

# CLASSNOTES

## '49

In previous visits to China, Dr. **Sun Yat-Sen** has been mentioned many times. We tell the villagers that he went to the same all-boys school in Hawai'i that we went to. That is an icebreaker which stirs up a lot of stares and questions—like “really?” We tell them that there is a statue of him in our Chinatown and another one on the new 'Iolani School campus. They are interested and ask even more questions, but we do not speak the same language. What a shame! They say they want to learn English, too.

Our 'Iolani Connection started when **Sandee Moriki-Shiu** asked **Russell Jones** '63 to respond to an inquiry about a contact in China. He and others from 'Iolani had taken a goodwill tour to China, and we were interested in taking a similar trip. **Cathy Lee Chong** suggested we contact **Russell Leu** '75 in Beijing, who might be interested in setting up an 'Iolani-China network, but Russell was nowhere to be found. With the help of **Gilman Hu**'s '49 contact, we were soon in touch with Russell, and he e-mailed us several times to set up a meeting while we were in China. The day after we arrived, we traveled to Zhengzhou from Beijing on China's high-speed train (similar to Shinkansen), cruising along at about 170 mph. Our group went to central China around mid-April for the Peony Festival, similar to Cherry Blossom time in Japan. The peony, China's national flower, is in full bloom this time of the year. Tens of thousands of Chinese visitors flock to the area to see the 300 varieties; however, the people outnumber the many-colored flowers, and there is much to see in the garden and pool area.



Harry Wong '50, Richard Wong '48, James Lee '49, Lloyd Chong '50 were within the Pingyao Ancient City Walls in China.

RIGHT: James Lee '49 and Russell Leu '75 formed an 'Iolani and China Connection in Beijing.



Our tour included many sites listed by UNESCO as having World Cultural Heritage importance. Some original construction dated back to the era from the 11th century BC to 771 BC, and other grottos were built around 386–534. We slept in the ancient Walled City of Pingyao, which was enlarged in 1368 and 1644; at our age, it was hard to climb on and off the beds! Our entire tour included old and ancient sites, temperatures from freezing to 60+ degrees, periodic rains, hail, snow, and very cold winds as we neared the Gobi Desert. We

saw very few foreign visitors and had no high level dinners, but we were among the people and enjoyed the life of the land.

**Richard Wong** '48 and wife **Julia**, **Lloyd Chong** '50 and wife **Nora**, **Harry Wong** and yours truly (**James Lee**) and others made this difficult but most enjoyable trip. Harry and Lloyd met “in the ticket line” before boarding our aircraft—after not seeing each other in more than 60 years. We have all visited China many times and have seen ancient and most modern times with continued changes to come. We hope some of the younger folk will open their minds and travel to places like

China where so much history and culture are being lost or forgotten. The young and curious faces we see in China all appear to want to know more about us; by the way, even though we are all Orientals and local, we still look different to them.

Russell's "Iolani-China Network" is an effort to bridge the gap somehow for our fellow classmates to know more about China and vice versa. An attorney, Russell has been in Beijing for the past six years. Three or four others from 'Iolani live in Beijing now, too. Unfortunately, the Wongs were on the Great Wall, and the Chongs has already gone home; therefore, we were not able to meet as planned. We finally met up with Russell only after ID'ing each other by cellphone. For a change we enjoyed a dinner of German beer and ham hock and sausage instead of all the good Chinese food we had been eating for the past 14 days. Russell assured me that anyone from 'Iolani planning to visit China may contact him via our Alumni Office. 'Iolanians from all classes get together in Japan and other places, so why not in China, too?

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The Class of 1958 had a table at 'Iolani's fundraising event "When in Rome." This fun wine, food, entertainment, and auction event, held on March 5 at the Wai'ala Country Club, was attended by **Lorraine** and **Rick Lau**, **David Nakamoto**, **Tommy Toma**, **Leonard Chow**, **Reverie** and **Miles Suzuki**, **Jane Asato**, **Charlotte Chow**, and **Roy Asato**. Several of us were successful bidders on a number of the silent auction items.

The class event in Las Vegas to celebrate this milestone birthday year when most of us become 70 years old took place on April 22-24 at The Orleans Hotel. The activities included golf, shopping, excursions, banquets and, of course, lots of gambling. **Kenneth Tanibe (Mitsu)** was the primary mover in setting us up at The Orleans Hotel and securing many perks, benefits, and discounts due to his long patronage of this hotel. It was an extremely enjoyable three days reconnecting mainland and Hawai'i classmates. We had use of a large suite which served as hospitality room for us to have planning meetings, snacks, drinks, and meals, and just to hang out and enjoy the camaraderie of those we had not seen in a long time. We had games, prizes, numerous activities and, most of all, a lot of laughs.

Included in our group was our adopted classmate **Stan Kamiya '59** and his wife **Bea, Royalle** and **Dale Watanabe** (Ken's daughter and son-in-law) and **John Coursey**, whom we've not seen since graduation and who came from Buringham, Alabama, to connect with the old classmates.

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Eight members of the Class of 1959 will hold a mini-reunion in May 2010 in Las Vegas. Four classmates from Hawai'i will meet up with four classmates from the mainland, two of whom we have not seen since high school. Details should be in the next Classnotes.

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Mahalo nui loa, **Victor Chang**, **Mel Chow**, **Ronald Lim**, and **Douglas Masatsugu**, for representing our class's recent participation in 'Iolani's Annual Fair. We, the oldest class, were assigned Bob's Pizza booth from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday. We posted our Class of '60 poster.



Serving up pizza at the fair were Doug Masatsugu '60, Ron Lim '60, Victor Chang '60 and Mel Chow '60.

This year's 50th Reunion opened with the 6th Annual Gung Hee Fat Choy banquet held in February at Maple Garden Chinese Restaurant with a gathering of over 30 classmates and guests. Discussions and queries about this year's event with the presence of **Chris Smimabukuro** '85 from the Alumni Office also took place.

Another pre-reunion gathering was held at Dr. **Carl Watanabe**'s office parking lot on Friday, May 7 and attended by 26 guys. **Erik Takai** dropped by for his shirt; he has been dealing with cancer challenges. **Paul Tanaka** and **George Santoki** were also present. Unfortunately due to my annual performance with the Sounds of Aloha at Hawai'i Theatre, my dress rehearsal night kept me from attending Friday night. However, it was a pleasure to see **Harold Gusukuma**, his son, and **Ernest Hirata** at Saturday's evening performance. Mahalo, **Karen** and **Steve Kondo**,

for selecting and securing the handsome aloha shirt design for classmates to wear at the graduation ceremonies. Mahalo also, our class's Sons of 'Iolani board: **Dennison Chun, David Lau, Albert Sing, Paul Tanaka, Nelson Jones, George Kahikina, Arthur Katahara, William Matsuura, George Matsuoka (Scott Shirai), Miles Nakama, John Yee, and Philip Young**; also, **Bruce Matsumoto** and **Stanley Uchima**, (deceased). **Melvin Chow** and **Paul Shigenaga** co-chair the coordination of events.

## '61

Again headed by **Dick Tsuda**, the Class of '61 operated the chicken-plate booth at the school's fair. Booth workers/droppers by included **Bruce Ames, Tom Campbell, Mike Chun, Rodney Chun, Warren Ho, Mo Lai, Howard Lee, Jim Miyashiro, Bob Mumper, Ken Nakasone, Miles Ono, Milt Oshiro, Russ Saito, Mel Sumida, Steve Takaki, Wayne Takemoto, Norm Tyau, Don Watanabe, Francis Wong, and Tom Wong**. **Emmett Yoshioka** served as a judge at the fair's talent contest. A definite highlight occurred when **Lincoln Tokumoto**, who now lives in Southern California, dropped by.

'Iolani performers at Diamond Head Theatre's *Guys and Dolls* included theater teacher Rob Duval, Emmett Yoshioka '61, and Robert Moran '10. Front row: Christine Yasunaga '89 and Satsu Holmes '10.



**Tom Campbell** is looking into a couple of ways our class could interact with the Class of 2011. One is to participate in decorating the stage for this year's graduation on Saturday, June 5. Another is to attend classes during part of the day. Give input/feedback to Tom at (W) (808) 659-1487; (C) (808) 223-4357; E-mail: tacampbell@att.com

'Iolani was well represented in Diamond Head Theatre's production of *Guys and Dolls*: **Rob Duval**, 'Iolani drama teacher and director of the show; **Emmett Yoshioka**, musical director; **Robert Moran** '10, gambler/crapshooter; **Christine Yasunaga** '89, choreographer; and **Satsu Holmes** '10.

In October of this year, **Mo Lai** plans to have the first Ali'iōlani Elementary School reunion (the 55th year since the 6th grade class of 1955 graduated from Ali'iōlani). If you are from that class and want to participate, e-mail Mo at mokimo@gmail.com. You can also reach him at 808-230-7287 or P. O. Box 61057, Honolulu, HI 96839. 'Iolani classmates from that class include **Jerry Chong**, **George Fujikawa**, **Allan Kawada**, **Steve Takaki**, and calabash classmates **Leslie Hata** and **Wendell Wong**.

