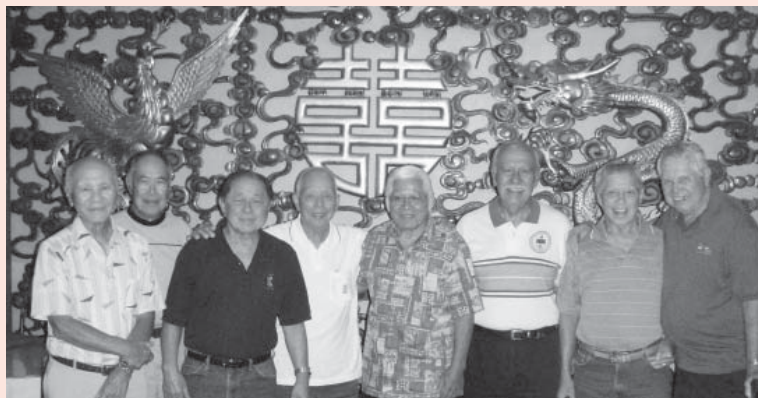


CLASSNOTES

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Architect **Gilman K.M. Hu** was elected president of Construction Specifications Institute (CSI), a national association, for July 1, 2008–June 30, 2009. More than 15,000 members including architects, engineers, contractors, and building material suppliers make up the nationwide organization. Gilman and about 400 others are designated Fellow CSI (FCSI), an elite group within the association. He has been involved in key positions within the Hawai'i Chapter since the early 60s working very closely with CSI's National Headquarters in Virginia.

He recently returned from Beijing where he tried to visit the Gigantic Olympic Stadium and other structures which were under construction. Although he managed to see some, others were also closed due to the mourning period for the Big China earthquake victims. His extraordinary visits to sites like the Olympic structures—large, super structures, unusual shapes and designs, for example—was an effort on his part and provided material for his presentations to similar groups such as his recent trip to Canada and Las Vegas to help promote interest in CSI and the professions of its members.



Pictured from the Class of 1951 were, left to right, Stan Zukeran '51, Walter Wong '51, Wally Ho '50, Clancy Taoka '49, Dave Yamashiro '51, Frank Kahooohanohano '51, Gordon Chang '52, Ben Almadova '51

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Some of the members of the Class of 1951 who played for Father Kenneth A. Bray met with teammates over lunch at the Hee Hing restaurant to commemorate Father Bray's birthday, renew old friendships, and catch up with each other's endeavors.

Pastor **Dave Yamashiro** gave thanks for the fellowship and shared lessons those gathered had learned from Father Bray, and

he blessed the food. Over lunch many game experiences were replayed and enjoyed. There was friendly ribbing over who did what on a given play and sometimes equally friendly disagreement as time has blurred some aspects of specific plays. Some things, like how one-time 'Iolani football coach **Gordon Chang** got his "Dizzy" nickname, were universally remembered.

Frank Kahooohanohano, Honolulu's retired fire chief, now splits his time between here and his second home in Las Vegas. **Stan Zukeran**, a retired dentist, still shoots a terrific round of golf, with at least ten holes-in-one to his credit. **Wally Ho** has relinquished the daily operation of his grill and automobile service center in Aiea and now lives on the shores of Kaneohe Bay. **Ben Almadova** is still working, most recently part-time with Customs and Border Protection, but he is contemplating retiring this year. **Walter Wong**, a 2007 Father Bray Football Classic honoree for his ONE TEAM contributions, has retired

from St. Louis High School where he was the colonel in charge of their ROTC program. Also active in keeping the ONE TEAM culture alive, **Clancy Taoka** is still living in Pearl City and helps keep the Iolani Raiders Boosters Club grounded using his unique perspective and experience. Clancy, Ben, and Stan were kind enough to invite relative youngster **Courtland Pang** '65 to the luncheon, and he shot the photo.

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Waianae High School will honor legendary athletic director and head football coach **Larry Ginoza** by naming its athletic complex after him. Waianae won nine Oahu Interscholastic Association titles from 1966 to '82 under Larry. The Seairiders won three Prep Bowls, in 1973, '77 and '78, and tied with 'Iolani in 1980. In addition, Larry became a key figure in the community; he was honored at a special banquet for the athletic program on June 25.

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The recent wildfires in California caused us concern about the safety of our many 'Mates who live there. However, in checking with **Ken Katsuyoshi** and **Herbert Omura**, we learned that the fires did not affect them. We hope that the others like **Stanley Asato**, **Earl Biven**, **Ken Kamiya**, **Richard Kim**, **Rodney Kimura**, **Robert Mamiya**, **Morley Matsuda**, **Paul Nakayama**, **Ronald Nakayama**, **Andrew Nishimura**, **Frank Rice**, **Richard Uyehara**, and **Ted Yoneshige** were also not affected.

Dr. **James Murata** and his family just completed a cruise of the Greek Islands and Turkey. They enjoyed the cruise, as well as two days in Rome, one of their favorite places. He said that the climate in the Eastern Mediterranean was hot but dry. Some of the places they visited would not be habitable except for desalination plants. He also reported that the people in that area make some weak wines and sell junk (junque) that is not needed. Rome was different, always interesting. James said he was reminded of Christianity at almost every corner. The few Muslims there keep a very low profile, as do the Jews. One interesting observation: Greek women are not as sexy as Italian ones, especially the ones who wear tons of fake jewelry. Finally, Dr. Jim said that his wife is a genius in the deals she gets in turning airline miles. He's soooo lucky!

Fred Karimoto and his brother **Clifford** '59 and their wives recently completed a tour of the Japan Alps, where they enjoyed Lake Kurobe and Dam, as well as the flowers, trees, mountains, and natural beauty of the Japan Alpine region. They even got to see snow and were fortunate to visit Shirakawa-go, Takayama, Kanazawa, Kurashiki, Matsumoto, Kyoto, Himeji, and Hiroshima. They saw many other sights and traditional Japanese artifacts as well as learned more about the history and culture of Japan. Their trip ended with a visit with Karimoto relatives in Hiroshima. Like **Wally Minato**, the Karimotos have roots in Hiroshima.

We were happy to learn that **Owen Yoneji** is recuperating well from a series of serious health problems earlier this year. Our prayers are with him.

Unlike a few of our 'Mates, such as **Bunny Lee** and others who are continuing to work, most us are "enjoying" retirement. However, **Mel Ishii**, **Wally Minato**, **Herb Omura** and **Fred Karimoto** recently commented that retirement is not necessarily having nothing to do. In fact, the days seem to be full. Not with work but other things like yard work, Grandpa Duty, golf, travel, odd jobs around the house, and, of course, surfing the Internet with e-mails. Somehow the days go flying by.

Speaking of e-mails, there is a very active sharing of e-mails amongst some of the Class of '55 'Mates. **Earl Biven**, **Vernon Goo**, **Mel Ishii**, **Fred Karimoto**, **Bunny Lee**, **Wally Minato**, **James Murata**, and **Herbert Omura** are among the more active sharers of news, jokes, and interesting information. We would love to have other 'Mates join us in the almost daily energizing of the Internet.

