

CLASSNOTES

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In celebrating our 60th reunion, a luncheon was held on Saturday, April 18, 2009, at the Natsunoya Tea House located in Alewa Heights. It was a Japanese buffet with the following classmates and wives in attendance: **Harold and Gladys Aloiau, Howard and Shirley Han, Ray and Lillian Hatate, Hollis and Jojo Ho, Paul In, Walter and Mary Komeiji, James "Asau" and Sandy Lee, Bill and Vivian Lee, Alan and Ethel McKillop, Albert and Song Nishikawa, Donald and Alma O'Day, Hugo and Phyllis Seto, Dr. Walton and Vicki Shim, Gerald "Bolo" and Eileen Soneda, Clancy Taoka, Ray Wong, Ken Mukaigawa, and James and Clara Kawasaki.** Classmate widows **Marge (Phillip) Choy, Norma (Richard) Dang, Letitia (Walter) Ho, Annabelle (John) Ching, and Rae (Eric) Watanabe** were in attendance as well. Adopted '49er **Ben and Diane Almadova** also joined us.

We had a great time reminiscing about our younger years as well as moaning and groaning about how our bodies are falling apart. The party started with pupus: smoked fish, tako poke, and lumpia. Seeds and cuttlefish were also served, compliments of Hollis and Jojo Ho along with the old folks' drink, wine. After the luncheon, we indulged in the generously donated sweet decadent desserts, compliments of the Almadovas, Aloiaus, Marge Choy, Norma Dang, Hatates, Sonedas, Annabelle Ching, and the Hos. Due to a previous commitment, **Ed and Joanne Chun** could not attend the reunion but graciously contributed a monetary donation toward the reunion. The orchid plants with blooming flowers, which Hugo and Phyllis Seto generously donated, were given as door prizes along with the unconsumed wine. Due to another party that evening, we had a 3-hour time limit, which put a little damper

on the event. Some of the '49ers have already hinted about a Vegas trip in the later part of this year.

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The 'Mates of the Class of '55 were shocked to learn of the recent passing of **Roy Kitayama** and **Logan Ng**. This was particularly disturbing because, combined with the losses of **Harvey**

Chun and **Owen Yoneji**, the living membership in the Class has been reduced by four in less than a year. We extend our heartfelt sympathies and condolences to their families for their loss.

On a much lighter note, **Vernon Goo, Mel Ishi, Fred Karimoto, Ken Katsuyoshi** and **Franklin Young** recently got together for a bit of lunch and some fabulous "talk story." As always, it was terrific to see 'Mates and keep in touch. Unfortunately, the golfers in the Class could not join the group because they were busy chasing the white ball across the green field trying to put it in the hole at the end.

The Class of '55 is apparently well represented in the 'Iolani 55-60 Golf Club. We have learned that **Roy Murakami, Roy Nishioka, Freeman Kaohu, Ralph Chinen, Roy Doi, Stan Fukumoto, Donald Kimura, Ken Koike, Howard Nakamoto, Ernest Nakanishi, Dean Nishimura, Thomas Oye, Ray Sumida, Francis Takata, and Ken Yonamine** get together monthly to play some golf.

Speaking of Francis Takata, he came roaring back from some knee surgery to sink a hole-in one last February at the Ala Wai Golf Course. Amazing!!!

Richard Kim recently advised us that **Ken Kamiya** was awarded the 2009 Community Recognition Plaque by the El Camino Lions Club. Congratulations!!

CLASSNOTES DEADLINES

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» November 15, 2009 for winter 2010 issue

» February 15, 2010 for spring 2010 issue

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Our special thanks go to **Rodney Kimura** for keeping in touch with us by calling us every so often. It is always a treat to touch base with our 'Mates who are so far away on the Mainland. Thankfully, a group of us regularly exchange news, jokes, information (some good, some not) via the Internet. Among the more active ones are **Earl Biven, Vernon Goo, Fred Karimoto, Ken Katsuyoshi, Bunny Lee, Wally Minato, Jim Murata, and Herb Omura**. If any of our other 'Mates want to join us, please contact us so we can hook up with you.

Ronald Nakayama tells us he is keeping busy reading—newspapers, magazines, books, almost anything in print. No wonder he still sounds as sharp as he did when we used to talk story back at 'Iolani many, many years ago. We know what the golfers do. What do some of you other 'Mates do to pass the time away every day?

By the way, **Rodney Kimura** just reminded us that next year (2010) will mark our fifty-fifth year since graduating from our Alma Mater. He has talked to **Charles Stewart** about the Class holding a reunion next year on Maui to celebrate. Charley is apparently interested in handling some of the arrangements on Maui. Are any of you interested in a 55th Reunion????

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Gathering for a reunion of the '61 Midnight Painting Club were Corinne and Dave Dumas, Shree and Bruce Ames, and Warren Ho.

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Aloha, fellow classmates. It seems my current dialysis treatments combined with my personal and business commitments have prevented me from remaining on top of the schedule at hand. I was not physically aware how my present medical condition had affected my various personal, business, and social activities. Many of you are experiencing a similar situation: completing personal family affairs as caregivers, babysitting grandchildren, retiring, and enjoying various vacation activities, and facing medical challenges. **Victor Chang** and I have learned about the above through personal

calls regarding our past functions and have heard of various concerns and interests from our classmates. Yes, to quote one of our classmates, "We are over 60 and should have the maturity to not have to call or chase for responses, especially with e-mail." Chairing the "Par for the Priory" golf tournament for 25 successful years educated me to the cost of time consumption. This has benefited me to move forward and face the various challenges ahead of me. Although I did not take full advantage of the educational opportunities afforded to me during my student years at 'Iolani for thirteen years, I owe my stability and growth during those years not only to the school but also to the experiences with my various classmates.

We are facing the most challenging time with the upcoming reunion programs planned for our class. Unfortunately, we have lost some classmates and many are currently facing serious medical challenges. This is the time to pull together and exemplify and solidify our team fellowship as followers of Father Kenneth Bray. Above all, respect the time and personal commitment from our class's volunteers to place us as "One Team." Due to time constraints, I will continue to catch up with more newsworthy items in the next issue.

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Thanks to **Mike Chun**, the class now has a photo and blog site. Check out the photos and, optionally, register to be a blogger at <http://iolani1961.blogspot.com/>

Under the leadership of **Dick Tsuda**, the class operated the Family Fair barbecue-chicken booth on Friday, April 17. Other hard workers at the fair were **Bruce Ames, Bob Mumper, Mike Chun, Howard Lee, Dick Chung, Warren Ho, Milt Oshiro, Rodney Chun, Tom Campbell, Norm Tyau, Francis Wong, Russ Saito, Ken Nakasone, Wayne Takemoto, Tom Wong, Miles Ono**, and **Ken Lee**. A majority of those working agreed that the class would continue manning a booth at least through 2011.

In preparation for our 5-0 reunion in 2011, **Dexter Furuhashi** had a survey sent out requesting our input of event preferences: a cruise, the Silverado Resort, a Honolulu event, a Las Vegas event.

The infamous '61 Midnight Painting Club had one of its irregular reunions at the Outrigger Canoe Club when **Dave** and **Corinne Dumas** visited from Tilamook, Oregon, on the Trask River and got together with **Bruce** and **Shree Ames** and **Warren Ho**. For those unfamiliar with that paint club, see page 194 of our senior yearbook. What do **Bruce** and **Sun Yat-sen** have in common? Both have been incorrectly claimed by Punahou to be more Punahou than 'Iolani alumni. The more recent transgression appears on page 53 of the Spring 2009 issue of the *Punahou Bulletin*.

Francis Wong has been busy in the past few months. He enjoyed seeing **Emmett** and **Judy Yoshioka** star in the last Diamond Head Theatre production of *Gypsy*. Emmett reported that he was in auditions for *The Wedding Singer* at Diamond Head Theatre, with a planned opening on July 10, 2009. He also noted that **Christine Yasunaga '89** is the choreographer for *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* at DHT. Frannie

noted that 'Iolani teacher **Richard Hotoke**, who was a member of the orchestra in *Gypsy*, was also a coach and player for many matches vs. Frannie's team in the O'ahu Tennis League. Continuing his successful tennis career, Frannie's team went to Phoenix, Arizona, for the Super Seniors 7.0 United States Tennis Association Nationals.

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The Annual 'Iolani Fair is the time that some classmates get together on Friday to staff the refrigerator and freezer containers. This year MAHALO to **Mike Young, Bill Ehrhorn, Ray Minami** and wife **Darcie, Al Tanigawa, Leroy**

Uyehara, Bruce Shimomoto, Roy Ledesma, Gary Ting, Ed Oshiro and **Ed Sakoda**, who volunteered their valuable time.

The night before the Fair (Thursday) **Leroy** and **Helen Uyehara** hosted their usual fantastic "pupu" party to reminisce with **Mark Ames** in from Australia and **George Arizumi, Roy Ledesma, Bruce** and **Patty Shimomoto**, and **Hubert Minn '65**, who was George's chauffeur that evening because of recent shoulder surgery. If you've not been to one of Leroy's gatherings, you're truly missing out! Mark stopped by the Fair on Friday to visit the campus on his way to Kauai and then on to San Francisco, where he met up with **Toby Mumford**.