This will be the last news report from Mo Lai, who is retiring after serving as class correspondent for about 35 years. The great Class of '61 will continue to be well represented if folks will send news to 'Iolani School Bulletin Classnotes, 'Iolani School, 563 Kamoku Street, Honolulu, HI 96826 or e-mail to classnotes@iolani.org or fax to (808) 943-2326, or if someone else volunteers as class correspondent, I will be glad to mentor him. Deadlines are always around the middles of May, August, November, and February.

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At the 'Iolani Fair in April the following guys showed up to help out: **Pat Tom**, **Dickie Lau**, **Nate Wong**, **Jimmy Hayakawa**, **Paul Chun**, **Milt Tsuda**, **Conroy Chow**, **Walt Muraoka**, **Colin Leong**, **Miles Kawatachi**, **Roland Chun**, **Pat Chai** (came all the way from Atlanta), and **Mel Ho** (all the way from Oakland, California). We all had a great time "working hard" in the Student Center providing support to the Supply Center.

**John Ishikawa** had a good excuse for not showing up: he ran the Boston Marathon that weekend. **Dave Shiraishi** was on vacation somewhere on the mainland. **Rodney Asada** had a tee time. **Joe Davis** claims he showed up, but forgot where our assignment was, so went home. The guys that showed up agreed to "working" at the 'Iolani Fair again next year. Okay, **Mike Moses**, save the same assignment for us.

**Nate Wong** has retired from Kaiser and is now the medical director at Kamehameha Schools.

**Walt Muraoka's** daughter, **Lauren-Nicole** '04, is finishing up her first year of grad school at the University of Colorado Health Science Campus in Aurora, Colorado. She's pursuing her doctorate in pharmacy.

The 50th reunion in 2012 is two years away. Conroy Chow, Roland Chun and Walt Muraoka have formed an ad hoc committee to begin looking into the possibility of going to Hong Kong, Macau, and elsewhere in Asia in lieu of Las Vegas. **Richard Ho** lives in Hong Kong.

**Pat Tom** organizes a weekly "Lunch Bunch" for classmates who can join in. The usual guys are Pat, Conroy, Dickie, and John. Others who join in once in a while include **Rodney Asada**, **Miles Kawatachi**, **Paul Chun** and **Alan Maii**. Guys from the mainland who have joined the "Lunch Bunch" include **Pat Chai**, **Mel Ho**, **Chester Ching**, and **Alvin Chong**. If you are interested in joining the guys for their weekly lunch get-together, contact Pat Tom.

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Our class once again turned out in numbers to work at the 'Iolani Fair—or was it to talk story and see old friends again? **Stu Kaneko** organized a good turnout of classmates for the Fair and provided this recap: Thanks, everyone who showed up to work our chicken and Portuguese bean soup booth. I really appreciate everybody's help with this yearly ordeal. You guys are the greatest in agreeing to help—makes my job easier!!!

Thanks, first shift group who came early and took over the booth from the previous class: **Mel Teruya, Steve Chong, Gerry and Arleen Wong, Pat Nam, Chris Shirai, Dexter and Karena Yee, Paul Taniyama, Noel Akamu, Russ Choriki and Fred O.** Thanks also, the transition group who overlapped the two shifts: **Billy Lum, Glenn and Jan Goo, Al and Margaret Onaka, Geoff and Mae Lau and Ron Yonemoto.** And of course, thanks to the last shift—**Courtland and Claire Pang, Dennis Kato, Steve Yamamoto, Randy Wong, Randy Lim, and Hubert Minn.** For those wondering, **Tim Liu** got sick and stayed home, which is good because the Health Department does not take kindly to sick people serving food. **Arch Young** left for the mainland Friday night, and **Dennis Chang** had a family emergency, so he couldn't make it for his shift. Word is that the booth made money on Saturday even though sales seemed to be way down on Friday night.

The list of retired guys is getting bigger. Congratulations, all of you who have or will be using t-shirts and slippers as their primary mode of dress instead of aloha shirts and shoes —**Chris Shirai** (Hawaiian Electric), **Geoff Lau** (Abbott Labs), **Noel Akamu** (Department of Hawaiian Homes), **Fred O.** (July 1, 'Iolani), **Courtland Pang** (Pearl Harbor), **Dennis Kato** (DOE), **Randy Wong** (C&C of Honolulu), **Dennis Chang** (U.S. Customs and Immigration), **Arch Young** (Hawai'i National Guard), **Herb Hong** (Ethel's), and **Vernon Yee** (contractor). Anybody else retired now or will be in the near future?

Much Mahalo goes to **Hubert Minn** for hosting the great party on Saturday night at his home. We, being Pat Nam, Mel Teruya, Paul Taniyama, Glenn Goo, Noel Akamu, Randy Wong, Fred O., Russ Choriki, Courtland Pang (yours truly), and, of course Hubert, had a lot of laughs and a good time. Plus, Hubert sponsored the food (from Tanioka's) and the drinks. It is always



The Class of '65 night shift at the fair included Steve Yamamoto, Randy Lim, Claire Pang, Randy Wong, Mae and Geoff Lau, Hubert Minn and Dennis Kato.

funny hearing about various escapades that we did in high school. Hopefully, the new graduates will have funny stories to tell 45 years after they graduated. The banter turned serious and quiet only when we paused to remember those of our classmates no longer with us after 45 years. Speaking of 45 years, this is our 45th year since graduation. I think we have had a reunion party ever since our 10th year—or was it the 15th year?—when we had it a Paradise Park. We have a mini-reunion every year at the 'Iolani Fair. However, every five years there usually is a bigger event planned. I can only remember Paradise Park, Nu'uuanu Onsen, Sheraton Waikiki, Halekulani Hotel, Kuuloa Park/Hawai'i Prince and Natsunoya Tea House as the places for our reunion parties. I also remember going to Waimanalo Beach Park for a picnic, but I cannot remember when we did that. Does anyone remember what year we did that Waimanalo picnic? Does anyone remember any other places where we have had our reunion party? Boy, talk about old age and memory loss!!!

As a coincidence, it was learned at the Fair that four of our classmates (**Pat Nam, Geoff Lau, Arch Young, Randy Lim**) will be in Vegas for a golf tournament put on by Unity House this October 6, 7 and 8. In preliminary planning for a 45th year reunion golf tournament in Vegas, October 17th and 18th—a different tournament—has been discussed. We'll consider meeting those guys in Vegas; the rest of us don't need to golf, just have a good time!!! More info to come. Also, it has been suggested by two classmates that we hold a reunion (guys only) sometime this year in Hawai'i. We can go to Natsunoya again, since it is the only teahouse left, or some other place where we can mingle, talk story, eat and drink and have a good time. Suggestions are welcomed. Maybe the golfers can golf and meet the non-golfers for dinner, like the last time. Just a thought.

Could the party at Hubert's the Saturday night after our 'Iolani Fair shifts have contributed to a seventh straight baseball championship for our friends at Punahou? When Hubert played the 'Iolani Raiders Boosters Club's sampler DVDs from their *oneTEAM* documentary project, **Paul Taniyama** was so impressed by what **Coach Hamada** and others said that he got copies for his nephew on the Puns' team to show

the rest of the team. We may never know the impact of One Team felt by the Puns, but the third place qualifier from the ILH did go undefeated to capture their seventh consecutive state title. As the Boosters Club maintains, One Team has life's values, even beyond 'Iolani School and graduation.

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**Willis Au** and **Mike Flores** want to thank all of the classmates who once again responded to the call for help in the Barbecue Chicken and Portuguese Bean Soup booth at the 'Iolani Fair on April 17. As has been the schedule for many years now, the Class of '67 splits the Saturday responsibility with the Class of '66. With the Class of '68 running the Corn and Turkey Leg booth next to ours, we get to see many of our old friends and compare hair, hairlines, and waistlines, and test our memories with names and faces. This year, it was great to see **Bob Bulkley, Kevin Chong, Leighton Chong, Les Funai, Ken Gross, Cliff Hedani, Alan Hirota, Dwight Inouye, Jon Kitamura, Miles Miyamoto, Ed Motosue, Steve Nagata, George Norcross, Ike Sakamoto, Ernie Tsuhako, John Yamamoto, Tom Ritchie** and **Thomas Nitta**. Special thanks go to Ritchie's sister, **Mei Au**, and Ike's hard working lady friend for helping the guys with food presentation (sometimes the guys pour more soup on the side of the bowl than in it) and keeping the food area clean. If you were unable to help out this year, we look forward to seeing you next year. It is a great way to stay connected to 'Iolani School, it is a lot of fun, and, seriously, it is a challenge trying to guess whodaguy.

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It was a big party for the Class of '71 at this year's 'Iolani Fair! Thank you, everyone who was able to make it and contribute time and effort to the success of our Hawaiian Food booth! Our booth was always full as guys stayed to overlap with the next shift. The good turnout allowed everyone to take a break occasionally and talk story with one another.

