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Vancouver Asahi tribute game photo: Adam PW Smith

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# Update from the Reverend Nakayama Project Committee

## WHO WE ARE

The Reverend Nakayama Project Committee is a community-based committee which is not affiliated or associated with any Japanese Canadian community organization. The committee was established as a result of longstanding community concerns about individuals and families who were harmed by sexual abuse spanning many years, perpetrated by the late Reverend Goichi Gordon Nakayama. The purpose of our

- · offer community caring and support for survivors and families, (including facilitating therapeutic service referrals if needed)
- support a community process for healing and resolution
- · work with the Anglican Church of Canada on the Church's apology to those who have been hurt by Reverend Nakayama's actions.

The committee also wishes the national community to understand that although support is offered, the committee respects the right of any survivor and/or survivor family to individually resolve their experience in their own way, and this includes maintaining silence regarding their experience.

The committee's current members are composed of community members and project support people who have been community volunteers. More information about committee members will be provided in our information kit. Committee members are: Emiko Kordyback, Joyce Chong, Judy Hanazawa, Lisa Uyeda, Lorene Oikawa, Naomi Shikaze, Ron Nishimura

# COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

Over the past year this committee has given information about community information activities They include:

- Iney include: 1014 the committee hosted a meeting with various community representatives to seek guidance and recommendations regarding the best way to provide information and offer support in the community about Reverend Nakayama's abuse
- In April, 2014 at the request of the committee, the Venerable Douglas Fenton, Executive Archdeacon at the Synod Office of the Dioceses of New Westminster wrote an article which was published in the May 2014 bulletin called "Commitment to Truth and Reconciliation" Archdeacon Fenton also concluded this article stating, "Anyone who wishes to express his/her pain, anger or sadness should make an appointment for an in-person visit or telephone call. If you or someone you know would benefit from a conversation with a representative of the Anglican Church please call 604 684 6306 and ask for Archdeacon Fenton or write to dfentona vancouver.anglican.ca.

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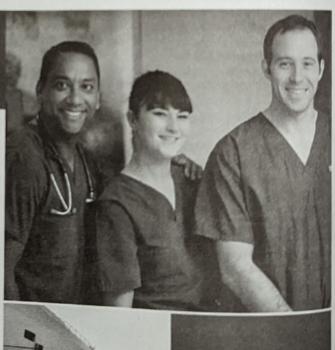
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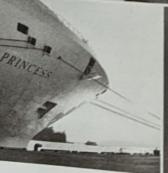
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SHIKAZE, Hisako 1921-2014. It is with deep sadness. that we announce the passing of Hisako (nee Niwatthat we discovered the transfer of the Niwat-sukino) at 93 years of age. Predeceased by husband Gilbert, son Ken, brothers Hiroshi & Shigeru, sister Toshiko (Kenny). Survived by son Dennis (Marion), Todd (Pakk), & Naomi, grandchildren Kesa, Trevor, and Todd (Bobbi), & Mio, great granddaughters Lenna & Amaya. Also survived by sistersdaugited by sisters susie, Tomi (Shiro) & in-law Kyoko & Hideko, sisters Susie, Tomi (Shiro) & Kazy (Doc). Memorial Service will be held on Friday Oct. 3 at 11:00 am at the Fraser Valley Buddhist Temple (28941 Haverman Rd, Aldergrove). We request no flowers or Koden. If so desired, please donate to the Fraser Valley Buddhist Temple, Nikkei Home or a charity of your choice.

