



Nainoa Thompson selected Educator of the Year

Kamehameha Schools trustee Nainoa Thompson was named Educator of the Year by the Native Hawaiian Education Association during ceremonies in March at its fourth annual convention held at Leeward Community College.

Thompson was honored for his educational efforts through Kamehameha Schools and the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

The NHEA is a private, nonprofit organization comprised of Native Hawaiian educators. NHEA is a grass-roots organization focused on supporting, encouraging, networking, collaborating and furthering the work of those tasked with the responsibility of educating Native Hawaiian children.

Michael P. Loo named Vice President for Finance and Administration

In March, Kamehameha Schools announced the appointment of Michael P. Loo to vice president for finance and administration. He replaces former chief financial and operations officer Eric Yeaman, who left KS in January.

As vice president, Loo will be responsible for providing vision, leadership, planning and execution of KS' operational units which include finance, human resources, information technology and facilities development and support.

Prior to joining KS as controller in 2001, Loo served as vice president, controller and treasurer for Hawaiian Airlines. He also served as senior manager for audit and assurance with KPMG, LLP.

A Mililani resident, Loo is a graduate of the University of Oregon with a degree in accounting.



Michael P. Loo



Kamehameha Schools trustee Nainoa Thompson celebrates his Educator of the Year award with his mother Laura.

Kamehameha Schools donates Hawaiian cultural materials to state agencies

Kamehameha Schools announced in March donations of Hawaiian cultural materials to the Hawai'i State Public Library System and the state Department of Public Safety.

Kamehameha donated 30 sets of the Kulāiwi Hawaiian Language series, developed through a partnership with the state Department of Education, to the library system for loan placement in branches statewide. The videotapes, featuring Leeward Community College

Hawaiian language instructor Ekela Kani'aupio-Crozier, include 24 one-hour segments.

The Kulāiwi series is also available through educational access television and on Kamehameha's Web site at www.ksbe.edu.

Kamehameha also donated a total of 290 books, published by the Kamehameha Schools Press, on Hawaiian history and culture to the state Department of Public Safety for use in correctional facility libraries. The books have a retail value of more than \$3,300.

YWCA honors Kamehameha Schools

In April, the YWCA of O'ahu selected Kamehameha Schools to receive its 2003 Outstanding Organization Award.

Kamehameha was selected in recognition of its commitment to the advancement of women in the workplace and in its schools.

Kamehameha Schools has implemented a leadership group called Nā Lei Hulu O Kaiona, dedicated to encouraging and supporting women and girls in reaching their highest potential as leaders.



Kamehameha Schools has donated Hawaiian language tapes and books on Hawaiian history and culture to two state agencies.



Gov. Linda Lingle congratulates Acting CEO Colleen Wong as trustee Constance Lau looks on during YWCA ceremonies in April.



English teacher Gary Obrecht, Evan Price '03 and Dara Lum of the International Arts Foundation celebrate Price's second-place finish in a short story writing contest.

Currently, women hold half of all executive and management positions at KS, fill more than 60 percent of the professional positions, and for the first time hold two of its trusteeships.

Kamehameha Schools was nominated for the award by the late Gladys Brandt.

Kapālama Campus student finishes second in arts foundation contest

Recent graduate **Evan Price '03** received a \$500 scholarship in June after placing second in a short story writing contest sponsored by the International Arts Foundation.

The IAF also made a \$100 donation to Kapālama Campus English teacher Gary Obrecht's class in Price's name.

Price's winning story was a wild science fiction adventure titled "The New Age of an Old Species," about dinosaurs who are able to change into human form. More than 150 students from 16 Hawai'i schools participated in the contest.

Founded in 2002, the International Arts Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting art and creativity among Hawai'i students.

Young Writers Scholarship winners to attend Maui Writers Conference

For the second consecutive year, a group of island high school students will be attending the Maui Writers Conference over the Labor Day weekend – all expenses paid thanks to a new Pauahi Legacy Lives initiative.

Students from Wai'anae, Nānākuli and Kaimukī high schools, along with Kamehameha Schools, entered their creative talents in a Young Writers Scholarship writing contest sponsored by KS as part of a new strategic plan initiative.

This year's winners, who will be accompanied by Kapālama Campus English teacher **Wendie Burbridge '88**, are Kelsey Pavlosky '04, Daniel Lee '04 and No'u Revilla '04 of Kamehameha Schools, Danielle Jeannette from Nānākuli, Yvonne Himan and Liberty Peralta from Wai'anae and Yily Ma, Eun Jung Lee and Jason Miwa from Kaimukī.

Last year, Burbridge took three Kamehameha students from the class of 2003 to the conference – **Kimberly Coleman, Sarah Kaopuiki and Sean Nagamatsu.**

"They went to writing workshops, learned about children's books, discussed writing with other teens and learned techniques and theory from some of the best writers in the fiction world," Burbridge said.

