

by **Gerry Vinta Johansen '60**,  
Alumni Relations

### 1940s

Members of KS '46, family and friends gathered at the Hibiscus Room of the Ala Moana Hotel to celebrate the 75th birthday of **Eric Crabbe '46** on Aug. 16, 2003. The surprise birthday celebration brought to mind many warm and fond memories of Eric's life. Eric's wife, Janet, and their children **Verdene Crabbe Allen '79**, **Kimberly Crabbe Winn '80**, **Brenda Crabbe '86** and **Douglas Crabbe '86** wished many more wonderful years filled with blessings of good health, happiness, laughter and love.



Family and friends gather at the 75th birthday celebration of Eric Crabbe '46 (fifth from left, front row.)

Ret. Brig. Gen. **Irwin "Yoka" Cockett '48** was honored by more than 20 veteran's groups upon his retirement as director of the state Office of Veterans Services in January. A Korea and Vietnam war veteran and helicopter pilot, "Yoka" said he was relieved during the retirement ceremonies when classmates **Miriam Cockett Deering**, **Janet Aleong Holokai** and **Ramona Silva Cabral** did not reveal any of his wild antics when he was a Kamehameha student... **William Deering '48** retired after 43 years as chief of planning and permitting with the City and County of Honolulu. Classmates were saddened by the news of the passing of Clarence Au, husband of **May Parker Au**, and Mary Carter, wife of **Arthur Carter**. Military veterans of the "Great 48" were among those recognized at the Kapālama Campus Veteran's



Retired Brig. Gen. Irwin Cockett '48 with Janet Aleong Holokai '48 at retirement celebration

Day Assembly in November 2003. Attending the assembly were Irwin "Yoka" Cockett, William Deering, **Clifford Heu**, **Stanley Lum**, **Edward Wong** and **Elmer Manley**. (Submitted by KS '48 class representative Elmer Manley.)

**Louise Chun Ling Hector**, **Nonohilani Kauahikaua Lopes**, **Mary Kamahale Boyd**, **Josephine Nahale Kamoku** and **Katherine Kao Domingo** shared an 'olu'olu and rewarding experience recently. Each second Tuesday of every month, the gals, who all live on the island of Hawai'i, gather for a fellowship luncheon. On Dec. 9, 2003, the group were guests at Kamehameha Schools Kea'au Campus, hosted by principal **Ninia Aldrich** and counselor **Herbert Wilson '61**. The visit included singing of the doxology with students during lunch. Katherine recalls, "A special table with Christmas decorations, in the traditional blue and white, was set for us in the dining hall and during lunch, Ninia introduced us. Well, the entire student body stood and sang our alma mater "Sons of Hawaii" and talk about 'chicken skin' mixed with tears...it was very special. To top off the day, on our way back to Kona, our van driver said that, 'I taught at a school and those students don't even come close to the students at your Kea'au Campus. Those young people are courteous, friendly, smiling and say 'hello' without even knowing who I am.'" The '53 classmates agreed and felt the same way, too. They send a warm and loving *mahalo* to all the students at the Kea'au Campus.

### 1950s

**May Momi Waihee Cazimero '51** was elected to the National Board of the American Judicature Society (AJS) in September 2003. The non-partisan organization was formed in 1913 to improve judicial administration, work to maintain the independence and integrity of the courts, and increase the public's understanding of the justice system.

**KS '53's Verna Mae Ako Branco**, **Pauahi Enos Pullham**,



From left, front: Edward Wong, Elmer Manley. Back: Clifford Heu, William Deering, Stanley Lum, Irwin Cockett - '48 veterans honored at student assembly



KS Hawai'i island '53 'ohana at KS Kea'au Campus: from left, front: Mary Kamahale Boyd, Nonohilani Kauahikaua Lopes, and Katherine Kao. Back: Josephine Nahale Kamoku, Verna Mae Ako Branco, Pauahi Enos Pullham and Louise Chun Ling Hector.

## The Roll Call of Honor

by Alvin Pauole '56

As you stroll up Memorial Walk at the Punchbowl National Cemetery of the Pacific, one cannot help but notice the many beautiful granite stone plaques honoring military units and the men and women who were a part of them during various wars.

Then, just as you reach the top of the Memorial Walk, you will find the only plaque which specifically honors all Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders who have served and continue to serve our country in the Armed Forces.

