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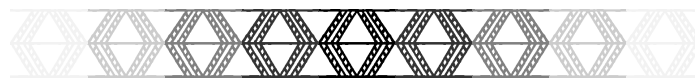
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Emily Kane, wife of Edward Hubbard Bailey, reading c.1900. By permission of the Maui Historical Society.

Aloha kākou

Summer at Kamehameha Schools will be a little different this year. In addition to engaging more than 5,000 young people in KS summer programs – ranging in scope from Ho’omaka’ika’i: Explorations and Computer Camp, to Kūlia I Ka Pono leadership camp and KS’ Performing Arts Academy or Summer Science Institute – we, as an ‘ohana, are entering into Phase III of our year-long strategic planning process.

The Draft Strategic Plan, based on months of statewide stakeholder input and working group analysis, was completed at the end of May. This month, as we begin Phase III, members of our Executive Management Team together with our education and endowment facilitation teams will again travel throughout the State of Hawai’i to meet with communities from Līhu’e to Hilo and stops in between.

Dates, times and places for these community meetings will be announced through mailers and advertising and we do hope you will once again find the time to meet with us as there is much to share.

Our purpose is to bring the Draft Strategic Plan to you – alumni, staff, students, interested citizens – and to again receive your input. For it was you, our Kamehameha Schools ‘ohana, whose input guided the present structure of our plan and whose spirit and support will guide its future implementation.



I Mua Kamehameha!

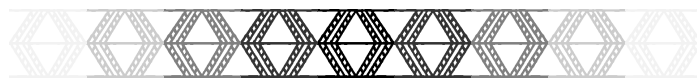
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BISHOP DRIVE FACE LIFT

Familiar for so long, one almost hated to see it go. After years of abuse, the once convulsed surface of KS’ Bishop Drive is now pothole-free and bumpless all the way from the Kamehameha Elementary School intersection to the Pauahi Administration Building lower parking lot.

This resurfacing is but an interim measure, however. Designed for three-to-five years of useful life while KS completes major capital Kapālama construction projects, a more permanent resurfacing will commence once that construction is completed. The final roadway will provide for drainage as well as safer areas for student runners and other roadway activities.





ALOHA KS 'OHANA

Aloha KS 'Ohana

I want to share with you my delight and excitement about the K-3 Reading Program featured in this issue. It is definitely beginning to take shape under the direction of Anna Sumida and her assistant Susan Lau.

Partnerships have been initiated with the state Department of Education (DOE), Queen Lili'uokalani Children's Center, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and other agencies. The DOE partnership will focus on public elementary schools with large Hawaiian student populations. Kamehameha will support these DOE schools through classroom instruction and materials, tutoring of high risk students and educating parents on how to help their children at home.

In addition, two videos have been produced for parents. One focuses on the importance of reading to children and demonstrates ways to help children learn the alphabet. The other video is for parents of kindergarten and first grade students who are learning to read in school. Both videos emphasize the everyday opportunities that parents have to instill a love of reading and learning in their children. These materials are the first in a continuing series of products the K-3 Reading Program will produce to engage and involve Hawaiian adults in the improvement of literacy and educational levels in their households.

This focus on empowering families to take charge of elevating literacy levels within the Hawaiian community can have a tremendous impact on children's future school success. It takes advantage of the birth to age seven window of rapid language acquisition, enabling children to enter kindergarten with sufficient vocabulary and communication skills to understand the teacher and express themselves, and lay the foundations for lifelong reading.

What a positive way to begin an educational journey.



Me ke aloha pumehana,

Michael J. Chun, Ph.D.
President

NĀ LEO'S NEW CD

New from Nā Leo Pilimehana – known simply as Nā Leo on the mainland and in their international distribution – is their latest CD release *I Miss You, My Hawai'i*. Besides some Nā Leo originals, this collection includes songs written by some of Hawai'i's most notable contemporary composers – and KS alumni – such as **Dennis Kamakahi '71, Kenneth Makuakāne '73, Jon Osorio '69 & Randy Borden, Jerry Santos '69, and Noland Conjugacion '75.**

Nā Leo – **Nalani Jenkins Choy, Angela Fernandez Morales and Lehua Kalima, all KS '84** – has taken Hawaiian music beyond our shores in a big way, scoring recent hits on the mainland and in Japan. And they continue to give back to our community.





Kamehameha Launches K-3 Reading Program

It's a Hawaiian Thing to Do

Increasing reading skills and literacy in early education is a rapidly growing national concern. A good foundation in reading not only prepares a child for future social and academic achievement, but creates in that child a love of learning that will be of lifetime benefit. Repeatedly, studies have shown that high literacy rates and good reading skills depend on a child's earliest exposure to the reading experience.

Helping to provide that early education reading experience to Hawaiian children is an outreach area where Kamehameha can, by leveraging its resources, positively impact quality education within the Hawaiian community. To this end, Kamehameha Schools (KS) will launch its Kindergarten to Grade Three (K-3) Reading Program this fall.

"Let's start with the big picture," says KS K-3 Reading Program Director Anna Sumida. "The K-3 Reading Program is a partnership between Kamehameha Schools and the state Department of Education (DOE). The program will focus on enhancing the reading skills of K-3 children with the goal of increasing student achievement. And, the criteria we're using targets public schools with the largest numbers of Hawaiian students."

Unlike earlier programs, this new partnership with the DOE will look beyond simply classroom instruction to a three-pronged approach incorporating the child's whole learning experience. The

three components of KS' K-3 Reading program are instructional support, tutoring support, and parent education.

Instructional Support – The KS/DOE Partnership

Kamehameha will not re-invent the wheel. "Most public schools have solid reading programs," says Sumida. "So we're not going to create a reading program to replace theirs. What we are going to do is support existing programs and provide materials based on a school's needs."

Support will come in the form of staffing, classroom assistance, enlisting alumni/parent volunteer tutoring, and in designing parent and community workshop programs to develop and reinforce community-based and culturally relevant curricula.

Professional development will figure largely in the program. "In some areas with large Hawaiian populations, there are schools with high teacher turnover rates," says Sumida. "As a consequence, there are a number of novice teachers positioned among earlier grades who can use additional training and materials. Kamehameha can be of help here. We can provide that professional development based on the strengths and needs of the schools."



Director Anna Sumida (right) and her administrative assistant Susan Lau.

Tutoring Support

Once curriculum is developed within the community, Kamehameha Schools' K-3 program will utilize staff to support classroom instruction. "After their mornings in the classroom," says Sumida, "staff will shift into one-on-one tutorial support and group instruction."

Kamehameha will also introduce Jed Gaines' Read Aloud Program (RAP) through the family workshops. "Jed Gaines gets children and parents together with volunteer tutors for a read aloud time," says Sumida. "After volunteers read to the children, Jed reads to the parents. It's just amazing, when parents experience this read aloud, they're so excited and they understand how wonderful it is to be read to. And, we will introduce this program in all the schools we participate in, because families and children start talking about the books they've read and it lights a fire, an enthusiasm for reading that is very positive."

Finally, Kamehameha will encourage parents, alumni and kūpuna to volunteer in the classrooms or to work as tutors. "We'd like to encourage alumni to participate in read aloud sessions, in fact, anyone interested in working with parents and the community can help create culturally relevant curriculum as part of the school reform process."

Parent Education – The Home-School Connection

"We know from demographic studies," says Sumida, "that among the many strengths in the Hawaiian community is family. The 'ohana. It's cohesive, expansive, often extended, and devoted to children. So our third area of emphasis will be the home-school connection because we want to tap into that positive energy that exists in Hawaiian families and thereby advance culturally relevant programs."

"Through our parent education program, parents will learn how they can support their children at home, because we know that students



with parental support for their reading development always exceed far beyond those without parental support.

"But, the answers will come from the community," Sumida adds thoughtfully, "because Hawaiians have that cultural way of knowing so deeply. So, the community – parents, families, kūpuna, community and cultural leaders – will be involved in the curriculum planning process because the main focus of this

DOE partnership is to empower leadership within schools, communities and families to give input in terms of how we create curriculum for children."

Three-Components

"Three components are tied together," says Sumida. "By supporting classroom instruction and teacher development, we're helping children. By supporting an alumni/parent/community-tutoring program, we're helping children. By helping parents, we're helping children."

