



CLASSNOTES

'49

Our get-together on January 24, 2010, was highlighted by a test of memories of our high school days and events since we left the Nuʻuanu Campus. **Eileen Soneda** and **Sandra Lee** organized and posted dozens of old photos from their archives. The objective: to identify the pictures using magnifying glasses to help investigate photos dating back to the 1946 era. Surprisingly, some were 100% even though they had difficulty recalling names. Almost everyone was remembered by a nickname, such as “Hobo,” “Muscles,” “Buddha,” “KB,” and “Kearny.”

The **Wongs, Cyrus, Raymond** and **Warren; Harold Aloiau; Edward Chun; Howard Han; James Kawasaki; Walter Komeiji; Gilman Hu; Thomas Lau; William Lee; Alan McKillop; Kenneth Mukaigawa; Albert Nishikawa; Donald O’Day; James Lee; Robert Saida; Walton Shim; Gerald Soneda;** and **Clarence Taoka**, plus wives and guests came to enjoy. Wives of our former classmates are always welcome to all our activities as they, along with 1950 grad **Benjamin Almadova**, are part of our great '49 'Ohana.

We were very honored that **Myrna Chun-Hoon**, widow of **Albert; Letitia Ho**, widow of **Walter; Rae Watanabe**, widow of **Eric; Annabelle Ching**, widow of **John; Adele Low**, widow of **Paul** in an earlier class, could join us. Also with us were **Mae Morisugi**, widow of **Robert**, and her son **Derrick; Alohalinda Tongg**, widow of **Ruddy**; and **Betty Hamada**, widow of **George**.

We remember **Bob Morisugi** as our cheerleader for all 'Iolani's football games and we learned that **Ruddy Tongg, Jr.**, was a diplomat for Guatemala. Betty Hamada came back from California to be with us to participate in **Eddie Hamada's** service. She read an article from 'Iolani's discussion group, “Remembering Mr. Hamada,” which recounted many good things about Eddie. The article also stated that “George was just like Eddie”—and he was!

After all the good food, fun, and laughter, we had to say so long for now. With the Chinese New Year coming up and background music from China titled “Blessing from Heaven,” bright red paper with Chinese proverbs written in gold with lucky words signifying good luck, good health, success, happiness, longevity, and best wishes were given to each person and family. Our next get-together: we are looking forward to our 79–80th year celebration.

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Gung Hee Fat Choy! Organizers **Dave Yoshioka**, **Herb Yoshimura**, **Steve Kondo**, and **Willie Matsuura** led a golf group in February to Maple Garden Chinese Restaurant. **Ron Lim**, **Roy Kaneshiro**, **Paul Shigenaga**, **Les Uyehara**, **Wilfred Yoshioka**, **Harold Tanaka**, and **Ruby**, not only played at Ala Wai with them, but also attended the dinner. **Harold Gusukuma**, **Wayne Kawamura**, **Lloyd Kagawa**, and Dr. **Carl Watanabe**, who usually meet on the "nineteenth hole" were also present. Les gave the invocation, and Ron emceed the rest of the evening. **Stan Kanetake** and his wife exchanged food talk with **Mel** and **Paula Chow**. **Solomon Wainee**, **Bobby Asato**, **Warren Chung**, **Mel Izumi**, **Jimmy Kawashima**, and **Randy Okamura** shared pleasantries at the banquet. Thanks to **Chris Shimabukuro** '85 for revising the reunion activities and informing us as to what is expected. Reunion information will be sent to all classmates.

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Mike and **Lorrie Chun** performed as part of a tango formation at the Hawai'i Ballroom Dance Association's 50th Anniversary Ball at the Waikiki Sheraton and attended by more than 600 people. The performance is on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fvlufPIWIHw>

Mike reported that **Mike** and **Trudy Uechi** competed in the Grand Seniors, dancing the waltz, fox-trot, tango and quick step. In the afternoon competition, they came in first place, and in evening competition (exactly the same dances and competitors), they came in fourth.

Enjoying a September 23, 2009, dinner at Happy Days Restaurant with **Ed Futa**, Secretary General of Rotary International, were **Tom Campbell**, **Mike Chun**, **Steve Fujikami**, **Dexter Furuhashi**, **Warren Ho**, **Mo Lai**, **Ken Lee**, **Jim Miyashiro**, **Milt Oshiro**, **Steve Takaki**, **Tom Teruya**, **Dick Tsuda**, **Don Watanabe**, and **Tom Wong**.

When former 'Iolani teacher **Reed Taylor** visited in October, he and **Tom Teruya** visited the Bishop Museum followed later in the week with a nostalgic dinner at the Willows with **Tom Campbell**, **Mike Chun**, **Warren Ho**, **Mo Lai**, **Ken** and **Jennifer Lee**, **Jim Miyashiro**, **Bob Mumper**, **Milt Oshiro**, **Steve Takaki**, **Tom Teruya**, **Dick Tsuda**, **Cliff Uejio**, and **Emmett** and **Judy Yoshioka**. **Mike Chun** has uploaded videos taken at the event. Here are the links:

#1: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=btd5NXXKcKoI>

#2: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4DnQmip16e0>

#3: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NBMyKsdSY6M>

#4: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zk6iVmxxZ0M>

If anyone has pictures from any class function, past or present, e-mail them to Mike at mikechun@hawaii.rr.com so he can post them on the Class of '61 blog site. Meanwhile, classmates can get to the blog by going to <http://www.blogger.com/feeds/830319431352705903/posts/default>

Andre Dulce reported that he and his wife went to the UH-Washington State football game and had fun cheering for Hawai'i. He ran into **Steve Takaki** during halftime but just had time to say "Hi" and "Bye." He thought he saw **Winnie Hoshino** but wasn't sure that it was he because the last time Andre saw Winnie was at the 30th or 40th class reunion. Andre still has the main karate school in Bellevue (Washington Shotokan Association) and 10 other locations. He was promoted to 7th Degree Black Belt in February with the Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association in San Jose, California.

When **Mo Lai** went to California for a Stanford reunion, he had lunch in San Jose with **Sid Takenishi** and **Chuck Leong**. Sid is still catching a bunch of fish, and Chuck is enjoying life without eyeglasses.

Classnotes Deadlines

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- » **May 14, 2010** FOR SUMMER 2010 ISSUE
- » **August 13, 2010** FOR FALL 2010 ISSUE
- » **November 15, 2010** FOR WINTER 2011 ISSUE

The 'Iolani School Bulletin publishes news about alumni, including such events as career changes, graduations, marriages, births, travels and other occasions. Clearly shot print photos are accepted and may be mailed separately from e-mails or attached to submissions sent through the postal mail. High resolution digital photos (1800 x 1200 pixels) are also accepted. Please identify the people in photos. Space limitations may prevent some photos from being included. Thank you.



The Class of '65 gathered for a 2009 holiday dinner: sitting, Val Wong, Margaret Onaka, Jan Goo, Cynthia Lum, Arlene Wong, Claire Pang, Linda Shirai, Kathy Hong, Lynn Arimoto; standing, Randy Wong, Alvin Onaka, Glenn Goo, Courtland Pang, Howard Arimoto, Wendell Kam, Steve Chong, Chris Shirai, Gerry Wong, Herb Hong, and Billy Lum.

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Our class ended the year 2009 with its now traditional holiday dinner, once again arranged by **Herbert Hong**. Ten classmates were able to join Herb at the O'ahu Country Club for their choice of either filet mignon or scallop ravioli, preceded by a shredded duck on fresh Nalo greens salad, then followed by chocolate passion fruit cake for dessert.