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Our 'Iolani '58 Reunion Events began Friday June 6 with golf at Hawaii Kai Golf Course. The group included **David Nakamoto**, **Elmer Takenishi**, **Wendell Hoshino**, **Miles Suzuki**, **Clarence Muraoka**, **Frank Mukai**, **Jimmy Masatsugu**, **Jimmy Sagawa**, **Mel Aoki**, **Cal Miyamoto**, **Roy Asato**, **Jimmy Tan**, **Tommy Toma**, **Hugh Yoshida**, **Bobby Toyofuku**, and guests **Val Iwashita**, **Chris Shimabukuro**, and **Mike Moses**. Tournament winners were **Wendell Hoshino** and **Clarence Muraoka**.

Next was a Cookout at Mel Aoki's. All of the above were there except for Frank, who had to leave early for a trip. Also there were **Renny Tomashima**, **Willie Ahana**, **Rick Lau**, **Stan Uyehara**, **Larry Miike**, **Tom Otake**, **Alan Moo**, **Willie Chang**, **Bobby Nakamatsu**, **Glen Pang**, **Leonard Chow** and former classmate **Manny Masuda**. We had a fabulous meal prepared

by Chef Jocko (**Jimmy Sagawa**) aided initially by the non-golfers and later also by golfers as they arrived from the golf course. Appetizers included a turkey mix using Jocko's line of sauces on cabbage leaves, oysters on the half shell, and BBQ shrimp. The entrees included mahi mahi, pork, and chicken, all BBQ'd and flavored with more of Jocko's sauces, accompanied by BBQ'd eggplant and bell peppers. The highest of the highlights was the rack-of-lamb—delicious! Dessert was a layered chocolate-raspberry cake donated by **Linda Luke**, widow of classmate **Geoff**. We were so stuffed at that point that we passed on the healthy dessert, melons. Val Iwashita, who attends most of the class reunions, remarked that that was the best reunion dinner he has had. The sentiment was unanimous.

Besides the thirst quenching beer, fine wines from Jocko's winery friend, and wines brought by Cal, David, and myself complemented the gourmet feast.

Golf prizes were distributed to the winners, and other prizes to the "lucky draws." Mel Aoki composed a delightful poem of our high school days at 'Iolani. The usual reminiscing, banter, bad jokes, and speeches/announcements were prevalent throughout the evening. It was truly a fun and pleasurable start to our weekend reunion events. It was so nice to connect with guys we seldom see or haven't seen in a very long time.

On the afternoon of Saturday June 7, we were guests of the school at the graduation ceremonies of the Iolani Class of 2008. The ceremony was held in the courtyard next to St Alban's Chapel, to accommodate the crowd of 230 graduates, the faculty, administrators, families and friends of the graduates, and our class. Attending the graduation were **Willie Ahana**, M/M **Mel Aoki**, M/M **Roy Asato**, **Willie Chang**, M/M **Leonard Chow**, **Wendell Hoshino**, **Fred Koga**, M/M **Richard Lau**, **James Manke**, M/M **James Masatsugu**, M/M **Calvin Miyamoto**, M/M **Alan Moo**, **Thomas Moriyasu**, **Clarence Muraoka**, M/M **Robert Nakamatsu**, M/M **David Nakamoto**, **James Nakamine**, M/M **Roy Okimoto**, M/M **Glenn Pang**, **James Sagawa**, **Norman Shigemura**, M/M **Miles Suzuki**, M/M **Elmer Takenishi**, M/M **Thomas Toma**, M/M **Robert Toyofuku**, and M/M **Hugh Yoshida**.

We guys were decked out in LOUD red, black and white aloha shirts, which David and his wife **Irene** had purchased for this occasion. The elaborate, and extremely well done ceremony was a far cry from ours 50 years ago. The graduates were fine, accomplished young ladies and gentlemen with impressive talents and academic, athletic and civic accomplishments. They're so much more prepared for college and the world's challenges than we wet-behind-the-ear kids of so long ago. This is a testimony to the dedicated faculty and staff which Iolani has assembled. Our class gift of more than \$102,000 will help to ensure the continued success of future graduates. Our class was honored by Headmaster Val, the graduates, and attendees, and Val acknowledged our valuable gift.

Following the graduation ceremony, our class and the faculty attended a reception at the headmaster's home. It was a nice spread of heavy pupus (more a full meal) and libations. We enjoyed visiting with each other, the faculty and staff, and **Mayor Hanneman**. Despite the flack that David had been getting from us classmates about our LOUD shirts, we received many compliments on them from all areas, including the graduates. We also received many thank-yous from the faculty and staff for our class gift. We definitely raised the bar in terms of 50-year class gifts, and David and Irene

may have started a trend with the shirts, as members of upcoming 50-year classes thought it was quite spiffy to see the old guys all dressed up identically like little kids (as our aging minds deteriorate, some of us are thinking more and more like little kids). Everyone who griped about the shirts is reluctantly admitting they were a nice touch. Thanks, Irene, for knowing our minds better than we did.

This evening of June 7 will be vividly remembered by all our classmates who were present. It was a definite feel-good event: proud of our personal accomplishments and our collective part in helping the school to educate and train this class of future professionals and leaders, thankful for our ability to physically and mentally attend and be a part of the pomp and grandeur of the occasion, joyful in re-connecting with former classmates and now lifetime friends, allowing ourselves the indulgence of faded memories and touching nostalgia, and renewed hope that despite all the bad that exists in this world, somehow with young people like those we honored that night, the world will survive and even prosper.

The evening of Sunday June 8 was our Reunion banquet at Oahu Country Club: great food, great fun, great company, and great camaraderie. The social hour had more reconnecting, with attendees **Willie Ahana**,



The Class of '58 celebrated their 50th year reunion with several activities.



M/M **Mel Aoki**, M/M **Roy Asato**, M/M **Kelvin Chang**, **Willie Chang** and guest, M/M **Leonard Chow**, **Fred Koga**, M/M **Wendell Hoshino**, M/M **Daniel Kali**, M/M **Richard Lau**, M/M **James Manke**, M/M **James Masatsugu**, M/M **Calvin Miyamoto**, M/M **Alan Moo**, **Thomas Moriyasu**, **Clarence Muraoka**, M/M **Lawrence Miike**, M/M **Robert Nakamatsu**, **James Nakamine**, M/M **David Nakamoto**, M/M **Roy Okimoto**, M/M **Glenn Pang**, **James Sagawa**, M/M **Miles Suzuki**, M/M **Elmer Takenishi**, M/M **Kenneth Tanibe**, M/M **Thomas Toma**, **Renny Tomishima**, M/M **Robert Toyofuku**, **Eugene Wong**, and M/M **Hugh Yoshida**. The wives drew numbers for gifts gathered by Hugh and donated by many of the classmates. Dinner was a sumptuous buffet prepared by the staff at OCC. An 'Iolani string quintet played while we were having dinner (We are classy in our old age!). Gene Wong arrived during dinner after getting off a flight from San Francisco. Guests included **Chris Shimabukuro** and **Mike Moses** from 'Iolani, and **Jamie Ushiroda Green**, classmate **Clifton Ushiroda's** daughter and someone the class sponsored in the 8th grade before she was eligible to obtain an 'Iolani scholarship in her 9th grade year. She is now a successful attorney.

Mel Aoki read a poem he composed for the occasion, "Where Have All the Flowers Gone." Willie Ahana and Rick ran the joke-filled program which included having each class member speak briefly on whatever he wanted to talk about, for example, wife, kids/grandkids, work, retirement. We had a songfest (loosely defined) singing our class song of 50 years ago, "Kamakani Ka I-I Aloha," led again by Danny Kali, and the Iolani alma mater (the original version, not the politically correct one of today as half the student body is female. Remember "...thy sons arise...."). We concluded with a group photo session.