*Lawe i ka
ma'alea a
k'ono'ono*

*(Take wisdom
and make it
deep).*

– 'ŌLELO NO'EAU:
HAWAIIAN PROVERBS
AND POETICAL SAYINGS

READ ME A STORY





VITAMINS A-B-C

*Richer than I
you can never be
I had a mother
who read to me.*

– STRICKLAND GILLIAN,
“THE READING MOTHER”

FROM BEST LOVED POEMS
OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

Cultural Ways of Learning

Culturally relevant curriculum development is the centerpiece of Kamehameha’s K-3 Reading Program. Although the modern Hawaiian family lives in a Western-dominated society, Western ways of acquiring knowledge are not the only methods by which Hawaiians learn. In her Harvard Graduate School of Education dissertation, *Native Hawaiian Epistemology: Nānā I Ke Kumu*, scholar Manu Aluli Meyer states, “Knowledge for Native Hawaiians, is grounded in the natural environment and in the ancestral line of family.”

Utilizing environment, family, and community as self-enhancing tools to teach Hawaiian children flows easily from Myer’s axiom. According to K-3 Reading Director Sumida, environment and family are as obvious as the culturally significant voyages of the Hōkūle’a.

In studying the non-instrument-navigated voyages, children simultaneously learn about navigation, ocean science, astronomy, and other “academic” disciplines. Once again, studies show that children learn through culturally meaningful experiences, so integrating culturally relevant activities into curriculum is fundamental to its ability to stimulate young minds. “From there, you make the connections to science, social science or social studies,” says Sumida. “Math can be worked into that too. But, you want to make culture the hook. That’s going to be the entry into appropriate curriculum.”

Parent/Community Workshops

At workshops for parents and interested members of the community, the KS K-3 Reading program will provide an array of materials for home use. An alphabet chart – incorporating some Hawaiian imagery such as “C” for canoe, “G” for gecko, “L” for lei, and even “N” for nēnē – may be used for coloring by the children, or posted on the refrigerator. Magnetic letters spelling a child’s name will be given out as well.

The program also incorporates environmental learning, like “M” is for McDonald’s™ or “B” is for Big Bird. It all helps children connect, in a meaningful context, to things that are relevant to them and their lives.

KS Educational Videos

Among the most important contributions Kamehameha Schools will make to early childhood reading comes by way of two beautifully produced educational videos based on Sumida’s years of early childhood teaching and working with parents.

“There are some very akamai parents out there,” says Sumida. “Parents who just have an intuitive knack of knowing exactly the things that help their child learn to read and write. The two educational videos capture these parents expressing the simple tools and positive effects of reading with a child. Essentially, these are videos in which parents talk with parents. There are no experts here. No university professors. No principals. No librarians. Just parents.”

The Kamehameha Schools-produced video *Ho’oulu ‘Ike – Inspire Learning: Help Your Child Learn to Read* – comes in two volumes. The first, “Birth Through Preschool,” helps parents develop a child’s natural love for reading by relating easy ways to engage children in books and involve them with the alphabet and phonics. It also relates how parents may use a child’s innate curiosity about the natural world as a living classroom to learn about reading.

The second volume, “Kindergarten and First Grade,” is a simple and easy-to-understand demonstration of ways to help children read. “Like a tricycle needing three wheels,” says Sumida, “good readers must use three clues – meaning, phonics and grammar – to read with understanding.” In this video, parents easily learn how to make children feel successful with reading and how to help children use the three



Ho'oulu 'Ike videos may be borrowed free of charge from any public library or Blockbuster Video



reading clues to learn to read, write and spell.

Important to the K-3 program, Kamehameha has taken special steps to insure the accessibility of the video programs. Both *Ho'oulu 'Ike* videos may be borrowed free of charge from any public library or Blockbuster Video. "These videos are also available to our alumni," says Sumida, "even alumni who have relatives active in teaching their children to read. In that way we can extend our help into the broader community."

Children Love to Read

Reading to a child supports that child's positive experience with reading. But allowing that child to read to you is just as important, "because that's how they get better at reading," says Sumida, "and it encourages a bonding and a real closeness between parent and child. That's the key to a firm literacy foundation – a positive experience with books and family support."

Children have a natural inclination to want to read and Kamehameha will assist participating schools by providing exciting and enriching literature. "We have great books," says Sumida, "and this is one of the best times in terms of children's literature. There's just an explosion of great picture books for kids. And, that's important. Children want to read interesting books with great illustrations. We're incorporating books that tickle their eager imaginations at a time when brain development is at its most rapid rate. The broader the exposure, the greater the student's access to books – lots and lots of books – the greater the student's opportunities to enhance his natural eagerness to learn will be."

Reading – It's a Hawaiian Thing to Do

"I'm thrilled Kamehameha is expanding its outreach into this culturally meaningful K-3 Reading Program with all the personnel, materials and supportive educational data we can bring to it," Sumida says. "And, as we all know, Hawaiians have a noble history of learning."

Indeed, by 1833, more than half the adult population of the Hawaiian Islands read, making mid-19th century Hawai'i among the most literate nations in the world.

So in the excitement surrounding Kamehameha Schools' fall 2000 launching of its K-3 Reading program, one can see Kamehameha carrying on yet another proud tradition. Because reading – it's a Hawaiian thing to do.

To learn more about Kamehameha Schools' K-3 Reading Program, or to volunteer, phone (808) 843-3332 or e-mail: reading@ksbe.edu

I'M
HUNGRY
FOR
WORDS





FEATURE

Prom: Then and Now

by Kerrey Gomes '00 and Chandra Kanani Oyama-Jackson '00



ABOVE—Joanne Kekuewa and Eli Nāhulu, queen and king of their 1955 senior prom

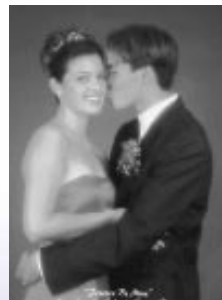
BELOW—Enjoying refreshments at their Junior-Senior Prom for the 1955-1956 school year are (l-r) James Bell, Margaret Freitas, Harold Iida, Deanne Kahapea and Sylvia Duncan

The latest topic of conversation in the halls besides college and summer plans is...prom. It is that time again to swap pictures and reminisce about that special evening. This annual high school event serves as a highlight of the school year to many. But, just how much do our proms today differ from proms in the past?

Ka Mō'ī archives indicate that the first annual promenade held at Kamehameha was in 1932. Today we simply refer to the promenade as prom; the words are synonymous.

This social function was held for both juniors and seniors and was organized by the junior class, mostly girls, in honor of the senior class. Back then there was even a prom King and prom Queen (who were seniors) whom the junior class elected.

An interesting tradition was dance cards that were filled out at regular school dances as well as at the prom. Each dance card had twelve sets with three songs per set. At the beginning of the prom, the girls would have their dance cards signed, promising a special someone that she would share in and devote a particular dance to him. Usually a girl's boyfriend would sign up for the first and last song of the night to romantically begin and end the evening. These days you spend



Chandra's April 2000 prom photo



Kerrey's April 2000 prom photo





ABOVE—Students prepare for the Junior-Senior Prom in 1959.

LEFT—Kekūhaupi’o Gym is transformed into a romantic wonderland for the Junior-Senior Prom in 1957. Kekūhaupi’o Gym hosted KS proms until the 1970s

the entire night with that special someone who is your date.

Instead of a formal banquet-style dinner that we enjoy at the modern prom, light snacks were served during an intermission of the early proms. There was also the traditional punch that sophomores, elected by the junior class, served to those attending the early proms.

As for the location of the prom, it was held at the school gym until being moved to a hotel setting in the 1970s. Since the prom was held on campus, the decorations were very elaborate and followed the theme of the evening. In 1951, there was an orchid tree with a nearby pond inside the gym. In 1952, there were cherry blossom trees, and a 17-piece orchestra provided music. In 1955, there was an island in the middle of the dance floor complete with a pink flamingo; nearby there were bird cages hanging on trees with live parakeets inside.

Despite the differences in location and decorations, some things haven’t changed in 68 years. The questions all students were asking one another both back then and now include: “What color and style is your dress?” “What are you going to do after?” “What kind of flowers are you going to order?”

When prom season rolls around, students are anxious in anticipation of the special night. The girls are attired in beautiful dresses and get their makeup and hair done while the guys look so handsome in their tuxes and styled hair. Spending the evening with that special someone and your friends enjoying dinner and dancing serves as a wonderful way to relax and make lasting memories.

Yet, it’s nice to know that while fashions and trends come and go, and while many things change, traditions are here to stay.



Kerrey Gomes '00

Senior Kerrey Gomes, 17, will attend Boston University this fall with a major in journalism. She aspires to be a newspaper reporter. Honolulu-born, Kerrey has been a student at Kamehameha since the 7th grade.