The lunch group started out strong with **Wayne Fujita, Sidney Kamm, Dale Nishikawa, Bob Kamemoto, Dexter Nagaji, David Kinoshita, Jeff Hackler** and **Lloyd Nishimoto**. They were soon joined by **Ken Kuraya** and **Scott Shimabukuro** (back home from Sacramento).

The mid afternoon group of **Cyrus Tamashiro, Keith Kaneshige** and **Ross Yokoyama** joined Wayne, Dale, Bob, Dexter, David, Jeff and Lloyd from the lunch gang.

The busy dinner rush was manned by **Dennis Nagata, Kenny Krumm, Donn Tokairin, Joseph Murakami, Allen Wong**, and **Bob Shimizu** who joined Wayne, Dexter, Jeff, Lloyd, Cyrus, Ross and Keith who hung around.

Kudos go to Wayne Fujita, Dexter Nagaji and Jeff Hackler, who worked from 11:00 a.m. well into the dinner shift, and Cyrus Tamashiro, who worked from mid afternoon to closing. Thanks to everyone, it was a lot of fun!



Members of the Class of '72 covered the pizza booth at the fair.

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This year's 'Iolani Fair class participation would have made **Randy Sumida** smile. Randy coordinated our class booth for years and passed away early this year. The following are classmates who peddled the pizza this year: **Sanford Saito, Alan Yee, Lenny Castillo, Owen Ogata, Steven Ai, Sam Failla, Scott Ballentyne, Dean Okimoto, Aaron Okinaka, Gary Miyama, Brian Teruya, Clyde Takahashi, Wayne Yoshioka, Kurt Kaminaka, Ray Ono, Wally Taketa, Nathan Shimabuku, Geof Chu, Jon Tanabe, Darryl Young**, and **Kensey Inouye**.

I'd like to express my sincere thanks to all those who made it to our booth. Working at the 'Iolani Fair has become an annual reunion with everyone reconnecting and enjoying the company of each other. I would especially like to thank the spouses, **Judy Castillo, Marsha Tanabe** and **Cheryl Inouye**, for their annual support of our class, as well as Darryl Young's daughter **Daralyn**, who has been a constant during the last shift of the fair. Jon and Marsha Tanabe were kind enough to stay for the last shift to help close out the night. Pizza sales were great as usual as we had a fifteen-minute period where we ran out of pizza. With the great turn out at the fair, a few of the guys were beginning to talk about the 40th reunion in two years.

All of our communication for the fair occurred through e-mail so please send me e-mail at [kenseye@gmail.com](mailto:kenseye@gmail.com). I'll do my best to keep you informed of class activities and news.

**Guy Kawasaki** was featured in the *New York Sunday Times* of March 21. He was the subject of an interview in the Business section called "The Corner Office." In the interview, he gave his prescriptions for hiring, managing and communicating. For example: "Most people believe they are good interviewers, and that they are good judges of character. They're wrong. That's why you see clones of the boss in some companies: everybody is white, tall and from an East Coast private school."

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**Douglas McArthur** returned to Hawai'i for a short visit, following his recent retirement from Oracle Corporation. As a 54-year-old retiree, he continues to work from home in his new business ventures and is on the board of several non-profit organizations. Doug still lives in the Denver area with his wife and two kids, a short 246-mile drive from **Edward Bonan-Hamada**, who is the associate

professor of mathematics at Mesa State College in Grand Junction, Colorado. It was good to see both Doug and Ed back in Hawai'i visiting with family.

**Dickson Lum**, another retiree from the military, works for a private contractor on the East Coast. Twin brother **Harvey Lum** is still in the military, living in Stuttgart, Germany, with **Sabine**.

**Sanford Ota** quietly scored his second hole-in-one at HCC. Life must be good if he is playing that well. **John Oki**'s back in town after years of overseas work in Japan, sharpening his golf game while developing his next business opportunity. John, take lessons from Sanford!



Norman Gentry '74 built a doghouse for the Proud Hearts Keiki Arts Silent Auction which raised funds at the 'Iolani Fair. Students are pictured with the doghouse.

What would the 2010 'Iolani Fair be without the traditional Chili and Hot Dog Booth? Much mahalo goes to the following guys for their continued support of the School and the Class: **Curtis Chee, Steve Franklin, Guy Kamitaki, Maurice Kanda, Wayne Kodama, Dennis Lee, Kerry Luke, Brian Masutani, Mark Merriam, Ken Morikami, Vernon Nakamura, John Nielsen, Dean Ochiai, John Oki, Sanford Ota, David Palk, John Pang, Sam Rowland, Nelson Takenaka, Dr. Torin Torigoe, Eugene Villaluz, Gary Wong, Mike Wong, Paul Yuen,** and co-chairs **Alan Koijma** and **Alan Tamanaha**.

Our class was well represented at the 20th Annual 'Iolani Alumni Golf Tournament by **Glen Chong, Brian Masutani, Sanford Ota, Dean Ochiai, Mike Wong, Alan Tamanaha, Dean Matsuura,** and **Guy Kamitaki**. Guy (a non-golfer) cooked for the golfers, Brian won a dozen golf balls, Mike's team finished in 3rd place, and Sanford's team finished 20th and won the grand prize (is he lucky or what!).

**Duane Wong's** Class of '73 Friendship Coins are still available! These classy, brass, silver dollar sized coins make for great ball markers for the golfers. If you want one, contact Alan Tamanaha, and he'll send to you a Class Coin, free of charge—until the supply runs out.

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Our class's shift at the Steak and Shrimp booth was well attended again this year, though not as well as in some previous years. Twenty-nine classmates helped with the booth in some capacity, and we also located a couple of others elsewhere at the fair. As usual, it was a gas! Thanks, **Dean Alcon, Tyler Ching** and friend **Jeannie, Wendell Choy, Norman Gentry, Randy Grune, Eric Hee, Kevin Ing, Randy Kaya, Gregg Kokame, Neal Kugiya, Richard Louis, Lee Miki, Colin Miwa, Randy Miyamoto, Roy Okimoto, James Sasaki, Kent Sato, Guy Tamashiro, Carl Tanaka, Ryan Totoki, Robin Uyeshiro, Andy Yamaguchi, Luna Mark Yamakawa, Paul Yokota, Dana Yoshimura,**

**Michael Ma, Dean Nakasone, David Lee,** and Uber-Luna **James Lee. Sandy Goto** and **Clinton Char** were spotted at other booths. **Randy Miyamoto** again provided the booth T-shirts with the help of a few generous classmates. My apologies if anyone was forgotten. I can use age as an excuse now.

In addition to helping out at the booth, **Norman Gentry** also hand built the doghouse at the Proud Hearts Keiki Arts Silent Auction. By the start of our shift on Saturday, the bidding had gone past \$1,000. Such a tribute to Norm's reputation as a builder! Norm mentioned that he could fit into it, so maybe there are some amenities in there that can't be seen in the photo.

Finally, the merger between the *Star Bulletin* and *The Honolulu Advertiser* affects everyone, but it might affect **Andy Yamaguchi**, currently the *Advertiser's* assistant city editor, a lot. If anyone knows of a place that could use editing, layout and production skills, as well as online content management, let me know and I'll forward the information.

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Once every year, like the North American salmon swimming upstream to spawn and like the swallows flying back to Capistrano, the graduates of the 'Iolani Class of 1976 gather "at thy call" to complete one important goal. They come from far and near, from Mililani and Mānoa, from Waipi'o and Kāhala. They gather to meet on the third Saturday of every April to manage the arduous, but very important, task of creating the most delicious burgers at the 'Iolani Fair. Voted the #1 Burger at the 'Iolani Fair for over 30 years it is, of course, the only burger booth at the Fair, but the burgers are super good. At times the lines grow long—15–20 customers waiting in line, all of them hungry for burgers. The burger crew steps up to the challenge and pumps out the burgers at an incredible rate, until a customer can be heard saying, "Hey, I ordered a cheeseburger, but this one no more cheese!"

Now it should be noted that three shifts support the Burger Booth on these Saturdays. Of course, you have the well known celebrity chefs of the second and third shifts made up of the famous Dr. **Jason Tanaka**, the famous ex-baseball players **Len Tsuchako, Blaine Ah Quin, Brian Tanigawa,** and **Elston Kitamori**, but this article is about the hardworking All Stars of the first shift of the Burger Booth. After 25–30 years of flipping burgers, we felt the need to recognize and thank the first shift (Saturday, 11:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.) of the Burger Booth. Dr. **Jeffery Kam** (internal medicine Straub Clinic), **Harold Yamada** (controller Paradise Beverage), **Andrew "Master Chef" Shimada** (Iron Chef of the DOE), Dr. **Allen Takayama** (veterinary medicine 'Āina Haina Pet Hospital located not in 'Āina Haina but on Wai'ālae Avenue and 9th Avenue), **Elton Wong** (manager at the Kobayashi Group), **Randal Shiroma** (executive at Chevron USA), and Mr. Burger himself **Cedric Chee** (controller at Revlon) known for his exemplary customer service at the counter. Missing this year were **Michael Okumura** (a computer genius at First Hawaiian Bank), **Floyd Otani** (United Fishing Agency) and wife **Joey, Edqon Lee**, Esq. (Lyons, Brandt, Cook & Hiramatsu) and wife **Lois**. Come by next year and taste one of Andrew "Master Chef" Shimada's famous burgers and have it your way, with or without cheese.