This was another very enjoyable event for everyone who attended. Willie Chang summed up the prevailing thoughts, "The events of the last three days have been so great; why did we wait so long to do this?" And Elmer quoted an excerpt from one of Tommy Toma's recent e-mails, "This is such a great bunch of guys; I'm so proud to be a member of this class." I know everyone was in full agreement.

On Monday June 9, the fourth day of reunion events started with tours of the campus conducted by Mike Moses and Chris Shimabukuro. Attending were **Willie Ahana**, M/M **Mel Aoki**, M/M **Roy Asato**, **Kelvin Chang**, **Willie Chang**, M/M **Leonard Chow**, M/M **Richard Lau**, M/M **James Masatsugu**, M/M **Calvin Miyamoto**, M/M **Alan Moo**, **Thomas Moriyasu**, **Clarence Muraoka**, M/M **Robert Nakamatsu**, M/M **David Nakamoto**, M/M **Roy Okimoto**, **James Sagawa**, M/M **Miles Suzuki**, **Elmer Takenishi**, M/M **Thomas Toma**, **Robert Toyofuku**, M/M **Eugene Wong**, and **Hugh Yoshida**. How the place has changed! And certainly for the better: larger, more facilities, modern, and air-conditioned. It's definitely a first class school in terms of the physical facilities. We already knew it was first class academically and athletically from reading the local papers. One stat Headmaster Val quoted during the graduation ceremonies: 'Iolani has less than one half of one percent of the students in Hawai'i; it typically has a third to 40% of the National Merit scholars from Hawaii, and this year it was 47%. This ain't just the best school in the state; it's the best in the country!

Upon entering the cafeteria, we obtained picture badges with our pictures from the 1958 yearbook. Our resemblances to the pictures were strictly coincidental and mostly comical. The school treated us to a delicious lunch, which included a sushi bar, the result of Frank's negotiations with Val for the school to provide that if we hit our class gift goal of \$100,000. Unfortunately, Frank had to leave for a trip after Friday's golf outing and didn't make it back for the luncheon. We had a fun trivia quiz on events of 1958 (the winning table got tickets to the 2008 A Touch of 'Iolani). The winning table consisted entirely of wives (We classmates were too busy studying in 1958 to have time to acquire knowledge of current affairs.). The staff acknowledged that we're near the top in terms of alumni classes that continue to support and engage with the school.

This was a very fine finish to a fun, memorable, nostalgic, and moving four days of reunion events. I'm confident I speak for all the classmates who attended the events when I say that I wish ALL our classmates could have been present to participate in the celebrations. The events turned out

better than the planning committee had expected, and expectations were high. It was clearly an over-the-top weekend. Thanks, all who worked to make it such an outstanding success. It's been a long 50 years, and all of us have a wide variety of lives, careers, travels, experiences, and emotions. We've mostly turned out OK, despite the many doubts along the way. Much of the credit goes to the education, training, philosophy and Christian values we obtained while attending 'Iolani. We ended this reunion weekend feeling happy, connected, satisfied, and grateful that we're still here alive and reasonably healthy and lucky enough to have gone to 'Iolani and be part of an outstanding organization and a generous, caring class. I would not trade the experiences with you guys for anything. Check out the many photos on the alumni website (need your user ID and password) http://iolanialumni.org/login.asp?url=/picture_archive/detail.asp

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Andrew Fahy, Captain USN Ret, USNA'65, just lost his father-in-law, Captain **Louis Bauer** USN Ret, who passed away at age 96 at the end of April. Captain Bauer, Naval Aviator, commanded the *USS Yorktown*, CVA-10, now a museum ship at Patriots' Point, Charleston, South Carolina. Andy's late father, Captain **John Fahy** USN Ret, USNA '32, attended Annapolis with Captain Bauer, USNA'35 (classmate of Marine Aviator **Col. Robert Black** USMC Ret, late father of **Capt. Robert Black** '59 NYNM, USNA'63). Captain Bauer, a decorated combat WW II veteran (Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star Medal with Combat 'V') was buried with full military honors at Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery in San Diego.

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Our class received a double jolt in August as a favorite classmate and a favorite teacher both succumbed to cancer. **Wayne Okumura**, better known as Hippo to his many friends, passed away on August 10 at the age of 66.

Al Alberts, our biology teacher, passed away on August 7 at the age of 78. Our sincere condolences go to Wayne's wife Carole and his sons Ross and Reid. Coincidentally, the funerals were both held on August 24. The service for Al Alberts was at St. Alban's Chapel and was officiated by the Right Reverend **Richard Chang '59**, a former student of Al. Attending were members of the classes of 1959, 1960, 1961, and 1962, among others. The service for Wayne Okumura followed at Hosoi mortuary in Nuuanu. Classmate **Jim Yamashita** gave the eulogy.

Robert Black '59 was just appointed executive assistant to Vice Admiral John Craine USN Ret, president of SUNY Maritime College, the oldest maritime academy of the United States, situated at tip of Throggs Neck across the narrows from Kings Point and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. This new "day job" is a mix of various functions of a traditional Flag or General Officer's personal staff (executive assistant flag secretary, aide) plus some chief-of-staff functions. Captain Black also remains in Marine uniform as aide to the commander, New York Naval Militia, his New York State defense force volunteer position. **Carol** and **Blackie** were recently guests at the reception for alumni with Headmaster **Val Iwashita '67** held at the home of **Randall Kau '66** in Manhattan.



Rodney Chun '61, left, visited with Eddie Ching '61 in Guam.

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Featured in Wayne Harada's column was **Judy** and **Emmett Yoshioka's** daughter, **Stacy Yoshioka '94**, who was noted as having been the personal trainer for **Bernadette Peters**

"for years." Both Judy and Emmett earned Po'okela awards for excellence in music direction at Diamond Head Theatre. Judy got hers for *Flower Drum Song*; Emmett got his for *The Producers*. **Greg Zane '81** also won a Po'okela award as director of *Flower Drum Song*.

Again attending the Olympics as a swimming coach was **Eddie Ching**. In Beijing, Eddie met up with **Gordon K.H. Chun**. In July, **Elaine** and **Rodney Chun** visited Eddie in Guam.

Visiting Hawai'i from Torrance, California, was **Brian Hamada '72**, who joined **Mo Lai**, **Francis Wong**, **Warren Chung '60**, **Roger Kondo '68**, and **Walter Wong** for some tennis.

Enjoying A Touch of 'Iolani were **Maddie** and **Milt Oshiro**, **Sue** and **Jim Miyashiro**, **Lorna** and **Mo Lai**, **Anita** and **Warren Ho**, **Jennifer** and **Ken Lee**, and **Tom Campbell**, who was also there as a hardworking member of the 'Iolani Alumni Board.

Among the guests celebrating the 70th wedding anniversary of **Violet** and **Kum Pui Lai** (parents of **Mo Lai** and grandparents of **Lori Lai '85** and **Kristie Lai '88**) at Treetops Restaurant were **Lorna Lai**, **Jennifer** and **Ken Lee**, **Gordon Nishiki**, **Russ Saito**, **Jane** and **Royce Fukunaga '59**, and **Lee Thomas**, former English teacher at 'Iolani School. At the event, Violet Lai told Ken Lee that she once dated his father.