The deadline for this bulletin is May 15th, and we will be having our 45th Reunion at O'ahu Country Club that evening. If you recall, this was the site of our senior prom. **Jonathan Kim** will take notes and some pictures and report on our event in the next alumni *Bulletin*.

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Stu Kaneko again organized our class's participation in the 'Iolani Fair and even provided class t-shirts for the event. He recapped the night: Another year and another successful turnout by our class for the 'Iolani Fair!!! The results of my informal poll showed that nobody wanted to stop doing the Fair because it's like a mini-reunion for us, even though our class is the second or third oldest class still working at the Fair.

This year our surprise classmate was **Bill** (Tinker) **Doar**, who stayed to help serve the really ono Portuguese bean soup. It was good that he was there because many of our classmates are height challenged, and the kitchen used a tall pot, which had to be put on an elevated burner which made the pot even higher. For those of you that were there, can you just picture **Fred Okumura** (Mr. O to the



Wesley '65 and Barbara Chock stand with their ice skating champion daughter Madison.

'Iolani kids) scooping the soup? The top of his head would be at about the rim of the pot, and he would not be able to see if there was any soup at the bottom! It's been ages since most, if not all, of us saw Tinker. He is retired from the Hilo Police Department but still lives on the Big Island and plans to stay there.

Speaking of retirement, **Dennis Kato** showed up and confirmed that he is retired from the DOE and plans to golf and travel as much as he can. It seems like every other year he was traveling somewhere so he couldn't show up. Now that he is retired, we can expect him to plan his travel around the Fair. Right, Dennis!

It was also good to see **Glenn Kawatachi** bring (bribe?) his family, **Trudy** and **Keri**, to help out. I know **Tim Liu** was there, but I didn't see or meet his spouse, **Sue Ann**, whom I know he had to bribe to come and help. Just kidding, I hope! It is nice when the guys bring their family to help with the booth. It allows us to meet them and to dispel any bad rumors, despite what their husbands say. Plus, they add class to our booth and God knows we need it. So thank you, Glenn, Trudy and Keri, Tim and Sue Ann, **Dexter** and **Karena Yee**, **Glenn** and **Jan Goo**, **Gerry** and **Arleen Wong**, **Randy** and **Val Wong**, **Alan** and **April Yukitomo**, **Al** and **Margaret Onaka**, and **Courtland**, **Claire** and **Corilyn Pang**; thank you, retirees **Tinker**, **Dennis**, **Herb Hong**, **Dickie Young**, and **Courtland**; and thank you, the rest of the classmates who

came but still have to work for a living: **Billy Lum** (no dental convention excuse this year), **Dennis Chang**, **Noel Akamu**, **Steve Yamamoto**, **Russ Choriki**, **Pat Nam** (he's another one who always seemed to be traveling around this time of year), **Steve Chong**, **Mel Teruya**, **Paul Taniyama**, **Ron Yonemoto**, our red-haired classmate (he was the blonde guy last year scooping rice) **Sanford Okita**, and **Stu Kaneko**.

While we're at it, we thank you regulars who couldn't make it this year: **Geoff** (Peasy) **Lau**, **Hubert Minn** and **Randy Lim**. If we forgot anybody, sorry about that, but what do you expect from people over 60? Just remember, next year will be our 45th year reunion. Reunion plans and activities will be forthcoming.

Billy Lum continues to shoot photographs like he did when we were at 'Iolani but now in digital format. No more darkrooms and chemicals. Billy is also the chairman of the committee for local arrangements for the American Dental Association's national convention in October, here in Honolulu. That convention is expected to be the largest in the Hawai'i Convention Center's eleven-year history. He provided these comments and photos: **Ron Yonemoto** must have skipped lunch to be able to come to the late Friday afternoon first shift, because he was hungry! He bought a chicken plate and Fred Okumura

told him to eat it outside the booth. Big mistake, Fred! Ron ended up staying outside the booth helping patrons with napkins and forks. He didn't put in more than five minutes of "real" work in the booth.

Steve Chong was overheard giving investment advice to **Pat Nam**, but Pat said that if he could earn a living playing golf, he'd stop being an optometrist. Wouldn't we all!

Wesley Chock's daughter **Madison** is a champion ice skater. Madison and partner **Greg Zuerlein** made a clean sweep of the major junior titles this season, both in the United States and internationally, hauling in gold at every event in which they competed. Madison and Greg began this season by winning their two Junior Grands Prix in Italy and Great Britain. The couple also won the SBS ISU Junior Grand Prix Final of Figure Skating in Goyang City, Korea, in December. They followed up by winning the U.S. National Junior ice dance title in January and the 2009 ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships in Sofia, Bulgaria, in February. They won each phase of the competition at each event. Next year Madi and Greg will compete in the Senior Division, and their next major competition is the 2009 Cup of China in Beijing this October.



Members of the Class of '65's Clean-Up Crew at the Fair included Stu Kaneko, Courtland Pang, Dennis Chang, Bill Doar, Alan Yukitomo, Steve Yamamoto, Sandy Okita, Randy Wong, and Dennis Kato.

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'Iolani physics teacher **Carey Inouye**, coach of the all-girl team which won the Department of Energy's 2009 Real World Design Challenge this March, was honored with his team by Hawai'i Governor **Linda Lingle**. When the victorious team returned from their win on the Mainland, the governor greeted them and declared March 23 'Iolani Team Day in their honor.



Members of the Class of '66 held a mini-reunion at Hee Hing following the 'Iolani Fair. First row: Mel Kaneshige, Brian Sunada, Alan Shimamoto, Dale Lee, Wes Wakuzawa. Second Row: Wayne Hirota, Wendell Kabutan, Coach Eddie Hamada, Lincoln Keanini, Frank Hedani, Teddy Cheong. Third Row: Gary Lee, Dan Briner, Stu Hanchett, Bert Kato, Everett Shimabuku, Stephen Tajima, Richard Okazaki, Stephen Ho, and Han Ching. Not pictured were Jason Young, Glenn Yee, Mike Gibson, Carey Inouye, and Mike Wong.

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Much thanks to the Class of '67 for another fine year staffing the BBQ Chicken and Portuguese Bean Soup booth on Saturday evening at the Family Fair. As usual, our classmates turned out in large numbers to help 'Iolani and to see old friends. This year's group included **Kevin Chong, Charlie Hite, Wyman Lai, Bob Bulkley, Ken Gross, Steve Nagata, Bob Cooper, John Yamamoto, Carlton Chang, Norman Shinkoethe, Alan Hirota, Greg Hayashi, Miles Miyamoto, Jon Kitamura, Brooks Takenaka, Gary Fong, Ike Sakamoto, Glennard Fong, Clinton Goo, Les Funai, Clifford Hedani, Dwight Inouye, David Hulihee, Willis Au, and Mike Flores**. A good time was had by all, and it was especially nice for those on the first shift to get to see old friends from the Class of '66, who staffed the booth before our arrival, and to work side-by-side with the Class of '68, who were in the Corn and Turkey Leg booth next door. Those of you who were unable to attend or we were unable to contact, we hope to see you next year.

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Mark your calendars because you don't want to miss our 'Iolani Class of '69 and Friends™ 40th Reunion on August 13-16. The Reunion Steering Committee, led by **Wes Yamasaki**, has put together a mixed-plate of six events over the four days. **Elroy Chong** has arranged golf at Waialae Country Club; even if you don't golf, the 19th Hole Get-Together hosted by **Russell Yamamoto** is open to all '69 classmates. Spouses and guests are invited to attend the banquet at Waikiki Lau Yee Chai, the Society of Seven Show (does this bring back memories?), the Stadium Celebration/Father Bray Game, and the Aloha Brunch at Waialae Country Club. For more information e-mail Iolani1969@hawaii.rr.com or phone Wes 547-5219 or Jon 479-2882.

The RSVPs are coming in and we are expecting a number of out of town classmates: **Wendell Chu** (New York); **Paul Iwata** and **Keith Wakatake** (Colorado); **Mike Yuen** (Washington, D.C.); **Tony Yamada** (North Carolina); **Stan Sadowski** (Utah); **Ed Oasa, Lyle Lolotai, Norman Kong, Steven Takahashi** and **Steven Zane** (California).

Over the past 40 years we have lost touch with many of our classmates. The planning of this reunion has prompted us to make an extra effort to regain contact, and we hope this effort will continue. Any information you can share with us is appreciated.

Christopher Speakman sent his RSVP regrets for the reunion but had this to say, “I hope some information about our ‘missing’ classmates emerges during the course of this 40 year anniversary.” Chris and wife **Anne McCormick** live in Corvallis, Oregon, where he is semi-retired and works part-time at The First Alternative Coop in Corvallis. First Alternative aspires to be a cooperative model, providing high-quality natural and organic products in a community-oriented store. Anne works part-time at a local women’s clothing store, and their daughter **Maile Juliet** is a senior at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, majoring in sociology/anthropology. His hobbies include photography and camping, but surfing continues to be Chris’s passion and he goes to the ocean as often as he can.