"They were inspired and in awe of the power of writing, and headed back to school filled with positive experiences and new knowledge about writing."



From left, Kapālama Campus English teacher Wendie Burbridge, Sarah Kaopuiki, Kimberly Coleman and Sean Nagamatsu join (front) author and keynote speaker Billie Letts (author of *Where the Heart Is*) at the 2002 Maui Writers Conference.



Jammin' the koto

Kapālama Japanese language student Masa Lewis '04 strums the koto, a Japanese instrument similar to a harp, while instructor Noriko Okimoto looks on during Japanese Culture Day in April. Students were treated to demonstrations in karate, bon dance and floral arrangement as well.

KS student selected Junior Ambassador for Japan convention

In February, Kapālama Campus student Ryland Kekai Ariola '09 was one of eight island youngsters chosen to represent Hawai'i as a junior ambassador at the 15th Annual Asian Pacific Children's Convention in Fukuoka, Japan.

Ariola was scheduled to spend two to three weeks in Japan in July, meeting with more than 350 other junior ambassadors from more than 40 different cultures. The APCC promotes mutual understanding, appreciation and friendship between various cultures.

Ariola was chosen through teacher recommendations, an essay and interview. He is the son of Roland and Cheryl Chong-Ariola '72.



Kekai Ariola is spending part of his summer in Japan.



Pua Fernandez-Akamine

Fernandez-Akamine Named Director of Admissions

On July 1, Pua Fernandez-Akamine '78 was appointed director of admissions at Kamehameha Schools. She replaces Wayne Chang '69, who has retired from KS after 27 years of service.

Akamine-Fernandez earned a bachelor's in communications from San Francisco State in 1982 and also carries a master of education degree in educational administration from the University of Hawai'i.

She joined the KS staff in 1986 as a communications specialist, and in 1991 became the associate director of admissions and also served as admissions manager.

"Pua has the demonstrated experience and leadership for this new challenge, and we congratulate her on her appointment," said Dr. Teresa Makuakāne-Drechsel '71, Kamehameha's executive director of admissions and financial aid.

Kamehameha Schools announces two new scholarships for future teachers

Kamehameha Schools is offering two new scholarships designed to encourage more Hawaiian students to pursue a career in education – particularly in areas with high Hawaiian populations.

"We want to encourage more people of Hawaiian ancestry to pursue teaching careers, and we need them in schools where Hawaiians make up a significant portion of the student body," said Dr. Teresa Makuakane-Drechsel '71, KS executive director of admissions and financial aid.

Under the new "No Child Left Behind" federal legislation, public schools across the nation must meet certain education requirements. Schools not meeting the requirements are deemed "corrective action" schools and must take measures to become compliant with the law.

In Hawai'i, many corrective action schools serve high populations of Hawaiian students and struggle with issues such as high teacher turnover and teaching staffs that lack proper credentials.

The Pauahi Educators Scholarship is designed to provide financial assistance to at least 25 students in the last two years of the bachelor of education degree or in post-baccalaureate teaching certificate programs.

The Kumu Kōkua Scholarship is designed to provide financial assistance in the form of tuition, books and supplies to at least 50 educational assistants who are pursuing professional certification and are currently working in corrective action schools that have a sizeable Hawaiian student population.

For both scholarship programs, applicants must demonstrate financial need and commit to working in a Department of Education corrective action school that has at least a 33 percent Hawaiian student population or in a Hawaiian-focused charter school or Hawaiian language immersion school.



A CONTINUING COMMITMENT

Pauahi's Legacy Lives initiatives support Kamehameha Schools efforts to extend its reach to more Hawaiians.

KS has set aside \$250,000 for each of the scholarship programs.

For more information, visit www.ksbe.edu or call 808-842-8216 or toll free at 1-800-IMUA, ext. 8216.

Career and Technical Education scholarships announced

In June, Kamehameha Schools announced its new Career and Technical Education Scholarship program.

The program offers scholarships to students pursuing certificates in technology, health sciences, diversified agriculture, education and other selected fields at Hawai'i Technology Institute and University of Hawai'i community colleges.

"We learned from the community that there is an immediate need in the Hawaiian community for more certified health and early childhood education professionals," said Dr. **Teresa Makuakane-Drechsel**. "We also realized the growing need for training in technology and other highly skilled career fields. This scholarship program will enable KS to expand its reach to help that segment of the Hawaiian community."

To qualify for the scholarship, applicants must be a resident of Hawai'i; be accepted and enrolled full-time in an accredited vocational/technical certificate program; and demonstrate financial need by completing the College and Scholarship Services profile.

There are requirements for scholarship recipients as well. KS has earmarked more than \$650,000 for the program.