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Even though the painting in the background may look like it, these members of the Class of '65 did not go to the Beijing

Ron Yoda, who managed the Kahala Mall for the past 15 years, retired this June. During his tenure as manager, he saw a great deal of expansion, including the opening of Barnes & Nobel in 1994. Prior to starting at Kahala Mall, Ron was a senior vice-president and chief financial officer at A & H Properties for two years. Since his retirement, Ron has done a little traveling, and he plans to travel even more, get involved in volunteer activities, and get some exercise on the golf course, according to an item posted this June on bizjournals.com/pacific/stories/2008.

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At the Touch of 'Iolani were Corilyn Pang '01, Fred Okumura '65, Emiko and Ron Yonemoto '65, Claire and Courtland Pang '65 and, Margaret and Alvin Onaka '65.

The 13th annual A Touch of 'Iolani, intended as an all class reunion, served its purpose for several members our class. **Fred Okumura**, **Ron** and **Emiko Yonemoto**, **Courtland** and **Claire Pang**, with daughter **Corilyn '01**, and **Alvin** and **Margaret Onaka** enjoyed each other's company and the fine food made available by renowned restaurants. The conversation flowed as smoothly as the fine wines being served.



Alvin Onaka '65 received the Halbert L. Dunn Award.

Ron, who's a basketball fan and attends all the Iolani games, agreed to meet Alvin and Courtland at the Father Bray Classic football game. There, after chatting with **Richard Young** and wife **Candace**, they resumed eating and talking at the pre-game tailgate hosted this year by the 'Iolani Alumni Association. When it was time to watch the game, however, Ron and Emiko chose to sit in the upper covered tier of the stadium while Alvin and Margaret, and Courtland, Claire, and Corilyn opted for seats closer to the action. The next time we meet, we'll have to discuss whether Ron is a "fair weather" fan or whether Alvin's and Courtland's eyesight is too poor to sit higher up. Alvin and Courtland should have **Pat Nam**'s support in that debate since he is their optometrist.

And speaking of Pat, he and several other classmates met over a dinner arranged by **Dennis Chang** because **Jeff Soon** and wife **Nancy** were in town this August. Fellow classmates broke noodles and Cantonese food together at a Chinese restaurant. Those joined in dinner were **Randy Wong** and wife **Valerie**, **Dennis Chang** and wife **Mabel**, **Pat Nam**, **Stuart Kaneko**, **Herb Hong**, **Garrett Okubo**. Jeff presently lives in Chico, California, where he works for California State University, Chico. He has to see that a new dining facility combined with dormitory gets built before he retires. We hope there are no further delays. Jeff and Dennis are planning to retire together. As Nancy put it, "It was just like you guys picked up your conversation from yesterday."

Alvin Onaka has been in the news for his work at the State Department of Health. He is the chief of the Office of Health Status and Monitoring and was presented the Halbert L. Dunn Award at the 75th annual meeting of the National Association for Public Health Statistics and Information Systems (NAPHSIS) in Orlando, Florida, this June for outstanding contributions to the field of vital and health statistics. Alvin pioneered many innovations in the State's Health Department such as requiring both a bride and groom to declare both their middle and last names in an effort to maintain accurate identity tracking; an electronic death registration system which was the first of its kind in the nation; and electronic verification of birth certificate information in lieu of ordering certified paper copies.

He is a past president of the National Association for Public Health Statistics and Information Systems and most recently was nearly drawn into the controversy over presidential candidate **Barack Obama**'s Hawai'i birth certificate. He's received many calls asking him to confirm Obama's birth information but has deftly avoided involvement, saying that only Obama can consent to disclosure of that information. Alvin received his Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and has been an affiliate graduate faculty in the Population Studies Program at the University of Hawai'i since 1982.

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Steven Ai, president and CEO of City Mill, received national recognition at the National Hardware Show in Las Vegas when he was given a "Top Gun" award for entrepreneurial spirit, leadership, and commitment to the independent retail community by the North American Retail Hardware Association. He was also the subject of an article in the June 4 issue of *MidWeek*, "It All Starts with Service." The article included three photos of Steven and a very positive interview about his success with City Mill. The caption with one of the photos says it all: "Steven Ai is always on the go, including helping customers with their questions." In fact, according to the article, he even "interrupted his own photo shoot for a major local paper—twice—to see if a random customer needed some help." Steven is planning to open a ninth store this November. It will be named Simply Organized and will be an anchor store of a strip mall being built across from the movie theaters in Kapolei.

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You guys missed out! What a GLORIOUS time the seven samurais had in Las Vegas: **Mark Chun**, **Brian Hamada**, **Wayne Kodama**, **Ken Morikami**, **Alan Tamanaha**, **Duane Wong** and **Gary Wong**, together with terrific sports **Renne Chun** and **Cathy Tamanaha** (who put up with the boys). We dined, wine and lost da kine for four nights. Friday night started with dinner at the Top of the World in the Stratosphere, 800+ feet above the Strip, where \$\$\$ was no object thanks in part to Caymus and Opus, to name a few. Dinner was followed by an arithmetic exercise in counting to 21 to check if everyone could drive back to their hotels. Saturday night the clan went crabbing at the Rio Village Seafood Buffet. Having pigged out at the buffet and not feeling like walking too far, the group wandered down to the Rio Wine Cellar & Tasting Room for a splash of vino. In the privacy of our own tasting room, the Ocean's 9 (two short) devised a plan to drive to Flamin' Joe's to attempt to hit the casino. In route, Hamada vanished between stops, probably off to another secret mission in Area 51. Kodama fearlessly walked into Joe's money pit, never to be seen again. The Chuns camped out on the bar, depositing quarters in a juke box, occasionally receiving a refund. The Wrong brothers made a detour to the Mirage in hopes of greater fortunes. The Tamanahas took an early retirement, leaving Morikami to imitate jedi OB1 Wan Kenobi (since he was our only hope) to profit by evening's end. As for the rest of the night, only Ken knows because what happens in Vegas (\$\$\$), always seems to stay in Vegas. Sunday, the Tamanahas saw The Beatles Love show at the Mirage Cirque du Soleil and met up with Duane and Ken at

the Japonais Lounge for pupus and drinks. Four should have been five but we were out of comunicado with senior Gary (next time, buy a cellphone!!!). Monday night, the Tamanahas finally located the G-man in the not-so Free-Mont, where the fun packed mini-reunion came to a close. Dean Ochiai missed out but took the family to the other Las Vegas for kiddies. **Scott Sakamoto**, **Eric Tsukamoto**, and **Greg Uchimura**: we wish you guys could have made it. As for **Capt. Fujio**, **Glen Chong**, and **Sanford Ota**, who showed up a couple of weeks early in Vegas before the mini reunion guys arrived, bad timing, but we hope you folks had as much fun as we did. Next time The 73's go to LV, join in the fun!

Mike Lee, who lives in Eugene, Oregon, retired after working 30 years in the Eugene School District. He was an elementary school teacher. His future plans are to work in education but on a part time basis.

Keith Nakamura's son **Robert** has been promoted to Lt. JG in the U.S. Navy while on his second cruise deployment. Robert is a surface warfare officer on the destroyer, attached to the *USS Peleliu* Expeditionary Strike Group. Keith's son **David** is still an NYPD officer at the 34th Precinct in Washington Heights in Manhattan. Keith is still waiting for classmates to set up business in Guam with the Guam military buildup.

