

JACL CAN CONTINUE TO STRIVE WITH A TRANSPARENT LEADERSHIP AND A WELL-CONNECTED AND INFORMED MEMBERSHIP

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Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and are ready for this new year! I am excited for what this year has in store for the JACL. As I am still a new governor, I am grateful to the PSW board for the volunteer time they put in to ensure the success of our organization. We have many new board members, and their new outlooks, along with the experience and wisdom of our returning board members, makes an amazing team!

I am especially grateful to my vice-governor, Marissa Kitazawa. Thank you! The PSW staff as well as Stephanie Nitahara (our regional director) have done a lot of great work in 2015. Their efforts have produced powerful programs and the continuous improvement of the PSW.

I look forward to what 2016 has in store for our programming and community development!

Finally, I am grateful to our members. The PSW is my home district, and I am extremely proud and honored to represent you all. As always, I am open to any suggestions, comments or concerns from our members. It is with a transparent leadership and a well-connected and informed membership that our organization can continue to strive.

Thank you everyone for a wonderful 2015, and here's to an even better 2016!