Chandra Kanani Oyama-Jackson '00

Eighteen-year-old senior Chandra Kanani Oyama-Jackson plans to attend the University of Hawai’i at Mānoa in the fall with a journalism major. Chandra hopes to be a television news anchor. Born in Eugene, Ore., she entered Kamehameha in the 7th grade.



Doing the Right Thing

by Karee Carlucci

“Do the right thing, and business will benefit,” says **Jerry Kunitomo '78**, owner-operator of BJ's Chicago Pizzeria in Lahaina and driving force behind a successful array of Lahaina Town festivals. Contributing to nine prestigious Maui events and a member of more than 20 community organizations makes Jerry a very busy man. “There are so many people working long hours to resurrect a cultural component in Maui, that I feel fortunate to have returned home to help give back to our community,” he says.

Born and raised in Kona, Jerry entered Kamehameha as a 7th grade boarder. Summers and long weekends were spent working on his family's coffee farm or fishing for 'ahi. “That experience taught me a lot about the old ways,” he says. “I was pretty kua'āina in school.”

Graduating in 1978, Jerry roomed with friend **Wallace Wong '77** for one semester at Kapi'olani Community College before moving to California to study law, engineering and architecture.

Architecture piqued his interest and by 1984 he opened his own

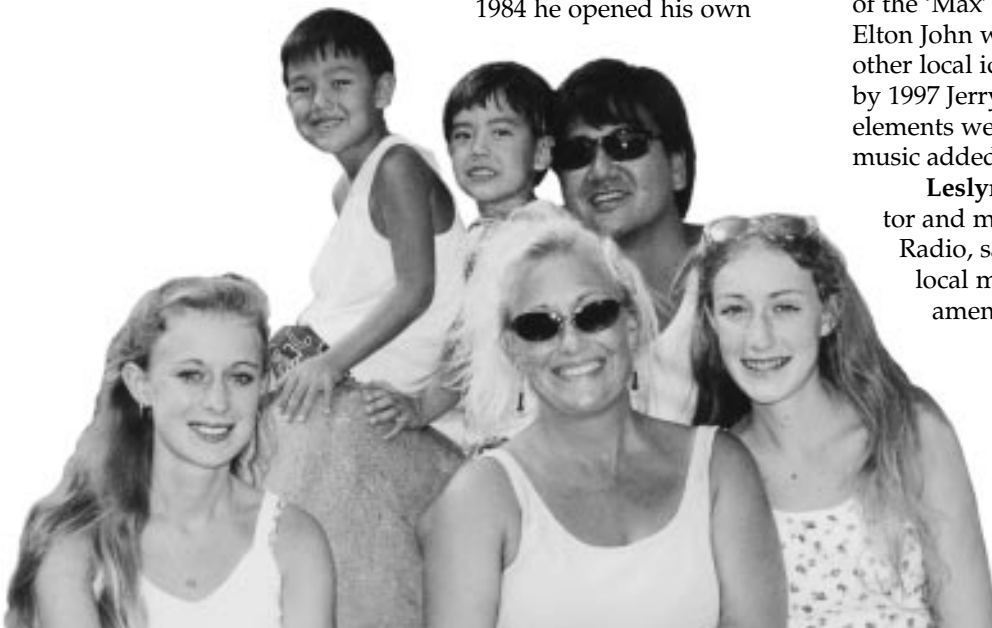
Newport Beach firm. “I found that I had to work too hard at it, like putting a square peg into a round hole. With effort, the peg may fit but it doesn't look good,” he explains.

So, Jerry returned to the restaurant business that supported him through school. In 1982 he was hired as a busboy, but after a year, Jerry found himself among three managers running Maxwell's, an elegant Huntington Beach pier restaurant. “All the employees were in their 30s and I, at 22, was their boss. I grew up fast! But, hard to sound suave with thick pidgin flowing,” he laughs.

By 1986, Jerry joined the Tony Romas franchise and watched the company grow immensely within just a few years. By 1994 his operational talent came to the attention of BJ's Chicago Pizzeria, which had just acquired its Front Street Lahaina location at the site of the former Blue Max. Jerry was offered a partnership and he jumped at the chance to return home.

“I wanted to continue the global recognition of the 'Max' but with an island feel. Instead of Elton John we would feature Dennis Pavao and other local icons.” BJ's opened in June 1994 and by 1997 Jerry doubled his sales. “All operational elements were critical, but access to Hawaiian music added a whole new dimension and value!”

Leslyn Alaka'i Paleka '74, program director and morning DJ for Lahaina's KPOA Radio, says: “Every night at BJ's restaurant, local musicians play. Jerry feels it's an amenity, like air-conditioning!”



The Kunitomo family today (l-r, back row) Andrew, 7, Aaron, 5, and Jerry; (front row) Jenny, 19, Morgan and Kristal, 15



LEFT—At BJ's in Lahaina are (l-r, front) BJ's managers Vivas Kane and Lance Yamaguchi. In the back row (l-r) are Ocean Kaowili '79, Dennis Kamakahi '71, Pekelo Cosma, Jerry and Eddie Kamae



BELOW—Jerry and Morgan Kunitomo with pal Keali'i Reichel

Resurrecting Hawaiian cultural components in Lahaina was so energizing, Jerry involved himself with the Lahaina Town Action Committee (LTAC), staging events that created entertainment opportunities with Hawaiian music as the juice. "Everyone – from the Brothers Caz (**Robert '67** and **Roland Cazimero '68**), Keali'i Reichel, **Dennis Kamakahi '71**, the Pahinui brothers, Dennis Pavao, Hapa, Kapena and Eddie Kamae & the Sons of Hawai'i – has helped out."

"Jerry is involved in every event we do," says Theo Morrison, executive director of LAC. "He's integrated Hawaiian culture into our festivals through music and that has created a tremendous draw for us. Attendance at our events has increased each year."

Taking charge of the musical entertainment for Maui's famous Taste of Lahaina festival in 1995, Jerry has watched "Taste" draw the largest attendance of any comparable Maui festival. "A Taste of Lahaina started it all," says Alaka'i. "Jerry knew that if people could see island entertainment at the event, it would make it even more successful." Making an ambitious prediction for "Taste" to grow 20 percent annually, Jerry surpassed his own projections by the festival's third year.

Jerry's work with other Lahaina events has witnessed similar growth by promoting cultural tourism. Jerry steered the 1998 Festival of Canoes from a one- to ten-day event by 1999. Participating master carvers from throughout the South Pacific have suggested the Festival of

Canoes as a model for Pacific Island cultural tourism. Plus, "These events are very important for our children," says Jerry. "When we were young, much of what we learned came from what surrounded us. Today much of that cultural environment is gone. We must create opportunities for our children to see and learn the way it was."

Jerry also serves on several community and non-profit boards. He works with the Lahaina Intermediate School Community Based Management program and Maui Community College's VITEC and RISE programs. "Working closely with the Maui Police Department, Jerry has helped create a healthier atmosphere in town," says MPD Sgt. **Everett Ferreira '73**. He's also a member of the Native Hawaiian Tourism Hospitality Association, led by President **Douglas Chang '78**. And, Jerry works with the Friends of Moku'ula toward restoration of a royal complex that dates to Lahaina's days as capital of the Kingdom of Hawai'i.

The proud father of two boys and two girls, Jerry says it's his solid foundation and wonderful wife and partner Morgan that together have enabled him to do all he does. "Kamehameha gave me a solid foundation on which to build a successful career. My entire experience at KS was so short-lived, yet the legacy of Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop has lasted a lifetime."



Jerry Kunitomo at Kamehameha in 1978

"Kamehameha gave me a solid foundation on which to build a successful career."



KS IN THE NEWS



Kaleo Trinidad '93 and Snowbird Bento '93 chant for the KS Athletic Complex groundbreaking.

ATHLETIC COMPLEX GROUNDBREAKING

Following an opening chant by **Kaleo Trinidad '93** and **Snowbird Bento '93**, Kahu **David Kaupu '51** blessed the site of Kamehameha's long-desired Athletic Complex in an April groundbreaking ceremony. Co-athletic directors **Blane Gaison '76** and **Erv Kau** joined KSS Student Body President **TJ Auld '00** in untying the traditional maile, officially opening the site.