Glen H.W. Chong is now finance database manager for Bank of Hawaii.

The 'Iolani School Bulletin publishes news about alumni, including such events as career changes, college graduations, marriages, births, travels, and other occasions. Clearly shot color or black-and-white print photos are also accepted, and may be mailed in separately from e-mails or attached to submissions sent through the postal mail. High resolution digital photos are also accepted. For questions, please call (808) 943-2252. Thank you.

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Carl Tanaka reports running his first marathon last year, the 2007 Honolulu Marathon. He trained for nine months with the Honolulu Marathon Clinic and is pleased that he ran the event in 4:10:50 (five minutes off his goal). Along the marathon trail, he found that **Colin Miwa** has over 12 marathons under his belt—most of them finished in less than four hours! Also training with the Honolulu Marathon Clinic is **Eric Hee**.

Mark Yamakawa and his family were on vacation in New Zealand to visit their daughter **Robyn** '05, who was studying abroad at the University of Otago. In Rotorua as he was passing time waiting while his family



Members of the Class of '74 and friends gathered for lunch on July 17 at Sam Choy's Breakfast, Lunch and Crab restaurant: Russell Chinen, Ryan Totoki, Neal Kugiya, Harris Nakamoto '75, Randy Grune, Randy Miyamoto, Dana Yoshimura, Andy Yamaguchi, Clement Bautista, Terry Keola, Mike Wong, Coach Hamada, Carl Tanaka, Paul Connell, Kerry Wong, Alan Suemori '75, Norm Gentry, and Robin Uyeshiro.

shopped in the downtown area, he passed a familiar face. After doing a double take, he realized it was classmate **Kerry Wong** sitting on a bench also passing time and enjoying the scenery. Professor Wong was in New Zealand with colleagues for a conference and was doing some last minute shopping before heading back home. He is part of

an initiative called Hookulaiwi in the UH College of Education whose work focuses on the advancement of indigenous education through teacher preparation and research. It was a wonderful coincidence meeting in New Zealand.

Congratulations go to **Paul Yokota**: An announcement of Paul Yokota's promotion to senior vice president, chief operations officer of Prince Resorts Hawaii, was published in the August 1 *Advertiser*. One of Paul's first duties will be to oversee the reopening of the legendary Mauna Kea Beach Hotel following its repair and refurbishment after the 10/06 earthquake.

Congratulations also go to **Mike** and **Leila Wong** on their son **Taylor**'s graduation. This was missed in the last Classnotes. Sorry, Mike.



In New Zealand, left to right, are Shane Cobb-Adams, Margie Maaka, Kerry Laiana Wong '74, and Mark Yamakawa '74.

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The June 2, 2008, edition of the *Honolulu Star Bulletin* included a feature on the Hawaii Cord Blood Bank and its founder, Dr. **Randal Wada**. Wada directs the bank, which receives stem cells taken from umbilical cords donated at birth. So far, 29 people across the globe have been saved by stem cells from Hawai'i-born babies. Wada performed the first cord blood transplant at UCLA in 1996.

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Since moving back to Hawai'i in the summer of 2007, after being in So Cal for 31 years, **Mark Imada** has assumed the Classnotes responsibilities. Mark and wife **Cindy** have finally decided to relocate back home, where they belong. He is a vice president/financial consultant with Charles Schwab downtown. Their daughter **Crissy** is a Rainbow Warrior dancer.

Since 2008 marks the 50th birthday for most of the '76ers, naturally a celebration was in order. A golf tournament was held in July at Hawai'i Kai. The 19th hole was held at **Gerald Yamane's** house, right down the road.

Duane Okumoto and **Allen Takayama** tied for low honors at 81, although Allen took

home the most "points." **Randall Yee** shot a respectable 89. Of course, there were scores in the 90's and 100's, but fun, friends, and cold beverages were the highlight. Hackers included **Chuck Fasi**, **Peter Gibson**, **Mark Imada**, **James Louis**, **Glenn Nagata**, **Lyle Uyeda** and **Greg Yamanaka**. The Yamanes hosted a fantastic gourmet spread with lots of food and beverages. Mahalo again for your efforts! Surprise guests, **Wesley Choy** (and **Frances**) and **Myron Yap** (coincidentally in town) helped close down the party in the wee hours.

The official 50th Birthday Bash was held the following weekend at Brasserie du Vin in downtown. It's a very quaint and rustic venue, and the private Cask Room in the back was perfect for the raucous crowd. Mark Imada MC'd the event by presenting door prizes (big winner—**Keoni Fairbanks**), cracking wise, and leading the Happy Birthday song (with shots ordered by **Craig Watanabe**, since there was no cake). Attendees, along with spouses and significant others included, **Mark Imada**, **Peter Gibson**, **Duane Okumoto**, **Allen Takayama**, **Randall Yee**, **Mark Yamamoto**, **Craig Watanabe**, **Chuck Fasi**, **Len Tshako**, **Dean Tanaka**, **Kevin Yim**, **Blaine Ah Quin**, **Lyle Uyeda**, **Norman Okimoto**, **Jason Tanaka**, **Harold Yamada** and **Keoni Fairbanks**.

Professional surprise guest Myron showed up in time to sing Happy B-day. Kudos go to the newly appointed Class of 1976 Event Coordinator, **Cindy Imada**, who did all the organizing. Also, thanks go to mainlanders **Tom Ellis** and **Steven Vickery**, who wanted to attend but sent their Aloha!

Kurt Kawafuchi (who couldn't attend, due to a business trip in New York), the state's director of taxation, has received the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' 2008 Outstanding CPA in State Government Award. He accepted the award in August at the organization's annual conference in Washington, D.C.

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Members of the Class of '76 celebrated the year of their 50th birthdays. First row: Allen Takayama, Randall Yee, Peter Gibson, Norman Okimoto, Craig Watanabe, Chuck Fasi, Duane Okumoto; second row: Mark Yamamoto, Harold Yamada, Mark Imada, Len Tshako, Jason Tanaka; back row: Kevin Yim, Keoni Fairbanks, Lyle Uyeda, Dean Tanaka, Blaine Ah Quin

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According to an item posted July 6 on Starbulletin.com, Maj. **Keith Yoshida** has assumed command of the 29th Brigade Combat Teams' Support Battalion, relieving Lt. Col. **David "Duke" Kahanu, Jr.**

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It was great to see **Fumihisa Yamazaki** at the multi-class reception on campus on July 31st. He now lives in Lake View Terrace, in the Los Angeles area. While working at Caltech, he met **Lorrie**, whom he married in 1994. They have a nine-year-old son, **James**. Since 2005, Fumihisa has worked for Exeter



Doug Ing '83 created an art piece in honor of Mayor Mufi Hannemann '72.

Group, a consulting company specializing in higher education. He is obsessed with ice hockey and likes to cook. He describes his life as "generally mundane but happy."

Doug Ing created "Mufi," a mixed media collage portrait of Mayor **Mufi Hannemann**, '72 for the group show "From the Closet Of" which hung in the lobby of the Honolulu Country Club from May 18-July 12, 2008. Honolulu celebrities donated clothing items which local artists turned into artworks. Mufi's XXL T shirt and baseball cap were cut apart to form a likeness of the mayor. This was a busy summer of art for Doug. His documentary short video, "Taj Mahal Postcard," had its world premiere on July 11, 2008, at the 31st New York International Asian Film Festival, the nation's oldest Asian American Film Festival. This documentary, shot with a Mattel Toy Vidster camera, shows tourists posing in front of one of the most photographed sites in the world, the Taj Mahal.

