

**JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE
SEATTLE CHAPTER
Masao and Cherry Kinoshita
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

The Seattle Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) is a civil rights/ education organization, established in 1921, has offered scholarships to deserving young adults for many years. Cherry Kinoshita, a longtime member and leader in JACL was very active in the area of civil rights. Her contribution towards redress for Japanese Americans incarcerated during World War II, was immense. Masao Kinoshita, her husband, was also a JACL member and active in the Nisei Veterans Committee.

The Masao and Cherry Kinoshita Scholarship will be given to a member or relative of a member of the Seattle JACL, or Nisei Veterans Committee, who wishes to pursue or is pursuing a degree in political science, journalism, Asian American Studies or community service. The Scholarship will be \$2000 this year, which will be presented at a ceremony in May.

Steps/Timeline

- 1) Application must be received by April 17, 2009
- 2) Interviews will take place on April 25, 2009
- 3) The successful candidate will attend the scholarship luncheon on May 2, 2009

Applications must be received by April 17, 2009. Please send to:

**May Namba
2324 – 94th NW
Seattle, WA 98117**

or send electronically to MayNamba@comcast.net

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Currently a student at: _____

The College I plan to attend in Fall, 2009 _____

_____ Entering Freshman _____ Graduate School

Your Current Grade Point Average: _____

Please submit your official school transcript.

Please include with your application:

1. A list of your extra-curricular and community activities. Please include length of activity, and any leadership roles. You may also include work experience, or other pertinent information.
2. A list of any awards or recognitions you have earned
3. An essay of 500 words or less to address this question:
How do you think the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II and the subsequent awarding of redress from the US Government has affected our society today?
Please double space your essay.
4. TWO (2) letters of recommendation, one from faculty and/or counselor at your school and the other from someone in the Japanese American community or a member of the Seattle JACL

Note to faculty or counselor: Please address the student's community service, extra curricular activities and academic achievement.