In May 2000, the Pacific American Foundation (PAF) established the first Roll Call of Honor ceremony honoring Pacific American veterans (Hawaiians, Samoans, Tongans, Chamorros and other Pacific Islanders) who have served and continue to serve in the United States Armed Forces. This was the first time a ceremony was conducted that specifically recognized the tremendous sacrifices and contributions that our Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islanders (NHOPI) have made in the defense of freedom of our country and state.

The Roll Call of Honor provides a unifying power of common military experiences and shared sacrifices which can be used to build a culturally empathetic support network for our veterans and their families in the same manner that other ethnic groups have done.

As part of the annual Memorial Day weekend events, the Roll Call of Honor is held at 4 p.m. that Sunday (May 30, 2004) in two ceremonies, one at the Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Va., and six hours later, at the Punchbowl National Cemetery of the Pacific in Honolulu. This ceremony is open to the public.

Kamehameha Schools can be extremely proud of the many sons and daughters who have answered the call to duty and served our country with pride, honor, distinction, courage and sacrifice. To specifically honor the multitude of Kamehameha men and women who have served and continue to serve our great nation, PAF is establishing a special section of the Roll Call of Honor database that identifies those Hawaiian veterans who are Kamehameha alumni. This database will be available on the PAF Web site at [thepaf.org](http://thepaf.org).

PAF, a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of our people, was founded in November 1993 by retired Army Brig. Gen. **David E. K. Cooper '59**, and the foundation is operated mainly by KS graduates with the Roll Call of Honor being one of several programs that the organization undertakes in serving our community.

The difficulty with establishing the Roll Call of Honor database is that prior to the 2000 census, NHOPI was not a recognized ethnic category on any federal application forms.



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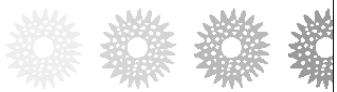
Therefore, the Department of Defense and Veterans Administration have no way of identifying NHOPI veterans, let alone graduates of Kamehameha Schools. Thus, names of Pacific American veterans are added to the database as friends and relatives submit their names. We expect this to be an ongoing process for many years, and we do accept other NHOPI who did not attend Kamehameha.

We can speed up the process for identifying and establishing the Kamehameha veterans section of the Roll Call of Honor database by sending the necessary information to the PAF by direct mail, e-mail, fax, or phone.

In the Roll Call of Honor database, service in the Armed Forces of the United States includes the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, National Guard and the reserves. The processing of this information database can be facilitated by providing the information in the following format: first, middle and last name, year graduated from Kamehameha, branch of service, dates of service and campaign (Korea, for example).

The PAF mailing address is: PAF, Roll Call of Honor, 33 South King Street, Ste. 205, Honolulu, HI 96813. Phone numbers are 808-533-2836/fax: 808-533-1630. For e-mails, send to **George Burns '63** at [gburns@thepaf.org](mailto:gburns@thepaf.org)

*Alvin Pauole graduated from Kamehameha in 1956 and the United States Naval Academy in 1960. He was the first non-Caucasian to qualify and serve as chief engineer of a nuclear reactor plant and later served as commanding officer of a nuclear attack submarine. He is a retired Navy captain and executive director of the Pacific American Foundation.*



KS '54 classmates at 49th Class Reunion in Las Vegas, Nev.

KS '54 enjoyed a September picnic with the Manu o Ke Kai Canoe Club in Hale'iwa. **Randolph Sanborn, Geraldine Heirakuji Meade and Francis Forsythe** coordinated the event. A trolley ride through historical Hale'iwa town was conducted with Francis as tour guide. Afterwards, a Hawaiian luncheon prepared by Randy was enjoyed by all. Classmates who took the time to

gather, sing, "talk story," paddle a canoe and swim were: **Ernest Chan, Darlene Mahelona Baines, Francis Wing Hong, Mary Larinaga Atienza, Viola Ahlo Kakalia, Laverne Kipi Tirrell, Elizabeth Ann Bowman McBirnie, Halford Matthews, Neil Eldredge, and Caroline Kauahikaua Ponce.** The day ended with a beautiful Hale'iwa sunset. On another note, KS '54's 49th class reunion was held in Las Vegas in October of 2003. Class celebrants included: **Alfred Simeona, Patrick Kawakami, Paul Burns, Genevieve Nahulu Burns, Ernest Chan, Mary Larinaga Atienza, Keakealani E. Sequiera Delatori, Jack Enad, Betty Mae Freitas Hiram, Albert Kahalekulu, Viola Ahlo Kakalia, Marie Loa Kelson, Richard McKeague, Martha Van Gieson McNicoll, Miriam Hui Dunaway, Randolph Sanborn, Henrietta Kupahu Spencer, Laverne Kipi Tirrell, Lorraine Buchanan Vilorio, Lorna Greenleaf Goings and Caroline**