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Candice Kraughto, regional director of public relations for Starwood Hotels & Resorts, has been named by *Pacific Business News* to the Forty Under 40 Class of 2008. She is profiled in the June 27 issue of *Pacific Business News*.

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Jeff Miyazawa's five-year-old son **Joshua** made news posted on honoluluadvertiser.com on July 5, 2008, and again on July 17. Both items focused on Joshua's being chosen to play tee-ball at the White House this summer. That opportunity would be newsworthy itself, but it is even more impressive that Joshua was diagnosed with a small hole in his heart at a routine physical last year, underwent open-heart surgery on May 19, and recovered so well he was again playing tee-ball in just months. His tee-ball coach, **Sarie Uechi '86** recommended Joshua for this special Tee-Ball on the South Lawn All-Star Game. In her letter about Joshua, Sarie described what an inspiring fighter Joshua is, and because "selection for the honor was not based on baseball ability just on why the player deserves to be chosen," despite a snafu in meeting the deadline for



At the wedding of Amber Testino (Olson) '87 in Spain were Tara Boone '87, Jeffrey Hawk '85, Aubrey Hawk '85, Amber Testino '87 and Nani Coloretto '87.

the event, Joshua still made the cut for the July 16 game. The second article related Joshua's prowess at the plate: in the special game, he hit a line drive for a single and "drew presidential applause." Following the game, Joshua and other players had the chance to meet the president and pose for individual photos.

Scott Arakaki and wife **Leilani** welcomed their first son, **Ryder Christian** Arakaki, in May 2008. Ryder weighed 7.5 pounds and was 20 inches long. Scott has also formed a new law firm, Badger Arakaki Worsham, where he practices commercial and real estate litigation.

'Iolani graduates gathered for a group photograph at the wedding of **Amber Testino (Olson)** and **Giovanni Testino** on July 5, 2008, in a castle outside Barcelona, Spain. Amber and Giovanni have a daughter, **Bianca** (age two), who was an adorable flower girl along with Aubrey and Jeffrey Hawk's two daughters, **Kelly** (age 11), and **Madeline** (age nine). Amber Testino is an agent for photographers working and living in New York City, Paris, and Barcelona. **Aubrey Hawk (Olson)** has her own public relations company in Honolulu and is married to **Jeffrey Hawk**, an attorney and partner at Hawk, Sing, Ignacio & Waters. Kelly and Maddi attend Hanalei School. **Tara Boone** is currently in the middle of a year devoted to traveling around the world. She had been living in New York City, where she developed a successful handbag business. **Nani Coloretto** lives in Berkeley with husband **David Goldstein** and their son **Kaleo Goldstein-Coloretto** (age 6 1/2). Nani is the budget director for San Francisco Mayor, **Gavin Newsom**.

Two members of our class were selected to the *Pacific Business News* Forty Under 40 Class of 2008 list: **Donn Takaki**, president of Hawktree, and **Brennon Morioka**, director of the State of Hawaii Department of Transportation. Our congratulations go to them both for making the list in their LAST year of eligibility—"40 just barely under 40." Ha!

Patrick Spadinger and **Kevin Kuretzky** recently started their own online bakery business at www.smokeyandgiraffe.com. The company

is selling three items including Mondel Bread (a Jewish dessert), choco-butter Scotch cookies, and their unique twist on butter-mochi. Wish them luck!

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Mike Ching, who is a partner at Ernst & Young, **John K. Matsumoto**, who owns of Rulon & Matsumoto LLC, and **Jared Kuroiwa**, who launched KGMB9.com, have been named by *Pacific Business News* to the Forty Under 40 Class of 2008. All three were profiled in the June 27 issue of *Pacific Business News*.

Both **Rena Winchester's** older sons, **Pikai** and **Paliku**, played important roles in the Waipio Little League team's world championship.

Pikai, a sixth grader at Holy Family Catholic Academy, plays for the championship team, and younger brother **Paliku's** fighting spirit inspires team members to work hard to play their very best. **Paliku**, termed the team's "good luck charm," was diagnosed with lymphoma in February and continues to undergo chemotherapy. His fighting spirit moved the Waipio team to chant his name when the team was down by four runs in the finals against Louisiana, and the team's incredible rally and win made news all over the country. According to an article posted on starbulletin.com and written by **Gene Park**, both boys were given a heroes' welcome by Holy Family School in late August.

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Allison Chang and husband **Ivan Huang** moved to Pleasanton, California, last year and had a beautiful baby boy on May 3, 2007. **Matthew Kapono Tenn Tsun Huang** weighed six pounds and 14 ounces and was 19.5 inches long. They recently held his one-year birthday luau in their backyard with many Iolanians in attendance. Uncle **Tim Chang** '89 and his wife **Gina** and two children (TJ and CC) drove up from Pasadena to the Bay Area. Auntie **Kim Chang** '91 drove down from Oakland, and Uncle **Jon Chang** '94 drove across the San Francisco Bay to help them celebrate. **Shari Sakuda** was also there with her fiancé **Edward Fong**. **Hale Takazawa** '86 flew up with his family to celebrate his 40th (gulp) birthday and to join the family at the luau. The "old guys" were also in attendance—Grandpa **Irving Chang** 'X56, Uncle **David Sakuda** '56 and local

Sunnyvale resident **Gordon Leong** '56 had some time to catch up. Allison and Ivan find parenthood both exhausting and exciting and look forward to a great second year. On the professional front, Allison Chang is starting a new job as the legal director of ethics and compliance at Yahoo! after having worked at applied materials for more than two years as a director in the Office of the Ombudsman.

Allison enjoys living in the Bay Area because she gets to see **Shari Sakuda** frequently. Shari moved up to the Bay Area last year after having accepted a teaching position at the Urban Promise Academy in Oakland, California. She is engaged to Dr. **Edward Fong**, a pediatric pulmonologist at Oakland Children's Hospital. Allison is also in touch with **Alli C.Q. Chang** (the other Allison Chang), who also gave birth to a beautiful baby boy last year. Alli, who now (sadly) goes by **Allison Warfield**, had **Dylan Franklin Kai Warfield** on October 11, 2007, at 1:26p.m. He weighed in at eight pounds 3.5oz and measured 19.5 inches. Alli now lives in Austin, Texas. **Cory Olson Orr** also got in on the baby action and had a beautiful girl on January 19, 2008. **Makena Rae Orr** weighed seven pounds and 14 ounces and was 20 ½ inches long! she joins older brother **Nainoa** and older sister **Kaiona**. All are doing wonderfully. **Dawnie Ichimura** also keeps in touch with Allison. She is a prosecutor for the City and County of Honolulu. In her spare time she is an assistant coach for the 'Iolani Division 2 girls basketball team. Allison and Ivan hope to make it to a game next year in order to heckle the assistant coach. **Aurene Padilla Pila** and Allison exchanged e-mails in the fall when the 17th year reunion was being planned (what ever happened to that?). At the time, Aurene was waiting for her second baby to arrive and join her almost-two-years-old daughter. Aurene, how's the baby doing?