All that delicious food posed no problem for **Steve Chong**, who still bikes to stay in shape including up the Wai'alaie Iki Ridge (albeit he only does that route once a month). **Billy Lum** is glad he can drive his car to his home up there and not have to bike it. Billy graciously

provided hand-made finely crafted wooden keepsake boxes for each classmate. **Wendell Kam**'s hobby is also woodworking, and he and Billy compared tool-shopping wish lists. **Chris Shirai** is doing volunteer work with the Alzheimer's Association and had been in Chicago where **Courtland Pang** and his wife were going to visit, so Chris told Courtland about the Garrett popcorn stores there. That popcorn turned out to be a mighty tasty snack! **Alvin Onaka** will also try to sample some when passing through Chicago on one of his many trips to D.C. for the State. Alvin and Courtland still try to make new fishing memories when Alvin is in town. **Randy Wong** joined the ranks of the retired at the end of the year so he'll have more time now for his koi and travel. Randy had visited Oregon and met up with **Brian Maeda**. Brian and Randy did some wine tasting; here they're taking a break out in the wine country.

Hubert Minn is still an international boxing official with the World Boxing Council so when he said that he'd shaken the hand of the most powerful man in the world, **Manny Pacquiao** came to mind; however, it was not at a "Rumble in the Jungle" but rather during a day at the zoo when Hubert, in his

day job role as deputy director of the City's Enterprise Services, shook **President Obama**'s hand as he escorted the First Family and entourage through the exhibits during their holiday stay here. Hubert (far right in photo) described the President as very genial and down-to-earth.

As Hubert told Courtland and **Stu Kaneko** about the President, Courtland could not help recalling **Mr. Hamada**'s words to his physician, as told by Dr. **Steven Dang**, like Mr. Obama a Punahou alumnus, at Mr. Hamada's services: You did good; you went to the second best school in the State. Yes, Mr. Obama, you "did good" in attaining the presidency.

Many in our class attended the celebration of Mr. Hamada's life. Hubert, **Fred Okumura**, Chris, Alvin, and Courtland were just a few seen among the very large number of people attending. Mr. Hamada was coach, mentor, P.E. teacher, and inspiration to many of us, and we will all miss him. In the heartfelt words of **Larry Price**, the best way to honor Mr. Hamada is to carry on and complete what he was doing. Many of you have and are continuing to do so by helping to preserve the One Team culture, which Mr. Hamada so cherished and exemplified, through your support of the *oneTEAM* documentary.

Fred will be retiring this year from his position as 'Iolani's Lower School Dean. Stu is once again coordinating our class's participation in this year's 'Iolani Fair and also an informal get-together talk-story gathering at Hubert's house the Saturday after our work night at the Fair. By the time you read this, hopefully many of you will have both attended the Fair and gone to Hubert's house.

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Brian Maeda '65 and Randy Wong '65 met in Oregon.



Hubert Minn '65, far right, met President Obama.

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Much mahalo, **Reed Minuth**, for prompting a gathering of '67 classmates while he was in town attending the services for our beloved **Coach Hamada**. **Charlie Hite**, **George Norcross**, **Brooks Takenaka**, **Kevin Chong**, **Miles Miyamoto**, **Robert Cooper**, **Steve Nagata** and **Mike Flores** enjoyed a lunch of noodles, dim sum, and fish, lots of fish—Reed provided the “cuda” and Brooks supplied the ehū.

“Lunch with Reed” at Hee Hing on February 2 provided an opportunity for the local guys to get caught up with Reed and each other. We blame the heavy rain for the absence of **Bob Bulkley**, **Willis Au**, **Cliff Hedani**, **Tom Ritchie**, **Gary Fong** and **Dave Hulihee**, who were planning to attend. We could have used the extra mouths to consume the three large platters of cūda but no help was needed in consuming the ehū.

As expected, we did a lot of reminiscing about our favorite teachers, shared stories about fellow classmates and schoolmates, commented about hair color or growing foreheads, and guessed how many times certain classmates have been married.

Reed is vice president/partner with Nollenberger Capital Partners based in San Francisco. Google “Nollenberger Capital Partners” for information to find out what Reed does to help support his two teenage daughters. Lucky for Reed that he is married

to a dermatologist. There was some discussion of classmates doing an annual trek to the Bay Area to take advantage of Reed’s hospitality or what may be called “Lunch on Reed.”

Reminder: the Class of '67 will be staffing the BBQ Chicken and Portuguese Bean Soup booths at the annual Family Fair on Saturday, April 17, from 4:40–11:00 p.m. Willis Au and Mike Flores will start calling our classmates to ask for volunteers.

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Members of the Class of '67 gathered at Hee Hing restaurant: Mike Flores, Robert Cooper, Miles Miyamoto, Steve Nagata, Reed Minuth, Brooks Takenaka, Kevin Chong, George Norcross, and Charlie Hite.

PHOTO BY HITE'S CAMERA.

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'69er's equivalent to **Tom Selleck**, **Eddie Oasa**, and wife **Shellye Lessing** make their home in Oakland, California, where he is a self-employed private investigator and Shellye works as a genetic counselor for State of California's Department of Health. Ed's hobbies include "solo ukulele (with a double meaning for solo, as in not in front of people), reading history and politics, and taking in live music, jazz especially." They both joined us at all of our reunion festivities last August.

Dr. **Gerald Soon** is an internal medicine physician practicing in Honolulu. He and wife **Charlene** (the company's office manager) have three children, all graduates of 'Iolani School: **Marie** '98, a graduate of UH Mānoa who works in management; **Christopher** '00, a graduate of UC Berkeley and now also a physician; and **Taylor** '02 a restaurant manager and UH Mānoa graduate.

Another physician classmate with a successful internal medicine practice in Honolulu is Dr. **Gary Inamine**. Gary and **Joy** have two daughters: **Joelle Miyashiro** '96, a marketing representative; and **Nikki** '99, a physician in training. They have a two-year old grandchild **Cole Miyashiro**. Besides working out at 'Iolani, Gary enjoys golfing, but since he plays so infrequently, he says his handicap is "sky's the limit."

Chris Teipel resides in Buena Vista, Colorado, where he is a drug and alcohol counselor for the Colorado Corrections Alternative Program (CCAP Boot Camp). His wife **Ruth** is the manager for Alpine Oil Company and Jet-Co as well as a travel agent. Chris continues to operate Custom Wood, Inc., his cabinet business which turned 25 years old last April. He says he has "amazing sons and stepsons": **Blake Ryland Teipel** (age 25) is a mechanical engineer for the Malthus Division of Caterpillar Corporation; **Joseph Carl Teipel** (age 23) received degrees in criminology and Spanish and works in marketing and development for Lingo Lynx LLC. Ruth's sons, **Patrick Thompson** and **Matthew Thompson**, are ages 12 and 8. When asked about hobbies, Chris responded that he used to be a hacker, not a golfer, and his handicap was off the charts. He loves skiing, reading, and volunteering in care giving and addiction counseling. His comments were shared at the Reunion Banquet: "When I look over the list of the Class of '69 and reunion attendees, I have many fond memories of many friendly faces, and many good times at 'Iolani. Congratulations to all on our 40th. I miss you, and I wish I could be there to hang out with you."

