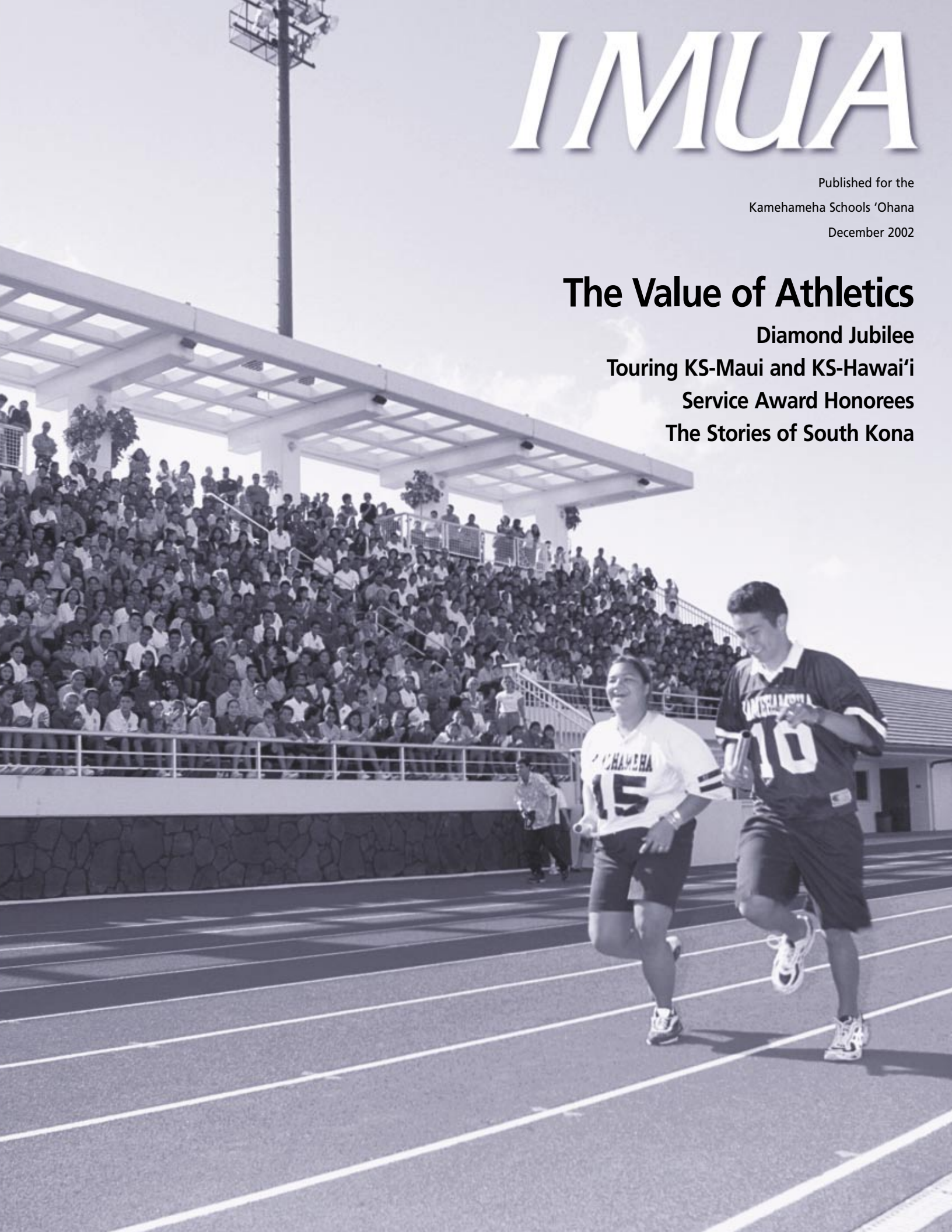


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Participating in athletics a Hawaiian tradition

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It is a good day when we honor our ancestral traditions while creating new opportunities for education. Friday, Aug. 23, was one of those days.

That morning marked the official opening ceremonies of Kapālama Campus' Kūnuiākea Athletic Complex – brand new and ready for the playing of 21st century sports by 21st century Hawaiian student-athletes. The ceremony brought to mind proud Hawaiian cultural traditions of health, athleticism and mental stamina.

When the late Kenneth Emory lectured at Kamehameha on the subject of ancient Hawaiian civilization, he said: "There was probably not a people anywhere devoting such a large share of its time to athletic sports... to games...and to amusements...(that) not only served to keep them physically in fine trim (but) mentally alert."

In fact, our ancestors designed and built places especially for the enjoyment of sports and games.

Historian Samuel Kamakau recorded that a time during Makahiki was reserved for the arrival of the "akua pa'ani," the "god of play," whose purpose was to promote the strengthening of the body: "A place was made ready before the akua pa'ani came ... and the sites and level playing places were full of people in readiness for competitive sports."

Today we can only imagine the thousands who will come to Kūnuiākea – and later to our Hawai'i Campus' Kamehameha Pai'ea and Maui's Kana'iaupuni fields – to participate in and cheer Kamehameha games of the 21st century.

And at these special places, we will carry on the sporting traditions of our heritage – physical health, athleticism and the development of mind, body and spirit. Much will be learned on those playing fields.

Hard work will be learned there.

Teamwork will be learned there.

Health, fitness and the strengths of cooperative endeavor will be learned there.

Indeed, it is a good day when we honor our ancestral traditions while creating new educational opportunities for people of Hawaiian ancestry.

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From left, KS-Maui high school principal **Mitch Kalauli '58**, retired KS-Maui teacher Flo Keala and Maui K-8 principal **LeeAnn DeLima '77** enjoy Sept. 27 ceremonies blessing new facilities on the Maui Campus.



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