Located below Mawaena Field – where the Physical Plant Base Yard and bus parking is presently situated – the complex will consist of a regulation 400-meter track with an all-weather surface as well as natural turf for football and soccer. Additionally, the complex will include field-level team meeting rooms/classrooms; field-level restrooms; officials' locker room and storage and maintenance space. Bleacher seating will accommodate 3,000 spectators. A spectator promenade will include facilities for a concession stand, restrooms, ticket office, and a scorer's booth.

Among those celebrating this milestone in Kamehameha Schools' proud history were CEO **Dr. Hamilton McCubbin '59**, KS President **Dr. Michael Chun '61**, COO **Nathan Aipa**, KS Vice President **Dr. Rockne Freitas '63** and Recreational Facilities Manager **Bob Ramsey**. The new facility will be ready for the fall term in 2001.

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

That's what the April 2000 issue of *Environment Hawai'i* calls KSS teacher **David L. "Kawika" Eyre's** new book, *By Wind, By Wave – A Natural History Of The Hawaiian Islands* published by Bess Press. Intended for young people, the review notes "the book will be an invaluable addition to the schoolteacher's reference shelf."

MAUI COMPLETES PHASE II CONSTRUCTION

Maui Campus' Phase II construction was officially concluded with the March 16 dedication of the new Kahekili Gym. Following Kahu **Kalani Wong's '74** blessing, Principal **Cordy MacLaughlin** acknowledged her staff for its dedicated efforts on behalf of Phase II completion. Custodian **Thor Akre** was recognized for his special contributions and was honored by shooting the first basket in the school's newest facility. Highlighting the day's festivities was a student/staff basketball game. The students won, recording the first-ever KES Maui victory on their home court.

STERLING SCHOLARS

Congratulations to Kamehameha Schools' Sterling Scholars! **Rachel Asuncion '00** placed 2nd in the Business Ed category; **Jenny Napua Leong '00** was a finalist in English; **Kaipo Ikemoto '00** was a finalist in Foreign Language; **Andrew Kulani 'Akahi '00** placed 2nd in Hawaiian Studies; **Jordan K.Y.F. Lee '00** was a finalist in Mathematics. Heartfelt congratulations are also sent out to their teacher/mentors who helped them all do so well in this year's Sterling Scholar Awards Program.

FIVE KS PLAYERS REACH ALL-STATE

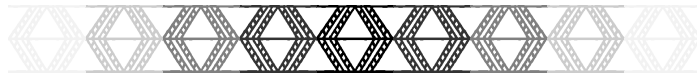
Five members of the KS girls soccer team, all from the Class of 2000, placed in the Hawai'i High School Athletic Association's All-State Girls Team. Among the forwards was **Robyn deHay**, who's already been signed by Stanford University. As first-team midfielders, **St. Mary's of California** has claimed **Chelsey Montero** and **Kaula Rowe** has been signed by Nevada. First-team defenders include **Jenny DeHay**, who's headed for Louisiana State, and **Moani Lau**, who's presently weighing offers from three schools including UH-Mānoa.



Co-Athletic Directors **Blane Gaison '76** and **Erv Kau** join KS student body President **TJ Auld '00** (center) in untying the ceremonial maile as (l-r back) **Kaleo Trinidad '93** and **Kahu David Kaupu '51** look on.



Renderings of the new Kamehameha Schools Athletic Complex (courtesy KS Engineering Department)



WALA'AU

ALUMNI DIRECTORY

All alumni whose addresses are current with the Alumni & Parents Advancement Center will receive an important questionnaire in the mail very shortly. This questionnaire is sent to allow alumni the opportunity to make certain their listing is accurate for the forthcoming edition of the Kamehameha Schools Alumni Directory.

Important: Please be sure to complete and return your directory questionnaire before the deadline indicated!

Once received by our publisher, Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company, Inc., your information will be processed for inclusion in our new directory. Before the final composition stage of the book, however, you will be contacted directly by Harris to verify that your data is absolutely correct and up-to-date.

If your questionnaire is not returned, it is possible that your listing could be inadvertently omitted or your personal information printed incorrectly. If you prefer not to be listed in the directory, please contact the Alumni & Parents Advancement Center, in writing, just as soon as you possibly can.

FREE YEARBOOKS

I received a call from Bob Whiting, Coordinator of the Midkiff Learning Center, advising that there are surplus editions of the *Ka Na'i Aupuni* yearbook on hand. The surplus accumulated from publishing overruns that occurred throughout the 90s and from students who didn't pick up their yearbooks when they graduated. That extra stock was given to Kamehameha by the publisher, and is currently held in storage. Should alumni be interested in acquiring one of these past editions of *Ka Na'i Aupuni*, they are available free of charge. Interested? Call the Alumni & Parents Advancement Center at 842-8680 for more information.

NA MELE HO'OHENO

The recording *Na Mele Ho'oheno* traces the musical history of Kamehameha Schools through the voices of its students. Comprised of archival and contemporary recordings, *Na Mele Ho'oheno* features the voices of Kamehameha's Concert Glee Club, alumni, KES' Children's Chorus, recordings from previous "Kamehameha Sings" albums, and selections from our annual Song Contests. You can relive those musical memories of Kamehameha Schools – the songs we grew up with, the music of your life – by way of this recording.

Na Mele Ho'oheno double cassette packages will not be manufactured after this year – eventually only compact discs will be available for purchase. As distributors of this beautiful product, the Mountain Apple Company is offering a special KS alumni price of just \$15 for the double CD or \$7.98 for the double cassette package. (There are additional shipping and handling costs, however.) If you're interested, call the Mountain Apple Company at 597-1888 or, from outside O'ahu 1-800-882-7088. Identify yourself as a Kamehameha Schools alumnus for this special offer.

Until next time we wala'au, take care of one another. 'O au nō me ka lokomaika'i.



By Marlene Sai '59
Director, Alumni and
Parents Advancement
Center





By Gerry Vinta Johansen '60, Alumni Coordinator, Alumni and Parents Advancement Center

1940s

Fourteen KS '44 members celebrated St. Patrick's Day at an Outrigger Canoe Club luncheon. **Gyneve "Neva" Andrews Wong** and **Frances Kupau Schuman** co-chaired the event. In attendance were **Lei Becker Furtado**, **Dawn Anahu Fernandez**, **Edith Rabideaux Wassman**, **Eloise Lou Benham Pavich**, **Marian Lake Boyd**, **Ione Rathburn Ryan**, **Kuualoha Saffery Callanan**, **Arline Akina**, **Jane Chung**, **Portia Yim Rosehill '43**, **Vesta Parker Will** and **Pearl Souza Cummins**. (Class representative is **Pearl Souza Cummins**. Phone: 247-1786)

Congratulations to **Manuel and Adeline Andrews Baptista '47** who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a December lū'au surrounded by family and friends. The Baptista sons **Stanley '69** from New Hampshire, **Alvin '71**, **Steven '72**, and **David '77** from Colorado arranged the program and provided the entertainment. Son **Clifford** and grandson **Ikaika Baptista '95** were official greeters for the evening celebration. Granddaughter **Susan-Lei Baptista** is a member of KS Class of 2000. Classmates in attendance were **Nelson Ahina**, **John Awana**, **Jacqueline Booth Benham**, **Juanita Noa Cardus**, **George and Leona Akana Crabbe**, **Merlyn Ferreira**, **James Fong**, **Marceline Goo Freitas**, **Lehman Henry**, **Henry**

Jay, **Rowena Keaka**, **Daniel Machado**, **Robert Moore**, **Dorothea Cobb-Adams Nary**, **Corbett Roy**, **Sylvia Nobriga Suiso**, **Mary Glennie Andrews Tagupa**, and **Joseph Taitano**. (Class representative is **Dorothea Cobb-Adams Nary**. Phone: 262-5492)

Congratulations to entertainer **Donald T. L. Ho '49** selected 1999 Salesperson of the Year by the Sales and Marketing Executives of Honolulu (SME). He was honored at a special February luncheon at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel. SME began the tradition in 1957, recognizing persons who have enhanced the image of Hawai'i and the quality of life in the community. Don is involved with organizations such as the Variety School of Hawai'i and the Arthritis Foundation, as well as continuing to promote Hawai'i through film, video, his Waikiki showroom and Aloha Tower restaurant. (Class representative is **Beverly Piilani Ellis Kinimaka**. Phone: 808-822-1108)

1950s

Congratulations and best wishes to newly retired **Major General Edward V. Richardson '52**, adjutant general of Hawai'i, commander of the Hawai'i National Guard, and director of State of Hawai'i Civil Defense operations. General Richardson's military career began when he joined the Hawai'i Air National Guard in