Mahalo, all who helped out at the 'Iolani Fair (aka the carnival). Apologies to those that worked hard but are not mentioned here, including the wives and kids (guys, please reply to e-mails for more accurate updates). Dr. **Jeff Kam** says that **Andrew Shimada** loved the new grills. That first shift also included **Keith Sakoda**, **Elton Wong**, and surprise guest **Randy Shiroma**.

The infamous second shift, starring **Jason Tanaka** (and his cute two year old daughter—yes, two!), was made up of a lot of our ex-baseball studs: **Elston Kitamori**, **Len Tsuchako**, **Lyle Uyeda**, **Carl Muraoka** and **Todd Tamura**. Aloha Shoyu was represented by **Brian Tanigawa** and **Blaine Ah Quin**. Seems like the only person missing was **Dave Miyake**, but he gets a pass as the commute from Gig Harbor, Washington, is quite far.

The 3rd shift wound down the evening and the fair with the usual motley crew. The sparkling new grills were still working, but no longer sparkling. As always, the Closers took care of the dinner and late night snack crowd. Thanks go to ringleader **Peter Gibson** and his cronies **Duane Okumoto**, **Craig Watanabe**, **Wesley Choy**, **Mark Imada**, **Gerald Yamane**, **Ric Miller**, and **Chuck Fasi** (who actually worked). Special note: Peter's daughter, junior **Dana Gibson**, was one of the student chairs who made the fair happen! Sorry again to those whose names were not included. See you all next year!

**James Yuen** invites anyone planning to visit or live in Thailand to give him a shout. He recently moved to Udon-Thani, located Northeast of Bangkok, a short 8-hour drive or one hour via airplane. He says Udon-Thani reminds him of how Honolulu was back in the 1960s. Contact him at 011-66-082-317-6301.

Another doctor in the house! **Kevin Yim** recently received his Doctorate of Education. His dissertation, "Blueprinting: A Grounded Theory of Conceiving, Developing and Implementing Organizational Change," was based on interviews with business, political, and religious leaders in Hawai'i and California. He will also be speaking at the Grounded Theory Symposium in Tucson, Arizona, this summer.

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**Jeffery Freeman** went to the March IMARA luncheon and got to see several fellow 'Iolani alums. Also, **Dave Sevey** was out visiting DC with his family last month and had dinner with Jeffery. Jeffery still works for DRS Technologies (VP Homeland Security Programs), which was bought last year by Finmeccanica, the largest Italian defense and aerospace company. Now that he is part of a global corporation, he hopes to have to go to Rome frequently on business!

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April 16th and 17th—Members of the Class of 1979 joined forces again to man the 2010 'Iolani Fair favorite Fried Saimin, Okinawan Noodle and Saimin Booth. The chilly evening air on both Friday and Saturday

nights helped make this year a banner year. The Class improved on gross sales from last year and was the third highest food booth in gross sales behind the Gourmet Food and Malasadas booths! Mahalo to our awesome and tireless 'Iolani Fair leader **Rand Totoki**, who again took charge to coordinate manpower and spirit that make working the booth an annual treat.

Thanks, "Iron Chefs" **Donn Ariyoshi**, **Dennis Chen**, **Armand Chong**, **Rod Choy**, **Frank Felix**, **Eric Funasaki**, **Dwayne Hue**, **Brian Lum**, **Ken Minami**, **Troy Miyasato**, **Jeff Mori**, **Reese Nakamura**, **Ernest Nomura**, **Mike Shimoko**, **Chris Swoish**, **Cary Tanaka**, **Stuart Tsuzaki**, **Paul Carson**, **Bruce Fong**, **Ken Hayashida**, **Kel Kado**, **Paul Kennedy**, **Ron Nishihara**, **John Suyemoto**, **Kyle Watanabe**, and **Keith Zukeran**—masters of the wok. See you all in 2011!

May 13th—The 20th Annual 'Iolani Alumni Association Golf Tournament was held at the Hawai'i Prince Golf Course. Planning, organizing, coordinating, fundraising, manpower fell on the broad and capable shoulders of **Greg Cha** and his go-to committee members **Donn Ariyoshi**, **Armand Chong**, **Bruce Fong**, **Ken Hayashida**, **Kel Kado**, **Glen Kaneshige**, **Paul Kennedy**, **Kevin McCrary**, **Troy Miyasato**, **Reese Nakamura**, **Ron Nishihara**, **Mike Shimoko**, **Chris Swoish**, **Cary Tanaka**, and **Rand Totoki**. Over 200 participants in this year's tournament enjoyed the day of good food, prizes, drinks, camaraderie, and plain ol' fun.

Thanks also go to **Creighton Arita**, who started off the day serving food and giving an inspiring invocation to get the day off to a great start; **Frank Felix**, **Chris Swoish**, **Bruce Fong**, **John Suyemoto**, **Charles Kaneshiro** and **Guy Kamitaki** (Class of 1973), for manning the ever-important barbeque pit and cooking tons of hot dogs, hamburgers, chili, spicy sausages and Portuguese sausages; **Paul Kennedy**, **Kevin McCrary**, **Jeff Mori**, **Reese Nakamura**, **Ernest Nomura**, and **Stu Okumura**, for overseeing par 3 holes for the "on and off" and "hole in one" contests; **Armand Chong**, **Frank Felix**, **Troy Miyasato**, **Ron Nishihara**, **Cary Tanaka**, and **Rand Totoki**, for ensuring that golfers and field hands were filled with drinks and food as they ran the entire golf course throughout the day with fresh supplies; **Bruce Fong**, who coordinated the day's logistics and problem-solved the endless

emergencies from food, banquet, prizes; Donn Ariyoshi, “master of ceremonies” par excellence; and **Brian Chee**—awesome photos and videos (watch it on YouTube!)

Ron Nishihara summed it up nicely: “In the end, it’s all about the kids and that’s what was so rewarding about this opportunity. Hats off to Greg for guiding our motley crew. It was an honor to serve with such a dedicated crew that in the end demonstrated the concept of One Team.”

Brian Chee and co-author **Curtis Franklin** are celebrating because their book on *Cloud Computing: Technologies and Strategies of the Ubiquitous Data Center* hit bookstores March 1. This URL points to the Taylor & Francis (CRC Press) info page on the book: <http://crcpress.com/product/isbn/9781439806128a>. The book looks at cloud computing from an IT manager’s perspective. It answers basic as well as strategic questions from both a business and a technical perspective so that you can confidently engage both IT and financial assets in making your organization technosavvy, efficient, and competitive.

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**Douglas Lee** was in Honolulu for the ‘Iolani graduation of his nieces **Claire** ’10 and **Jackie** ’10 Mosteller.

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## Photo Plea!