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Honolulu Mayor **Mufi Hannemann** received the 2010 National Award for Local Arts Leadership from the Americans for the Arts and U.S. Conference of Mayors this January, according to an item posted January 22 on honoluluadvertiser.com. Mufi was presented the award at the U.S. Conference of Mayors 78th annual winter meeting at the Capital Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C., and was recognized for "taking a lead in creating opportunities to use the arts as a catalyst for economic development and community revitalization in Honolulu."

The February 4 issue of *Pacific Business News* reported that **Steven Ai** and **Carol Ai May**, executives of Honolulu-based City Mill Co., have been named Salespersons of the Year for 2009 by the Honolulu chapter of Marketing Executives International. The group praised the siblings for operating the hardware and home-improvement chain of retail stores as a family-owned business that was founded in 1899. "Steven and Carol are a brother-and-sister team that has made great contributions to the Hawai'i marketplace," the group said. Steven is president and CEO of City Mill, and Carol is vice president and marketing manager. The marketing executives noted Steven's community involvement with the YMCA, Hawai'i Business Roundtable, American Cancer Society, and 'Iolani School, and Ai May's work with Child and Family Service, the University of Hawai'i Foundation, and the Chamber of Commerce of Hawai'i. They will be honored at an awards event at the Sheraton Waikiki on April 6.

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According to the *Honolulu Advertiser*, First Hawaiian Bank chairman and chief executive officer **Don Horner** announced that **Vernon Y. Nakamura** has been promoted to senior vice president and area manager of the Kalihi Branch from vice president and branch manager of the Kalihi Branch. Vernon has over 30 years of banking experience and started his career at First Hawaiian in 1978 as a management trainee. He will be responsible for the oversight of Kalihi, King-Liliha, Liliha and Chinatown Branches.

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Congratulations go to Dr. **Laiana (Kerry) Wong** for holding his own in the very serious PBS Hawai'i discussion, "Pidgin: The Voice Of Hawai'i," on November 19, 2009. Panelists included Gov. **Ben Cayetano**, **Mari Matsuda** (a professor at UH Law School), **Kent Sakoda** (a Pidgin and Creoles scholar at UH) and moderator **Dan Boylan**. Dr. Wong added that Prof. Matsuda knows a number of our classmates, including **Colin Miwa**.

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Snake Pit Class Reunion (35th class reunion) is approaching in August 2010. Please update your contact information by sending it to **Peter Tawarahara** or 'Iolani School Alumni On-line Community. Our current e-mail group already has 76 members.

The Snake Pit Class Reunion Committee members met on Wednesday, February 3, 2010, to plan your exciting and spirited 35th class reunion. Our overall theme has us traveling back in time to the our spirited senior year: Snake Pit! PRIDE '75! Spirit Points! Snake Pit Frenzy at the athletic games! "We're From 'Iolani" cheers and outbursts! Bellows Class Picnic! Pulverizing Punahou! Burning of the I! PRIDE '75! Please reserve the following dates to join your classmates at the Snake Pit Class Reunion from August 5-7, 2010. More details to come.

Class of 1975 Snake Pit Reunion

📅 Thursday, August 5, 2010:
Headmaster Hosts the Snake Pit
5:30-6:00 p.m. School Tour
6:00-9:00 p.m. Dinner hosted by
Headmaster Iwashita

📅 Friday, August 6, 2010:
Snakes On and Off Course
Afternoon of golf
Evening at Side Street Inn
(male snakes only)

📅 Saturday, August 7, 2010:
Family Snake Pit Barbeque on the Beach
5:00 p.m. A very unique event for singles, couples, and family snakes in Waikiki. Camaraderie, 'ono local-style barbeque, swimming, sailing, paddling, movie, entertainment by Bruce Hamada and other classmates.

Here is an excerpt from our 1975 yearbook: "On a Monday morning in March co-captains, **Jerry "Snake" Scanlan** and "Mr. **Ed**" **Kobayashi**, addressed the school in an assembly after the Red Raiders had lost the I.L.H. Basketball Championship the previous week. Jerry had the mike. "Um, we should have planned this," he said awkwardly. People started laughing. He shuffled his feet. "We want to thank the Snake Pit for going mental every game." More laughter. Then Jerry shifted his shoulder at the clock and grinned at his audience, embarrassed. Finally he spoke. "Hey, we love you guys, man." And there was no laughter then. Only a warm applause that reached out and answered, "We're proud of you, team." And I can remember thinking this is real Spirit, this is Pride, and this is Class... Class of '75... Hey man, Haven't you heard? We're from 'Iolani: And no one could be prouder. **Randal Wada**, Class of 1975"

BTW, does any one have a photo of the snake that our classmates secretly painted on the student center roof? "Deano" **Ishiki** will be designing our Class of 1975 Snake Pit Reunion t-shirt based on the snake image. Please send the image to me via e-mail or snail mail, and I'll forward it to "Deano."

Mahalo. We will keep informed about the Class of 1975 Snake Pit Reunion via e-mail and a snail mail registration form. See you at our 35th class reunion!

A Hui Hou—Class of 1975 Snake Pit Reunion Committee: Alvin K., Angus M., Bruce H., Chris L., Dave M., "Deano" I., "Mr. Ed" K., Gary I., Harris N., Les L., Mike A., Owen T., Peter T., Steve K., Terrence L., and Wayne M.

Facebook Class of 1975 photo and picture gallery is available for viewing and comments. The gallery setting is private to Class of '75 members only. You will need a Facebook account (free) and add Peter Tawarahara as a friend. Upon the friend confirmation, you will be added to the 'Iolani Class of 1975 group. Photos and pictures in gallery include 1975 college send off, 30th class reunion, 'Iolani Fair, Snake Pit reunion logo designs. Join your 1975 classmates on Facebook. It's free.

Classmate Reconnect: **Dean Ishiki** from Calvary San Mateo website sends the following: In 1996, the Lord called our family to relocate to the Bay Area. In our 13 years of ministry here, we have witnessed how He faithfully continues to provide for our every need. God has even given us a new “‘ohana” (Hawaiian: family) in the Bay Area, our new “island home.” As senior pastor, my primary desire is to share the love and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Deano and **Mary** Ishiki have been growing and serving our Lord Jesus Christ for over 20 years: eight years at Calvary Chapel Honolulu as a youth pastor, three years at Calvary San Jose as an assistant pastor, 10 years at Calvary San Mateo as Senior Pastor. They have been blessed with their two daughters **Christina** and **Emily**, ages 18 and 16 respectively.

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December 2009 Golf Tournament: On the day after Christmas, ten players showed up at Hawai'i Kai Golf Course for golf and beer. **Peter Gibson, Mark Imada, James Louis, Randy Yee, Lyle Uyeda, Glenn Nagata, Brian Takahashi** from out of town, **Wes Choy** and **Chuck Fasi** enjoyed the 19th Hole. **Greg Yamanaka** played and had to leave right after golf. Wesley was the '09 Champion with a tidy 83, including 2 birdies, even though he didn't have his “A” game. Lyle had a solid 90 for 2nd, and Randy shot 91. Duane and Gerald, Wes needs some competition! We had lots of triple digit scores, so you part-time golfers, don't let your scores get in the way of signing up next time. Please e-mail Mark at Imadacfp@aol.com to get on golf list.

Mark Imada has recently joined First Hawaiian Bank as senior wealth advisor and team leader of the wealth advisory services division at the Main Banking Center and the Hilo Branch. He reports that there are many 'Iolani alums who are helping him make a smooth transition.