YAMAURA, David Tsutomu May 6, 1925 - September 26, 2014. With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of David Tsutomu Yamaura at the age of 89 years. David slipped away peacefully with loving wife Beverley and son Derrick at his side. Also left to cherish his memories are siblings Bill and Margaret, and many nieces and nephews. David was born in Port Hammond, B.C. to Kinoe and Iwama Yamaura. During World War II, the family was swept up with other Japanese-Canadians and forcibly evacuated from the West Coast; first to Slocan, B.C., then across the country to Cedar Springs, Ont., where they worked at a farm and orchard. Upon his return to B.C. in 1949, David operated a grocery store and worked as a volunteer firefighter and professional driver before enjoying a well-deserved retirement. In his spare time, David loved to work with his hands, whether in the garden or around the house, and could often be found in his basement workshop. David was also a supporter of several charities and foundations, including the Nikkei National Museum & Cultural Centre. where he volunteered his time and expertise for many years. David was deeply loved and respected by all. He will be greatly missed. A private family service will be held at Forest Lawn Memorial Park. A Celebration of David's Life will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 26, at Nikkei National Museum & Cultural Centre (6688 Southoaks Crescent, Burnaby). Koden and flowers graciously declined. Donations may be made to Nikkei Place Foundation (nikkeiplacefoundation. org) or RCH Foundation (rchfoundation.com).

YOSHIDA, Akio March 28, 1960 - October 14, 2014 Akio Yoshida, loving father, husband and brother, Passed away suddenly on October 14, 2014. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends. A memorial service was held on Saturday, October 18th at the Fisherman's Hall in Prince Rupert, BC.

UYEDA, YAEKO July 29, 1928 - October 19, 2014.lt is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Yaeko Uyeda on October 19, 2014. She is survived and greatly missed by husband Eiji, daughters Andrea and Wendy (Chris), sister Kiyoe, many nephews and nieces, cousins and friends. A Memorial Service will be held at 12:00 p.m. on October 28, 2014 at Glenhaven Memorial Chapel, 1835 East Hastings Street, Vancouver. Koden and flowers gratefully declined.

# **NAJC** continued

# New Administrative Leadership

The National Council unanimously supported a one-year pilot of a parttime Executive Director (ED) position. Congratulations to Ken Noma who is our Executive Director and stepping down as Past President. His experience as president for four years will give our members and the NEB direct support and on-going communication as well as ensuring day-today administrative responsibilities. With Ken's in-depth knowledge of the JC communities, he will continue his unwavering efforts to support the renewal of the NAJC mandate.

Jim Suzuki our new National Administrator (NA) will be supporting the executive director and the NEB who will be overseeing the National Office in Winnipeg. Congratulations to Jim and many thanks to Terumi Kuwada as the interim NA for her leadership and commitment to the NAJC. Jim Suzuki is well known to the JC community since 1988 when he was the Central Regional Coordinator for the NAJC and past president of the former Manitoba Japanese Canadian Cultural Association (MJCCA).

## **Editorial** continued

a greater emphasis on photographs, with Wakayama, a talented photographer, providing the bulk of them.

Another person who must be acknowledged is Mickey Nakashima (now Tanaka), who created The Bulletin in April of 1958, naming it after the Montreal Bulletin. There are many others who deserve mention of course, but time precludes naming them all.

But enough looking back - it's time to look ahead, and to acknowledge my co-editors, Kaori Kasai (AKA Sleepless Kao) and Kazuho Yamamoto, as well as our dynamic new Board of Directors. Together we are working hard to take The Bulletin / Geppo to a new level. Thanks to them, and thanks to you for your ongoing support.

## Reverand Nakayama continued

- · On June 14, 2014 the committee hosted a community information event during which guest speaker Chief Doctor Robert Joseph of Reconciliation Canada spoke about the effects of child sexual abuse in a First Nations community. This meeting also provided an opportunity to discuss and better understand our past family and community response to Reverend Nakayama's abuse. Information was also offered about therapeutic support to address trauma resulting from child sexual abuse.
- The committee participated in 6 meetings to date in 2014 with Anglican Church representatives to address Reverend Nakayama's historic abuse. The committee is providing input regarding the framework for the apology of the Anglican Church of Canada to Japanese Canadians.

The current committee work plan is to continue providing information to the Japanese Canadian community about this project. For this purpose we are developing a community information kit. We will also provide updates on our continuing work with the Anglican church. We are continuing to be available if any community member wishes to make contact with any questions or concerns.

## How to contact the committee

The Reverend Nakayama Project Committee can be contacted directly by email to JCWorking Group@gmail.com.