Glover Ferguson retired as chief scientist for Accenture and enjoys swimming, biking and running. He and **Kathleen** have two sons: **Glover, Jr.**, who works for Corpus Christi Lending, and **Michael**, a consultant for Accenture. He sent the following note, “Kathy and I spend alternating quarters in Wheaton, Illinois, and Coronado, California. We drive between the locations with our two Bernese Mountain dogs. Our eldest son is getting married this summer in Coronado. When the boys were growing up, we spent many summers (two weeks, anyway) in Hawai‘i, and I still remember having the boys sit in the office of ‘Iolani chatting with Mr. Lee when they were four and eight years old. Wish we could be there, but the preparations for our son’s wedding will consume our attention this summer. Very small world: the current assistant chaplain at ‘Iolani, **Diane Martinson-Koyama**, was our pastor at the Lutheran Church in Wheaton.”

Dr. **Francis Liu** retired as chief of infectious disease for Kaiser Hawai‘i Permanente Medical Group and is now an assistant clinical professor of medicine at the John A. Burns School of Medicine. Francis currently serves as the secretary of the board of directors for Easter Seals Hawai‘i. He and wife **Debbie**, a nurse at Kaiser Hospital, have two children: daughter **Colleen** ‘01 (and University of Washington) is in sales and marketing for KHNL/KFVE; and son **Peter** ‘05 (and USC) currently attends Wake Forest School of Medicine.

Carol and **Paul Iwata** will be coming from Littleton, Colorado, to attend our reunion. Business seems to be a family affair in the Iwata household. They own and operate two companies: KECI Colorado, Inc., a general engineering contractor, and DCG Enterprises, a rental supply store (named after children **Dawn**, **Cheryl** and **Garret**). Dawn is a project-engineering assistant at KECI, and Cheryl is the accountant. Son Garrett currently attends CU Boulder, but surely there is a position reserved for him. Paul’s hobbies include golf, racquetball, softball, bowling and skiing, but his favorite pastime is with granddaughters **Kaylah** (age seven) and **Kristina** (age four). Paul said he’s looking forward to reuniting with all the guys, especially **Keith Wakatake**, since they both live in Colorado but haven’t seen each other in over 20 years.

“I can’t wait to see everyone!” was **Stan** “Sado” **Sadowski**’s response about attending our reunion. He and **Kimberly** make their home in Provo, Utah, where Stan is an IT technician for DirectPointe, a nationwide IT outsourcing company, and Kimberly is a business development manager for Alpine Testing Solutions, a test development and data management company. On the entrepreneur side, Tailgate Football™ is a board game that Stan invented and is still developing. He plans on an official release in 2010 but will bring it to the reunion for classmates to play. Stan’s hobbies include surfing, body-surfing and road bike cycling. The Sadowskis have four children and four grandchildren: **Nathan Kanale** (an attorney), **Nikisha Lani** (a homemaker), **John Mahoe** (an electrician), **Staci Malia** (an aesthetician), **Haloa** (age five), **Nanue** (age two) and three-year old twins **Laakea** (wahine) and **Aleki** (kane). Son Nathan, who is currently an attorney for the Army Corps of Engineers in Hawai‘i, previously worked as a public defender for the State of Hawai‘i and even appeared before one of our classmates who is currently a judge!

When asked for personal background info because “Jon is trying to make the ‘69ers look like a bunch of interesting and exciting people,” The Honorable **Russel S. Nagata** responded, “Sorry, but us ‘69ers aren’t that exciting. I’ve been a judge for the past 17 years and have to decide next year whether

to retire or request another term of office. I’m currently presiding over the mental health criminal calendar and am extremely happy to report that none of our classmates have had to appear before me!” Russell enjoys golfing as a hobby. Wife **Gwen** is the sales manager for Indich Rug Collection and a volunteer at the Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific where she creates elegant ikebana floral arrangements for the hospital lobby. Their son **Ryan** ‘95 is the sales manager for Marblehaus Hawai‘i, a distributor of stone products.

Elroy Chong has a thriving physical therapy practice in Honolulu. He recently retired as offensive coordinator for Farrington High School’s varsity football team, but he continues to hold quarterback clinics for aspiring young high school athletes. Elroy is active in the organization of the Sony Open at Waialae Country Club and can be seen in the announcer’s tower together with **Danny Kaleikini** as they introduce each golf professional at the start of the rounds. On occasion, you might see him golfing at Waialae with fellow classmates **Russell Yamamoto** and **Jon Yamaguchi**.

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WHAT A GREAT FAIR! It was great to see all the guys at the Cruisin the Caribbean ‘Iolani Fair. I would to thank **Jeff Nishikawa**, **Ethan Tomokiyo** and **Steve Shinohara** for calling the guys to work the Corn and Turkey Leg Booth on Friday Night. First shift was staffed by **Wes Mun**, **Dwight Nadamoto**, **Marshall Mau**, **Neil Shibuya**, **Cosmo Arakawa**, **Colin Kim**, **Mike Barnette**, and **Verne Takagi**. Second shift was **Stan Louis**, **Ethan**, **Brian Goto**, **Peter Okumura**, **Craig Young**, **Russ Yamada**, **Frank Yap** and **Jan Chang**. Thirds was **Peter Loui**, **Steve Shinohara**, **Brian Shimamura** (Can you believe that?), **Keenan Chang**, **Gerald Luke** and **Jack Arnest**, who no one recognized until he was in the booth for an hour—nah just kidding five minutes,

I think. Thanks, all of you guys who came and helped out in a great event. The Corn and Turkey Leg booth was up over 10 percent from last year's gross totals, so great job. Thanks Again.

In the booth **Mike Barnette** and **Stan Louis** agreed to co-chair our 40 year reunion in 2010. If you are reading this from the mail sent to you, you will be getting information from the Alumni Office. I hope to get a golf event going so you golfers who know how to do this, give me a call. I am in the book or call my office at 233-3603 He'eia Kea Boat Harbor. If any of you guys want to help, give Mike, Stan, or me a call. Let other guys know—especially the guys on the mainland—so they can plan their trip. Thanks, Ernie

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Entrepreneur and former Apple Evangelist **Guy Kawasaki** was a keynote speaker at the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) Conference in Chicago last February. Kawasaki's speech focused on innovation, but he got the biggest laughs when comparing his alma mater with Punahou and joking about a certain Buffnblue alum who currently resides in the White House.

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The 2009 Iolani Fair marked a changing of the guard, as our Class made way for the Class of '99 to take over the dinner and ending shifts in the Chili and Hot Dog Booth. We're not done yet, but from next year we'll only have to work half as hard. Many thanks go to the following guys for your continued support of the School and the Class: **Steve Franklin, Guy Kamitaki, Maurice Kanda, Wayne Kodama, Burt Lum, Richard Martines, Brian Masutani, Vernon Nakamura, Dean Ochiai, Sanford Ota, David Palk, John Pang, Nelson Takenaka, Dr. Torin Torigoe, Dr. Mike Wall, Duane Wong, Gary Wong, Paul Yuen**, and most of all the always dependable **Alan Kojima**, co-chair.

Duane Wong stopped off in Korea and made "Class of '73 Friendship Coins" for all of the classmates who want one. It's classy, made of brass, the size of a silver dollar, and makes a great ball marker for the golfers. But the real catch is that if you don't have one of these the next time a bunch of Class alums get together for a drink, you'll be buying. For those of you who missed the Fair and would like one, contact Alan Tamanaha, and he'll send to you a Class Coin, free of charge, until the supply runs out.

Congratulations go to **Dean Ochiai**, who now is now committed to the working class for at least another 13 years. His daughter, **Ellie**, has been accepted to kindergarten and will graduate with the Class of 2022. By that time, Dean will be the oldest daddy, at 67, and he'll look like more like a grandpa. Then, there's college.

Anyone going to the UH vs. UNLV game in Las Vegas on September 19th, contact Tamanaha, and we'll try to schedule another mini-reunion. The last mini was a blast, or at least what we remembered of it.



Dean Okimoto '73 worked alongside Chef D. K. Kodama in the Le Gourmet Booth at the Fair in April.



Dean Nakasone '74 congratulates Jimmy Buffett at the opening of the Honolulu Surfing Museum & Bar, adjacent to Jimmy Buffett's Restaurant & Bar at the newly renovated 'Ohana Waikiki Beachcomber.

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What?? No ribs?? This year the Class of '74 manned the Steak and Shrimp booth at the Family Fair, a change apparently due to the dwindling profit from the generous plates of ribs in the past. Yet even without the cries of "Yo, ribs!" we still managed to have a good time and sell out. Once, again, over 30 members of the class showed up to help and/or say hello: **Dean Alcon, Clem Bautista, Clinton Char, Tyler Ching, Norm Gentry, Sandy Goto, Randy Grune, Eric Hee, Alvin Hirabara, Kevin Ing, Randy Kaya, Kalei Kini, Neal Kugiya, David Lee, Lester Leu, Richard Louis, Barton Low, Michael Ma, Lee Miki, Colin Miwa, Craig Nakamura, Roy Okimoto, Ron Quong, James Sasaki, Scott Takiguchi, Guy Tamashiro, Carl Tanaka, Robin Uyeshiro, Mike Wong, Andy Yamaguchi, Paul Yokota, and Dana Yoshimura.** We were again led by booth commandant **Mark Yamakawa** and uber-commandant **James Lee.** **Rowland Reeves** sent greetings and regrets from the Big Island. My apologies if anyone was missed.