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An item in *Pacific Business News* on November 20, 2009, reported that a Honolulu biotechnology firm headed by **Hank Wuh** has received state approval to establish a new multimillion-dollar surgery center that will specialize in eye surgery and cornea transplants. Cellular Bioengineering formed Pacific ASC for the project, which it expects to build in leased office space at the Shops at Dole Cannery complex on Iwilei Road. Cellular Bioengineering's founder and CEO, Hank Wuh, is listed as CEO of Pacific ASC. The surgery center could ultimately become a venue for implanting the artificial corneas that are being developed by Cellular Bioengineering, which hopes to have government approval for transplanting the corneas by next year.

Dean Kashiwabara has been practicing physical therapy in private practice since September 2003 and has relocated to Suite 654 in the Interstate Building on South King Street. He treats orthopedic and sports injury patients. Call him for an assessment or e-mail him at dean@kashpt.com.

Curt Otaguro was recently promoted to executive vice president and group manager for the card services group at First Hawaiian Bank and appointed as a member of the bank's senior management committee. A 28-year banking veteran, Curt started as a management trainee in 1981 and progressed throughout the bank in the branches, credit card, electronic banking, research and

development, information management and now the card services group which is responsible for all debit and credit cards, merchant services, cash management services and new product innovation. Classmates **Kent Lau**, senior vice president, and **Russell Loo**, vice president, are also doing well as business bankers at the Main Banking Center. Curt acknowledged fellow 'Iolani alumnus **Raymond Ono** '72, who was also promoted to vice chairman chief banking officer and oversees the retail banking group, as a key mentor over the years and responsible for Curt's progression at the Bank.

Dr. **Warren Ohira** continues to practice restorative, preventive, and cosmetic dentistry at his private practice on 1481 South King Street Suite 303. Warren mentions that as the Class of 1977 turn 50 years of age, preventive dentistry work is key to life! His staff is also a talented and a veteran group practicing with him for many years. His staff includes **Nancy, Michelle, Pearl, Lorna, Alissa**, and **Leigh**. Call him at 808-941-2088; he and his team are very good.

Dion Yasui continues to do well at Crazy Shirts Hawai'i as they expand their locations statewide as well as on the mainland. Dion has been an innovative catalyst for the company. Prior to his post at Crazy Shirts, Dion was president of Liliha Bakery.

Curt, **Harry Oda**, Warren Ohira, **Wendell Saito**, **Donn Ariyoshi** '79, Ray Ono '72, **Wyman Lai** '67, **Val Iwashita** '67, **Dale Nishikawa** '71, **Frank Kudo** '68, **Ben Kudo** '68, **Dennis Nagata** '71 and others were at a party recently where **Bruce Hamada** '75 and his jazz partner **Jim Howard** performed jazz music. Bruce and Jim can be heard at the Halekulani and other hot spots around town. As part of the entertainment, Bruce allowed Frank to play drums, Ben played guitar, Dale played his trombone, and Curt sang three songs to further entertain the guests. Needless to say, the performance was like none other and will most likely be their final debut with Bruce!

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Jim Page went to dinner with **Bret Powers** (or, as his wife calls him, Justin—who knew this was his name?) when Jim brought his fiancée out to the islands. They had a great time reliving some old memories. Jim will be back out in July if anybody wants to get together.

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Charles Kaneshiro is the 2010 president of the Board of Directors of The American Institute of Architects, Honolulu Chapter (AIA Honolulu).

The board serves the interest of the 800 architects, associate members and allied design professionals of the islands of O'ahu, Kaua'i and Hawai'i. His term began January 1 and concludes December 31, 2010. A formal installation of the 2010 Board of Directors was held on January 26 at The Pacific Club. Charles, a principal at Group 70 International, Inc., explains the philosophy that will guide his one-year term by saying, "As president, I will work to extend our organization's reach in the community by promoting the value of good design and our profession in meaningful ways." Since 1926, the AIA Honolulu has served its membership and the community by promoting design excellence in Hawai'i's built environment.

Its continuing education programs promote leadership and professionalism among its membership of 800 architects and allied building professionals, and educate the public about architecture and the value of quality design.

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Jon Tanaka recently accepted a position at Angelo, Gordon International located in Tokyo, Japan, as managing director. Jon previously was employed at Deutsche Securities Inc as managing director. Jon says, "I am excited to join Angelo, Gordon International to run their real estate investment practice in Japan. The firm is a private partnership based in New York managing over \$18 billion in real estate and other alternative asset classes. The financial crisis has triggered a massive revaluation of Japanese property that will create some great opportunities."

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After doing photography full-time for over 20 years, **Colin Kau** changed careers and pursued his other passion, cars. He worked at several car dealerships and eventually ended up at Saturn of Honolulu. He was doing very well there until General Motors decided to stop making Saturns. Fortunately, the company that owned Saturn, the Hawai'i Automotive Group, decided to purchase the

Cadillac, Buick, and GMC franchise from Pflueger Automobiles. Colin really enjoys selling this new line of cars.

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Brad Konishi rode his bicycle up Haleakalā on Maui. With his wife **Lois** and daughter **Kirsten** '18 providing support, Brad started at sea level in Pā'ia and rode to the 10,000 foot mountain summit, completing the ride in 5 hours and 43 minutes. He commented, "Immediately after I finished the ride, I told myself that this was a one-time only thing. But it was so much fun that by the next morning, I was already giving serious thought to trying it again someday."

When Brad isn't riding his bike, he's spending time with his family or working at his CPA firm, which specializes in helping realtors and their clients. He can be reached at brad@bradkcpa.com.

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Kathy (Barcia) Hashimoto was featured in a recent *Honolulu Advertiser* article chronicling her amazing recovery from a battle with terminal cancer to run in the 2010 Great Aloha Run. In June 2009, Kathy was in hospice with a rare form of kidney cancer; she and her family all believed the end was near. However, her cancer unexpectedly began to disappear to the point where she moved back home and began to think about running again. The Great Aloha Run was the first step; she hopes to compete in the Honolulu Marathon later this year. (Read about her in alumna profile in this issue of the *Bulletin*.)



Christie Kelley '87 married Christopher Canfield.

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Class of 1985 25th Year Reunion:

Save the Dates!

📅 July 30, 2010

Alumni only golf and night out

📅 July 31, 2010

Class Reunion

📅 August 1, 2010

Family event at 'Iolani pool

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John Paul (J.P.) Armenio has been appointed chairman and CEO of Mizuho Securities Asia Limited (MHSA). J.P. will be based in Hong Kong to "drive the expansion of MHSA in the region by strengthening its Asian products and global clientele," according to the media release. J.P. was most recently managing director of capital markets at Morgan Stanley in New York, and has more than 19 years of experience in the global financial services industry.

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Christie Kelley and **Christopher Canfield** celebrated the New Year with their marriage on January 2nd at St. Mark Lutheran in Kāne'ohe. In attendance and joining in the festivities that followed at Kualoa Ranch were classmates **Misty Nitta Yee** and **Trina Iwamuro**. Christie and Christopher are back at home in Bozeman, Montana.

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Dave Skierkowski and wife **Jamie** welcomed their new baby girl, **April Grace**, on November 12, 2009. Dave, Jamie, son **Daniel**, baby April, and their two dogs, Golden Retriever Daisy and Black Lab Lucy, live in Rio Rancho, New Mexico. After spending many years in Arizona, Dave and his family were asked to move to New Mexico to take over three plants acquired by Dave's company in August of 2007. They love all of the outdoor and cultural activities in New Mexico and southern Colorado, but they plan to get back

to Arizona sometime in the future. Besides work and family activities, Dave enjoys golf, running, biking, swimming, and occasionally trying to compete in a few distance running races and triathlons.