Sarah Murray Keliher was in on the baby action back in August 2007. She and Allison exchanged e-mails two weeks before her due date, and Sarah has not been heard from since! She and her husband were living the good life in New Zealand. Every now and then Allison runs into **Brent Yamashita**, who is a partner at DLA Piper in their Palo Alto office. Allison was also able to track

down **Naomi Shimizu** earlier this year. Naomi is completing a fellowship in Boston in critical care. According to Naomi, surgery was too easy so she had to make it a little more challenging. Alli Fujita is also doing well and is working hard as an attorney in Honolulu.

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The photographic work of **Aaron Padilla** was featured in a show entitled "See the World in Black and White." The show was part of Club Monaco's in-store grand opening celebration.

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Miki'ala (Jacobs) DeVivo and her husband **Joe** (WCAS 99) celebrated the birth of their second child, **Max Forte**, in June. Earlier this year, Miki started a child and family portrait company called Pure Child Photography. Located in Phoenix's North Valley, her company specializes in capturing candid expressions of children's pure personalities. Joe has just completed his second year as a software engineer at The 41st Parameter, a risk management and fraud prevention company. Their daughter **Renee** starts pre-school this spring.

Ryan Gabriel and **Leslie Shirasu** welcomed daughter **Karlie Shirasu Gabriel** on April 17, 2008. Their first daughter, **Rylie** (three years old), is thrilled to be big sister. Ryan, Leslie, Rylie, Karlie, and their dog Ace live in Foster City, California.

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This July, Lt. **Sean Kido**, officer in charge of USS *Kitty Hawk's* (CV 63) Carrier Strike Group Explosive Ordnance Disposal unit, received the Bronze Star for valor for service in Iraq between April 6 and October 1, 2007. The award was presented to Sean by Rear Admiral **Rick Wren** in a ceremony on held on the *Kitty Hawk*. According to a *Honolulu Advertiser* article, Sean's convoy was hit by two land mines when he "calmly

took charge of the situation, dismounted to sweep the area of other dangers, while coordinating an airborne over watch and casualty evacuation." He led his 12-man detachment in 109 direct-action missions, 16 operations to counter insurgent bomb operations, and 33 reconnaissance missions.

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Lt. Sean Kido received the Bronze Star for his service in Iraq.

David Hershinow '00 and Stephanie Insley were married in October 2007.

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David Hershinow and **Stephanie Insley** were married on October 13, 2007, in the Wren Chapel at the College of William and Mary. **Ilan Bernstein** '00 and **Alex Berenberg** '00 served as Best Men, sister **Kim Evans** was Best Woman, and niece **Ruby LaRocca** was Best Baby. David and Stephanie are both pursuing doctorates in English literature at The Johns Hopkins University.

MMA Hawaii, Hawai'i's premier mixed martial arts magazine, put 'Iolani's Olympian, **Taylor Takata**, on the cover of the September 2008 issue. Many of us at 'Iolani rallied to support Taylor this summer as he prepared for and competed in the Olympics. He was the first judoka from Hawai'i and only the third overall to earn a spot on the U.S. Olympic Judo Team since **Clifton Sunada** in 1996. Prior to leaving for Beijing, Taylor and a couple of his Olympic coaches taught a judo clinic at 'Iolani's athletic complex. Training for the Olympics has been Taylor's job for four years, so the clinic served to give back and help kids in Hawai'i learn some of the techniques Taylor knows and to help Taylor finance his trip to China to compete in the Olympics. Ultimately, Taylor finished ninth in his event at the Olympics. Although he was disappointed that he didn't get farther, Taylor's finish was "the best result in the first two days of competition at the Games for a U.S. judoka," according to an item posted August 11 on StarBulletin.com. Taylor plans to resume his studies at the University of Colorado, but he reflected thusly on his Olympic debut, according to an item posted August 11 on honoluluadvertiser.com: "It's been a great experience for me to fight the best guys in the world. I couldn't ask for more."

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Lucie Johnson married **S. Kamuela Hunter** (Pahoa High School '97) on June 28th, 2008, at Senator Fong's Plantation, Kaneohe. The ceremony was officiated by former headmaster Rev. **David Coon**. As shown in the picture, good friends and alumni **Elyssa Street** '01, **Lynne Lam** '01, **Jordan Kandell** '01, **Daniel Tsukayama** '01, **Ken Bwy** '01, **Aaron Kandell** '01, **Ben Roney** '01, **Jayci Roney** '01, **Dane Anderson** '02, **Kari Shozuya** '01, and **Erik Anderson** '02 helped celebrate the



Jennifer Sin '01 and Eric Chen were married in December 2007 with many 'Iolani friends in attendance.



Lucie Johnson '01 married S. Kamuela Hunter in June 2008 with many 'Iolani friends joining the celebration.

occasion. The Hunters are currently living in Monmouth, Oregon, and Lucie will begin teaching math at the local middle school in September.

Jennifer Sin and **Eric Chen** were married on December 29, 2007. Rev. **Daniel Leatherman** officiated the ceremony at St. Alban's Chapel, and the reception was held at

Ko'olau Golf Club. **Janice Hung** '01 served as Maid of Honor, **Kevin Sin** '06 served as a groomsman, and several 'Iolani friends attended the celebration, including **Reid Hirata**, **Jenny Kajiyama**, **Lynne Lam**, **Jennifer Lee**, **Brian Liu**, **Elaine Nitta**, **Lyndon Pham**, **Allyson Spence**, **Lisa Yoshimi**, **Justin Young**, **Michael Young**, Mrs. **Amelia Lee** and doc! Jen and Eric met at the University of Pennsylvania and currently reside in Blue Bell, Pennsylvania.

'02

Kila Kaaihue, who has been on a tear for Double AA Northwest Arkansas this year, was called up to play for the Kansas City Royals Triple A Omaha squad. Kila, who was drafted in the 15th round of the Major League draft out of 'Iolani, leads the Texas League in home runs (26), and is third in RBIs (79). He hit .314 in 91 games for the Naturals this season.

Bobby Nash embarked on his first professional venture this summer when he signed a contract with the Shiga Lakestars, a professional basketball team in Japan. One of three players from the United States, Bobby "spent the summer promoting the team, participating in various camps and getting acclimated before the 52-game regular season tips off in October," according to an item posted June 19 on honolulustarbulletin.com

Hongzhe Sun finished sixth in his semifinal heat of the 100 meter backstroke in trials held in Nebraska this July and just missed qualifying for the U.S. Olympic Team.

1st Lieutenant **Kimo Yamashiro** (Air Force Academy '06) graduated from the Air Force undergraduate program and specialized pilot training at Laughlin AFB in Del Rio, Texas. Kimo ranked 3rd in his class and received his 1st choice of aircraft and duty station. He selected the C-17 assigned to McChord AFB in Tacoma, Washington. The C-17 is the Air Force's new tactical airlifter.

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1st Lt. Kimo Yamashiro '02 and father Ward '70 are pictured at Kimo's winging ceremony at Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas.

'04

Ashley Aratani, a senior at Washington, was named one of 40 recipients of the Pac-10 Conference's Postgraduate Scholarships. The award considers the student-athlete's athletic performance and accomplishments as well as behavior on and off the field.

After playing with the NBA's Dallas Mavericks' Summer League team, former Washington State and 'Iolani star **Derrick Low** will be taking his game Down Under. Derrick signed a one-year deal with the Sydney Spirit of the Australian National Basketball League. The terms of the deal were not disclosed, but it will include housing and transportation. Derrick has not given up on his NBA aspirations, saying, "The NBA is still there; several teams are still interested. I just have to keep getting better and keep the NBA in sight."