Mark Yamakawa also will be honored with the Alumni Service Award at A Touch of 'Iolani on August 1. We're hopeful that the class will turn out in force, as it is also our reunion weekend, so we get a discount and a reserved area under a tent at the Touch. See <http://www.iolanialumni.org/events/index.asp?eventid=67> to sign up for the Touch, and check out the class website at <http://iolani1974.tripod.com> for details and to sign up for the reunion activities: Golf Classic on 7/31, Social Night on 7/31, Northern California Wine Tour on 9/13, and UH vs. UNLV Football in Vegas on 9/19.

Congratulations go to **Sherman Kwock's** son, **Jeffery**, who will be graduating in June with the Class of 2009. Jeffery is a National Merit Finalist and a recipient of a Regent's Scholarship at the University of Hawai'i.

Finally, please take a minute to remember classmate **John Okazaki**, who passed away in February. He was a member of the concert band, choir, football team, wrestling team, Japanese club, and German Club, according to his senior yearbook entry. Our condolences go to his mother **Yoshie**, and sister **Donna**. Not everyone knew him, but he will be missed by those who did.

Shane Kimura is retiring from teaching at the elementary school level after 30 years this year and will be teaching and coaching full time at Linfield College. He has been in contact with some 'Iolani volleyball players and hopes to have more than one player from Hawai'i on the Linfield roster next fall.

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Aloha, Class of '75, and Mahalo nui loa to everyone who attended 'Iolani Fair 2009 Cruisin the Caribbean. Mahalo to the following classmates who worked very hard to satiate the crowd's appetite for marinated garlic-olive oil steak and garlic-olive oil shrimps: **Mike Ako, Bob Bennett, Bruce Hamada, Tobin Hirota, Gary Iwamoto, Kip Kamoto, Rick Khiem, Alvin Kishimoto, Paul Kosasa, Randy Kurashige, Terrence Lau, Richard Lee, Les Loo, Keith Merriam, West Mow, Wayne Muraoka, Cory Nakama, Harris Nakamoto, Alan Suemori, Peter Tawarahara, Owen Terada, Dave Toyota, Randy Wada, Doug Wee, and Bryan Wong.** **Clem Hew Jr., Dave Masunaga, and Steve Yasui**, who were working at other venues at the fair, stopped by to join the Class of '75 fellowship. Mahalo nui loa, **Angus McKibbin** and **Jim McArthur**, owners of The Cookie Corner, who donated the box of powder-less gloves. I hope you are well rested after an exciting weekend. It was great to see all of you at the 'Iolani Fair.

Mahalo, **Earl Hedani** '63 for your assistance with lighting the charcoal grill and cooking the garlic-olive oil shrimp. Mahalo, **Ernie Choy** '70 and **James Lee** '74, Food Co-Chairs, for creating the new menu for the garlic-olive oil marinated steaks and garlic-olive oil shrimp. It was a lot easier to cut the steak than to cut the ribs. You folks were awesome. We sold five of the six steak bins that were prepped on Thursday night. We sold four buckets of marinated shrimps, even though only two buckets were originally prepared.

Bob Bennett left Honolulu on Monday after the 'Iolani Fair weekend to return to his home in Virginia. He said it was very memorable weekend, especially Thursday night. Bob and I removed and drained the excess blood from the vacuumed sealed sirloin beef. The sirloin beef was sliced, tenderized and marinated. Upon completion of opening six cases of sirloin beef, Bob jokingly swore he would turn into a vegetarian.

For our USC Trojan family of the Class of '75, it was an exciting Friday night as the Men of Troy Volleyball team took three straight sets from Hawai'i. Saturday night was disappointing as the Men of Troy lost to Hawai'i 3 sets to 1 set. Angus McKibbin's oldest son, **Riley**, is the team captain for the Men of Troy volleyball team. Riley is a sophomore in USC Marshall School of Business. USC won the MPSF volleyball tournament and received the auto invitation to the NCAA Men Volleyball Tournament. Angus and **Diana** went to Provo, Utah, this May to watch Riley play on the NCAA Men Volleyball Final Four tournament.

After the 'Iolani Fair, I spent a week in central valley and bay area of California. My niece, **Dara Tawarahara '07**, is the team captain of the University of the Pacific Women Water Polo team. Like Riley, she is only a sophomore leading her team. University of the Pacific hosted the inaugural Big West Conference Women Water Polo Championship in Stockton. Dara was named to the All-Big West Conference First Team.

Our 30th reunion is quickly approaching. Please update your contact information by contacting 'Iolani School or me (ptawarah@hawaii.rr.com). **Dave Masunaga, Angus** and I are requesting your input to enhance our reunion activities. In past reunions, we enjoyed a golf tournament, boys' night out at a local restaurant, family day at a classmate's house, Las Vegas weekend, etc. Next year, we will receive a special reunion discount for A Touch of 'Iolani.

All classmates are invited to join our class reunion planning committee. Our former Alumni Association Golf Tournament committee members had a blast planning the very successful fundraiser several years ago. We will continue to have our mini reunion at 'Iolani Fair.

Take care and a hui hou,
Peter Tawarahara

Chris Lee was interviewed for an article in *HiLuxury Magazine's* February/March issue. The article included a full-page color picture of Chris, and the interview ranged from Chris's successful film career to his interest in Chinese food and his **Vladimir Ossipoff** residence in Kahala. Writer **Katherine Nichols**

was impressed with the "remarkable lack of pretension" she found in Chris as well as his passion for the Academy of Creative Media at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. Chris, the director of ACM, founded the academy in 2003 with 26 students; it now has 600 students in 38 courses.

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Mark Imada attended a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) dinner at the Waialae Country Club in mid-February and ran into **Nelson Dang** and **Riki Morimoto**. Well respected economists gave their points of view... none were optimistic. (I hope they were wrong as we read this when the Bulletin is published!) (NOTE: this item was mistakenly printed in the Class of 1974 section in the *Spring Bulletin*.)

Small world story: **Brian LaPorte's** son, **Danny**, played basketball this year in San Carlos, California, on a team coached by **Dave Moore's** son, **Dave, Jr.**

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'Iolani Boys Basketball Coach Dr. **Mark Mugiishi** has decided to hang up his whistle and chalkboard, bringing an end to the most successful high school basketball coaching career in Hawai'i history. Doc leaves having amassed more than 460 wins, 10 ILH titles, and seven state championships.

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I just wanted to drop a little note to thank those of you who came out to help out at our class booth or stopped by to say hi. On the first shift we had **Brett Powers, Miles Ino, Jack Tonaki, David Iwasaki, Kevin Saito** and my brother-in law **Byron Komatsu** join me to sweat it out in the afternoon. This shift is the slowest of the three, but it is the most uncomfortable because of the heat, which was especially bad this year. On the early dinner shift, we had **Clint Hashiba, Kevin Allen, Jimmy Kurata, Bill Hannum** and **Jay Kim**; this shift tends to be the busiest at the end of the shift. On the last shift, we had **Morris Seigaku, Kendall Hee, Randy Matsumoto, Craig Yonamine, Ryo Nakamoto** and **Harold Higa**, who helped me with cleaning up and breaking down. As you know, my goal every year has been to get at least one new person to come out and help us. This year we actually had two. Harold couldn't make it last year, but he dropped by this year. Craig actually works at the fair every year, but this is the first time he has helped in the booth for a shift. His wife **Wei** works in the business office, and his kids go to 'Iolani, so I see him at the Fair all of the time. This year his wife insisted that he work with us. I know that the booth saw a significant increase in traffic this year. I guess with the down economy, people spend money on food first, then go look at other things. They tried to supply us with enough supplies to work the whole night, as we have worked close to the end the last two years. We had double the amount of cups of saimin this year, yet sold it out early, even though it was pretty

warm. I guess after all of these years cooking, we cook pretty fast, so we made more batches than usual. We had the 'Iolani Judo Club students helping up front, so we were able to give out the food quicker, so we were able to use up all of the supplies by 9:30 p.m.

Here is some news from the guys who came down or I talked to on the phone; this is the best time to find out what is going on. **Clint's** daughter **Kimberlee '08** is in her first year at Northwestern and doesn't seem to enjoy the winters in Chicago. Clint is still an engineer at Pearl Harbor, which is having a shortage of engineers, so if anyone knows someone who is interested in a job, e-mail me and I can give you some info. **Kevin** is now at St. Louis; previously he was at Chaminade where he works in the library. **Jimmy** is one of two chairs for the Alumni Golf Tournament, which all of you should have been contacted about, as it will have taken place on June 18th, which is probably before you read this in the *Bulletin*. **Mark Nishiyama** is the other chair, and they have been doing a great job so far, relieving me from doing the work. Thanks, guys! **Bill's** son **Josh** was the starting quarterback for this year's championship Intermediate football team and is headed to the Varsity next year, backing up **Jarrett Arakawa**. **Ivan Suzuki** and his staff have been with the team for the past eight years and have won SIX of the last eight championships during that time. I have had the pleasure of having my oldest **Craig '09** play for them in one of those six and my youngest **Eric '14** play for them this year, winning again. Eric was one of a record setting number of seventh graders who came out for football this year. They had almost seventy players on intermediate this year! They didn't have enough equipment at the beginning and had to order more helmets. Eric is also a player on the Intermediate soccer team this year. They had a record number of seventh graders come out for soccer as well; this group of seventh graders has some of the best players in their age group in the State. Iolani Black won the ILH Intermediate Soccer League this year, with Red coming in second with only one loss, which was to Black. This is the first time that the teams came in first and second in the league. With the Varsity Boys winning the State this year (my son Craig was able to be a part of as the back-up goalkeeper), the boys side will have many more years of success as these seventh grade boys work their way up. I can't wait until these boys go up to Varsity.