1956. Later commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force Aviation Cadet Pilot Training Program, he served in a number of key command and staff positions within the 199th Fighter Interceptor Squadron (FIS) and 154th Fighter Group. He was assigned as chief of staff, Headquarters, HIANG, in 1978 and promoted to colonel. In 1982 he was appointed commander of the Hawai'i Air National Guard and then promoted to brigadier general. He served as Hawai'i Air National Guard commander until 1991, at which time he assumed the position of the adjutant general. In 1992 he was promoted to major general. A retirement ceremony and review for Maj. Gen. Richardson was held in January at Hickam Air Force Base in Honolulu. An Aloha Banquet was held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel in January where family and friends shared in the celebration marking the ending of an exceptional military career and the beginning of a new chapter in the life of a retired Major General. (Class representative is **Leroy K. Akamine**. Phone: 595-4946)

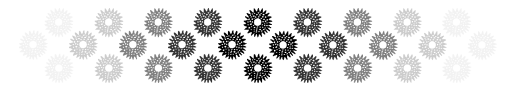
In February, the bright lights and glitter of Las Vegas welcomed members of KS '59 as they continued celebrating their 40th class reunion. Arrangements for the trip were made by **Elizabeth Ahana Kikuchi**. Making the trip, some with their spouses, were **Nelson**



KS '44 St. Patrick's Day outing with (l-r) **Ione Rathburn Ryan**, **Gyneve "Neva" Andrews Wong**, **Leilehua Becker Furtado** and **Kuualoha Saffery Callanan**



Helen B. Will (l) with KS '44 pals **Lou Benham Pavich** and **Marian Lake Boyd**



ALUMNI CLASS NEWS



KS '52 classmates at Hickam Air Force Base for the retirement ceremonies honoring Maj. Gen. Edward V. Richardson

Ka'ai, Leona Zalopony Riendeau, David Kauwe, Rudy Flores, Andrew Espinda, Cynthia Ash Coleman, Faith Lum Sasaki, Luana Hall Yamato, William Hutchinson, Herman Brandt, Kent Bowman, Henry Lee, Kenny Chang, Clifford and Lani Kahakua Wong, Clara Mahoe Motta, Vicky Amasiu Freitas, William Wong, Gwen Meyer Higgins, James Kahue, Earle Dye, Alexander "Rocky" and Estelle Cullen Cashman, William Kamakawiwoole Jr., Benedict Stillman, Roman Chai, Robyn Ing Boehm, Nancy Han Kane, Sheila Thomas Decker, Harrub Houssein, Alexander Olsen, Kathryn Kaaihue Kimi, and Antoinette "Toni" Gomes Lee. Classmates in town for other occasions were

Marlene Sai and Stella Lindsey Duarte. A grand time was enjoyed by all who made the trip – adding yet another page to the class' album of memories. (Class representative is Antoinette "Toni" Gomes Lee. Phone: 455-3985)

1960s

Congratulations to **Theresa "Bonnie" Fox Adams '61** who recently retired from the U.S. Postal Service. Bonnie spent 33 years at the Kailua Post Office where she was the first female mail carrier. (Class representative is **Yvonne Sai Ryan**. Phone: 523-6275, e-mail: yvryan@ksbe.edu)

Rev. Kekapa Lee '64 is the newly appointed papa makua of the Association of Hawaiian Evangelical Churches and the State Council of Hawaiian Congregational Churches. **Rev. James Merseberg '51**, retiring papa makua, presented Rev. Lee with a wooden outrigger canoe paddle, a symbol of leadership and working together. Rev. Lee is associate minister of the Hawai'i Conference of the United Church of Christ and serves on the national executive council of the church. Before his appointment as papa makua, Rev. Lee was pastor of Waiola Church in Lahaina. (Class representative is **Patricia Blake-Silva**. Phone: 808-742-9993)

Rev. James Fung '65 is the newly elected pastor of Kawaiaha'o Church. Rev. Fung fills the vacancy left by **Rev. William Kaina '51** who retired as pastor of Kawaiaha'o more than two years ago. Rev. Fung received a bachelor's degree at Cornell College in Mount Vernon, Iowa, and a master's degree from Drew Theological School in Madison, N.J. He earned a doctorate in ministry from the Hartford Seminary in Hartford, Conn. For the past 25 years, Rev. Fung has been pastor to congregations in both Connecticut and Michigan. He and his wife Faith have two grown children. (Class representative is **Donna Lei Smythe**. Phone: 595-3983; e-mail: dlsmy@aol.com)

2000 / MUA PRODUCTION SCHEDULE

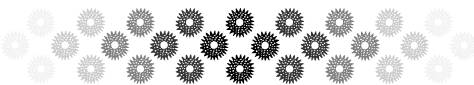
All submissions (including photos) must be into APAC by the dates listed below in order to appear in the quarterly issue indicated.

Fall 2000 issue
Due June 26, 2000

Winter 2000 issue
Due September 25, 2000



The Adams family celebrates mom's retirement (l-r) Bryan Gusman '91, Terry-Lynn Kalei Adams '91, Bonnie Fox Adams '61, George Gusman III '90 and, in front, Bryce Adams '12



ALUMNI CLASS NEWS



Newlyweds Peter Kaho'opi'i '67 and Karen Sasaki join in KS '67s Big 5-0 bash in Las Vegas

Captain **Curtis Kekoa Jr. '67** was at the helm when United Airlines made its first Boeing 777 flight from San Francisco to Maui in February. It was the first time for Curtis to be in the pilot's seat, and what better destination to fly to than back home. He has been flying with United Airlines for more than 22 years and is United's first native Hawaiian pilot. Curtis' dad, **Curtis Kekoa '40**, was also a combat pilot in World War II and the Korean War. Curtis Jr. and his wife Christina live in San Francisco. They have a 22-year old son.

Kathie Reis '67 reports that Las Vegas was turned into a private party when class members celebrated their big 5-0 last October. Celebrants arrived from Guam, California, Arizona and Hawai'i. Classmates joining in activities for the first time included **Michael Martin, Creighton Samson, Betty Gonsalves Barbett, Faauiga AhSoon Betts, Earlene Iaea, Marlene Delaries Stockwell, and Charlene Sugihara**. Future class plans include: Island of Hawai'i "Lōkāhi 2000 – Summer Jam" at

a beachfront house in Puakō, July 19 through 22, and an inter-island cruise sometime in 2001. Class news, ideas, and recommendations are welcome. Please contact either Kathie via e-mail: kareis@ksbe.edu or **Anthony Ho** at anho@ksbe.edu. We would love to hear from you. (Class representative is Kathie Reis. Phone: 247-6452; e-mail: kareis@ksbe.edu)

Congratulations to **Nathaniel Chang '69**, among the recipients of the Governor's Kilohana Award for Outstanding Volunteerism in the State of Hawai'i during the year 2000.

1970s

Marsha Heu Bolson '70 reports that **Suzanne Ahlo** Iwamoto is busy serving meals to customers at Junie's Coffee Shop next to Kāne'ohe Satellite City Hall.

Luana Ahina-Johnson was promoted in November to director of the Graduate Program in Basic Biomedical Sciences at the University of South Dakota's School of Medicine. She has been at USD since 1998, and has lived in South Dakota for 20 years.

Barbara Kauhini is a flight attendant with Northwest Airlines based in Detroit, MI. (Class representative is Marsha Heu Bolson.

Phone: 842-8865; e-mail: mabolson@ksbe.edu)

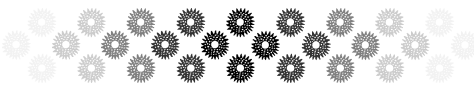
Isaac Akuna '72 is a Windward O'ahu dentist by day and a steel guitarist/vocalist by night playing at local conventions and concerts. In 1995, Isaac designed and produced "the first-ever steel guitar to be manufactured in Hawai'i, as far as I know," says noted steel artist **Alan Akaka '74**. Isaac and his wife Joan have two sons, Jacob and Evan. (Class representative is **Deborah Lau Okamura**. Phone: 941-1869; e-mail: dokamura@get.net)

Sherry Kelso Machado '74 informs us that she is a household engineer for children Adam, 8 and Daniel, 3 in Boyne City, Mich. Husband **Charles Machado '74** is an industrial lighting technician with Lexalite International of Charlevoix, Mich.