Luke (Kekuni Iwao) **Rosa** was born September 10, 2009. He is very peaceful. His sister **Mei** (Kendis Asami), age 4, is his biggest fan. On most days, parents **Jolyn Okimoto** Rosa and **John** Rosa are thrilled to be blessed with two great kids.

Kurt Ginoza announced that **Lucas** joined their family on June 6, 2009. Kurt also reported, "In September, we had a Class of '88 Maui reunion (of four classmates) as **Remy Hiramoto's** wife **Katrina** and **Bryant 'Beez' Zane** ran in the Maui Marathon. **Pam Lundquist** joined the festivities."

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New mommy **Angelique Magliulo-Hager** writes: "It was so great seeing everyone at our 20th reunion last summer, and I am very much looking forward to our 25th. I can't believe how quickly time has flown by, and that our twins are finally here! We welcomed **Madison Nanea** (who weighed five pounds and five ounces) and **Riley Malulani** (four pounds and eleven ounces) on December 18, 2009. We are exhausted but elated. They are perfect and amaze us every day."

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Dave Skierkowski '88 and family welcomed a new daughter April Grace.



Angelique Magliulo-Hager '89 welcomed twins Madison Nanea and Riley Malulani.

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Daniel G.W. Ho was recognized as one of PBN's 40 Under 40 in 2009.

Angela Coloretti and **Gail Nakaichi** are proud to serve on the Board of the UCLA Bruin Club of Hawai'i. Angela plans community service activities and serves on the scholarship committee. Gail plans the annual picnic and volleyball events. See www.UCLAAlumni.net/hawaii.

The passing of **Mr. Hamada** in January sparked many memories for me. I was not an athlete—far from it for those of you who know me—but Mr. Hamada taught me so much. I was young and not at 'Iolani yet when my family and I went to a Raiders football game at Aloha Stadium. My mom had spent hours on a lei for one of my calabash cousins. After the game, I remember going down to the bottom of the stands looking for my cousin's number in the sea of jerseys on the field. There were a few older girls with half-gallon Meadow Gold drinks waving at players so I positioned myself a few feet away from them hoping to be noticed. Mr. Hamada seemed to appear out of nowhere right in front of me on the field. I can't recall his exact words, but it was the 'One Team' mantra concentrated into a single line. There were no stars on this team—we are one or we are nothing. A few years later, in the fall of my first year at 'Iolani, I was surprised and nervous to receive a call slip from Mr. Hamada. I went to visit his office during my free period where Mrs. O greeted me like only she could—warmth exuding from her core. Mr. Hamada sat me down and asked me what sports I was going to try out for. Volleyball? Soccer? In my universe, I thought everyone knew that I was born on the other end of the athletic spectrum; my abilities were suited only for the simplest of tasks—walking, standing, etc. Seeing my visible discomfort, he smoothly transitioned to other areas of sports like team management. Mr. Hamada said the football season had already started,



EJ Milken '91 and husband Gregory celebrated the birth of their second son.

but wrestling was coming up. I could help the wrestling team at practices and meets. I was a bit apprehensive at first, but the idea of being involved in sports (without actually playing sports) intrigued me. Mr. Hamada's suggestion turned out to be golden like most of his efforts. Some of my fondest memories are with the wrestling team and dear friends like **Paul Matsumoto** and wonderful mentors like **Coach Schroers**. I even ended up marrying a fellow wrestling manager's brother. So here I am, not a coordinated bone in my body, but forever grateful to a Coach who moved many, many people.

For those of you who missed the last *Bulletin*, the Class of 1991 is charged with organizing this year's A Touch of 'Iolani on August 7th. Before we send **Nelson Moku** after you to charm you into a \$1,000+ sponsor table, there are other opportunities in the silent auction arena with **Cammie Russell** or manpower shifts with **Len Higashi**. You can e-mail **Marc 'Polo' Okumura** at polopopolo@gmail.com for opportunities. And if you are wondering who created the fantastic vino-inspired logo this year, it is fellow classmate and fresh off maternity **Bonnie Taam Sakai**.

As always, please e-mail me any news—newsworthy or not—at lisa.furuta@coregroupone.com.

Jon Aharoni has been named USA Volleyball's Coordinator of Beach Coaching and Development. In his role, Aharoni will be responsible for the USA's player development

and training. For a video about Jon and his coaching colleague with USA Volleyball, click here: <http://sports.espn.go.com/videohub/video/video?id=4393620>.

EJ Milken and husband **Gregory** announce the birth of their second son, **Ari** Milken. He was born on June 26, 2009, after 17 weeks of bed rest! He weighed six pounds, nine ounces and measured 19 ½ inches long. Big brother **Bailey** is very excited about having a little brother. Gregory is the COO of Last Legion Games, a technology company that develops software for digital distribution and creating games for the iPhone. He is also still working in the educational and philanthropy space as well. In addition to being a mom, EJ just joined the board of the Prostate Cancer Foundation, a medical research foundation—their mission is to cure prostate cancer. She also runs the Milken Institute Young Leaders Circle, a membership group for motivated, intellectually curious people in Los Angeles who are poised to make a significant impact on the global community.

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A small subsection of the Class of 1992, their spouses, and families gathered together on January 2 for an unofficial reunion organized through Facebook posts.

Chris Chun, his wife **Jamie**, son **Kaipo**, and daughter **Kaylie** were kind enough to offer his parents' home for a gathering place. All of the descendants of the Class of '92 loved the space to swim and play! A big mahalo, Chuns, for making our mini-reunion possible.

Cavan Scanlan, his wife **Alicia**, and son **Tanoa** brought their characteristic warmth and hugs all around for everyone.

Currently teaching economics at 'Iolani, **Kimi (Yasunaga) Frith** was accompanied by husband **Greg** and their charming daughters.



Members of the Class of '92 enjoyed an informal get-together.

Those of us who follow Kimi's hilarious posts on Facebook felt as if we knew **Jaymie** and **Kacie** already, but it was far better to see them all in the flesh!

Debra Van Zile and her husband **James Wood**—an Alabama football fan!—recently moved back to O'ahu from Jacksonville, Florida, where James was stationed with the Navy. Debra makes killer Guinness-flavored cupcakes!

Caroline (Yoshioka) Ching balances work and family (She's the coolest band mom ever!) while continuing advanced studies in management of information systems and international business at the University of Hawai'i.

Ever-exuberant **Shalini Gopalakrishnan** was back home for the holidays. She now makes her home in Washington, D.C., and keeps in touch with fellow D.C. attorney **Kathy Ng**.

Carter Siu, who heads his own private practice of personal injury law and business litigation, serves on the current 'Iolani Alumni

Association Board of Directors. Daughters **Kelia** and **Kanoelani** also keep Carter and wife **Liane Nomura** busy.

Along with Carter, **Matt Wagner** and his wife **Pam** were recruiting help for A Touch of 'Iolani. Likewise, the Wagner children, **Jacob**, **Micaela**, **Michelle**, and **Kawai**, were leaders of the keiki in attendance while the adults caught up.

Dee (Murakami) Kawamura was all smiles. Dee is enjoying motherhood with sons **Micah** and **Kai**, and she also is a nurse practitioner in internal medicine at Tripler. Husband **Ken** is a systems analyst which he describes as "doing computer stuff."

We loved **Matt Okahata's** cool hair—his flowing locks were a hit! Matt has found his calling working at Hawai'i Primary Care Association, an advocate for quality, affordable health care.