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

**Digital photos must be a minimum of 1800 x 1200 pixels, clear and focused. Cell phone photos will not be published.**

Thank you for your understanding.  
—The Editor



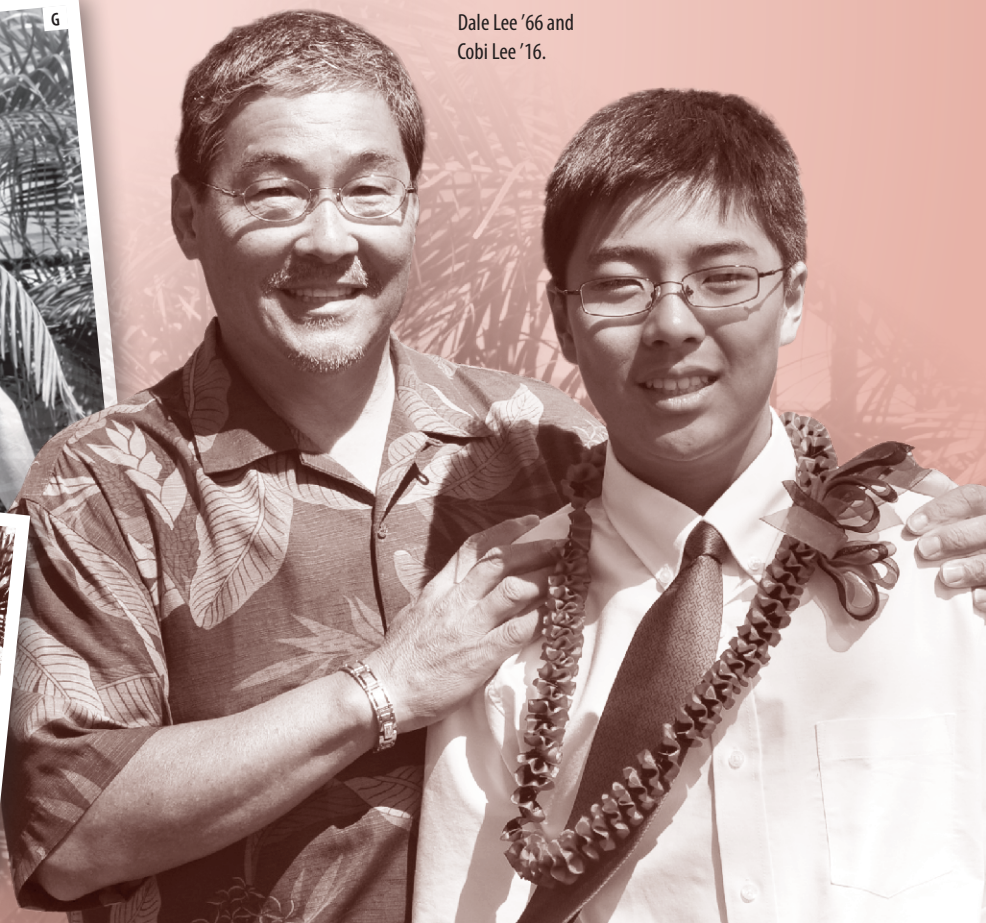
# 'Iolani Generations

alumni at the sixth grade promotion ceremony

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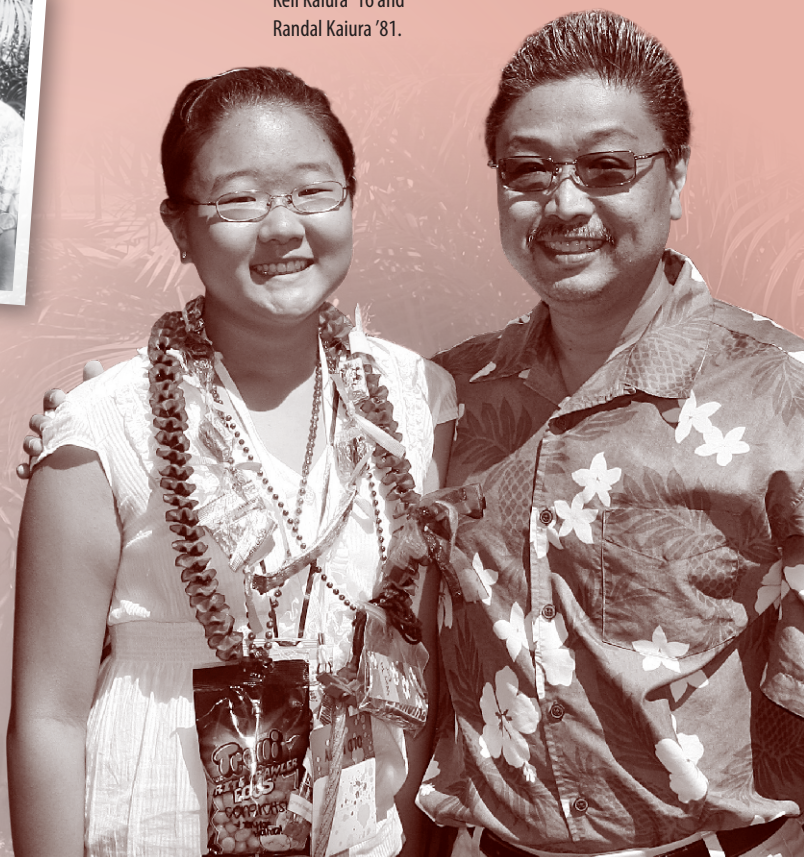


Dale Lee '66 and  
Cobi Lee '16.

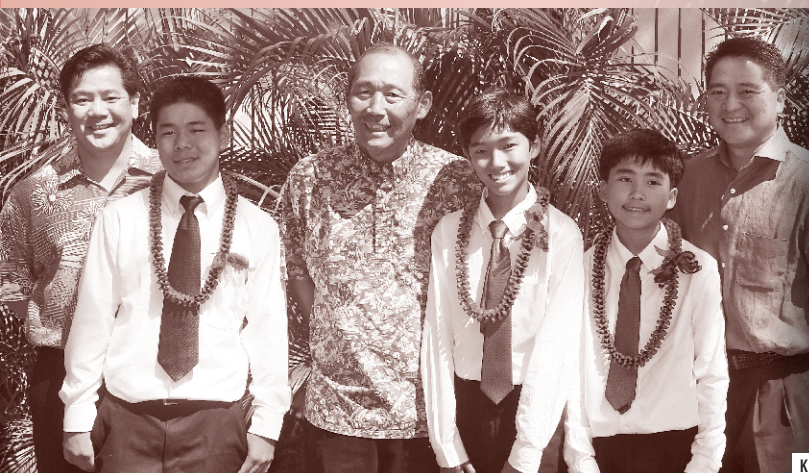




Keli Kaiura '16 and Randal Kaiura '81.



**A.** David Kennedy '50, Taylor Kennedy '10, Nicholas Kennedy '16, Paul Kennedy '79, Ryan Yoshioka '16, Nelson Yoshioka '77. **B.** Taylor Ann Yamane '16, Derrick Yamane '81, Kylie Sakoda '16 and Keith Sakoda '76. **C.** Brandon Chew '16, Garrett Chew '80, Bryson Teruya '16 and Brian Teruya '72. **D.** Mike Matsuura '16 and Dean Matsuura '73. **E.** Hugh Dunn '85, Rachel Dunn '16, Bassil Dunn '48, Naomi Natori '16, Stanley Zukeran '51, Nathan Natori '83. **F.** Brant Tanaka '84, Reece Tanaka '16, Ryan Ide '85, Devin Ide '16, Natalia Hayakawa '16 and Seth Hayakawa '82. **G.** Kiana Harpstrite '14, Kehaulani Harpstrite '16, Amy Harpstrite '83. **H.** Joelle (Segawa) Kane '87, Ka'ilihiwa Kane '16, Moea Kekauoha '16, Rona Kekauoha '86, Megan Ching '16 and Earl Ching '80. **I.** Christina Sen '16, Wendall Sen '77, Kai Warner '16, Katherine Warner '82, Kelly Watanabe '16 and grandfather Paul Nuha '56.



**J.** David Au '16, Philip Au '77, Macey Kibota '16 and Richie Kibota '83. **K.** Galen Haneda '81, Seth Haneda '16, Hugh Yoshida '58, Dylan Lawton '16, Tyler Wong '16, Kingsley Wong '80. **L.** Jeffrey Tom '82, Jenna Tom '16, Jacob Frankel '16 and David Frankel '81. **M.** Dean Shigemura '81, Dalen Shigemura '16, Dwayne Ching '78, Delmar Ching '16, Thomas Gentry '16, Norman Gentry '74. **N.** Andrew Yee '85, Samantha Yee '16, Lauren Yee '85, Young Ho Ko '41, and Emily Ko '16. **O.** Michael Nagaji '53, Dave Nagaji '16, Carol Nagaji '86 and Glenn Young '59. **P.** Brandi Saunders '16 and Lisa Saunders '84.

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**Pascua, Ryan Ide, Jared Seto, Dean Anderson, Ben Ignacio, Jeff Hawk, Aubrey (Olson) Hawk, Maddie** (short for Madeline) **Hawk, Albert Yazawa, Mark Morimoto and Stacey, Gary Miyashiro, Todd Haruki, Neil Nihei, and Andrew Yee**, for your hard work and dedication to perfecting the Strawberries and Cream and Cookies and Cream smoothie recipes. Our class volunteers braved the cold wind and rain on Friday to sell smoothies to the thirsty. We even had a carpeted booth—how's that for moving up in the Fair work force :-). We had fun watching a customer, **Shaun**, gulp down a whole smoothie at one time—he even came back for two more. Great sales technique, Ben! We look forward to seeing more classmates volunteering and/or purchasing next year. (**Grant Fusato and Joanna (Lee) Seto**—Co-Chairs)

**Kendis (Kado) Teho** recently accepted a position at Hawai'i Children's Cancer Foundation as executive director. Kendis has been a member of its board for the past three years and chaired its financial assistance program, which provided \$260,000 to families last year.