**Kauahikaua Ponce.** Activities included a "Country Store" fundraiser for Ke Ali'i Pauahi Foundation scholarships, a memorial service for departed classmates, buffet dinners and a 50th class reunion meeting. (Submitted by Caroline Kauahikaua Ponce...for more information on class activities contact Caroline at 456-5612 or 449-1533.)

**KS '58** classmates **Linda Mae Mau Victor, Bernadette Kaohi Lancaster, Lana Ayau Alamillo, Nanette Chang Detloff, Lorraine Hanohano Starr, Marmionette Hopfe, Lena Clement Rasmussen, Aileen Parrilla Magno, and Ronald Kahawai** made a pilgrimage to the mecca of good fortune and fun, Las Vegas. They joined other Hawai'i classes of 1958 for a special Valentine's weekend gathering.

### 1960s

At the first All-Hawai'i-Alumni Connection on Jan. 17, 2004 at the Army/Navy Country Club in Arlington, Va. KS '60 was well represented by classmates **Earl Yamada** (Richmond, Va.), **Don Behling** (Timonium, Md.) **James Sette** (Colonial Heights, Va.), **Antoinette Yates** (Hanover, Va.), **Claire Wilmington Pruet** (Washington, D.C.) and **Gerry Vinta** (Johansen). The event, sponsored by O'ahu's private high schools, brought together more than 400 alumni living on the East Coast who graduated from Kamehameha, Punahou, 'Iolani, Maryknoll, Sacred Hearts, St. Francis, Mid-Pacific Institute, Hawai'i Baptist Academy and St. Louis. A luncheon, held at Natsunoya Teahouse to close out the old year and herald in the new one, was attended by classmates, including out of town guests **Gabriel and Faith Tam Shiroma '60** from Woodinville, Wash. Guest speaker **Dr. Juvenna Chang '60**, dean of the KS Extension Education Division, touched upon KS' outreach into the community. Congratulations to **Phyllis Pak Mizutani '60** who retired from the *Honolulu Advertiser* after 41 years of faithful and dedicated service.

### Kamehameha Schools honors Alumni Veterans...

Kamehameha Veterans from different classes were honored at a Student Assembly on Nov. 10, 2003 at Kekūhaupi'o on the Kapālama Campus. Attending the ceremony were: **Anthony Ramos '58, Annette Majit Newhouse '49, Kuulei Saffery McClung '49, David Kaahaaina '49, Donald Dias '49, Robert Tanaka '49, James Awana '49, Bernard Tom '49, Roy Benham '41, David Peters '41, Leroy Akamine '52, Robert Moore '53, Clinton Inouye '63, William Kanani Souza '63, Zacarias Baricuatro '63, Shermiah Iaea '51, Bernhardt Alama '41, Sammy Yong '57, Alvin Pauole '56, Tommy Pruet '56, Iwalani Keawe (widow of Arthur Keawe '56), Elmer Manley '48, Irwin Cockett '48, Stanley Lum '48, William Deering '48, Edward Wong '48, Clifford Heu '48, Harvard Kim '66, Michael J. Chun '61, Curtis Kekoa '40 and Wayne Wahineokai '62.**



KS Alumni Veterans at Nov. 10, 2003 Student Assembly at Kekūhaupi'o.



Recently inducted VP of Navy League-Hilo Council: Nathan Chang '69 and Rear Admiral Barry McCullough

Family and friends gathered at Ala Moana's Rumours Nightclub to celebrate "Leilani's" retirement.

**Mahealani Kamaau '65** and the Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation are doing battle to preserve Hawaiian lands and native culture. She has championed Hawaiian rights for more than 30 years. Mahealani was recently featured in *Midweek* for her work in protecting Hawaiian rights. She scored a win for taro farmers in East Maui after a longstanding fight for water rights with big businesses and sugar plantations and also helped to protect ancient burial sites by halting a 1,550 acre luxury development on the Kona Coast... **Trudi Mahi Gunderson '65** sends greetings to classmates all

the way from Rotterdam, Netherlands. If any classmates are planning a trip to the Netherlands, write Trudi at Groenezoom 258; 3075 GM Rotterdam, Netherlands... she lives an hour's drive from the Amsterdam airport.