Dori Aspuru-Takata is now living in Cambridge, Massachusetts, with her husband **Alán**. They are expecting a baby in May!

Determined to be able to talk with friends, **Lisa Severino** left her older son **Ray** in the care of family and brought along husband **David Prah** and younger son **Kalani**. Lisa was back home for the holidays from Davis, California.

Home from New Zealand, **Kevin Lo** is currently on faculty at the University of Auckland. As an assistant professor who balances teaching and research in international business and cross-cultural management, he's also a professional-level photographer, as evidenced by his terrific photos from our impromptu reunion.

Ward Miller is an electrical engineer now based in Shanghai. He and **Kevin** enjoyed trading stories of their experiences living in China.

We hope to see everyone at other alumni events. Be sure to join the group "Iolani Class of 1992" on Facebook to maintain or reestablish contact with your friends and classmates!

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Dr. **Gerald Kim** was voted as one of *Honolulu Magazine's* Top Dentists for the third consecutive time in his specialty of orthodontics. He has also achieved a professional milestone of 10 years in private practice and recently opened a brand new 2nd office location at the Pearlridge Office Center. His main office is located in the Ala Moana Building.

Shannon and **Jerzelle Cabilao** welcomed their second child into the world on 09/09/09. **Haweo Ceagan Ruiz** Cabilao joins big brother **Kealaula** as the newest member of the Cabilao 'ohana.

Joy (Cenal) Aiwohi, husband **John**, and daughters **Elanya** and **Milana** welcomed a baby boy to their 'ohana. **Cavin King Kamanawapono** Aiwohi arrived just before Christmas to join their loving family.

Shawn Kanehira-Mar and husband **Dan** returned home during the holidays to celebrate the first birthday of daughter **Jacqueline** with family and friends. Shawn, Dan, first-born son **Tyler**, and Jackie currently live in Sacramento, California.

Reid Pursley and **Kris (Suzuki) Ueoka** were recognized by Maui Mayor **Charmaine Tavares** at the 2009 Maui County Employee Recognition Awards Luncheon. Reid received a Team of the Year award for his contributions as a member of the vice division, department of police. Kris was named Manager of the Year for her work as the supervising law technician in the department of the corporation counsel. She received nominations for this award from five separate county departments including corporation counsel, civil defense, liquor control, personnel services, and transportation.

Jon Nouchi graduated from the Pacific Century Fellows Class of 2009. The Pacific Century Fellows program, founded

by Mayor **Mufi Hannemann** '72, exposes Hawai'i professionals to an enlightening year focusing on issues that challenge the State of Hawai'i, including education, globalization, sustainability, military affairs, and transportation. Jon joins a fellow classmate of the Class of '93 **Alison (Machida) Lum** as an alumnus of this program. Also graduating from the 2009 class were **James Duca** '94 and **Mark Arimoto** '95.

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Photo Plea!

The 'Iolani School Bulletin is sending out a plea that all digital photos submitted to Classnotes be of **HIGH RESOLUTION** quality. We received many wonderful digital photographs taken at fun, memorable events but we could not publish them because, alas, their resolution was too low. Snif. Snif.

Digital photos must be a minimum of 1800 x 1200 pixels, clear and focused.

Thank you for your understanding.

—The Editor

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Sharon Feldman and **Ryan Stewart** were married on August 1, 2009, at the Mauna Lani Bay Hotel and Bungalows on the Big Island. Sharon's brother **David Feldman** '90 officiated the ceremony. The wedding party included Sharon's brother **Aaron Feldman** '93 and Sharon's maid-of-honor **Stephanie Uechi** '95. Also in attendance were former dance teachers **Cyrenne Okimura** and **Uncle Ed Collier**. At the outdoor ocean-front reception, Sharon danced the hula for her new husband, family, and friends. Their wedding is currently being featured in *Pacific WEDDINGS Magazine* (Winter Edition). Sharon and Ryan reside in Southern California, where Ryan grew up. He is an accountant with BDO Seidman, LLP. Sharon is in her tenth year of teaching as a literacy coach in a K-5 elementary school. In her spare time she enjoys running and just completed the Huntington Beach Surf City Half Marathon.

Norman Cheng and **Jamie Cheng** are proud to announce the birth of a baby boy, **Aidan**. He was born on October 26, 2009, in Honolulu. He weighed seven pounds and 10 ounces.

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RIGHT: At the wedding of Sharon Feldman '95 and Ryan Stewart were, left to right, David Duarte, Stephanie Uechi '95, Ryan Stewart, Sharon Feldman-Stewart '95, Aaron Feldman '93, Jackie Nguyen, Bonnie Wong Feldman, David Feldman '90.

BELOW: Celebrating the marriage of Sharon and Ryan were: sitting, Fran Matsuoka and Trudy Uechi; standing from left to right, Mel Matsuoka, Ryan Stewart, Sharon Feldman-Stewart '95, Dr. Michael Uechi '61, Cyrenne Okimura, Grant Okimura, Uncle Ed Collier.





Ken Kakesako '00 married Mai Hirayama in November. Pictured with Ken and Mai at their Tokyo reception are Mitiz Ing '00, Greg Nakaji '94 and Lea Okudara '00. The couple also held another reception in Honolulu with classmates Nick Muraoka '00, Dr. Austin Choy '00 and his

fiancee Dr. Amy Seibel, Taylor Takata '00, Neil Kuioka '00, Loren Otake '96 and Sean Isono '99. Ken's two brothers Brent Kakesako '03 and Dr. Garrett Matsunaga '91 also attended.

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Ashlee Nekoba has completed her internal medicine residency at the University of Hawai'i John A. Burns School of Medicine. She recently joined the UH Faculty Practice as a general adult internist. Her office is at Queen's Medical Center in the Physician's Office Building III.

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Kari Kennard Graydon and **Paul Graydon** are happy to announce their marriage on November 7, in Kailua United Methodist Church. 'Iolani attendees included bridesmaid **Adrienne Fong** '01, Matron of Honor **Kristina Kennard Guidry** '99, and **Usher Lucas Kennard** '06. Also at the ceremony were **Anne Kennedy** '01, **Kristyl Kim** '01, **Christie Chun** '01, **Matthew Tsutsumi** '01, **Matthew Nickel** '01, **Elise Smith Tang** '01, and **Justin Shizumura** '01.

RIGHT: Kirsten Monsen '02 received the White Lodging Services Sale Manager of the Year Award for 2009.

BELOW: At Robert Webster's engagement party in Kailua were friends from the Class of '02: standing from left to right, Tiffany Todo, Mathew D'Ascoli, Kara Ishikawa, Jonathan Grobe, Mariana Lee, Robert Webster, Kristin Shinkawa, Joseph Udell; sitting, Jenna Ishii, Nathaniel Noda.



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Lei Ann (Lawi) Field and **Ryan Field** are happy to announce their marriage on August 1, 2009. They currently reside in Boston, Massachusetts, where Lei works at the Four Seasons and Ryan is a consultant at PricewaterhouseCoopers.



Kirsten Monsen's supervisor **Stacy Brinker** wrote to let us know that Kirsten is now a sales manager for two Marriott hotels in Louisville, Colorado. Kirsten received the White Lodging Services Sales Manager of the Year award in 2009, an impressive accomplishment since she beat out over 300 sales people for the award. According to Brinker, Kirsten is "making a name for herself in Colorado as she develops her talents in the hospitality industry and enjoys all of the outdoor activities Colorado has to offer. 'Iolani produced an amazing young woman who I am proud to have on my team."

