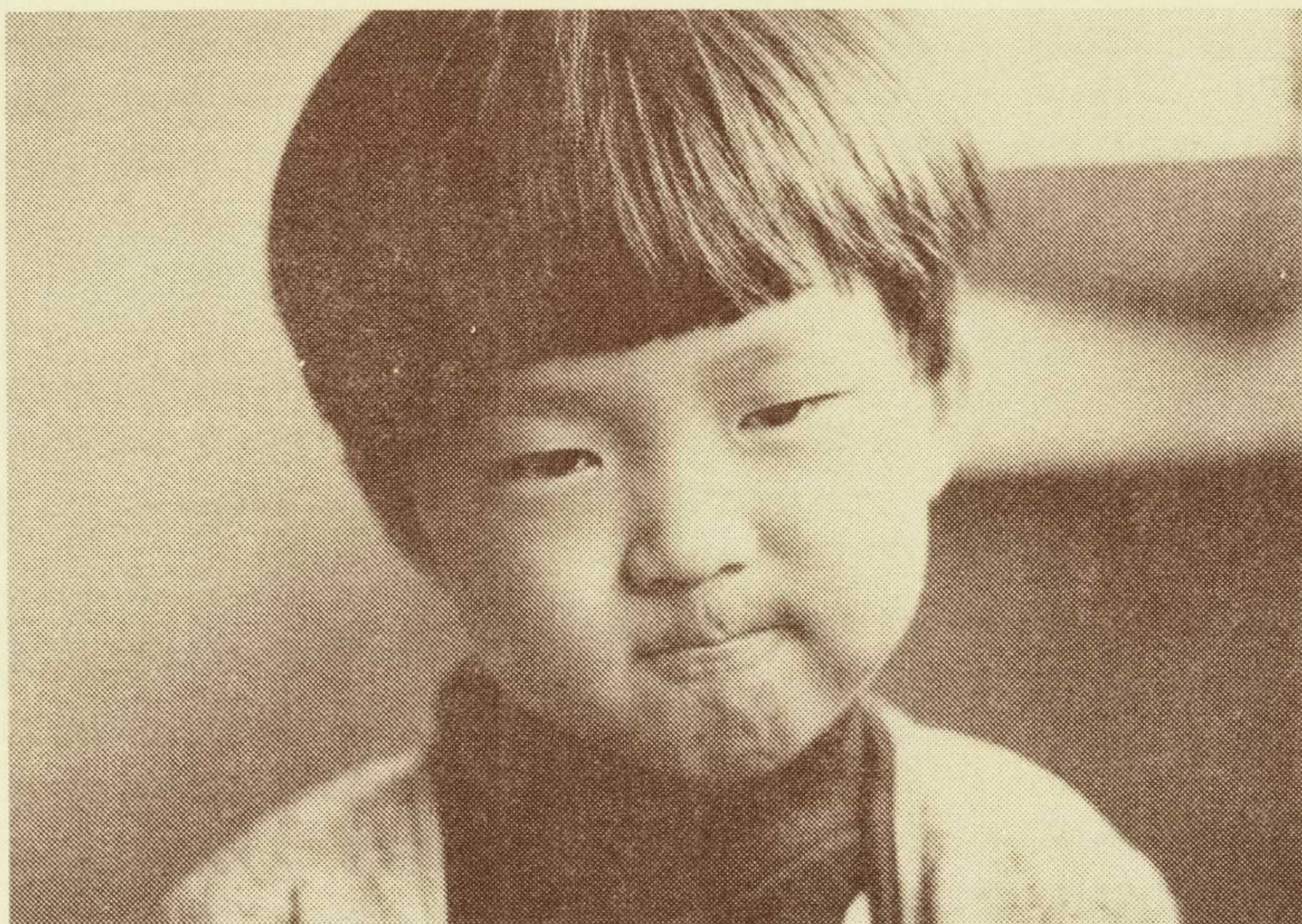


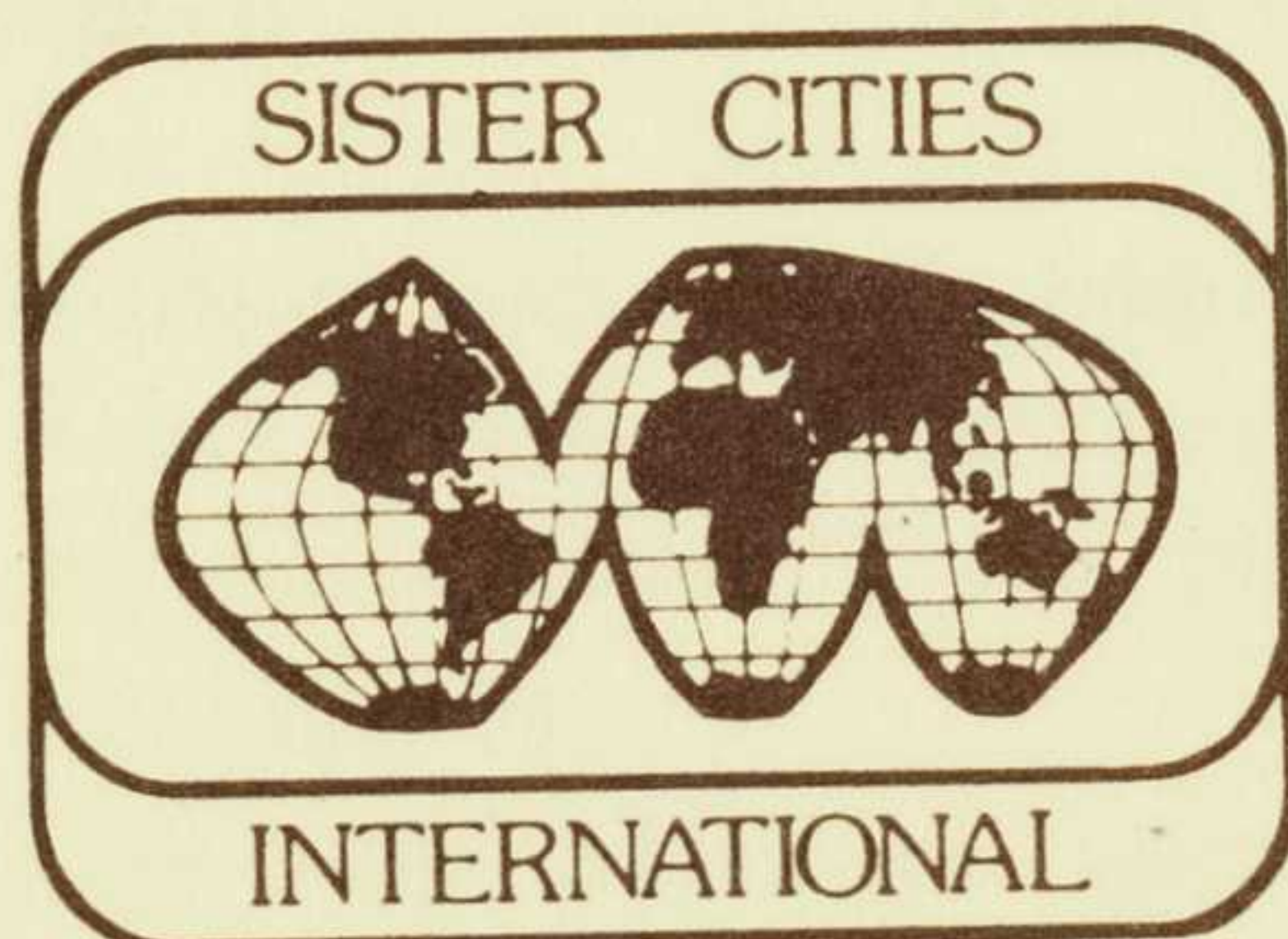
BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Mrs. Mickey Korich, the Oakland School Exchange Program Liaison Chairman, has been active in the Oakland-Fukuoka Sister City Program for many years. She is the wife of Stanley Korich, President of the Oakland-Fukuoka Sister City Society, and the mother of three active, school-age children. Mrs. Korich was a substitute teacher in the Oakland public schools during the period 1973-74 when she began the Oakland-Fukuoka School Exchange Program. She is presently a full-time teacher of a fifth-grade class at the Hawthorne Elementary School in Oakland. She has continued to direct the successful School Affiliation Program, which grew to include 67 schools in Oakland and Fukuoka during 1976-77.

The Oakland-Fukuoka Sister City Society received the Reader's Digest "Best Single Project" Award in their population category at the Sister Cities International Annual Conference in Palm Springs, California in August, 1977. The award was given for their outstanding School Affiliation Program, which is described in this booklet.



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