Never ones to let an opportunity slip by, four members of the class of 1967 seized the moment and got together for lunch in Arlington Heights, Illinois. Sharing stories of their youth and their days at Kamehameha, and reliving old memories: **Timothy Hess, Edward Horner, Michael Sing and Jack Webster.**

Alert: IMUA 1969: A class e-mail group account named Imua69 OnLine Express has activities posted on its Web site from the 1999 30th class reunion. You may access the site at <http://www.imua69.com> (any questions, e-mail **Roy and Faith Kamaka Horner '69** at [muleman@muleride.com](mailto:muleman@muleride.com).)

Congratulations to **Nathan Chang '69** who was recently inducted into the Navy League - Hilo Council as vice president.

**Paul J. Cathcart '69** is executive director of the La Pine Chamber of Commerce in Oregon. La Pine is located in Central Oregon 30 miles south of one of the Northwest's fastest growing towns, Bend, Ore. Paul writes that La Pine is a recreational wonderland with fishing, hunting, snowmobiling and skiing as its

### Otello and Kamehameha

Each year, a group of Kamehameha alumni are involved in the Hawai'i Opera Theater's series at the Neal Blaisdell Center. Serving as soldiers and citizens of Venetia in the play "Otello" were: **Fred Cachola '53, Larry Wong '51, Malia Kaai '85, Tin Hu Young Jr. '45, Mark Ah Yo '97 and Dewey Kip Kauka '91. Joseph Uahinui '75** was in charge of backstage security and **Nola Nahulu '71** directed the Hawai'i Opera Chorus.



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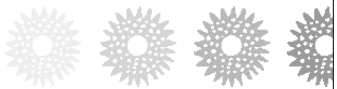
principle attractions. While most of the labor force in the small town of 10,000 commute to Bend, La Pine is starting to attract attention from new businesses and young professionals due to affordable land prices and a mellow quality of life. "Come and visit us sometime," says Paul.



KS '60 classmates at All-Hawai'i-Alumni Connection in Washington, D.C.: from left, front: Claire Wilmington Pruet, Antoinette "Toni" Yates, Gerry Vinta Johansen; back: Earl Yamada, Don Behling, James Sette



KS '67 "Out to Lunch," from left: Edward Horner, Timothy Hess, Michael Sing and Jack Webster



## 1970s

**Joy Aipoalani '70** retired Nov. 1, 2003 after 29 years with the state of Hawai'i, 19 as a special investigator for the state attorney general, and 10 years as a motor patrol officer with Honolulu Police Department. Joy isn't slowing down, however, as he was named security director for Young Brothers Limited in September, and is responsible for security at piers throughout the state. In his spare time, Joy is also a security supervisor at the Princess Ka'iulani Hotel, manages to play softball in several leagues around town, and

is active with the class of 1970 reunion committee...

**Ginger Helepololei Hayes '70** has been elected state director for the National Association of Insurance Women (NAIW) – Florida Council. She takes office effective July 1, 2004. Ginger has been in the insurance industry well over 20 years, and a member of NAIW more than 15 years. She is currently senior vice president and senior underwriter at LIG Marine Managers in Florida, where she lives with husband Bob, sons Kawika and Lopaka, daughter-in-law Lori, and 7-year-old *mo'opuna* Keikilani Marie... About 70



Class of 1970 classmates present CEO Dee Jay Mailer with mementos of their aloha and pride at January reception.

### Alumni Glee Club Marks 50th Anniversary

by **Redge K. Roberts '60**

In 1954, several Kamehameha Schools for Boys graduates wanted to keep alive the Hawaiian songs taught and sung at Kamehameha. They approached Harold B. Turney, director of music at the schools, who volunteered to provide musical leadership for the young graduates.

This was the start of the Kamehameha Alumni Glee Club.

The songs that the club sings are compositions and arrangements of Kamehameha graduates and faculty, our Hawaiian royal family, Hawaiian and Hawaiian-at-heart friends. These songs, arranged for four-part mens' chorus, express the spirit of Kamehameha.

This legacy has been provided through the endowment of education afforded to us by our beloved benefactress, Princess Bernice Pauahi. Our mission is to continue to perpetuate her legacy through music.