Moana Heu '74 was promoted to lieutenant with the Honolulu Police Department. She is currently working in administration, assisting with the opening of the new police station in Kapolei. Moana received a bachelor's degree in clinical dietetics from UH-Mānoa and a master of science degree in administration from Central Michigan University. (Class representative is **Coreene Choy Zablan**. Phone: 523-1973)



KS '67s 50th birthday celebrants in Las Vegas were (l-r) Samuel Ka'ahananui, Connie Dupio, Betsy Kaho'opi'i Medina, Vivien Goodwin Tamashiro, and standing, Rick Meinel



ALUMNI CLASS NEWS



Diane Peters-Nguyen '77 new vice president of the Limtiaco Company

Keith Ikaia-Purdy '75 made opera history with his February 15 debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City. He sang the title role in Jacques Offenbach's "Tales of Hoffman." Keith has sung in leading opera houses all over the world and was no stranger to the role. He received a standing ovation at the curtain call from fans who traveled from as far away as Germany and Hawai'i. Although Keith has sung nearly all the great opera tenor roles, Hawaiian music remains closest to his heart. (Class representative is **Kathleen Enos** Thurston. Phone: 263-8585; e-mail: tpacific@gte.net)

Congratulations to **Blane Gaison '76** recently inducted into the University of Hawaii's Circle of Honor in the sport of football. Blane is currently a co-director of the Kamehameha Schools Athletic Department.

Congratulations to newly hired **Diane Peters-Nguyen '77**, vice president of corporate and public affairs for The Limtiaco Company, a full-service public

relations firm. Diane previously served as the director of development at the Oceanic Institute, a pre-eminent aquaculture and marine sciences research institution, where she oversaw fundraising, governmental and community relations and organizational development. Prior to her work with the Oceanic Institute, Diane was the executive director of the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council (PAAC). PAAC serves as the World Affairs Council organization for the state of Hawai'i. She is a graduate of George Washington University, where she earned a master's degree in international affairs with an emphasis in East-Asia. Diane received a bachelor's degree in French from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Diane currently serves on the boards of the Vietnamese-American Chamber of Commerce of Hawai'i and Tokai University of Hawai'i.

David Kaluna Keala '77 is the director of Food Services at Brigham Young University, Hawai'i Campus. David received a degree in hotel and travel management from BYU-HI. He has worked as assistant manager for Inter-Continental Hotel, now known as Outrigger Wailea Resort, as a manager at BYU-HI's Seaside Hotel and, for the past 12 years, at the BYU-Provo Campus in the Food Services Department. David and his wife, Tanya Naumu of Pearl City, have four daughters. His father is **David Keala '55**.

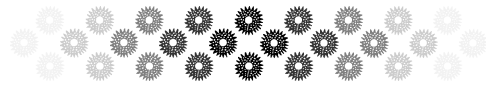
1980s

Congratulations to **Stephen Kaaa '82** recently promoted to assistant vice president and private banking officer at Honolulu's First Hawaiian Bank. (Class representative is **Denise Fujiyama**. Phone: 944-6977; e-mail: jugoz@hgea.org)

J. Kalani English '84 recently served as an adviser on the U.S. delegation to the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York. Kalani worked on special assignment for the "Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the Program of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States." Kalani is a Maui County Councilmember and recently announced his candidacy for re-election in 2000. (Class representative is **Mary Faurot** Pescaia. Phone: 595-4666)

Sharissa Chun '86, President of Harmonious Creations – Real Estate and Feng Shui (the ancient Chinese art of space management) – is a realtor associate with Prudential Locations. She also conducts *feng shui* workshops at Serendipity Books and Gifts. (Class representative is **Robert Quartero**. Phone: 833-8703)

Lisa Dzigas '88 is an accounts manager for NEC Computers in Sacramento, Calif. She encourages classmates passing through Sacramento to stop by and visit or call to say hello. She can be reached by telephone at (916) 379-4003 or by e-mail: L.DzigasCressman@NECCSD.com. (Class representative is **Shelly Wakamatsu** Pelfrey. Phone: 808-883-0237)



ALUMNI CLASS NEWS

1990s

CONTACT US ONLINE

KS alumni are encouraged to submit news items to *I MUIA* via e-mail. Send to:

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or "snail" mail to:

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96817

Photos are greatly appreciated.

Kinohi Gomes '92 is making a difference in the lives of Wai'anae residents by giving back to the community. Kinohi is a Super Enrichment Saturday and Summer Institute coordinator for *Nā Pua No'eau*. He works with youth facing problems with drugs and gangs. Kinohi received his bachelor's degree in Hawaiian studies from the University of Hawai'i at Hilo (UH-Hilo). (Class representative is **Paul Lyman**. Phone: 395-6169; e-mail: kalei1@aloha.net)

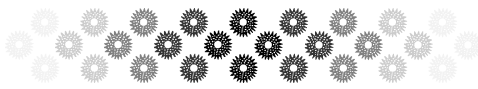
BJ Lanakila Medeiros '93 is a teacher at Lokelani Intermediate School in Kihei, Maui. Previously, he was a language teacher with the Hawaiian Immersion program at Kalama Intermediate School in Makawao. BJ also taught special education at King Kekaulike School in Pukalani and coached Boys JV soccer. He graduated from UH-Mānoa with a bachelor's degree in Hawaiian studies and from the University of Hawai'i Center on Maui with a post-baccalaureate certificate in secondary education. BJ and his fiancé, Benedetta Torino, reside in Wailuku with their 3-month old daughter, Clara-Josephine Leialoha. (Class representative is **Brandee Kaeo**. Phone: 259-8070; e-mail: brankaeo@hula.net)



Sharing a family moment are BJ Lanakila Medeiros '93 and Benedetta Torino with daughter Clara-Josephine Leialoha

Class representative **Avis Poai '96** would like to remind classmates to update their names and addresses in preparation for their 5th year reunion in June, 2001. Contact Avis at 227-7996 (cell phone) or by e-mail: poai@hawaii.edu. Classmates may also contact **Collette Corr '96** at 955-4534 (evenings) or by e-mail: ccorr@hawaii.edu. Avis and Collette are currently students at the UH-Mānoa and would be happy to meet with classmates interested in helping with reunion plans.

Dylan Ching '96 has been drafted by the Saskatchewan Rough Riders of the Canadian Football League. Dylan was a three-time All-Pioneer Football League wide receiver for the University of San Diego. He was the first player chosen in the third round and the 15th overall. He was the only player from Hawai'i – among the 46 selected – chosen in the full six-round CFL draft. At San Diego, Dylan set career records in football with 189 receptions, 3,111 yards and 32 touchdowns. (Class representative is Avis Poai. Phone: 623-4770)



COLLEGE CLOSE-UP

COLLEGE STUDENT SUPPORT PROGRAM

Part of the networking between Kamehameha graduates attending college on the mainland and Kamehameha alumni living in the different regions is the host family connection. Through the KS Alumni & Parents Advancement Center, college students may request a host family. The host family provides support and a home-away-from-home for Kamehameha students attending mainland colleges.

Amanda Josiah '99 is a freshmen at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash. Her host family are the Christopher Kings (**Laura Batungbacal '76**) also of Tacoma. Laura is the principal at Stewart Elementary School in Puyallup, Wash., and Chris is in Seafood Sales with Queen Anne Thriftyway. The Kings have two children: Evan, age 4, and Mahealani, age 6.

COLLEGE CAPERS

Melanie Moanikeala Mann '96, a senior at UH-Mānoa majoring in Forensic Anthropology, is currently a work-study intern at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C. Melanie's internship will focus on repatriation at the Museum of Natural History where she will be working with students from all over the world.

Raenelle U. Kwock '97 completed her third year at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa. During her freshmen and sophomore years, Raenelle was a staff writer for the campus newspaper, *The Times-Delphic*. She was also a features editor during her junior year. Raenelle delights in her studies and is enjoying the many friendships she has been blessed with during the past 3 years.

Kirsha Durante '97 was named to the dean's list at Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass., for academic achievement during fall semester, 1999-2000. She completed

her junior year and is pursuing a double major in Spanish and sociology. Kirsha is the daughter of **Phyllis Chang Durante '68** and **Kirk L. Durante '70**.

KS '99 graduates stick together in spite of distances between them. **Kelli Lee**, **Kili Sueda**, and **Robyn Moku** – now students at Loyola Marymount University (LMU) in Los Angeles, Calif. – got together with classmates **Kamaka Parker**, **Kanoe Hook** and **Melissa Tina**, now attending Pepperdine University in Malibu, Calif., at LMU's annual Nā Kōlea Hawaiian Club Lū'au in March. At another weekend meeting, **Kamala Haake**, **Candace Fujishige**, and **Shelby DeCosta-Galdeira** from University of Southern California met with LMU's **Namahoe Soo**, **Nathan Lum**, and Kili Sueda, Occidental College's **David Lukela** and **Sasha Cockett**, and University of Laverne's **Brandon Panoke**.