Jay is still at Eki Cyclery and asking everyone to come down and hop on two wheels; maybe things will pick up when gas hits five dollars a gallon again. **Brett's** daughter is hoping to come to 'Iolani someday; she will be applying to get in next year; good luck! **Morris** is finally out of the car business and is taking over his dad's electrical business as a contractor.

Harold's family runs Hawai'i Miso and Soy, and his sister is married to **Ronald Kop**. I talked to some regulars who couldn't make it this year. **Curtis Ching** went to Merrie Monarch with his daughter **Emma '09**, who danced for Halau Mohala Ilima. **Jon Lum**, who usually comes out to help for the last ten years because of the free food, left on a business trip the day of the fair and couldn't come. **Jan Nakama**, who was the first timer last year, couldn't make it this year but offered to help with the golf tournament. I told **Paul Carson '79** and **Troy Miyasato '79**, who worked on Friday in the booth, to get their brothers **Clayton** and **Kyle** to come out and help. **Dwayne Sakata**, **Ricky Tshako** and **Steven Iha** have kids at HBA and help that school with their fair the following weekend. **Lawrence Chew** has a son at MPI and is busy at tax time as a CPA at Grant Thornton. **Ricky Sukita**, **Dwayne Ching**, **Jon Maruyama**, **Mark Nishiyama**, and **Kaye Kawahara** all have kids at 'Iolani and are usually helping with the class booths. **Darin Mishima** is doing massage therapy and other health related ventures, so anyone interested can e-mail me; unfortunately, he had to work that day and couldn't come out. Lastly, congratulations to all of the classmates who have seniors graduating in June. **Gregg Shimomura** and his daughter **Elyse**, **Curtis** and his daughter **Emma**, who is going to UH, **Jay** and his daughter **Erica**, and my son **Craig** who is going to BYU Provo next year, which will make my wife **Billie**, the Fair Co-Chair, happy. For those of you who haven't come out to the fair and helped, I need a new person for next year.

Jay Kim and wife **Jayne**, owners of Eki Cyclery, were the subjects of an item posted February 17 on hawaiiibusiness.com. Jay and Jayne are proud of the niche market, family recreational cycling, they have for this 98 year-old family business. The company has grown with the changing times and moved from Ala Moana Center to its Dillingham store all the while placing relationship with its customers high on their list of priorities.

Eki Cyclery is a full-service Raleigh dealer and one of the oldest Schwinn dealers in the United States. It participates in community cycling activities including the Bike Education Program which teaches bicycle safety to fourth graders.

Gib Bintliff, founder and president of chi.mp, was interviewed for an item posted February 20 on buffalo.bizjournals.com, "Hawai'i Tech Startup Finds Market Niche in Fast-growing Social Networking." The company seeks "to give Internet users a simple way to track and manage online content such as Facebook, Skype, and Twitter accounts," the article states. The company was founded in 2007 and this March launched publicly. Gib said the company "currently has 8,500 users worldwide," but standard service will continue to be a free offering. He hopes to introduce upgrades and premium services for purchase in the future. In 1999, Gib "secured a long-term agreement with the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands' government that gives him the exclusive commercial use of the .mp domain." This allows chi.mp to provide a free .mp domain to each registered user.

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Oodles of Noodles: Thanks go to the dedicated crew of '79, headed by our esteemed Family Fair Leader, **Rand Totoki**. Once again, the Noodle Booth was a great success for the annual Family Fair. Thanks also go to **Jeff Mori**, **John Suyemoto**, **Ken Minami**, **Reese Nakamura**, **Brian Lum**, **Wayne Chang**, **Donn Ariyoshi**, **Rodney Choy**, **Ernest Nomura**, **Ketih Yamanaka**, **Frank Felix**, **Kevin McCrary**, **Stuart Tsuzaki**, **Cary Tanaka**, **Paul Carson**, **Armand Chong**, **Ron Nishihara**, **Creighton Arita**, **Bruce Fong**, **Troy Miyasato**, **Derek Ichimura**, **Dwayne Hue**, **Paul Kennedy**, **Glen Kaneshige**, **Mitch Mootoka**, and **Mark Noda** for stirring up some mean Okinawan and Fried Noodles.

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Shawn and Evelyn Lum were married on December 18, 2008, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Peace in Honolulu. Shawn and Eve currently reside in Singapore, where Shawn is a professor of plant diversity and ecology at the National Institute of Education, and Eve is a published author and lecturer on interdisciplinary studies at Ngee Ann Polytechnic. The reception, held at Michel's, was attended by classmates **Ken Yonamine**, **Randy Kaiura**, **Scott Hirashiki**, **Dean Shigemura** with wife **Stacey** and sons **Dalen '16** and **Evan '19**, and Dr. **Jon Miyagi** with wife **Dora** and daughters **Marissa '15** and **Kristin '18**.

Lee Yamamoto completed the 2008 Honolulu Marathon in just under 4.5 hours. It was Lee's 4th Marathon.

Allan Oyama and wife **Van**, daughter **Victoria** (age 13) and son **Dylan** (age 5) are currently living in San Diego, where Allan is a computer engineer with the U.S. Navy.

Andrew Taam was featured on the K5 show MMA Hawai'i promoting his Hawaiian Fight Gear line of martial arts apparel and equipment. Andy is also the store manager of Town and Country Surf Shop at the Ward Warehouse. The Hawaiian Fight Gear logo was designed by classmate **Loimata Tufono, Jr.**, who owns graphic design company Green Banana Graphics.

In July of 2008, **Keith Yoshida** was promoted to the rank of Lt. Colonel and assumed command of the 29th Brigade Combat Teams' Support Battalion, U.S. Army Reserve. He is currently stationed in Kuwait serving his second tour of duty in the Iraq War.



Shawn '81 and Evelyn Lum currently live in Singapore.

REMINDER: 30th Class Reunion. July 30th: Headmaster's Reception ('Iolani School campus). July 31st: Reunion Dinner (Japanese Cultural Center). August 1st: Golf Tournament and A Touch of 'Iolani.

The intense smell of the overripe and sticky monkeypod seedpods that littered the parking lot in front of the gym was what triggered the many memories of being a senior thirty years ago. Having lunch with Mr. Lee and hearing his voice again sealed the deal.

On April 9th, a handful of us attended classes, met and chatted with superstar senior young women, walked around campus, and lunched with faculty who are still at 'Iolani after we graduated thirty years ago. **Paul Carson**, **Mark Noda**, **Keith Yamanaka**, **Bruce Fong**, **Laeton Pang**, **Paul Kennedy**, and **Ernest Nomura** participated in the Class of '79's "Remembrance of Things Past" 30th reunion event. Each of us were assigned a current Senior Prefect, who escorted us to Chapel and then to their respective classes, which included A.P. English (student-made videos on DVDs on themes from Dostoyevsky, Dickens, and Shakespeare), A.P. Calculus (what the heck is an "integral" and what is that squiggly line?), A.P. Statistics (much more than just RBI numbers), Advanced Chinese (mahjong and Sun Yat Sen), and Orchestra (Tchaikovsky's *Romeo and Juliet*? You've got to be kidding!). The seniors, all

incredibly smart and articulate young women (we did not have those back then), told us about life at 'Iolani now; we told them what it was like thirty years ago (no girls, Mr. Lee and detention, no cell phones or computers). We ended the morning with lunch and a roundtable discussion with Mr. **Jack Kay**, Mr. **William Lee**, Mr. **Jeff Moses**, Mr. **Carl Schroers**, Mr. **Carey Inouye**, Headmaster **Iwashita** and Ms. **Rosemarie Panko** (who put together a great collection of Class of 1979 memorabilia—*Imua Iolani*, *Mane O Keola*, Ad Hoc, Class of 1979 Graduation class photo).