For more information, call 808-842-8216 or toll free at 1-800-842-IMUA, ex. 8216. Information is also available by visiting www.ksbe.edu.

KS program provides financial support to eight Hawai'i charter schools

Kamehameha Schools Ho'oloko Like program has recently awarded nearly \$665,000 to eight Hawai'i start-up charter schools serving nearly 680 students, most of whom are of Hawaiian ancestry.

Ho'oloko Like offers start-up charter schools an opportunity to collaborate with KS to obtain financial, technical and resource support. Eligible charter schools that commit to the provisions of a contractual agreement with KS may receive a minimum of \$1 for every \$4 of per pupil allocation received from the state of Hawai'i.

In April, Ho'oloko Like made its first award of \$153,603 to Kanu o ka 'Aina New Century Public School in Waimea, Hawai'i.

"As a start-up charter school, we must rely on other resources to help us carry out our mission of providing a unique learning environment for our students," said Dr. Ku Kahakalau, principal of Kanu o ka 'Aina. "This partnership with KS will benefit our students immediately and we are thankful for the support."

In May, awards were presented to the following seven schools:

- **Kula Aupuni Ni'ihau a Kahelelani Aloha Public Charter School**
Location: Waimea, Kaua'i
Award: \$39,762
Demographics: 45 K-12 students, 100 percent Hawaiian population
- **Ke Kula Ni'ihau o Kekaha Learning Center Public Charter School**
Location: Kekaha, Kaua'i
Award: \$34,530
Demographics: 33 K-12 students, 100 percent Hawaiian population
- **Ke Kula o Samuel Kamakau Laboratory Public Charter School**
Location: Kailua, O'ahu
Award: \$49,900
Demographics: 60 K-12 students, 99 percent Hawaiian population

- **Hakipu'u Learning Center**
Location: Kane'ohe, O'ahu
Award: \$51,045
Demographics: 43 students, grades 7-8, 84 percent Hawaiian population
- **Ka 'Umeke Ka'eo Public Charter School**
Location: Keaukaha, Hawai'i
Award: \$140,000
Demographics: 128 K-6 students, 95 percent Hawaiian population
- **Hālau Kū Mana New Century Public Charter School**
Location: Mānoa, Hawai'i
Award: \$70,187
Demographics: 66 students in grades 6-12, 97 percent Hawaiian population
- **Hālau Lōkahi Century Public Charter School**
Location: Kalihi, O'ahu
Award: \$125,401
Demographics: 134 K-12 students, 99 percent Hawaiian population

For more information on Ho'oloko Like, contact Project Manager **Sharlene Chun-Lum '68** at 808-534-3983.



State Board of Education member Carol Gabbard (far left) is among those commemorating Kamehameha's \$153,603 award to Kanu o ka 'Aina New Century Public School in Waimea.



Kapālama Campus elementary student Kanoë Holomalia '10 joins Joseph Paikai in admiring KS' Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame award in the Midkiff Learning Center.

Kamehameha Schools inducted into Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame

For its outstanding contributions to the preservation and perpetuation of Hawai'i's musical culture, Kamehameha Schools has been inducted into the Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame.

Ceremonies were held in May at the Midkiff Learning Center on the Kapālama Campus.

Founded in 1994, the Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame's mission is to promote, preserve and perpetuate Hawaiian music and inspire and engage new generations of Hawaiians in the perpetuation of Hawai'i's traditional music. **Joe Paikai '62** is president of the organization.

Previous honorees include **Helen Desha Beamer 1900**, **Charles E. King 1891**, Mary Kawena Pukui and Gabby Pahinui.



Pauahi's Legacy Lives

Members of Ka Malu Leo, winners of Kamehameha's StarQuest competition, earned the honor of carrying the Kamehameha Schools banner in the 2003 King Kamehameha Celebration Floral Parade, held in June. Pauahi's Legacy Lives was the theme for the school's parade entrants. Ka Malu Leo consists of **Desiree Koanui '03**, Kapualani Kauhane '04, Jessica Waia'u '04 and **Ashley Warling '03**.

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Kamehameha Schools sells Michigan timberland to The Forestland Group

In June, Kamehameha Schools closed its sale of roughly 390,000 acres of timberland and timber cutting rights in Michigan's Upper Peninsula to a limited partnership managed by the The Forestland Group, LLC, a Timber Investment Management Organization based in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

The sale is consistent with Kamehameha's plans to reduce its holdings in mainland real estate.

"Market conditions enabled Kamehameha Schools to realize a favorable return on this investment," said Acting Chief Executive Officer **Colleen Wong**. "The proceeds will be reinvested to support our educational mission and the extension of Princess Pauahi's legacy as outlined in our strategic plan."