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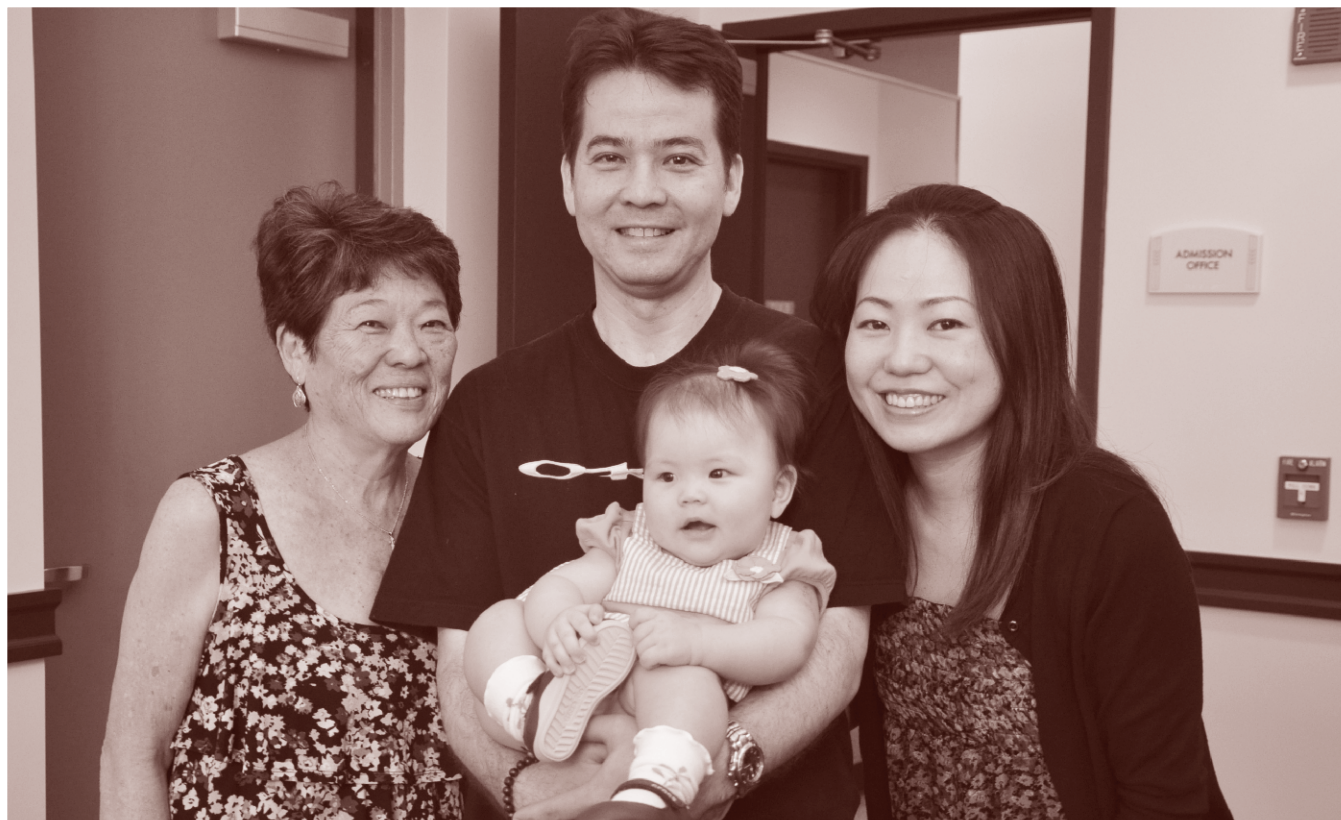
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**R. Reiko Ho** is directing a re-mounting of the **Jon Shirota** play "Voices From Okinawa" at Kumu Kahua Theatre, in downtown Honolulu this summer. She directed the same show at Kumu Kahua in November, and it was so successful that Kumu Kahua Theatre is re-mounting the show. It opens on July 15th. Reiko holds a master's degree in theater from UHM and is a director, performer and educator specializing in Theatre for Youth. She has directed and performed in numerous



Danny Feldhaus '84 and his wife Naomi and daughter Dana visited 'Iolani's campus this past spring with his mother Joyce Feldhaus.

productions for Ohia productions, Honolulu Theatre for Youth, Kumu Kahua Theatre, Diamond Head Theatre, UHM Kennedy Theatre, and other theater organizations and companies. Some of her favorite directing credits include: "A Thousand Cranes" for Honolulu Theatre for Youth, "On Dragonfly Wings" for Ohia productions, and *The Joy Luck Club* for Kumu Kahua. In addition, she has worked extensively in Hawai'i's public schools with students and teachers. She has also served as the Upper School Dean of Students and Drama Director at La Pietra-Hawai'i School for Girls for nine years. Currently, she is the education director for Ohia Productions and owner of Martial Arts Family Fitness-Hawai'i.

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'Iolani Fair 2010 "When In Rome" was memorable for two key reasons: The weather was very cool (a record low temperature of 74 degrees in Honolulu), and there was left over Huli Beef! It worked out well for the Class of '87 since we didn't have the usual army for each shift. Several "regulars" couldn't help this year, but they were replaced by two new faces—**John Tamanaha** and **Lisa Amaki Andres**. John and **Loraine Tamanaha** and Lisa recently moved back home from abroad. The rest of the volunteers included "First-to-respond-two-years-in-a-row" **Corey Fujii**, "Marathon Man" **Dan Shiu** and his son **Dylan '18**, **Ken Kawahara**, his wife **Wendy** and their daughter **Miki '18**, Lynn **Takeshita Yamada** and family, **Joe Monaco**, "I'm-going-to-administer-c/o '87-website" **Kam Monaco**, **Vince Hirano**, **Rodd Yano**, **Mark Morita**, "Previous-c/o '87-website-administrator-turned-to-Facebook Guru" **Brandt Takeuchi**,

**Anne Fuller**, Captain **Phil Yogi**, **Chris Maii Sakuda**, **Scott Arakaki**, **Bert Matsuwaki**, **Kylen Iha**, **Sheri Yoshida Iha**, **Derrick Abe**, **Alan Kainuma**, **Reynold Chun**, Captain **Aaron Brown**, **Susan Apduhan Ignacio**, **Donn Arizumi**, Coach **Dean Nakagawa**, **Blake Fujii**, **David Shimabuku**, **Mark Yonamine**, **Ronn Serikawa**, Fashionista **Stephanie Matsumoto** and BF, and "c/o '87 Evite administrator" **Corey Shibata**.

Other mates who visited the booth were **Shane Hedani**, Coach **Jason Arakaki**, **Lance Au**, **Loraine**, **Corey Sumida**, **Kalani Kuon**, and **Joelle Segawa Kane**. **Robin Kibota** e-mailed support from California and even offered to donate to the beverage fund!

Upcoming events are Alumni Basketball League in June and anybody's Yakudoshi celebrations (you don't have to be Japanese—or male). c/o '87 One Team.

**Scott Nakamura** was recently appointed to clinical assistant professor in the department of preventative and restorative dentistry at the University of Pennsylvania, School of Dental Medicine. He serves on the curriculum committee and as an admissions adviser at PENN Dental and is also a board member of the Japanese American Citizen's League, Philadelphia Chapter, and the Japan America Society of Greater Philadelphia. He is an advisory board member of the Japanese Association of Greater Philadelphia.

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**Erin M.M. Sweeney** and husband **Jesse Miner** were the featured couple in the *San Francisco Chronicle's* "On the Couch" weekly love story in the Sunday Chron on May 2nd. The article, entitled "Dog Helped Dance-camp Romance Take Next Step," tells how Erin and Jesse literally made moves for each other with the help of a furry friend. Here's the long link: <http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2010/04/30/LVRQ1D03QT.DTL>

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Hey Class of 1990! Can you believe it's been 20 years since we graduated? There are many great opportunities coming up for you to get back in touch with classmates and relive old times of big hair, cherry fresh dance moves, and good times. Here are some events to plan for:

#### ❖ 5th Annual Alumni weekend dinner

On August 5, 2010, hosted by  
Headmaster **Val Iwashita**.

#### ❖ A Touch of 'Iolani

Tickets are now on sale get yours quick;  
it takes place on August 7th at the  
'Iolani campus.

### ❖ Class of 1990 20th Reunion

You should have received information regarding our 20th Reunion celebration in Las Vegas, week of October 8–11th. If you have not, please e-mail Jodi Nishida at [jodinishida@yahoo.com](mailto:jodinishida@yahoo.com)

Hope to see you all at these great events!!!

Our class booth at the 'Iolani Fair was a success once again! A huge thank you goes out to **Darian Chun, Adrienne (Shimonishi) Elkind, Brandon Flores, Rand Ide, Mark Ishii, Erick Itoman, Marcus Kawatachi, Ken Kobayashi, Woodie Milks, Bob Morikuni, Shaun Mukai, Elden Nakamura, Darren Nakao, Jodi (Kwan) Nishida, Shelly Tanaka, Doug Yee**, and especially **Robb Tanaka** for organizing our class effort year after year. It was fun hanging out with each other and showing off our waffle hot dog making skills. Fortunately, we experienced only one exploding wiener and no permanent injuries. Hope to see everyone at the Fair again next year!

**Jay Maebori** earned National Board Certification as a language arts teacher in the state of Washington. He learned of this achievement in November 2009 and spent the entire 2008–09 school year undergoing a rigorous process in addition to regular full-time teaching duties. Among the requirements were video taping lessons, writing up evidence and reflecting on his practice as well as taking a 3-hour exam to demonstrate competency. There are only about 82,000 National Board Certified teachers K–12 in the U.S. Jay is currently in his 9th year of teaching English and advising the yearbook staff at Kentwood High School.

This spring, he was named the Teacher of the Year of the Kent School District, Washington's 4th largest school district, and he is being considered for the regional representative for Washington State Teacher of the Year. Congratulations, Jay!

If anyone else has any news to share with the class please send me an e-mail at: [PADILLAA008@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:PADILLAA008@hawaii.rr.com) Looking forward to hearing from you!



Greg Young '91, Chad Mizuta '91, Nelson Moku '91 and Gary Young '91 were at Central Union Preschool's Dazzle Gala event in April.