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Raeceen Woolford competed in the 2010 Miss America pageant at the Planet Hollywood Resort and Casino in Las Vegas on January 30. She finished tied for sixth place overall and won the Miss Congeniality Award. Raeceen made it through to the Top 15, then the Top 12 and finally the Top 7. She danced the hula and participated in the swimsuit and evening gown competitions, and interview.

Raeceen, a 2008 graduate of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, holds a bachelor's degree in health studies. She was also featured on the cover of the January 20 issue of *Midweek*. In addition to talking about the pageant and her time at UH, she discussed the influence of former 'Iolani girl's volleyball coach **Ann Kang**, who passed away shortly after Raeceen graduated after a bout with ALS.

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ABOVE: Stephanie Le '04, Carol Pham '04, bridesmaid Ina Tang '04, Kelly Nakamura '04, and Thea Fernandez '04 attended the wedding of Janelle Lum '04.

LEFT: Janelle Lum '04 married David Kalir on January 2, 2010.

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Sarah Elizabeth Stone married **Jason Chen Fan** on December 29, 2009, at the Bayer Estate in 'Āina Haina. Jason graduated from Williams College in 2008 Magna Cum Laude with a triple major in biology, economics and Chinese. He works at the Harvard College Public Health Research Department. Sarah, who graduated from Williams College in 2009 with a double major in classic literature and history, received honors in Latin and Greek. During her years at Williams, Sarah travelled extensively to Israel, Turkey, Greece, Thailand, Malaysia, Taiwan, China, and spent seven months in New Delhi, India, while on an exchange program with Brown University. Sarah will be pursuing a doctorate in philology; Jason will be pursuing his MD/PHD. The couple resides in Boston, Massachusetts.



Sarah Elizabeth Stone '05 married Jason Chen Fan.

'06

Keilyn Fujioka earned four double-doubles in the 2009-2010 season and has achieved eight double-doubles during her college basketball career at Willamette University. She scored a team-high 17 points in the game against Puget Sound this January.

Melanie Loo, now a senior at Redlands (California), won the 500-yard freestyle in a dual meet against Whittier this winter. She also helped the Bulldogs to a second-place finish in the 200 freestyle relay and third in the 200 medley relay in that same meet. In January she placed second in the 500-yard freestyle in a meet against Cal Tech.

Kawika Shoji, his brother, and his parents were the subject of an article posted January 15 on sfgate.com, "Stanford's Brother Act Goes Back a Long Way." The article related that when they were youngsters, Kawika and **Erik** played "ferocious" volleyball "with a balloon instead of a ball" in the living room of their home. The article also focused on Kawika's impact on the Stanford volleyball team:

"He posted a school-record 1394 assists last season and led the Cardinal to a .305 hitting percentage, one of the best in the country. Stanford had a 3-25 record when he was a freshman but improved to 17-11 and 21-11 the next two seasons." Coach John Kosty said of Kawika: "He's been the core guy to get this program turned around. We've been able to recruit talented players around him, but he makes the whole thing work."

Morgan Stephenson won the one-mile run for the Georgia Tech men's and women's track and field teams' first competition of the 2010 indoor season in early December 2009.

Alana Wall was featured in a recent *Honolulu Advertiser* story that chronicled her four-year journey as a student and basketball player at Middlebury College in Vermont—a journey that has been sometimes challenging but, in the end, very rewarding. In the story, Alana was praised by her coach for her selflessness and leadership of younger players. She started 19 of Middlebury's 21 games this season, while averaging 5.6 points and 5.6 rebounds per game. She also is among the team leaders in steals (26) and free-throw percentage (.750).

Alana is set to graduate from Middlebury College this May with a degree in American studies. She has already been accepted into the executive development program in buying and planning for Macy's and Bloomingdale's in New York City. Alana said she will treasure her time at Middlebury: "I know that it's not common for kids from Hawai'i to even fathom looking at a school in Vermont, but I think that for me it was definitely rewarding," she said. "I got the sense that everyone around me knew that this was a special place and there were times when I was thinking about home and warm weather, but I tried to remember that not everyone has the privilege of playing college basketball or the opportunity to go to such a great school."

Jon Takamura, a senior linebacker for Harvard University, was profiled in a *Boston Globe* article prior to his final game against Ivy League rival Yale. In the article Jon credits his success at Harvard to his training at 'Iolani. He was also the subject of an article posted on honoluluadvertiser.com on November 30, 2009. That item focused on The Game, the annual Harvard-Yale game and all its pageantry. The team finished the season by beating Yale. This was Jon's finest season, too: he made 47 tackles, with six for losses, including four sacks and team-high four interceptions. In the article, Jon commented on being able to play football at Harvard: "It was a great opportunity, and it's arguably the best college in the world, so to be able to get a great education and play football—the sport I love—at a high level, it was just the icing on the cake."

Senior **Marci Kang** earned her third straight All-SCIAC (Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) honors after leading the Occidental Tigers to a third place finish in women's soccer.

'07

Ashley Raethel is a junior at Andrew's University in Michigan, where she is an honors student in the psychology program. She was a member of the AU Student Council during her freshman and sophomore

years and is president of the Village Green Preservation Society this school year. The VGPS strives to promote awareness and positive change related to environmental issues both on and off campus. Ashley has had research projects accepted for presentation at the Midwest Psychology Association meetings in Chicago in both 2009 and 2010.

Jeff Yamashita is on the swim team for the Scots of Macalester College in Minnesota. He swam to three first-place finishes in the Macalester Invitational this February: the 50-yard butterfly, the 50-yard breaststroke, and the 100-yard fly. He added a runner-up finish in the 50-yard free.

'08

Brad Lawson, outside hitter for Stanford University, was named AVCA Men's Division I-II Player of the Week in mid-February. He earned the award after powering his team to two home Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF) wins. In the Cardinal's first match, a sweep of then-No. 3 UCLA, Brad hit .400 with 15 kills, five digs, and two assists. In Stanford's next match, he drilled 22 kills on .372 hitting, while also picking up nine digs, three blocks, and an assist. For the week, Brad recorded an efficient .384 attack percentage, while averaging 5.29 kills, 2.00 digs and 5.50 points per game. This is the first time he has earned Sports Imports/AVCA Men's Division I-II Player of the Week accolades and marks the seventh time a Stanford athlete has grabbed the award. Thanks go to www.avca.org for the information above.

Lauren Minkel, a sophomore at Long Beach State, was the subject of an article posted December 3, 2009, on honoluluadvertiser.com, "Minkel Digs in as Long Beach Prepares for UCLA." She is the starting libero for the Big West Conference champions and was a backup last year when the 49ers lost at Stanford in the round of 32. Lauren had a match-high 27 digs to help the team to their second consecutive league title. This season she averaged 4.32 digs per set, the second best in the Big West.

Taylor Mounts, a sophomore at Willamette (Oregon), is amassing points, making steals, and grabbing rebounds for the men's basketball team. In the game against Whitworth (Washington), he scored 19 points and grabbed five rebounds one day and the next day recorded 16 points, nine rebounds, one assist, and a block. Taylor was one of four Bearcats in double figures in the Northwest Conference game against University of Puget Sound this February, too.

Claremont-Mudd-Scripps sophomore **Julia Nishioka** earned second team All-SCIAC (Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) honors in women's soccer as a utility player. Julia started in 20 games for CMS, scoring seven goals. The Athenas won the conference championship and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Division III Tournament.