Amanda Josiah '99 (r) with host family Chris and Laura Batungbacal King '76 and their children (l-r) Evan and Mahealani



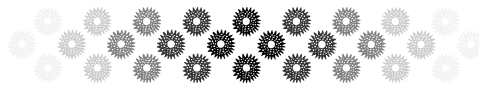
Raenelle Kwock '97 (standing, right) with Drake University roommates



KS '99 classmates at lū'au gathering were (l-r, sitting) Brandon Panoke, Namahoe Soo, David Lukela, (l-r, standing) Kamala Haake, Candace Fujishige, Nathan Lum, Shelby DeCosta-Galderia, Sasha Cockett and (back row) Kili Sueda



KS '99 classmates at LMU's Hawaiian Club lū'au (l-r) Kelli Lee, Kili Sueda, Robyn Moku, Kamaka Parker, Kanoe Hook and Melissa Tina



MILESTONES

WEDDINGS

Best wishes to the newlyweds. All weddings were performed at Kamehameha Schools' Bishop Memorial Chapel unless otherwise indicated.



Lillian Juliet L. Baricuatro '83 and Richard Andrew Love

Lillian Juliet L. Baricuatro '83 and Richard Andrew Love were married February 5 with **Kordell Kekoa '80** presiding.

Lanette Pualani Vierra '86 and **Chadwick John Kalani Guerrero '87** were married January 22 with Rev. Curtis Kekuna '66 presiding. Ushers included **Rodney Campos Jr. '85**.

Heather Makanani Fujiwara '86 and Gregg Yoshio Tanaka were married February 19 with Rev. Curtis Kekuna presiding.

Donna Mae Melekuipua Heath '90 and James Michael Chun were married May 23, 1999 at the Hawaiian Pentecostal Full Gospel Assembly Church in Kalihi by Rev. Rudolph Distajo. Bridesmaids included **Alethea Kuulei Distajo '82**. Ushers included **Russell Distajo '91**. Soloist at the wedding was **Alden Levi '87** and **Ryan Distajo '87** greeted guests at the reception. Mother of the bride is **Anna Mae Distajo Heath '62**.

Rashelle Kaleonahe Kauahi '91 and Gregg William Kalani Daniels were married February 5 with Rev. Curtis Kekuna presiding. Ushers included **Kaipo Nu'uaniu '91**.

Janel Takasaki '93 and **Wesley Yoon '93** were married June 19, 1999 at the Damon Estate in Honolulu. Maid of honor was **Jana Takasaki '96**. Bridesmaids were **Melissa Irvine '97**, **Herbianne Fernandez '92** and Fern Yoon. Best man was **Kauhi Ahana '93**. Ushers included **Rade Vanic '93**, **Justin Takasaki '98** and Reggae Nojima. Wes graduated from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (UH-Mānoa) with a bachelor's degree in architecture. He is an architect with AM Partners. Janelle graduated from Hawai'i Pacific University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She is a nurse with Ke Ola Mamo, Inc., of Honolulu.



Leilani Gorbea '94 and Kona Hanchett

Leilani Gorbea '94 and Kona Hanchett were married July 31, 1999 in Hāna, Maui. Members of the wedding party included **Malia Hanchett Kino '85**, sister of the groom, and **Joseph Gorbea '98**, brother of the bride. The couple resides in Makawao, Maui.

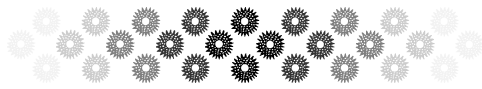
E. Malia Wright '97 and Michael Keli'i Perreira were married January 8 with **Sherman Thompson '74** presiding. Maid of honor was **Rachel Kintaro '97**. Bridesmaids included '97 classmates of the bride: **Kim Tsugawa**, **Charlyn Ontai**, **Ryanon Dillner** and **Shayne Tavares**.



Donna Mae Melekuipua Heath '90 and James Michael Chun



Janel Takasaki '93 and Wesley Yoon '93



MILESTONES

BIRTHS

Congratulations to the proud parents!



Makanaaloha Kawika
Alan Cleaver



Kyllie Rose
Kauilanikale'anui Kropf



Joshua Kalamakūo-
kana'auao Mahelona



Katelyn Ka'i'inimaikalani
Mahelona

Debra Cleaver '74, a son,
Makanaaloha Kawika Alan,
November 6, 1999.

M/M **Raymond Rio '80**, twin
girls Daphne Leilani Hiromi and
Rachel Ku'uipo Naomi, January
14. Proud aunts are **Joella Alagan
Hardy '84** and **Leilani Rio '86**.
Proud uncles are **Kenneth Alagan
'76** and **Henry K. Rio '81**.

M/M Robert Kropf (**Jodilynn
Tintim '82**), a daughter, Kyllie Rose
Kauilanikale'anui, October 1, 1999.
Proud grandparents are M/M Felix
Tintim (**Roselani Kupahu '55**).

M/M **Mark Medeiros '84**
(**Leighanne Tiwanak '83**), a son
Corin Kumukani, November 26,
1999. He joins older brother Conor
Makakilo, age 4, and older sister
Callan Keaomelemele, age 2.

M/M Patrick Mahelona
(**Jennifer Goo '91**), a son, Joshua
Kalamakūokana'auao, July 12,
1999. Joshua joins older sister
Katelyn Ka'i'inimaikalani, age 3.

BJ Lanakila Medeiros '93
and Benedetta Torino, a daughter,
Clara-Josephine Leialoha, October
15, 1999.



Daphne Leilani Hiromi (left) and Rachel
Ku'uipo Naomi Rio



Conor Makakilo and Callan Keaomelemele
Medeiros with baby brother Corin
Kumukani



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Members of KSAA-Māmalahoe Chapter prepared 1,000 grilled chickens for their annual fundraiser at the Kūhiō Shopping Mall in February. Two-thousand dollars were raised for college scholarships, maintenance of the Kamehameha statue at Hilo Bay and other chapter expenses. Other chapter activities included donating \$100 to KS Project Graduation 2000 and \$100 to the Parent and Teacher group of the KS East Hawai'i campus.



In Washington, D.C., KSAA Māmalahoe Chapter President Nathan Chang '69 presents Māmalahoe Chapter T-shirt to Sen. Daniel K. Akaka '42



KSAA Māmalahoe Chapter chicken checkers (l-r) Nathan Sukanuma '70 and Keala Kakalia '67 assist Lucas Kekuna '45 as Rodney Ferreira '52 (far left) picks up his order



At KSAA Washington Region gathering (l-r) Gabriel Shiroma '60, Faith Tam Shiroma '60, Elaine Doo Noa '47, Isaac Lee, Gerry Johansen '60, Heather Roy Minton '53, Bernice Lau Baker '52 and Henry Kaholokula '60 with (back row) Gerald Carrell '77 and Dr. Michael Sturrock '64

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On April 8, the KSAA Washington State Region hosted a membership/informational booth at the 3rd annual Lōkahi 'Ohana 'O Hawai'i Ho'olaule'a at the Propeller Club in Tacoma. **Caroline Cullen Sonsteng '71, Kiha Kinney '51, Bernice Lau Baker '52, Heather Roy Minton '53, Dr. Michael Sturrock '64** and wife Joan manned the booth. Chairing the Ho'olaule'a was **Henry Kaholokula '60**, club president of Lōkahi. The next day members of the association gathered for a potluck at the home of **Gabriel and Faith Tam Shiroma '60**. 'Ono mea'ai, a special time of sharing, singing, and laughing plus great company made the day a very special one among KS alumni attending the potluck.

OREGON REGION

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On April 29, KSAA Oregon Region, in conjunction with Classic Island Productions – **Michael K. Crabbe '75 and Benson Medina '72** – presented *Kukahī 2000: Keali'i Reichel in Concert*. Attendees from New York, Georgia, Canada,

Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Minnesota, California, and even Hawai'i, flew to Portland to join with the Hawaiian community here in welcoming Keali'i in his only scheduled mainland appearance this year.

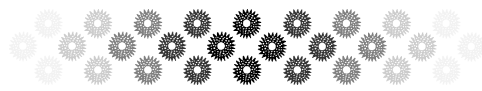
A near capacity crowd of 2,300 filed historic Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall to experience the magic and mana of Keali'i and his troupe of 11 dancers, three musicians, three backup singers and the South Bay Youth Symphony. Through song, dance and video images we were all able to reaffirm our Hawaiian heritage and to hold our heads high as descendants of a great race.