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Head Coach **Todd Allen** recently led the Grand Valley State University men's volleyball club to its best season ever with a visit to the national championships in Louisville, Kentucky. After going 13–0 in league play, the club team went into the National Collegiate Club Volleyball Championships seeded 23rd, making it all the way to the top 16. Grand Valley lost to an eventual final four team from James Madison. Todd's team ended the season in ninth place overall—the highest finish in program history—and Todd was one of four finalists for NCVF national coach of the year.

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A special thank you goes to all of our classmates who came out to help with the Class of '92 pizza booth at the 'Iolani Fair: **Matt Wagner, Cavan Scanlan, Trevor Benn, Mark Watanabe, Kenn Ishida, Kimi (Yasunaga) Frith, Debra (Van Zile) Wood, Gavin Sugihara, Chris Chun, Dee (Murakami) Kawamura, Lori (Shimabukuro) Hadlock, Jason Revestir, Bentley Pai, Reid Yoshida, Cory Kubota, Jodi (Yonemura) Funasaki, Meki Pei, Cherie Nakamoto, Kory Jo (Kado) Fukuda, Diana (Wong) Hiraoka, Keith Kawamura, Kyle Okumura, Corey Chun, Ian Young, Scott Kuioka, Matt Okahata** plus guest **Julie (Arakaki) Lum**, and **Len Miyasaki**. If I have forgotten anyone, forgive me since it has been over a month. To those classmates that couldn't make it, there is always next year, where we will have not only the 'Iolani fair duties, but also our class will be in charge of A Touch of 'Iolani.

Also, thanks, **Jason Minami**, **Ian Young**, **Diana (Wong) Hiraoka**, and **Reid Yoshida**, for donating to the Class of 1992 scholarship fund while at the fair. Please, we are still short of our goal and need all the help we can get for the scholarship fund we are trying to start in honor of our deceased classmates.

One of 'Iolani teacher **Kimi Frith's** ninth graders, **Zach Busekrus**, was the focus of a feature story posted March 12 on honoluluadvertiser.com, "Ninth-grader on Mission to Change the World: Zach Busekrus Spreads Word about Horrors of Darfur." Kimi was his adviser on the project, making a video "with scenes from the Holocaust and a voice-over from **Betty Rothman** of New Jersey, who tells of losing her fiancé, friends and most of her family during the Holocaust and how the same mindless killing is happening again today in Darfur."

**Chris Chun**, the new Hawai'i High School Athletic Association director, was the subject of a feature article posted March 15 on www.starbulletin.com, "Chun Continues

Solid HHSAA Leadership." Writer **Dave Reardon** praises Chris for being able to "put all [his] 'Iolani shirts away when [he] took this job." Reardon comments that Chris seems have the same "unbiased approach" towards the job as former HHSAA chief **Keith Amemiya** did.

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After a successful first season as 'Iolani Boys Basketball Coach, **Dean Shimamoto** was named the Interscholastic League of Honolulu's Coach of the Year. The first-year coach guided the Raiders to an ILH and State Championship, a run that included several heart-stopping victories, including a buzzer-beating victory over Kamehameha in the state final. Dean took over for longtime coach **Doc Mugiishi '77** and quickly established this year's team as one of the best in the state. Senior guard **Kainoa Chu '10** was named ILH Player of the Year.

**Adam Wong** is one of two new appointees to the Board of Water Supply's board of directors. Adam founded ACW Ventures, a diversified investment firm that focuses on local private equity and real estate opportunities.

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May Day at Pali Preschool featured an adorable royal pair: Queen Grace (daughter of Andrew '86 and Lisa '91 Furuta) and King Kai (son of Chris '91 and Jodi Tokumaru).

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**Kristin Masunaga** was named the Interscholastic League of Honolulu's Girls Soccer Coach of the Year after she led the 'Iolani Raiders to a runner-up finish in the ILH and a state tournament berth. The state tournament appearance was 'Iolani's first since 1999, when Kristin was a player. This was her first season as head coach of the Raiders.

## '00

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The Class of 2000 is planning to hold its 10th year reunion sometime at the end of this year between Christmas and New Year's. We will send out more details as the plans are finalized, but please check out the 'Iolani Class of 2000 10th Year Reunion Facebook page for the most up-to-date information.

Peace and love: words that never would have been expected to describe an 'Iolani and a Punahou grad, but **Vicky Tran** and husband **Ryan Shimotsu** (Punahou '00) will soon be



Vicky Tran '00 married Ryan Shimotsu in June 2009.

celebrating their 1-year wedding anniversary. They got married on June 6, 2009, at the Hyatt Regency in Honolulu, Hawai'i. In attendance were Ms. **Tennye Kohatsu**, Ms. **Edean DeMello**, **Daniel Miyatake** '83, **Sheri Shimizu** '96, **Katrina Fujita** '00, bridesmaid **Leslie Goo** '00, **Kristi Hamada** '00, **Randy Ho** '00, **Kira Kepoo** '00, **Kaily Yee** '00, **Amy DeMello** '10.

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**Marisa Wahl** is the producer of the independent horror/family drama film *Finale*, which she and her fellow USC film school graduates filmed while in Ohio and Compton, California. The film was featured in six film festivals (most recently in *Screamfest LA 2009* at Grauman's Chinese Theater). During the film festival tour, *Finale* won the following awards: Best Feature, Oxford International Film Festival, England; Best Horror Film, Indie Spirit Film Festival, Colorado; Independent Spirit Award, A Night of Horror Film Festival, Sydney, Australia; Best Cinematography, Boston International Film Festival; and Best Horror Film, Seattle True Independent Film Festival. *Finale* has been picked up for DVD distribution in North America from Image Entertainment to be released on May 25, 2010. *Finale* is also working with Jinga Entertainment for the international promotion and distribution of the film.

## '02

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**Kila Kaaihue** has signed a one-year contract with the Kansas City Royals baseball team. He was drafted by the Royals in the 15th round in 2002. A first baseman and designated hitter, Kila was batting .304 and had a slugging percentage of .620 in the first weeks of the season.

## '03

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**Nelson Quan** has now passed the two-year mark living in China and is enjoying it very much. He has a job working at an animation studio as an editor for an animated kids' TV show that will be shown on a major network in the U.S. He will let us know details about the show later, closer to the release date.

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## '06

**Christian Johnson's** ability to hit even in tight situations helped the UH baseball team win against the Oregon State Beavers in a close game this winter. His "pinch-hit line-drive solo home run down the left-field line tied the score in the bottom of the ninth inning" and helped UH rally for the win, according to an item posted on [www.honoluluadvertiser.com](http://www.honoluluadvertiser.com) this February.

**Wally Marciel**, a junior at Kansas, pitched a scoreless sixth inning in a 15-0 win over Tabor College this March. At that point in the season, Wally had seven appearances and had posted a 3.12 earned run average in 8 2/3 innings.

Puget Sound (Washington) senior **Jarvis Nohara** was named to the All-Northwest Conference First Team as a utility player. Jarvis, who is listed as a pitcher, catcher, and infielder, had a team-best 3.60 ERA with a 4-1 record and batted .312.

**Allison Trecker** graduated with honors from Vanderbilt University in December 2009, a semester ahead of time, thanks to her multiple AP credits from 'Iolani classes. She has accepted a position in the recruiting department of Deloitte Ltd. in Washington, D.C.

Stanford senior setter **Kawika Shoji** broke the school's all-time record for digs in a career in a sweep of Cal Baptist. Kawika's six digs in the March game put him ahead of former record-holder and current U.S. Men's National Team member **Kevin Hansen** and gives him 713 in his career. Earlier this season, Kawika broke Hansen's all-time record for service aces. He had three against Cal Baptist to bring his total to 95. Kawika was named to the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation First-team in Men's Volleyball, after leading the Cardinal to a No. 1 national ranking in the regular season. For his career, Kawika has earned all-conference recognition four times. This is the second consecutive year he has been named to the first team.

Kawika was also named the 2010 American Volleyball Coaches Association Men's Division I-II National Player of the Year. The award was presented on May 5 on the eve of Stanford's appearance in the Final Four for Men's Volleyball. Kawika led the Cardinal to a 22-6 record, the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation regular season and tournament titles and the No. 1 seed in the Final Four. He also ranked among the nation's leaders this season with 13.78 assists and 2.46 digs per game.

Kawika, his brother **Erik** (Punahou '08), and their father UH Wahine coach **Dave Shoji** were the focus of the cover story in the April issue of *Volleyball Magazine*, "The Year of the Shoji" by Jason Childress. The article pointed out that Kawika was named to the All-America first team for the second year in a row, and brother Erik joined him this year for his first time, "the only time in NCAA history that two brothers have made the first team together." Kawika is quoted in the article as saying that volleyball "is the quintessential team sport" and that his Stanford team focuses on "putting the team before yourself, and that's the only way to achieve our goals." He goes on to say that the program "is not about me or Eric: the program is bigger than both of us." Writer Childress went on to compare Kawika and Erik to former Stanford great and "All-American Kevin Hansen, who went on to become an Olympic gold medalist three years later." He added that Kawika and Erik "may well find themselves following in Hansen's footsteps." Kawika confirms that "the Olympics are on his agenda."

