

COLLEGE CLOSE-UP

RECENT COLLEGE GRADUATES

Congratulations to KS Alumni who have graduated:

Robin Vossen Gould '89 graduated from UH-West O'ahu with a bachelor's degree in literature. She teaches at 'Ilima Intermediate School in 'Ewa Beach. Robyn and husband, **Gilbert Gould '89** have two daughters, Lehua, 5, and Hau'oli, 2. Gilbert is a rigger at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard.

Donna Mae Melekuipua Heath Chun '90 graduated from the UH-West O'ahu with a bachelor's degree in professional studies. She has been commissioned a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Air Force and is currently in flight school in Columbus AFB, Miss.

Christopher Jonick '95 graduated from the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind., with bachelor's degrees in architecture and furniture design. He is currently employed by the architectural firm Cooper, Robertson & Partners in New York City. One of Chris' drawings was recently selected a winner in Notre Dame's Main Building Photo/Art Contest. His artwork also appeared on the cover of the School of Architecture's graduation program.

Kalei Kekuna '95 graduated from the University of Colorado-Boulder with a bachelor's degree in international affairs. She was named to the Dean's List in the

spring 2000 semester and is working at Saks Fifth Avenue in New York City.

Shawn Kalani Akina '95 graduated from Chapman University in Orange, Calif., with a bachelor's degree in liberal studies. Presently working as a transcript advisor/counselor at Chapman, Shawn plans to continue with graduate studies. In his spare time, he engages in kickboxing.

Ed-Lyn M. K. Sniffen '95 graduated from the UH-Mānoa with a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

Keliiahonui Kotubetey '96 graduated from Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash., with a bachelor's degree in economics.

Courtney Luke '96 graduated from Whitman College with a bachelor's degree in biology.

Tisha Park '96 graduated from Whitworth College in Spokane, Wash., with bachelor's degrees in elementary education and secondary math. She is the daughter of **Byron** and **Pat Park '65**.

Second Lieutenant **Puaonalani Ah Yo '96** graduated from the University of San Francisco. She is attending the Army Chemical Corps' Officer Basic Course at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and will soon be stationed at Ft. Polk, La.

Jennifer Higa '96 graduated with distinction from Amherst College, Amherst, Mass., with a bachelor's degree in history. Joining her



Sisters Jennifer Higa '96 and Lisa Higa '99 celebrate Jennifer's Amherst College graduation

graduation ceremonies was her sister **Lisa Higa '99**, who just completed her freshmen year at Princeton University. Jennifer is employed as a legal assistant by the law firm of Sullivan and Cromwell in New York City. Dad is Earl Higa of KS' General Services Division at Kawaiaha'o Plaza.

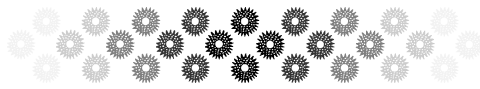
Michelle Powers '96 graduated from Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, Calif., with a bachelor's degree in classical civilization. Michelle is an international admissions officer for Marymount College, a two-year liberal arts college located in Palos Verdes, Calif. She travels extensively to recruit students from around the world.



The Akina family celebrate the graduation of Shawn Akina '95 from Chapman University (l-r) dad and mom are Tom and Renee, sisters are Kanani and Shelly



Whitworth College graduate Tisha Park '96 with her family (l-r), brother Nelson '71, Daphne Park '68, and parents Pat and Byron Park '65



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KS '98 Cadets Paul Christensen and Justin Takasaki at the US Naval Academy in Annapolis



KS '98 classmates Tia Blankenfeld (l) and Kanani Tamashiro (r) with friends in London

COLLEGE CAPERS

B. J. Noelani Iokepa '92 has been selected a Gates Millennium Scholar for 2000-2001 school year. In its inaugural year, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation selected 3,000 students from throughout the US for this prestigious scholarship award. The scholarship recognizes students for leadership, community service, and academic achievements. **Teresa Makuakāne-Drechsel '71** nominated B. J. for this scholarship. B. J. received her bachelor of arts degree from the UH-Mānoa, her masters in education from Chaminade University, and is currently pursuing a doctorate in educational leadership at the University of Southern California Rossier School of Education.

Raenelle Kwock '97 was one of seven college students awarded a *Honolulu Advertiser* summer internship. Raenelle has completed her junior year at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa.

Paul Christensen '98 and **Justin Takasaki '98** completed their plebe year at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

Tia Blankenfeld '98 and **Kanani Michelle Tamashiro '98** spent their first semester of the 1999-2000 school year in Florence, Italy, where they shared experiences of a lifetime. Kanani made Pepperdine University's Dean's List both first and second semesters, and the National Dean's List for the school year. Both women return to Pepperdine this fall as juniors. Kanani worked at Ala Moana's City Store this last summer and Tia worked as an intern in the Office of Commerce, Washington, D.C.