



I Mua Submissions

Kamehameha Schools alumni who would like to announce Births, Weddings, Class News or College Close-Up information in an upcoming issue of *I Mua* should please write to: *I Mua* Alumni Editor, 1887 Makuakāne Street, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96817-1887 or e-mail gejohans@ksbe.edu. Film photos are preferred. Electronic photos must be tiff files, at least 300 dpi and at least 4" by 6" in size.



From left, Ronald Kama, Trustee Robert Kihune, Ronald Cecil, Anita Louise Moore Jones, Manuel Sardinha and Dr. Michael Chun '61 celebrate with the Class of '55 at Natsunoya Teahouse.

Members of **KS '55** gathered for lunch at Natsunoya Teahouse on Sept. 29 to welcome **Ronald Michael Cecil, Anita Louise Moore Jones and Manuel M. Sardinha** as the newest honorary members of the class. Ronald is retired from the U.S. Marine Corps and presently a sports volunteer working with Hawai'i's youth. Anita is a retired nurse and resides in Yucca Valley, Calif. Manuel is a retired merchant seaman who now farms land on Moloka'i where he is also active in the community.

In August, **KS '59** gathered at Honolulu's Airport Inn for a dual celebration to welcome home classmate **Henry Lee** and his daughter Napua and to celebrate his 60th birthday. Surprise guests were **Rose Lehua Santiago** Carpentier and her husband Richard, who moved back to Hawai'i a year ago, and **Iwalani Naipo** Tsai from Kona. Classmates taking the opportunity to reminisce and bring each other up to date were **Harold Johnston, Gwen Meyer Higgins, William Wong, Winona Ebinger Anzalone, Clara Mahoe Motta, Ellarene Asing** Yasuhara, **Richard Yamamoto, James Saffery, Nancy Han Kane and Antoinette Gomes Lee**. (Class representative: Antoinette "Toni" Gomes Lee, phone: 1-808-455-3985; e-mail: leea030@hawaii.rr.com)

1960s

True dedication, diligence, determination and commitment are some of the main ingredients in putting together any successful event. The Third Annual Waialua Taro Festival, with its core group of planners, organizers and worker bees at the helm, was no exception. In charge of the day's events was **Lloyd O 'Sullivan '60**, a director with the project. The festival was held in September on the grounds of Hale'iwa's Lili'uokalani Church. A total of 45 KS alumni worked the festival as vendors, exhibitors, entertainers or cultural presenters or as members of the support crew. Kamehameha was one of several sponsors of the festival. (Class representative: Gerry Vinta Johansen, phone: 1-808-842-8445; e-mail: gejohans@ksbe.edu)

Congratulations to **KS '64s William Bennet Lovell, Pastor Tuzon, Wayne Silva and Becky Ann Foo Sum Suzuki**, recent retirees from Verizon Hawai'i.

(Class representative: Patricia Blake-Silva, phone: 1-808-221-5292).

KS '67 classmates **Haunani Kay Trask** (UH-Mānoa) and Dr. **Samuel Ka'ahanui** (Antioch University, Seattle) were featured faculty at the Washington State Higher Education Congress of Faculty of Color annual conference, held in late October 2001. Haunani Kay, the conference's featured

plenary speaker, addressed 150 delegates from universities and colleges throughout the Pacific Northwest. Samuel served on a panel of educators responding to Haunani's presentation, which highlighted issues surrounding the future of diversity and multiculturalism in higher education. After the conference, both classmates relaxed and enjoyed a mini-reunion in Seattle's historic Capitol Hill district. Sam is counting on Haunani to join him and other classmates as they celebrate their 35th reunion year during Alumni Week 2002 scheduled for June 2-9 on the Kapālama Campus.

Aileen Sanborn Trout '67 and husband Bob have moved back home to Lahaina, Maui after nearly 30 years living in Columbia, Md. She and classmate **Melani Paresa Abihai** had a chance meeting recently and were able to "catch up" on lost time and discuss the latest happenings. (Class representative: Kathie Ann Reis, phone: 1-808-842-8712; e-mail: kareis@ksbe.edu).

1970s

Congratulations to **Tomi Downey Chong '71** in her new position as project coordinator of Hawai'i Maoli, an 83-year-old organization founded by Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole. The job entails overseeing the retrieving, archiving, and recording of kūpuna oral histories. (Class representative: **Teresa Makuakane-Drechsel**, phone: 1-808-842-8668; e-mail: temakuak@ksbe.edu).

Mervlyn Swain Kitashima '71 is now the Parent Coordinator of the Parents and Alumni Relations office at Kamehameha Schools. Mervlyn previously worked as a Parent Facilitator with the Department of Education's Parent Community Networking Centers. She replaces **Steve Reelitz '73**, who now works as a community relations specialist with Kamehameha's Communications Division.