Kamehameha's Susan Todani, senior asset manager for investments, oversaw the transaction. "KS has a strong commitment to land stewardship, and The Forestland Group's reputation for environmentally responsible stewardship was an important factor in our decision to close this sale with them," she said.

"We're confident that Kamehameha is turning over not only ownership, but responsible stewardship to a competent, experienced forester."

Cultural Events Series proves popular

Sponsored by the Hawaiian Cultural Center Project, the Spring 2003 Cultural Events Series played to full houses on the Kapālama Campus.

In April, Patience Nāmaka Bacon, daughter of preeminent Hawaiian cultural scholar Mary Kawena Pukui, offered stories, photos and anecdotes on "Life with Kawena."

"We were so honored that Mrs. Bacon was willing to share her personal and very cherished memories," said **Randie Fong '78**, HCCP project manager. "Her extraordinary life with Kawena reflects one of the last links to old Hawai'i. It was a simple, intimate and very historical evening."

Another highlight presentation was "Looking In... Looking Out: Foreign and Native Perspectives," held in March. The event featured dramatic portrayals by renowned actors Terence Knapp and **Leo Anderson Akana '67**.

Knapp portrayed Capt. James Cook, Rev. Hiram Bingham and Rev. Lorenzo "Laiana" Lyons while Akana played Queen Lili'uokalani.

For the latest on the HCCP, visit hccp.ksbe.edu.



Actors Terence Knapp and Leo Anderson Akana relax backstage after performing at the 2003 Cultural Events Series.



Pat Bacon entertains the crowd with a hula.



Kapālama Campus seniors take charge of the 2003 Kamehameha Schools Song Contest.

Seniors dominate 2003 Song Contest

With a theme of “Nā Mele Pana, Songs of Beloved Places,” the 2003 Song Contest was an enjoyable night for the class of 2003.

The Charles E. King Cup went to the senior class with its performance of “Ua Nani Kaua’i/Nani Wale Lihu’e.” The seniors also won the girls competition with the song “Paliakamoa.”

In boys competition, the class of 2004 took top honors with “Beautiful Kahana.”

In a pair of ties, the **Helen Desha** Beamer Award for best musical performance went to the classes of 2003 and 2004 and the **Richard Lyman Jr.**

‘Ōlelo Makuahine Award for Hawaiian language performance went to the senior girls and senior combined class.

Alika Young ‘03 and **Troy Andrade ‘04** were named outstanding student directors.

PASE Offers Research Internship Program

Kamehameha Schools’ Policy Analysis and System Evaluation division recently announced the establishment of Hui Ho’okupu (group that fosters new growth), a new internship program designed to support and mentor students interested in researching Hawaiian issues dealing with education and social science.

The internships are salaried positions, ranging from

two to 12 months in length.

“Hui Ho’okupu is a wonderful opportunity for students interested in researching Hawaiian issues,” said Dr. **Shawn Kana’iaupuni ‘83**, director of PASE. “KS provides a challenging and supportive work environment and each of our interns will work closely with a mentor from our division to pursue their research goals.”

The internships are open to current undergraduate or graduate students, as well as those who have completed university degrees within the last three years. For more information on the program, call Kana’iaupuni at 808-541-5365 or e-mail shkanaiaia@ksbe.edu.

Warrior athletics rated No. 1

The 2002-03 school year was a memorable one for the Kapālama Campus athletic program, with the Warriors claiming the overall title as top state high school in athletic achievement.

The title competition awards points for first through 12th place in each of the 32 championship tournaments conducted by the Hawai'i High School Athletic Association. Kamehameha boys finished first while the girls placed second, giving KS the overall crown.

Kamehameha won state titles in baseball, girls canoe paddling, cheerleading, boys cross country, boys track and field and boys volleyball.

"It's been another great year for us, and this honor is wonderful for the students and coaches who work so hard at what they do," said Kamehameha athletic director **Blane Gaison '76**.



Kamehameha's Kūnuiākea Athletic Complex served as the site for the 2003 state high school track meet. Kamehameha's boys team took top honors.



From left, Kamehameha's Kaulana Gould '04, softball coach Ty Sing Chow, Brandi Peiler '04, and Kapālama athletic director Erv Kau. Gould was named most valuable position player of the 2003 state tournament, while Peiler was named most valuable pitcher. Kamehameha finished second in the state softball competition.



Kamehameha's Emi Manuia '04, a 4.0 honors student, is the Division One Cheerleader of the Year. Emi's coach **Dolly Cairme Wong '78** was named Coach of the Year.



In their inaugural year in the Maui Interscholastic League, Kamehameha's Maui Warriors junior varsity girls paddling crew shared the crown with King Kekaulike. Team members, from left, are Tia Matsuda, Rachel Lum-Ho, Shavonn Matsuda, Eleu Novikoff, Kisha Kaya and Pua Lei Kaaa.