Come and join us and help to perpetuate our heritage, tradition, culture and legacy. Our practices are every Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the Kapālama Campus Performing Arts building.

We also invite women who want to join their voices with the Kamehameha Womens Choral Group. They meet each Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the same location.

Come and sing under the musical tutelage of Mr. Les Ceballos. Besides sharing our musical tradition with the public at special events during the year, we also sponsor an annual scholarship in the name of **Dorothy Kahananui Gillette '36** and Harold B. Turney to a senior Kapālama Campus student nominated by the KS music department who has made major contributions to the music program at the school.

We are celebrating our 50th anniversary in 2004 and are planning to release an anthological CD of songs previously recorded by former members as well as songs from our current members.

For more information on the mens' club membership, please call **Arnold "Major" Cabral '63** at 228-1649 or Ceballos at 842-8393. For the womens' group, please call **Kawehi Bright Yim '79** at 845-0022.

*Mahalo and I mua Kamehameha!*



Redge Roberts '60

classmates and guests welcomed Kamehameha Schools' new CEO and 1970 graduate **Dee Jay Beatty** Mailer back home at a Jan. 30 reception at the Kamāmalu Courtyard on the Kapālama Campus. Dee Jay, husband Don and attendees enjoyed the 'oli and hula kāhiko performed by the Kapālama Concert Glee Hawaiian Ensemble. **Lilikalā Kame'eiehiwa '70** performed an 'oli and presented Dee Jay with a *kāhili pa'a lima* created by **Michelle Honda '70**. The class also presented Dee Jay with a *koa* box and *koa* seed lei and matching earrings crafted by **Curt Wilmington '69** to celebrate her appointment. Classmates and guests caught up with Dee Jay and offered their best wishes and support.

Congratulations to **Laara Hardey Allbrett** whose K-12 Hawaiian culture-focused charter school, Hālau Lokahi, won recognition from the state Department



Joy Aipoalani '70 with wife Roxanne at January retirement party.



Kawaihana Kaohi Mata '74 in portrayal of Queen Emma.

of Education in 2003. The unique learning 'ohana, located at Pālama Settlement, emphasizes outdoor learning labs, community-based projects, state-of-the-art technology, and a curriculum based on *aloha, pono* and *lōkahi*. The school is featured in a March Imua TV episode, which airs several times a week on Oceanic's channel 78. Laara, the school director and chair of the local school board, founded the school in 2001 after experiencing some dismal results with both private and public schools with her own children. The school is currently accepting applications for the new school year and can provide more information at 832-3594 or 842-9831 or e-mail [melissa@halaulokahi.com](mailto:melissa@halaulokahi.com).

Congratulations to **Suzanne Pierce Peterson '72** (27 years) and **Deborah Lau Okamura '72** (19 years) on their retirement from Verizon Hawai'i. Sue said she sees retirement as a positive and exciting change and looks forward to traveling to Spokane, Wash., with her family in May to celebrate her daughter **Leah Peterson's '00** graduation from Gonzaga University. Sue keeps busy with volunteer projects for Ke Ali'i Pauahi Foundation and with Hawaiian Islands Ministries. As for Debbie, she plans to play more tennis, travel and spend time with family and friends.



A Kodak moment: KS '76s: seated: Moana Roy Kuma. Standing, from left, Naomi Chang Damon, Kaiulani Blankenfeld Damasso and Michelle Sin Amaral.

Hear ye, hear ye...KS '74... has it been 30 years since we were young, innocent and ready to take on the world? The answer is YES and this June we will be celebrating in grand style during Alumni Week 2004! Please make sure that you have taken the correct days off from work (June 5-13), and get ready for the time of your life. The class of 1974 will be starting off the week of festivities with a family picnic on Saturday, June 5, 2004. Our class night will be on Friday, June 11 and will be open to spouses/guests. Be on the lookout for our class newsletter for details. Also, please respond as soon as you receive the Alumni Week brochure for dorm reservations, optional activities and especially the alumni *lū'au*. If you know where any of our "lost" classmates are or would like to be a part of the planning committee, please let class representative **Coreene Choy Zablan** know by calling 523-1973 or e-mail her at [Coreene.zablan@vacationclub.com](mailto:Coreene.zablan@vacationclub.com).

