture

March 23: **SPRING BREAK** (campus closed)

March 30: **PROFITING FROM GENOCIDE: GENOCIDE AND HUMAN
TRAFFICKING IN MODERN HISTORY**
Professor Ashley Greene, Ph.D., Keene State College

April 6: **BECOMING EVIL**
Professor James Waller, Ph.D., Cohen Endowed Chair of Holocaust
and Genocide Studies, Keene State College

April 13: **THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CAMBODIAN GENOCIDES 1975-1979**
Professor Ben Kiernan, Ph.D., Yale University

April 20: **AMERICAN GENOCIDE**
Professor Benjamin Madley, Ph.D., UCLA
Underwritten by the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria

April 27: **GENOCIDE TODAY: THE UYGHURS IN CHINA**
Ellen Kennedy, Ph.D., World Without Genocide

May 4: **REFUGEES, REBELS, AND SLAVES: GENOCIDE IN THE DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC OF CONGO**
Professor Ashley Greene, Ph.D., Keene State College

May 11: **THE GENOCIDE AGAINST THE TUTSI IN RWANDA**
Her Excellency Mathilde Mukantabana, Rwandan Ambassador to the United States;
Liliane Pari Umuhiza, Tutsi Genocide Survivor and founder, Women's Genocide
Survivors Retreat; and Ndahiro Bazimya, Tutsi Genocide Descendant
Alexandre Kimenyi Memorial Lecture
Underwritten by Her Excellency Mathilde Mukantabana & Chiaya Rawlins

Information and access to the video archive of past lectures can be found at <http://www.sonoma.edu/holocaust/>
Please like our Facebook page at Alliance for the Study of the Holocaust and Genocide.

The Holocaust Lecture Series is sponsored by the Alliance for the Study of the Holocaust and Genocide, the Paul V. Benko Holocaust Education Endowment, the Armenian Genocide Memorial Lecture Fund, the Adele Zygjelbaum Endowment, the Thomas Family Foundation, the Center for the Study of the Holocaust and Genocide, the SSU Students' Instructionally Related Activities (IRA) Fund, and the Jewish Community Federation (JCF) of San Francisco, the Peninsula, Marin and Sonoma Counties.



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Study the nature of hate. Prevent the escalation of prejudice into genocide

If you have any suggestions for future activities you would like to include in our programs, food demos, movies, bowling, social-business expo, you name it. Please let us know!

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Please take care and continue to be safe.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Please send your renewal forms and checks to:

Sonoma County JACL
c/o Membership Chair
515 Petaluma Ave.
Sebastopol, CA 95472

Membership chair will deposit your check into our account and then submit your membership info and National dues to National JACL HQ office. This step is required because we have the extra requirement of submitting the balance due for those senior members whose membership dues are subsidized.