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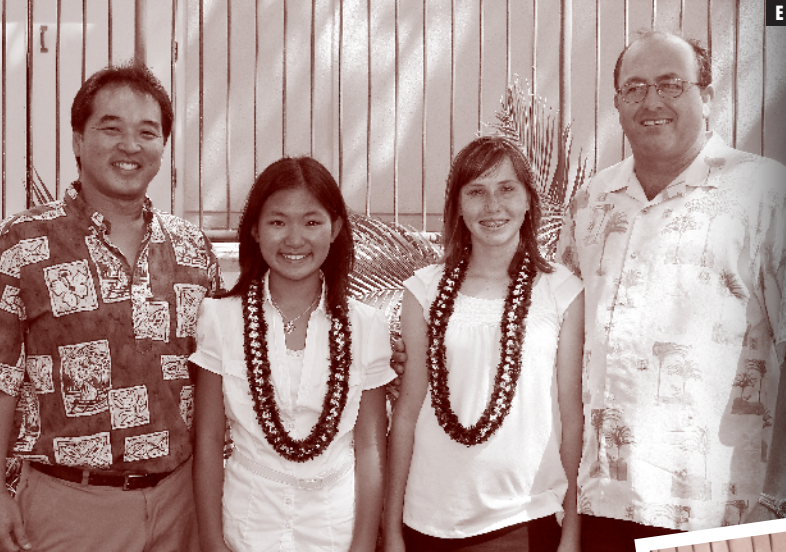
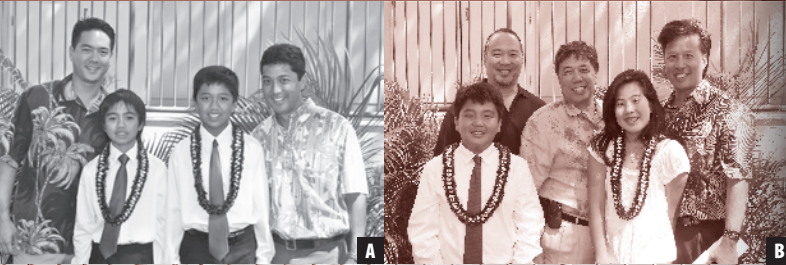
The 'Iolani School Bulletin publishes news about alumni, including such events as career changes, college graduations, marriages, births, travels, and other occasions. **REQUIREMENTS:** Clearly shot color or black-and-white print photos are also accepted, and may be mailed in separately from e-mails or attached to submissions sent through the postal mail. High resolution digital photos (1800 x 1200 pixels) are also accepted. Photos that are not submitted with the minimum resolution requirement may not be acceptable or may be printed in a small size. For questions, please call (808) 943-2252 or e-mail cathylee@iolani.org. Thank you.

Dayne Shinsato '73, Dream Shinsato '15, Jessica Yamada '15, Gregg Yamada '80, Erin Cundiff '15, Robert Cundiff '82

Lyle Fong '82, Kameran Fong '15, Alyssa Mori '15, Russell Mori '83



'Iolani's Sixth Grade Promotion Ceremony



A: Matthew Wagner '92, Matthew Jacob Wagner '15, Kerrick Chinen '15, Darin Chinen '84; **B:** Kelson Nakamura '15, Jeffrey Nakamura '82, Tennyson Lum '59, Mikayla Lum '15, Tennyson Lum, Jr. '82; **C:** Mitchell Motooka '79, Matthew Motooka '15, Gary Yuen '81, Melanie Yuen '15, Riley Yuen '50; **D:** Madison Darcey '15, Michael Darcey '82, Kamy Arakwa '15, Myles Arakawa '79, Keilyn Ing '15, Kevin Ing '74; **E:** Kent Matsuzaki '81, Kady Matsuzaki '15, Briana Camp '15, Gary Camp '81; **F:** Rodney Choy '79, Courtney Choy '15, Kenneth Muraoka '47, Jennifer Muraoka '15, Ryan Muraoka '74; **G:** Warren Ohira '77, Connor Ohira '15, Randy Inaba '81 and Joshua Inaba '15; **H:** Jon Miyagi '81, Marissa Miyagi '15, Melannie Ching '15, Max Ching '15, Eldon Ching '82; **I:** Mark Mukai '81, Stanley Mukai '51, Anne Mukai '15, David Tanaka '15, Cary Tanaka '79



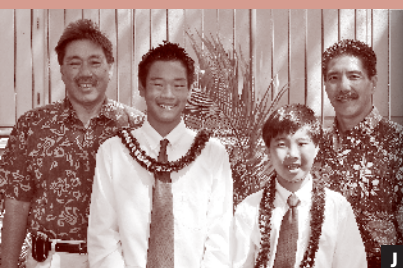
Congratulations!



ABOVE: Dakota Chun '15, Dave Chun '80, Gavin Morisada '80, Corbin Morisada '15, Daryl Yamaguchi '84, Nicole Yamaguchi '15



LEFT: Dexter Seto '52, Jason Seto '15 and Todd Seto '83



Barry Jim On '86, Austin Jim On '15, Erik Yamada '15, Lynn Yamada '87

J: John Maruyama '78, Trevyn Maruyama '15, Aaron Yonamine '15, Craig Yonamine '78;
K: Charles Kosaka '52 with granddaughter Akiko Bates '15, Courtney Kiehm '15, Ricky Kiehm '75, Kristen Hori '15 and Darren Hori '83;
L: Paul Kennedy '52, Paul C. Kennedy '86, Danny Leong '15, Keona Leong '84, Ariana Felix '15, Frank Felix '79; **M:** Sunshine Saucedo '15, Janelle Saucedo '87, Luc Lavatani '15, Clarisse Lavatani '86;
N: Michael Ho '77, Spencer Ho '15, Rikio Kaya '15, Randall Kaya '74, Kent Otsu '82, Jessica Otsu '15.

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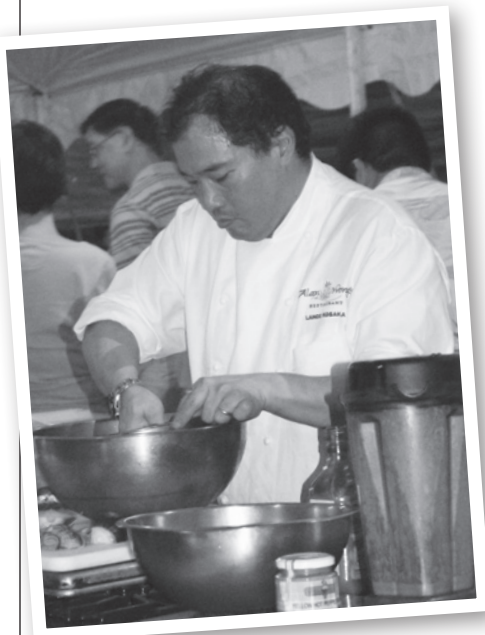
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Doug Ing's pastel painted denim jacket *Kikaida* was selected as one of the artworks at the 2009 Artists of Hawai'i exhibit at the Honolulu Academy of Arts from May 14–August 16. *Kikaida* was inspired by Doug's favorite Japanese program as a child. He has worked in the film/video area for the past 18 years and is a newcomer to public exhibition of artwork.

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Chef Lance Kosaka '84 volunteered by doing a cooking demonstration at the Fair.

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Ian Pollitt recently completed an eighteen-month tour as commanding officer of the guided missile frigate *USS KLAHRING* (FFG 42). He, wife **Cate**, and two children **Eleanor** (age nine) and **Nate** (age seven) are enjoying some long-overdue down time as Ian prepares to head off to his next assignment. Ian writes: "I always said I'd stay with the Navy as long as it was challenging and fun, and for the last 20 years, it's been both!" The Pollitts will be moving to Norfolk, Virginia, this summer and welcome any alumni visitors who find themselves in the Tidewater area.

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Chris Lee, coach of 'Iolani boys soccer team, was named Coach of the Year for the second year in a row this March. The boys soccer team won their first state title since 2000 in February.

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Denise (Dang) Manuel '88 welcomed baby girl Nyah into the family. Denise is an engineer at the Dam Safety Division of the Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources.

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The Class of 1990 is in charge of this year's A Touch of 'Iolani. The event takes place on Saturday, August 1, 2009. We are still in dire need of volunteers. If you are interested, please contact **Shari Tapper**, **Marcus Kawatchi**, or **Robb Tanaka**. Don't forget that next year we will be celebrating our Twentieth Reunion so this is a fabulous way to get back in touch with old friends.

It seems that our classmates are very shy and no one wants to submit any Classnotes. However, classmates **Rod Spadinger** and **Allison Choy** are willing to send a hello and that they're doing fine. Allison is in New York and writes that she's busy trying to teach classmate **Darren Nakao** how to Twitter via the internet. Speaking of Darren, he, Shari Tapper, and I all live within one mile of each other. Darren is actually right up the street from me, and we often pass one another with our jogging strollers out on the road. He and his wife are the proud parents of a son and daughter. Shari, who lives farther up the road, wonders why she never sees Darren or me at Longs or Wal-Mart. I will admit it's because my own little shoppers tend to throw all kinds of things in the cart making shopping trips stressful. If anyone else lives in the Mililani area and wants to do a get together for a play date at a park with the kids or coffee at Starbucks, send me an E-mail.

Ashley Kai is down under in Australia working as a veterinarian. He was recently married.

As this issue goes to press **Adrienne Elkind** and her family are preparing for daughter **Nyla**'s first birthday.

Remember, don't be shy, share how you're doing with the rest of the Class of 1990 by sending me an e-mail or hitting me up on Facebook. I am looking forward to hearing from you all!

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After much pleading and begging for class notes updates earlier this year, **George Martines** e-mailed me back with what he has been up to. Thank you, George. In 2006, George married **Kelli Saito**. The two met a few years back at an Oakland Raiders tailgate party. **Brian Tanabe**, **Viraphanh Sananikone** and **Jarrod Van Hoogstraten** attended the wedding in Carmel. (I can only imagine how beautiful a back-drop Carmel was for a wedding. Great job, George!) He and Kelli welcomed their first child, **Leila Ayame** Martines, on September 30, 2008. George, Kelli and Leila live in San Jose, California, where George works for LinkedIn, a professional networking internet site. (If you have not visited LinkedIn, check it out. It's facebook for grownups.)