KS '77s Class Reunion No. 25 is headed by: **Jocelyn Furtado**, chair; **Kekoa Paulsen**, co-chair; and the following representatives: **Lawrence Mau**, **Cindy Rasmussen**, and **Kori Kanaiaupuni** Gibson, O'ahu; **Debbie Cairme** Revilla, **Cara Atay Duarte**, Ilona Cluney, Maui; and **Moses Crabbe**, **Sharon Goodman**, Hawai'i. Activities are planned throughout the year and classmates are urged to attend and "groove with the group." An island bus tour and paniolo BBQ is planned for February on the island of Hawai'i. In April, a possible fun run and relay with an overnigher is tentatively being planned for Hāna, Maui. Call Jocelyn at 263-0072 for more information. (Class representative: Kekoa Paulsen, phone: 1-808-523-6369; e-mail: kepaulse@ksbe.edu).

Congratulations to **Denise Hill Tsukayama '78** honored as the Honolulu City and County Manager of the Year. Denise works for the Department of Human Resources as an equal opportunity officer. She was praised for her efforts dealing with access for the disabled and for leading a comprehensive training program for city managers. Denise is married to **John Tsukayama '78** and they have three children: Mari Lynn, 15; Leslie, 7; and Kenneth, 6. (Class representative: **Robin Makua Nakamura**, phone: 1-808-843-3475; e-mail: rbnakamu@ksbe.edu).



Waialua Taro Festival Director Lloyd O 'Sullivan '60 (second from left) with vendors, from left: Betty Ellis Jenkins '45, Jennie Kau Kaleikini '60, Francis Forsythe '54 and Wailani Wright Camp '60.

1980s

Congratulations to **KS '80** members: **Danielle Ornellas**, member of the first-place women's Pipe Tapping Team of Honolulu; **Allen Park** and **Thomas La'anui Akana**, on their recent promotion to Firefighter 3 with the Honolulu Fire Department; **James Mitchell Smith**, promoted to Sergeant with the Honolulu Police Department; **Herbert Nu'uaniu**, on winning the doubles tennis event of the Aloha State Games in June, 2001; **Maureen-Michele Kaili Chun**, a grant recipient from the State Foundation of Culture and Arts, which will enable her to continue her apprentice work with master koa wood carver **Wright Bowman Sr. '28**; and **Darlene-Inez Keliikipi Kekoolani**, promoted to vice president at Bank of Hawai'i, Human Resources division. (Class representative: **Ellen Pohai Grambusch** Ryan, phone: 1-808-262-1379).

Scott Alani Apio '83 is director of civic affairs and community building group with Communications-Pacific, Inc. **Karen Wong '81** is a Maui Police Officer currently assigned to the Community Relations section. Her primary assignment since February has been instructing the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program to fifth-graders both in public and private schools. Among

Karen's achievements have been Employee of the Year as the police department's representative for all county employees, Police Officer of the Year recognized by Veterans of Foreign Wars, DARE Officer of the Year, and Officer of the Year for Maui County. Karen's dad **Timothy K. Wong Jr. '57** is an officer with the Honolulu Police Department (40 years and still working). Says Karen, "I believe if I am recognized for something I did well, it's mainly because of the guidance I was given from my parents, my family, and my teachers at Kamehameha." HPD Detective **Earl Koanui '81** recently received the City Employee of the Year award from Mayor Jeremy Harris in ceremonies at Honolulu Hale. Earl is a 17-year veteran who distinguished himself during an undercover gambling investigation involving organized crime. KS '81 classmates recently celebrated with four separate tailgate parties preceding the Kamehameha Schools varsity football games. Please visit the Class of 1981 web site at: <http://www.puka.net/ks1981> for pictures from some of the tailgate parties and other class events. (Class representative is **Lee Ann Sheldon DeMello**, phone: 1-808-259-0509; e-mail: ldemello@hawaii.edu).

Devin Lai '87 is an architectural show set designer for Walt Disney in Anaheim, Calif. One of his projects was working with an architectural firm in designing hotels like the Venetian Hotel in Las Vegas. (Class representative: **Tracy Ann Silva Damitio**, phone: 1-808-522-3529; e-mail: Tracydmich@aol.com).

Mason Chock '89 survived a helicopter crash during a rescue mission in June on Kaua'i. Mason, a member of the Kaua'i Fire Department rescue squad, was responding to a call to assist an injured hiker on the Nāpali Coast trail. "We were going really fast when the engine failed. We dropped 500 feet in 15 seconds," Mason said. He credits the pilot's skill, luck and the forward speed of the helicopter that enabled the crew to autorotate and glide into the south side of the Hanalei ridge. (Reported by **Sabra Kauka '63**)



KS '67 classmates: Aileen Sanborn Trout (left) and Melani Paresa Abihai "catching up" after 34 years.

Alumni Glee Club Golf Tournament

The Fourth Annual KS Alumni Glee Club Golf Tournament will be held on March 22, 2002 at the Pearl Country Club. Shotgun start begins at 12:15 p.m. Four-person teams. Cost is \$90 per golfer and includes lunch. For more information, contact **Roy Spencer '14** at 396-9303.