## '07

Pacific (California) junior utility **Dara Tawarahara** scored twice in the Tigers' 11-5 win over Harvard in March. Later in the same day, Dara scored all four of Pacific's goals in an 11-4 loss to Cal. Dara was named Big West Player of the Week this March, then two weeks later she was selected as Pacific's March Competitor of the Month. A comment by her coach **Megan Thompson** in an item posted April 8, 2010, on [www.cstv.com](http://www.cstv.com) commended Dara thusly: "Dara's stats speak for themselves, but it is her commitment both

in the class and in the pool that drives her success. Dara inspires others around her to excel at both and exemplifies what it means to be a student athlete." Tolani instilled the right values in Dara: excel in the classroom and lead with the "One Team" motto. Go Raiders/Go Tigers!

## '08

**Jamie Smith**, a sophomore at UNLV and a forward on the women's basketball team, was named Mountain West Conference Player of the Week in February.

**Kelsey Outram**, a right-handed pitcher for Southern Utah, pitched two scoreless innings with two strikeouts and one walk in a win over Kennesaw State this March.

**Brad Lawson**, an outside hitter for the Stanford University men's volleyball team, earned the Player of the Year Award for the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF), the dominant conference in collegiate men's volleyball, according to an item posted on [alumniconnections.com](http://alumniconnections.com) on May 5. The article quotes [gostanford.com](http://gostanford.com) as saying that "Lawson has had a breakout season while leading Stanford to a No. 1 ranking and the MPSF title. Lawson emerged as one of the most dangerous hitters in the college game and one of the best all-around players. Lawson led the Cardinal in kills per game (430, 4.78), service aces (33, 0.37), was third in digs (137, 1.52), fourth in assists (40, 0.44), and fifth in blocks (0.53)." Earlier in the season, Brad was named National Player of the Week (early March) and co-Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Player of the Week (late March). Brad "was deadly at the net, hitting with great velocity and precision. His back row attacks were unparalleled and his defensive and passing skills were enough to absorb an opponent's best shot and set in motion the same for Stanford. Lawson, who has started every match in his two seasons, hit .384 and was perhaps Stanford's most consistent player." In another article, this one posted on [www.honoluluadvertiser.com](http://www.honoluluadvertiser.com) on May 5, Brad is "arguably the best player on the best team in the nation," and "a big reason for the team's success this season.

Interviewed in the article, Brad is quoted as follows: "Back in the fall, we set our big goal to win a national championship, and everything is still in place for us to do that." In the true One Team spirit, Brad also credited the team's success at least in part to "the addition of assistant coach **Chris McLachlin** to the staff." He also said he enjoys playing with so many of his best friends from back home: six others on the Stanford roster are from Hawai'i including **Kawika Shoji** '06 and his brother **Erik Shoji**, Punahou '08. In addition to his undeniable skill on the volleyball court, Brad has also earned fame at Stanford for his singing ability. In an item posted on [www.sfgate.com](http://www.sfgate.com) on May 6, "Singing Sophomore Sparks Stanford," writer **Tom Fitzgerald** says of Brad: in addition to helping the volleyball team into the final four, "he could also be singing the national anthem, accompanying himself on keyboard, setting up the video of the match, editing it and supplying the soundtrack. Yes, an athlete who can do it all." In fact, Brad has sung the anthem at several of Stanford's women's volleyball matches and was planning to sing at a softball game in mid-May.

## '09

**Kellen Imada**, currently an Occidental College freshman, recently received their Anne Powell Award for Outstanding Dedication and Service to the Mustangs on the Move Program and the Students of John Muir High School. This award is given to the top tutor for their work with troubled youths. Kellen tutors at John Muir High School in Pasadena, California, and this program is part of Occidental College's Neighborhood Partnership Program (NPP). The NPP strives to help underrepresented high school students gain the necessary skills required to obtain a high school diploma and effectively transition into the arena of higher education.

# Memorials

## CLASS OF 1941

**Donald Iwao Okano** died April 25, 2010. He was retired from First Federal Savings & Loan. He served in the U.S. Army in World War II and was a veteran of the 100th Battalion and 442nd Regimental Combat Team. He is survived by wife Gladys; sons Rodney, Nelson, and Kent; daughter Marlyse; brother Joichi; and four grandchildren.

## CLASS OF 1947

**George Minoru Matayoshi** died March 6, 2010. He was a retired Cutter Ford mechanic foreman. He is survived by daughter Starlyn Mikami; sons Wayne and Kirk Crowell; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; brothers James and Herbert; and sister Sadie Sonoda.

## CLASS OF 1948

**Carl Kazuyoshi Sato** died November 15, 2009, in Tempe, Arizona. He was with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Texas, Hawai'i, and Arizona. He is survived by wife Grace; and daughters Barbara and Lauren. He was predeceased by brother **Warren Sato** '52.

**Samuel Webster Kaai** died April 29, 2010, in California. After his 'Iolani graduation, Samuel attended the Merchant Marine Academy at King's Point in Long Island, New York, where he received a bachelor's degree in science. In 1953 he was commissioned as an ensign in the U.S. Navy. He served in the Navy from 1953 to 1964. In 1961, he married Caroline Ululani Mills in Yonkers, New York. She predeceased Samuel in 1998. As a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, he served in various church positions. He was also a member of the Vallejo (California) Amateur Radio Club for 45 years. He is survived by daughters Julie, Rebecca, and Sandra; son Sam; sister Ku'ulei Aila; mother-in-law Elaine Mills; and eight grandchildren.

## CLASS OF 1949

**Henry Y. Yamada** died January 21, 2010. He was a bookkeeper. He is survived by sisters Betty Park and Grace Higaki.

## CLASS OF 1950

**Masanori Kaito** died March 15, 2010. He was a U.S. Army veteran. He is survived by a daughter; brother Ben; and 11 nieces and nephews.

## CLASS OF 1953

**Kenneth K. Kawamoto** died April 10, 2010. He was a retired Board of Water Supply civil engineer. He is survived by wife Karen; son Michael; daughter Lori Maihui; three grandchildren; brother Harry; and sisters Lily Yokoyama and Ethel Kishi.

**Ernest Komoda** died March 18, 2010. He was a project manager for Trinity Management Group; he was also a Korean War U.S. Army veteran. He is survived by wife Dorothy Yoshiko; sons Todd and Edd; four grandchildren; brother Irwin; and sister Charlotte Katahira.

#### CLASS OF 1954

**Kenneth Akira Muraoka** died April 20, 2010. He was a retired Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard engineer. He is survived by wife Audrey; daughters Jill Lim and Tisha Fujino; granddaughter Brooklyn; sisters Rachel Muraoka and Charlotte Uraoka.

#### CLASS OF 1955

**Lawrence (Larry) Tanibe** died March 16, 2010. He was retired from Larry's Appliance Service; he also served 10 years in the Army National Guard. He is survived by wife Daisy; daughter Wendy Young; son Reid; grandchildren Sharice, Tara, Matthew, Amber, Ranson; brothers **Patrick Tanibe** '57 and **Kenneth Tanibe** '58; and sister Teresa Nitta. His nephew, **Carl Tanibe** '77, predeceased Larry.

#### CLASS OF 1956

**T. Irving Chang** died April 1, 2010. He was a graduate of Columbia University and Michigan Law School. He is survived by wife Jocelyn; sons **Timothy** '89 and **Jonathan** '94; daughters **Allison** '90 and Dr. **Kimberly** '91; sister En Harriet; and three grandchildren.

#### CLASS OF 1961

**Reed Toru Tagawa** died April 5, 2010. He was a retired no-fault claims supervisor for Island Insurance Company. He is survived by wife Lynn; son **Mark** '89; daughter Lena Hanson; father Itaru Tagawa; and half brothers Gary and Ralph Okumura.

Dr. **Dean Joji Tajima** died March 3, 2010. He is survived by son **John** '87; daughter Julie Nakayama; companion Regina Yamabe; brother Dr. Michael; sister Carole Haga; and three grandchildren.

#### CLASS OF 1963

**Gordon Masaji Okumoto** died February 15, 2010. He is survived by daughters Kelli Takara and Kristi; sister Gail Hamada; brother Rodney; and three grandchildren.

#### CLASS OF 1964

**Eric Takashi Maehara** died April 1, 2010. He was a Hawai'i State Legislature Legislative Reference Bureau attorney. He is survived by son Makena Christian; daughters Natasha Pualani and Elizabeth Mahinalani; mother Mary; brothers **Marc** '70 and **John** '72; and sisters Carol Ann Takeuchi, Mona, and Lois Tanaka.

**David Yew Hoon Tom** died March 26, 2010. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran of the Vietnam War; he was also a retired instructor and administrator at West Valley Community College in Saratoga, California, with 40 years of service. He is survived by wife Frances; daughters Sara Ignowski and Mary Espiritu; sister Barbara Tom; and grandsons Marcus and Kaimana Espiritu.

#### CLASS OF 1968

**Derrick Hashimoto** died on January 11, 2010, in Scottsdale, Arizona, after battling a long illness. He was a retired bank employee.

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

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Thank you.