For me, every April feels like high school all over again when the Family Fair weekend rolls around—classmates I haven't seen, buying script from teachers who made my heart flutter with anxiety, and food. Oh, the food. During the walk from Kaimuki High School's field to campus, the air changed from the distinctly Ala Wai scent we know and loathe to the sweet aroma of teriburgers and sugary malasadas. I was in heaven. The Class of 1991 was responsible for the Greek Wraps, and we had a huge following of fair visitors looking to satisfy their afternoon hunger in anticipation of their evening splurge of huli beef sandwiches, Hawaiian plates, Portuguese bean soup and, of course, a visit to the dessert booth. **Andy** and **Ann Nakasone** worked tirelessly to make our booth a hit, and it truly was. We had a steady stream of parents, classmates and visitors throughout the day and into the evening. We thank the following classmates who volunteered and braved the heat: **Cathy Matsuoaka Davidson**, **Angela Coloretti**, **Kara Inouye Nakashima**, **Andrew Tom**, **Akira Usami**, **Marc Okamura**, **Paul Matsumoto**, **Todd Okasaki**, **Chris Tokumaru**, **Damon Hamura**, **Len Higashi**, **Ryan Honbo**, **Nina Inuo Arizumi** (with **Donn Arizumi**



Garrett Matsunaga '91 and his family reside in Torrance, California.



Volunteers at the Laugh Out Cancer fundraiser for Queen's Medical Center included several 'Iolani graduates and friends. The variety show featured more than 60 physicians. Pictured, first row, Xina Chun '84, Todd Seto '83, Randy Kaya '74, Chaz Silva '09, Susan Abe '83, Christine Yasunaga '89; back row, Mike Yee '82, Mike Kaya '82, Brennon Morioka '87, Grant Ishikawa '86, Witney Limm '76

'87), **Vince Monaco**, **Ryan Itoman**, **Gary Young**, **Greg Young**, **Chad Mizuta**, **Nelson Moku**, **Brandon Jim On**, **Erin Adaniya Palmer**, **Jonalyn Yee Uehara**, **Delwyn Wong**, **Baron Graham**, **Gaylynn Nakamatsu** and **Logan Sugino**. See you all next April with malasadas in hand.

In May, I was thrilled to run into **Garrett Matsunaga** at the Moana Surfrider on Mother's Day just in time for the *Bulletin's* Classnotes deadline. He and his family reside in Torrance, California, and were home on vacation. True to his modest self, Garrett tried to leave discretely without me getting a picture, but I caught him in the valet for this family photo. The next time you see Garrett, he will be the father of two as **Melanie** is expecting a second child in the fall. Also at lunch with Garrett was his youngest brother, **Brent Kakesako** '03, who used to cheer on Garrett during wrestling meets. (I felt so old seeing him as a grown man.) Brent is going to start law school at UH this fall. Garrett's younger brother, **Ken** '00, is living in Tokyo, Japan, doing the JET program.

Rod York and **Lynn Kaneshiro** (Aiea 1993) were married on March 29, 2009, at the Hale Koa Hotel's Luau Gardens. Alums in attendance were **Tony Goulart** '91, **Meki Pei** '92, **Sharie (Ichiyama) Torres** '91, **Daphne Cabilao** '91, **Chad Mizuta** '91 and **Nelson Moku III** '91.

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Asa Miyahira has been an ICU nurse for the past eight years. He has three children, and his daughter is in the first grade at 'Iolani. When he is not at work or with his family, he is sleeping!

Alexandria (Ali) Boehm lives in Palo Alto with her husband **Keeney Willis**. She just got tenure at Stanford University, where she is a professor of environmental engineering studying pathogens in coastal waters and drinking water. Ali has research projects currently in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and throughout California. She recently finished a four-year project in Hanalei, Kauai, and is about to start another research project on O'ahu. Ali travels a lot all over the world. In her free time, she likes to come home, surf, and hangout with her sister!

Gavin and **Michelle Sugihara** welcomed **Aidan Lawrence Yoshinobu** Sugihara into the world on February 15, 2009. Aidan weighed in at 6 pounds 10.1 ounces and measured 19 3/4 inches. Mommy and baby are doing well. Their first son's name is **Jordan Jay Koyoshi** Sugihara, and he will be three years old on August 14th. **Michelle** does payroll for 'Iolani.

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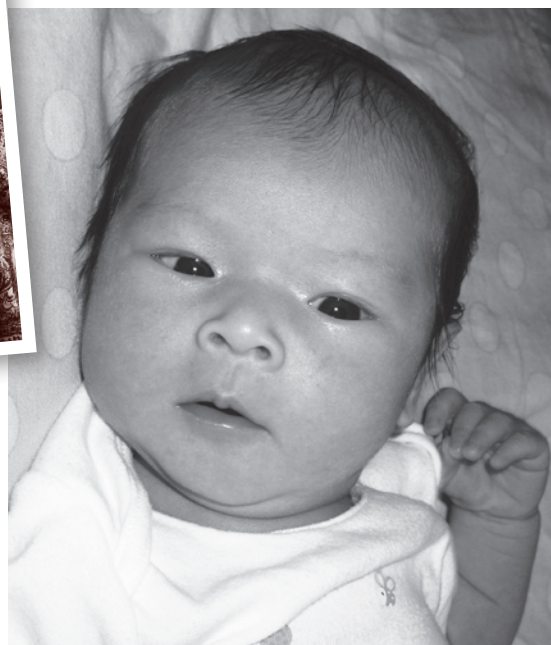
If you are a patient at the Queen's medical Center, chances are high you will run into Iolani alumni. Your chances are even higher if you visit the 8th floor. There you can find **Lori Silva '89**, **Alissa Rogers '94**, **David Uyechi '96** and **Kari-lyn Hayashi '00**. If you are on the 4th floor, you may find **Asa Miyahira '92**.

Alissa (Boehm) Rogers '94 has been working at QMC for over 10 years. She is currently a medical social worker on the orthopedic unit. In her free time, you can find her surfing at Sandy's or anywhere on the east side, hiking or hanging out with her two dogs.



ABOVE: Maisie Wong '94 and husband Carlos welcomed their first child, Natalia, in April.

RIGHT: Chad '94 and Mia Takesue welcomed daughter Taylor Rika in February.



Brian Law is doing his residency in orthopedic surgery at the Medical College of Wisconsin. He has loved living in Wisconsin for eight years, but he hopes to eventually settle in Hawai'i.

Chad and **Mia Takesue** welcomed daughter **Taylor Rika** Takesue on February 26, 2009, at Queen's Hospital. Taylor weighed in at seven pounds seven ounces and measured 20 inches long. This is the first child for both parents.

Davin and **Noelani Kazama** welcomed their second child, **Maia Soriano** Kazama, into the world on April 28, 2009. Maia weighed in at six pounds, one ounce and was 19.5 inches long. Maia's big sister **Sunny** is shown here holding the new addition to the Kazama family.

Maisie Wong and husband **Carlos** proudly welcomed their first child, **Natalia**, on April 5th weighing in at seven pounds and ten ounces! Although Natalia keeps Mommy and Daddy working around the clock, all are doing well. If any 'Iolani classmates are in the Miami area, don't hesitate to contact Maisie at mwdavila@aol.com. Aloha!



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Aaron Choy is married to **Christina Cruciana**, and they have a cute baby boy **Raiden** Choy, born December 12, 2008.

Dan '94 and **Christy '95 Nishita** welcomed their son, **Jonathan**, to the world on October 1, 2008. Big sister **Katelyn** (two years old) shows lots



Caden Morikuni '95 married Laura Hayakawa in January. Pictured are Francine Hayakawa, Krista Stanfill, Leah Nakamura, Alyssa Doland, Laura Hayakawa, Caden Morikuni '95, Darin Yoshimoto '95, Jonathan Awaya '95, Kyson Morikuni '05, and Kelvin Hayakawa.

of love and concern for her little brother. In April, Dan and Christy survived a plane trip to California with the two little ones and had a blast at Disneyland and Legoland. Recently, friends **Stephanie Uechi '95** and **Sharon Feldman '94** came to visit the family and catch up.

Alan and **Jennifer Kwock Chang** are happy to announce (although rather belatedly) the birth of their first child **Ethan Connor Yun Git Chang** on March 21, 2008. Ethan was born

in Corvallis, Oregon, and was seven pounds fifteen ounces and 21" tall. In April, they celebrated Ethan's first birthday in Hawai'i at Hee Hing Restaurant. Ethan is a well-travelled baby as it was his 4th trip to Hawai'i and 7th trip overall. His parents estimate that Ethan will have travelled on a plane approximately once every other month by the time he is two. They are glad that Ethan can fly for free until then. The Chang family is doing well in Albany, Oregon. Ethan's parents are still trying to catch up on sleep.

Wendy (Hamura) Arafiles lives in Phoenix, Arizona, with her family.

On March 5, 2009, Capt. **BlytheJeanne (BJ) Itoman** finally got a backseat ride in the F-15 Eagle. BJ earned her way into the back seat of the F-15 by winning the Hawai'i Air National Guard's 2005 Company Grade Officer of the Year award. Although Air Force regulations did not allow BJ to fly in Capt. **Ryan Itoman's** backseat, she was able to fly in Ryan's wingman's backseat participating in the same mission together. The mission consisted of fighting F-18 Super Hornets from the *USS Abraham Lincoln* 50 miles off the north shore of O'ahu. They were able to save enough gas to get one dogfight before coming home. BJ currently flies C-17's in the Hawai'i Air National Guard; brother Ryan flies F-15's in the same wing and will be transitioning to fly F-22 Raptors next year.