Some of the proceeds from Keali'i Reichel's concert were dedicated to our KSAA Oregon Region's Camp 'Ohana Program, a summer program of instruction in Hawaiian culture, arts and music to children and adults in the Northwest.

Camp 'Ohana is scheduled August 18-20 at the American Hellenic Education Center in Corbett, Ore., situated on the shores of the beautiful Sandy River near the entrance of the Columbia Gorge. The program will accommodate 125 persons. For more information, please contact Michelle Apo Duchateau '75 at (503) 393-4481 or by e-mail at mduchate@willamette.edu, or Benson Medina '72 at (503)-519-3311 or by e-mail at benson.medina@gte.net.



KSAA Oregon Region members with Keali'i Reichel (l-r) are: Kanani Fernandez Ing '61, Lenore Torres Hedlund '65, Colette Au Chang '78, Anita Range Camarillo '67, Rowena Whittle Cole '63, David Carvalho '72, Brant Crabbe '73, Michelle Apo Duchateau '75, Michael Crabbe '75, Erna Hennessey Hoffman '73, and young guests.



MILESTONES

“I Remember When...”



Ralph Miller today

Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop bequeathed that there be two schools: the Kamehameha School for Boys (KSB) and the Kamehameha School for Girls (KSG). The Boys School campus was located where the Bishop Museum stands today. KSG was situated on Kapālama Heights. Both schools were boarding facilities. There were no day

enrollment was 200 students and the Girls School 150 students. For both schools, students entered at the 7th grade level with some later admissions in the 8th, 9th and 10th grades.

I entered Kamehameha in my 7th grade year (September, 1935) with the Class of 1941, but graduated with the Class of 1940. There were less than 20 students in my 1941 class. We were assigned to Dormitory C with other 8th graders – two students in a room. Each dormitory had one or two faculty dormitory masters who lived in. Our rooms were furnished with two single beds, two desks with lamps, and a clothes closet. Our parents provided curtains and throw rugs to make our stay more comfortable. Students had to keep their own rooms clean.

Each dormitory had its own large shower facility, an adjoining area with wash basins, and a separate area with toilet facilities. On Saturdays we washed down the latrines, swept and mopped the hallways, and weeded the flower beds around the dormitory. Inspection by dormitory monitors was made each day except on Sunday. There were no laundry facilities, so we dropped off our soiled clothing at the KSB Armory for pickup by the Young Laundry Company which washed, starched and pressed them. Or, we would have our parents pick up our dirty clothes and wash them at home.

We were full-time ROTC cadets and wore uniforms to classes, to all drill parade formations, and to church services. Our insignias, the brass buttons on our uniforms, and our shoes had to be polished to a shine. Like the Army, we were promoted to different ranks (PFC, CPL, SGT, etc.) and in our senior year we were more than likely to be promoted to the rank of an officer. In my senior year, I was promoted to 2nd Lieutenant. Our ROTC Army life started at 6 a.m. each morning – Monday through Friday – with a bugle call to formation on the street fronting the dormitories on the Bishop Museum grounds. We did calisthenics and returned to our rooms to get ready for breakfast. In the dining hall we were served fruits, hot or cold cereal, toast, and lots of milk. We were well fed. The cooks were Chinese and they prepared breakfast, lunch and dinner. They did everything except mix the poi and wash the dishes. Poi was served only three times a year and the mixing was

done by junior and senior students. Dishwashing was machine operated by assigned students.

During meals, we sat at round tables by assigned seating for eight including a faculty member. Each table had an assigned student waiter from the 8th or 9th grade whose job was to set and clear the table. If the food was ‘ono, the waiter went to get seconds; if not, we placed our silverware atop our plates to let the waiter know not to go back to the kitchen for seconds. I remember one particular faculty member. She was tall and charming. She would walk around the tables to see that we ate our peas and carrots. The overweight boys had their own special tables to help control their weight problem.

Every evening after dinner the faculty would gather on the dining room lānai to have coffee or tea and to socialize. The students would stop by the popular Senior Canteen to visit with each other over a candy bar or popsicle before study hour. Every weekday night study hour began at 7 p.m. and ended at 9 p.m. when a bugler sounded ‘Taps.’ Lights out in the dormitory took place at 9:30 p.m.

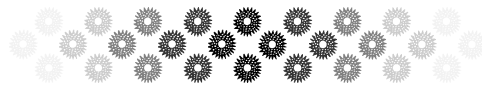
The Class of 1940 graduated a total of 60 students – 33 boys and 27 girls. The Class of 1940 was an outstanding class of academic merit and student achievement. We attribute this to Kamehameha’s sensitivity in the physical and moral development of its students. The close association of teacher counseling and advising, and the school facilities bonded the development and spirit of the students to achieve. For the Boys School, ROTC was an important aspect of student conduct, discipline and development.

Joining the Class of 1940 graduation exercises were seven students of the Class of 1941. These outstanding students became instant seniors by way of high scholastic merit and achievement. They were, in essence, an elite group that met all the academic criteria of becoming seniors and, therefore, were permitted to graduate and receive their diplomas with the Class of 1940. The seven celebrated seniors were: **Benedict Awana, Curtis Kekoa, James Ai, John Ilalaole, Robert Mahikoa, Thomas Ontai, and Ralph Miller.**

I MUA, KAMEHAMEHA!

– Ralph Miller ‘40

After graduating from Kamehameha in 1940, Ralph pursued a bachelor’s degree in business at the University of Hawai’i. He retired from the FAA Realty Office in 1987 and between 1987 and 1998 was the owner of the Honolulu Business Mart. Ralph and his wife, Feadora Eldredge, live in Kailua.



MILESTONES

DEATHS

It is with sincere regret that we note the passing of the following graduates:

1925

Victoria Kane Voyles of Honolulu died January 27. She was born in Honolulu.

1931

Charlotte Hano Cockett of Honolulu died February 27. She was born in Kawaihau, Kaua'i.

1936

Georgiana K. B. Bishaw Williams of Kailua died February 14. She was born on Kaua'i.

1940

Miriam Momi Aoki McKee of Kahului, Maui died February 20. She was born in Honolulu.

Bernice Lili'u Leilani Campbell Gonsalves of Arlington, Wash., died December 24, 1999. She was born in Hilo and was retired from the civil service department at Hickam Air Force Base, equipment management office.

Macedes Kaahumanu Boyd Westlake of Volcano, Hawai'i, died April 17. She was born in Honolulu.

1945

Sherman N. Thompson of Lahaina, Maui died February 22. He was born in Kula, Maui. He was a retired Maui police officer and deputy director of the Maui County Department of Liquor Control.

1947

James H. Christian of Kailua died February 2. He was born in Lihu'e, Kaua'i and was a former field supervisor for Hawaiian Electric Co.

1952

George Paoa of Lāna'i City, died April 24. He was born in Honolulu and was an entertainer with the Lodge at Kō'ele and served as a golf pro at Mānele Bay Resort.

1955

Aileen Kawohi Beirne Saffery of Honolulu died March 27.

1958

Laura-May Keanu Kahalepo of Honolulu died January 21.

Laverne Leinani Flores Featheran of Waipahu died February 4. She was born in Honolulu.

1960

Edward L. H. Kanahele of Hilo, Hawai'i died February 16. He was born in Honolulu and was an instructor at Hawai'i Community College in Hilo.

1961

David Naeole Ahia of Hilo, Hawai'i died February 5. He was born in 'Ōla'a, Hawai'i and was an employee of Hawaiian Airlines.

1962

Steven Joseph Keawe of Kea'au on the Island of Hawai'i died January 19. He was born in North Kohala, Hawai'i.

1965

Ralph Wesley Fernandez of Hilo, Hawai'i died April 11. He was born in Honolulu.

1971

Lorene Kam Sin Au of Mililani died February 8. She was born in Honolulu and was a counselor and program evaluator for the Continuing Education Department of Kamehameha Schools.

1973

Nelson Waiamau of Puhi, Kaua'i died February 22 in Houston. He was born in Lihu'e, Kaua'i and was a sergeant with the Kaua'i Police Department.

1980

Dennis A. Wong of Honolulu died February 26. He was born in Honolulu.

1982

Neal Keliikoa Pahia of Redlands, Calif., died April 9. Born in Honolulu, he was associate dean of student life at the University of Redlands.



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