Jamie Smith, now a sophomore at UNLV, is scoring points in the double digits and grabbing rebounds for the women's basketball team. In the game against Wyoming this February, Jamie played all 40 minutes and was one of four Rebels to score in double-figures.

'09

Kelly Pang, a freshman libero for Washington University (Missouri), and **Marya Kaminski '07**, a junior outside hitter, were big factors in winning the NCAA Women's Volleyball Div III National Championship last fall. Kelly was named National Freshman of the year and AVCA first-team All-American.

A few of the kids from Class of 2009 came to **Norma Murayama's** home for Thanksgiving. They had a blast, and Norma writes that she just finished the laundry from the beddings the kids used for their "slumber party." Norma is the mother of **Matt Murayama**.

Memorials

CLASS OF 1935

Franklin Wyman Finlayson died January 14, 2010. He was a retired Bank of Hawai'i vice president. He is survived by daughter Luann; brother Robert; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

CLASS OF 1942

Walter Yau Wong Goo died February 12, 2010. He was retired Golden Tire Shop manager and a veteran of the U.S. Army. He is survived by wife Kuulei; son **Glenn** '65; daughters Gail Fujimoto, Faye Takayesu, and Wanda Davis; brothers **Jerry Goo** '43 and **Gilbert Goo** '48; 11 grandchildren including grandsons **Darren Takayesu** '98, **Ryan Takayesu** '03, and **Gavin Goo** '96; and seven great-grandchildren.

CLASS OF 1946

Samuel Llewellyn Ruden III died December 2, 2009, in Mountain View, California, at the age of 81. Sam was preceded in death by his eldest son, Terrill G. Ruden; he is survived by his first wife, Jeanne M. Ruden of Cupertino; two sons, Mark C. Ruden of Cupertino and Daniel L. Ruden of Rocklin; and his grandchildren Patrick G. and Zoe A. Ruden. After the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941, his family relocated to the San Francisco Bay Area where he attended Bellarmine Preparatory School in San Jose. Sam later returned to Hawai'i and graduated from Roosevelt High School. Sam was inducted into the Army on December 22, 1950. Following the Army, he returned to San Francisco where he met his first wife, nee Jeanne Marie Hotaling, and went to work at UC Radiation Lab at Berkeley, Varian Associates, Spectra Physics, Coherent Radiation, then back to Varian as a master electronics technician until his retirement. Sam also taught electronics for over 20 years. He married his second wife, Winifred Guthrie, then moved to Milpitas and later to Morgan Hill, California.

CLASS OF 1947

Sam Win Dung died January 2, 2010. He is survived by wife Patricia; and brother **Koon Dung** '51.

CLASS OF 1951

Robert Haruo Oishi, M.D., died January 13, 2010. He was born in Kapa'a, Kaua'i, and was a retired physician and U.S. Army veteran. He is survived by wife Emily; son Stanton; daughter Elna Ward; brother Noboru; sisters Grace Kagawa and Akiye; nephews **Stephen Oishi** '74, **Martin Oishi** '76, and **Calvin Oishi** '79; and two grandchildren.

CLASS OF 1961

Jon Takashi Kobayashi died January 19, 2010. He was a retired Leahi Hospital administrator. He is survived by wife Sharon; daughter Traci Jay; son Jon Adon "Buddah"; hana'i sons Mesa Savea and Darryl Estrada; and two grandchildren.

CLASS OF 1962

Dennis Craig Brewster died October 4, 2009, in California. He played three years of professional football with the Chicago Bears as an offensive guard. He attended Brigham Young University and earned a doctorate degree from Illinois College of Podiatric Medicine. He practiced in Pasadena and Arcadia, California, for ten years and treated his patients with compassion and kindness. He is survived by wife Nancy; children Eric, Rhett and Eileen Whatcott, Frances, and Julie and Steven Bernard; brother Gary; four grandchildren; and eight nieces and nephews.

Arthur Koga died on December 4, 2009, in Hawai'i. He was the founder and owner of Blue Cliff Inc. He was also formerly on the boards of directors for World VISTA, the Institute of Zen Studies, and the Queen Lili'uokalani Children's Center; past treasurer of the national Japanese American Citizens' League as well as its local chapter past president; a Fellow of the Institute for Educational Leadership; and a member of the Waipahu Businessmen's Organization. He is survived by wife Rene; son Skye Nakayama; daughters Keiko Nitta, Diedre Husak, and Emily Koga; seven grandchildren; brother Gilbert; and sister Merle Kaneori.

CLASS OF 1964

Melvin "Mel" Minoru Tsutsui died January 17, 2010. He was a former Servco Pacific employee and retired U-Haul warehouse manager. He is survived by daughters Kristie Wataoka, Lori Ann Hirohata; son Kevin; and grandchildren Jeran Hirohata and Kai Wataoka.

CLASS OF 1972

Randall Itsuo Sumida died January 2, 2010. As a certified public accountant, he worked for several firms before establishing a partnership with friend Harvey Wong. After Wong's death, Randall continued the practice for many years. In 2005, he joined the City and County of Honolulu as an administrative services officer. He was campaign treasurer for **Mufi Hannemann** '72 for more than 20 years. Randall is survived by his father Tadao; and brother **Kent** '78. His brother **Elton** '69 predeceased Randall.

FORMER FACULTY

Allen G. Vickers of Belfast, Maine, late of Islesboro, Maine, died December 9, 2009. He graduated from Middlebury College, in Middlebury, Vermont, in 1943. "Vic" was an educator for over 40 years beginning as mathematics instructor at Tabor Academy in Marion, Massachusetts. He served as headmaster at three schools: St. Dunstan's School in Providence, Rhode Island; The Hinckley School in Hinckley, Maine; and Lake Forest Academy in Lake Forest, Illinois. He taught at 'Iolani School in the 1970s and 1980s, and then he retired to Hillsboro in 1987. After his retirement he and wife Sarah settled in their home on Turtlehead, Islesboro, where he was forever tinkering in the barn and in the garden. He served as an assessor on Islesboro for several years. Vic loved sailing with his Buccaneer pals aboard the Tabor Boy and family reunions on Islesboro especially when a clambake was on the menu.

Former 'Iolani teacher **Valerie Haas** died on January 12, 2010, in California. She earned a bachelor's degree in Latin and Greek from Hunter College in New York City and came to 'Iolani in 1950. She taught Latin at 'Iolani over the course of several decades and served as editor of the *'Iolani School Bulletin* from 1979 through 1997. Because she demanded excellence from her students, her colleagues, and herself, she sometimes came across as a taskmaster. Nevertheless, her colleagues and students respected her intelligence, her strong work ethic, and her unflagging insistence on doing her best. Former Headmaster Reverend **David Coon** said of Valerie: "She represented the best a school had to offer, especially when it came to an appreciation of the classics, both Greek and Roman. Our students who studied Latin [with Valerie] and also had Harold Keables in English were the recipients of an education simply

not received elsewhere." Coon continued, "When she was the editor of the *'Iolani School Bulletin*, she would give me the word about the articles I had to submit. I almost wanted to respond, 'Yes, Ma'am.' She could be insistent about what and how you wrote. Yet she would do it with a smile." Valerie will be missed by many in the 'Iolani community. Donations may be made to 'Iolani School and allocated to the Valerie S. Haas Student Discretionary Endowment.

'Iolani School extends heartfelt sympathy to the families and friends of the deceased. The school also attempts to maintain accurate records on all alumni. Please let 'Iolani know when an alumnus/a has passed away. Notices may be sent to:

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Thank you.

*Valerie
Haas*