ABOVE: Stephanie Uechi '95 and Sharon Feldman '94 recently got together with Christy Nishita '95.

LEFT: Dan '94 and Christy '95 Nishita stand with their children.



TOP: Ryan Itoman and BJ Itoman '95 stand next to an F-15.

ABOVE: Ofa Wolgramm Peloso '95 is pictured with her family.



On January 4, 2009, **Caden Morikuni** married **Laura Hayakawa**. **Darin Yoshimoto** '95 and **Jonathan Awaya** '95 were his best men, and **Kyson Morikuni** '05 was a groomsman. Caden and Laura currently live in Kaneohe with Pepper, the adorable dog they recently rescued from the shelter.

Darin and **Melissa Nakagawa** gave birth to a baby girl on April 4, 2009. Her name is **Kira Sachi Lyn Nakagawa**.

Aimee Niwa was the head coach of the 'Iolani JV softball team this past year. They were JV champs and went 9-1. Assistant coaches were **Troy Yoshimasu**, **Stacie Hirano**, **Brandt Watanabe**, **Jason Niwa**, and **Kacy Nekoba** '00. Batboy was **Breyden Watanabe**.

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Warner Au was the focus of an article in the spring 2009 edition of *Partners in Health*, Kaiser Permanente's member magazine. The article titled "Big Loser" chronicled Warner's success in reducing his weight from 287 pounds in February 2008 to a healthy 170 pounds today. According to the article, Warner thinks his unhealthy eating path began when he was a freshman at Santa Clara University. The article included a "before" picture of Warner in May 2007 when he graduated from the University of Hawai'i's John A. Burns School of Medicine and an "after" shot of "trim and fit" Warner as he looks now. To take these crucial "Steps Toward Good Health," Warner met with registered dietician **Bev Bernal-Masuda**, who helped him plan healthy meals, and he started to exercise regularly. He now walks five miles a day and plays tennis, golf, basketball and judo, too.

Dave Bess was in town briefly to celebrate sister **Sarah's** '03 graduation from the University of Hawai'i. Dave's band, Public Property, is coming out with a new CD soon which will include guest artists such as **Jake Shimabukuro**.

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Joel Hamaguchi got married in December in Los Angeles. **Mark Oda** was his best man, and many other 'Iolani people were in the wedding party on the groom's side.

Mark Oda graduated from Santa Clara University in 2005 and is currently studying engineering in graduate school there.

Marisa Wahl is a production coordinator for the TV show *The Life and Times of Tim* at HBO. She is also the executive producer for her film *FINALE* (Finaletthemovie.com) which is ready for distribution. Her film premiered in Sydney, Australia, March 25, and screened in the Boston International Film Festival April 24.

'02

William S. Lawson ("Billy") was married on June 20th, 2009 to **Heather Dick**, a 2002 graduate of Kaiser High School. Billy graduated from UH Mānoa this May with a degree in mechanical engineering. Heather is in the nursing program at UH and will graduate with an RN degree in December.

Kristine Akemi Wada was named queen of the 57th Cherry Blossom Festival at the Sheraton Waikiki's Hawai'i Ballroom. Sponsored by the Honolulu Japanese Junior Chamber of Commerce, this annual springtime festival continues to be one of the longest running ethnic celebrations in the State of Hawai'i. **Janelle Uchida** '05 joined Kristine on the court as princess.



Members of the Class of 2003 reunited for a 5th Year Reunion at Club Queen Bee.

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What's good, class? Can you believe a little over five years have passed since graduation? In celebration of our 5th Year Reunion we had a small get together at Club Queen Bee this past December. While it was a modest affair with some pupu, drinks, a sprinkling of door prizes, a friendly dart tournament, and even a little karaoke, the room was abuzz with classmates catching up with each other—some of whom have not seen each other since graduation! Five years may not seem like much time, but conversation varied from simple weekend escapades to college experiences to jobs and even weddings! A big Mahalo, everyone who came out that night—we had 75 class members in attendance! These events could not happen without your participation. Also a big shout out to all who volunteered their time before and during the event to make it go so smoothly. The Class of 2003 would also like to thank **Winston Wong** '86, for his hospitality. We also appreciate everyone that was able to come out to the

Fair this year. After years of shave ice, we have finally made it to the big time, Korean Chicken! While it was hot and smoky, it was another good opportunity to catch up with everyone. Thank you, everyone, and next time, bring a friend!

We look forward to getting more of our classmates out for our next event. If for some reason you did not receive an invite, we apologize! Please shoot us an e-mail at iolani03@gmail.com with your current street and e-mail address as we would like to keep our records as up to date as possible in order to ensure maximum participation for up coming events. In addition, if you have any suggestions for an event, don't hesitate to bring that up as well. Until then, take it easy, Class of 2003, and stay in touch!

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Brent Asuka, senior libero for the UC Irvine men's volleyball team, had seven digs in the first game and five in the second as UC Irvine swept the series with Hawai'i this April.

Kyle Pape ended a successful collegiate basketball career for Colorado School of Mines with a selection to the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Eastern Division second team. Kyle finished the season averaging 17.2 points per game, good for seventh best in the conference. In his career, he scored 1,820 points for the Orediggers, placing him sixth in school history. Kyle hopes to continue his basketball career overseas, but if that doesn't work out, he will lean on the civil engineering degree he will be earning this spring. Kyle was also named to the Second Team All-East Division. A starter in all 27 games this season and finished second on the squad in steals and third in assists, reaching double figures in scoring in 23 of the Orediggers' games.

Janelle Uchida was a princess in the Cherry Blossom Festival held in the Sheraton Waikiki's Hawai'i Ballroom this April.

Kai Yamashiro, a senior at the U.S. Air Force Academy, received four ALL-MWC honors at the 2009 Mountain West Conference Swimming Championships held in Oklahoma City. Kai took All-MWC honors in both the men's 100 and 200 backstroke events for a second-straight season, and also in the 400 medley and 200 medley relays. He placed second in the 200 back, with a time of 1:46.44, while tying for sixth place with a mark of 49.47 in the 100 back. Kai now ranks second in the Air Force record books in both events. Air Force finished second behind UNLV.

'06

Megan Burton, a volleyball player at Saint Mary's in California, was honored by the West Coast Conference as an All-Academic team selection this winter. Megan, a junior, is majoring in business administration and has a cumulative GPA of 3.32.

Lauren Fukuda was awarded the Martin Luther King, Jr., Student Leadership Award by Creighton University this January. The award is given to students who exemplify leadership in promoting service, justice, and diversity on campus and in the community. Lauren was also a speaker at this year's Ignition Solidarity Network National Teach-In on Legislative Immigration Advocacy and Reform. She spoke about her experiences working with a social justice lobby in Washington, D.C., as well as her role as the legislative advocacy coordinator for the Creighton Center for Service and Justice.

Christian (C.J.) Johnson lifted the University of Hawai'i baseball team to an extra inning victory over University of Portland with a solo homerun in the top of the twelfth inning of their March 22 matchup. C.J. hit the homer in his only at bat of the game. Said UH Coach **Mike Trapasso**, "C.J. is one of those guys who has a chance to win it for you with one swing. He's got so much power. He got an off-speed pitch down and in and hit a line drive right out."

Misty-Ann Oka, a junior at the USC School of Cinematic Arts, had a busy year! She began her spring semester in Park City, Utah, at the 2009 Sundance Film Festival, which she covered for UWIRE.com and Billboard.com. After leaving the festival with bags of schwag, Misty continued on to work press junkets for films (including *Adventureland*), the red carpets of movie premieres (including *Ghosts of Girlfriends Past*), the Film Independent Spirit Awards, and the Academy Awards. Misty also filmed an interview with **Steven Spielberg** and **George Lucas** for the grand opening of the new \$175 million School of Cinematic Arts building. In academics, Misty wrote, directed, filmed, and edited five movies over the semester and was also inducted into the prestigious Phi Beta Kappa,



Misty-Ann Oka '06 works in the film industry.

the oldest honors society in the United States. Misty will intern this summer in Santa Monica with Mandate Pictures (*Juno*, *Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist*, *Harold and Kumar: Escape from Guantanamo Bay*).

Stanford junior setter **Kawika Shoji** was named to the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation First Team. Kawika had 1,333 assists this year, a school-record for the rally-scoring era (since 2001), and averaged 12.85 per set. The 6-foot-3 junior also had 117 kills, 202 digs, 61 blocks, and 20 aces. Kawika was honored as a first team All-American by the American Volleyball Coaches Association. His brother, **Erik** was also named to the first team. Kawika and Erik, a 6-0 freshman libero, became the first Stanford teammates to receive first-team honors since Canyon Ceman and Dave Goss in 1993. This season, Stanford went 21-11, earning the most victories for the program since its 1997 title year, and was ranked as high as No. 4 in the national rankings while finishing fourth in the competitive MPSF, losing in the playoffs to eventual conference champion USC.

'08

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