Sarah Stone is currently in New Delhi, India. She's been traveling a lot. She was in Israel last year, then attended an HIV conference in Missouri, and taught at a depressed school district in Camden, New Jersey, during Spring Break. This last January she was in Turkey for three weeks. She came to Honolulu for spring break to get her tan, but she was soon off again to Massachusetts. Sarah is currently enrolled through Brown University for the India program, although her classics/history degree is through

Williams College. She will be in Delhi until the end of the year studying Hindi, Sanskrit, philosophy and history. In January she will spend a month in Taiwan with the Hakka Tribe, observing their culture. She graduates in June, and plans to pursue a master's degree.

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Torin Ching was named to the West Coast Conference's Spring All-Academic Team for men's tennis.

Kristine Duong recently graduated from the University of California-San Diego with a bachelor's degree in political science with a concentration in public law. For now, she is working with Aloha United Way as a community executive. She is also a contestant in the 2009 Narcissus Queen Pageant.

Kyle Pape, a senior at Colorado School of Mines, competed as part of USA Athletes International in Europe this summer. His team, made up of Division II players from the United States, went 5-0 against European competition, and Kyle averaged 22 points a game.

Erin Liu is truly unbelievable! After studying abroad in the fall of her junior year in Switzerland, she was inspired by the international scene. This summer, she spent two months volunteering in a public hospital in Accra, Ghana. Claremont McKenna College gave Erin a scholarship to make the opportunity possible. Along with some of the obligatory sightseeing, she also did significant work with cardiologists and OBGYNs. This is just the tip of the iceberg: she saw firsthand 10 open-heart surgeries and successfully delivered a baby boy and girl in the village of Asuofua. She was the one that cut the umbilical cord, talked the mother through the labor, and was the first

beautiful face that the little ones saw. What a way to enter the world (you can read that however you want). She'll be graduating in May with a degree in economics and has applied to med school. She shares an apartment with 'Iolani classmate **Kira** "Big Guns" **Tamashiro**, and **Kyson** "Don't Hate Me Because I'm Beautiful" **Morikuni** lives just downstairs. UNDERSTATEMENT OF THE YEAR: Our little baby is all grown up! (Submitted by **Kirk Uejio** '98)

'06

Kimi Ide-Foster has been named to the Academic All-American Team for Water Polo. Kimi attends Pitzer College.

Christian Johnson, now an incoming recruit for the University of Hawai'i baseball team, "capped a nice two-year career at Central Arizona JC, according to an item posted June 5 on honoluluadvertiser.com. Despite a quadriceps injury which caused him to miss 13 games, Christian hit .385 with a team-leading .583 slugging percentage for Central Arizona last season.

Jakara Mato spent the summer in New Orleans working with the nonprofit organization Broadmoor Development Corporation. According to an item in the August 5 issue of *The Times-Picayune*, while there, Jakara "developed a food distribution program largely on her own." Prior to this experience, Jakara had never considered living or working permanently in the New Orleans area. By the end of the summer, however, Jakara "found herself in love with the Crescent City—and eager to come back for work after graduation."

University of Utah women's basketball player **Hennasea Tokumura** has won the Mountain West Conference Scholar-Athlete Award. Hennasea earned the honor recording a team-best 3.59 cumulative grade-point average. The MWC Scholar-Athlete Award is the highest academic honor bestowed by the conference. To be eligible for selection, student-athletes must have completed at least two academic terms, while maintaining a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or

better, and have participated in varsity competition in an NCAA-sponsored sport. Hennasea is majoring in environmental and civil engineering.

'07

Dara Tawarahara is playing waterpolo for the UOP Tigers and scored three goals against UH. UOP was UH's season opener. Dara finished the season with 47 goals and a dislocated right shoulder, but rehab's good and she's ready to play.

The 'Iolani Girls Summer volleyball league featured an "Oldies" team. Members of the team include **Kris Sumida** '07, **Christine Chan** '07, **Miyoko Pettit** '07, **Leigh Sumida** '06, **Tori Chun** '06, **Jackie Lyn Sasaki** '03 (just got herself engaged!), **Kim Arita** '00, and **Rona Kekauoha** '86. These ladies do not play like they're old, winning three out of the four championships. They do provide a lot of laughs and free entertainment. Other schools want to play in next summer's league just to meet up with the "Oldies." Kris Sumida and Leigh Sumida will return to play for the University of Puget Sound. Christine Chan plays for Pomona, and Miyo Pettit will return to play libero for Harvard.

'08

Brad Lawson has been named the top recruit in the country by *Volleyball Magazine*. Brad, who appears on the cover of the July 2008 issue of the magazine, is headed to Stanford in the fall, where he will join fellow 'Iolani alumnus **Kawika Shoji** '06 on the Cardinal's quickly improving squad. Brad is currently playing with the United States Junior National Team.

Caitlin Mizoshiri was among the student athletes awarded HMSA Kaimana Scholarships this June. She will be attending the University of the Pacific this fall and plans to major in pre-pharmacy. The awards ceremony was held at The Kahala Hotel & Resort in June.

'X08

Denny Young-Nakaya graduated from St. Louis School in May 2008. (His father is **Kyle Nakaya** '89.) Denny's family and friends were surprised (and very proud) to learn that he was in the top 15 graduating seniors. Although he was accepted at UMass and Boston College, Denny chose to remain in Hawai'i and attend UH Mānoa. Part of that may have been due to the fact that he wanted to spend more time with his newborn sister, **Mia Masako Young Mei Lin** Teramae, born on April 15, 2008. She weighed seven pounds 15.5 ounces and was 19.75 inches long.



Denny Young-Nakaya 'X08 and mom Colleen (Young) Teramae '89 celebrate at the St. Louis graduation ceremony in May 2008.

Memorials

CLASS OF 1938

James “Jimmy” Kapiolehua Lota died August 13, 2008. He was a retired Hawaii Air National Guard lieutenant colonel with more than 30 years of service. He is survived by wife Eileen; son James Kauhane; daughters Pamela Lota-Fujii, Patricia Lota-Duncan, and Kellei Leialoha; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

CLASS OF 1958

Calvin Kai Sung Chang died August 14, 2008. He was a retired state computer systems analyst. He is survived by cousins; and by lifelong friend Marvin Kam.

CLASS OF 1959

Wayne Kunio Okumura died August 10, 2008. He was a retired Central Pacific Bank banker and a U.S. Army veteran. He is survived by wife Carole; sons Ross and Reid; mother Hatsumi; and sister Gail.

CLASS OF 1965

Michael Haruo Michimoto died May 16, 2008. He was retired from the Board of Water Supply and was also a U.S. Army veteran. He is survived by parents Craig and Ethel; and sister Lindsay.

FORMER FACULTY

Albert Augustus Alberts died August 7, 2008. He was born in Modesto, California. He was an ‘Iolani School biology teacher from 1956 to 1962 and was also a dorm monitor. Albert loved growing and judging orchids, pottery as a hobby, operas, and attending plays. He was a retired administrator of Veterans Hospital, San Jose, California.

‘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/alumna has passed away. Notices may be sent to Office of Institutional Advancement, ‘Iolani School, 563 Kamoku Street, Honolulu, HI 96826. Thank you.