**Debra Cleaver Lindsey '74** is a Hawai'i licensed real estate professional with Island Realty Corporation. With offices in the Kamuela-Waimea Center and historic Hāwī in North Kohala on the island of Hawai'i, Debbie is kept quite busy in her work. Thinking of relocating to West Hawai'i? Call Debbie toll free at 888-244-4753 or e-mail her at [dlinsey005@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:dlinsey005@hawaii.rr.com)... For 15

years, the Eō e Emalani I Alaka'i Festival has been held at Kōke'e State Park on the island of Kaua'i. The festival commemorates Queen Emma's journey to Waimea-uka in 1871. On Oct. 11, 2003 **Daryljean Kawaihana Kaohi Mata '74** elegantly portrayed Queen Emma. *Hula hālau* from throughout Hawai'i presented *ho'okupu* of dance and chant to the Queen and received grateful acknowledgments in return. Her *ho'okupu* to all the *hālau* and the appreciative audience was a poignant gift of *hula*, dancing to the haunting strains of "Kaua'i Beauty." Kawaihana's exit was as tearfully beautiful as her entrance for the audience and her family. Her mom, **Aletha Goodwin Kaohi '48**, has played a significant role in presenting the Eō e Emalani Alaka'i Festival, both as a board member of *Hui o Laka*, the nonprofit group that supports the Kōke'e Natural History Museum, and as Mistress of Ceremonies for the festival. Aletha, a respected *kūpuna* knowledgeable in Hawaiian culture and tradition, has served as emcee of the festival since its inception in 1990.

KS '76 classmates **Lyall Moana Roy Kuma, Kaiulani Blankenfeld Damasso, Naomi Chang Damon** and **Michelle Kaulu Sin Amaral** attended Founder's Day ceremonies at Hulihe'e Palace in Kailua-Kona on Dec. 19, 2003. After the ceremonies, the group gathered for dinner at the Bistro Yokohama in downtown Kona. ... Kapālama Campus baseball coach **Vern Ramie '76** was recently honored by the National Federation of State High School Associations as the 2003 Hawai'i high school baseball coach of the year. Vern led Kamehameha to the state baseball title last year, and has coached KS to three state second-place finishes as well. Vern is a former star player for the University of Hawai'i who went on to a career in professional baseball.

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Want to learn more about the history of Kamehameha Schools? The Kamehameha Schools Archives' primary purpose is to collect relevant information about the schools, organize it, preserve it and then make that information available to the Kamehameha Schools 'ohana and the global Hawaiian community.

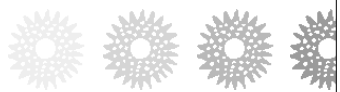
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Coach Vern Ramie '76



Ginger Helepololei Hayes '70



KS '79 News: Get ready for our 25th reunion celebration. Plans are being made for a "progressive" celebration – our 25th Reunion Committee, headed by **Luana Alapa Hee**, has been working to make our silver anniversary reunion celebration a "blast from the past." Stay tuned as we get the word out to everyone – to help do this, please make sure your class representative **Ernette Kawehi Bright Yim** (808-534-3945) has your e-mail and current mailing address. Reach her by e-mail at kawehi@pauahi.org... **Walter Smith '79** has been "pounding the pavement" across the United

States. Walter has set a personal goal of doing a full marathon in each of the 50 states by the time he reaches the ripe age of 50. To date, he has completed 15 marathons in 15 states and is scheduled to include another 10 states by the end of 2004. Sounds like there may be a class challenge in there somewhere... Luana Alapa-Hee currently heads her family's production company in producing the Mrs. Hawai'i, Miss Hawai'i Teen & Jr. Teen, Miss Hawai'i United States and the Little Miss & Little Mr. Hawai'i/Aloha State pageants. They are proud to have had three national title holders –

two who have Kamehameha Schools ties: Mrs. Hawai'i 2000 Leslie Lam, wife of **Mervyn Lam '79**; Leslie won the national Mrs. America title 2001 as well; and Miss Hawai'i United States 2002 **Amber Stone '99**. In addition, Luana's family operates a wholesale business directed at the tourist industry. They recently launched a series of Hawaiian greeting cards found in local stores and on their new Web site. Plans are in the works to market the greeting cards on a national level.

## 1980s

Congratulations to **Robin Santos '80** and **Malu Chow Santos '81** for making the 2003 Hawai'i's Fastest 50 business list in the Oct. 17 issue of *Pacific Business News*. Their company, Pacific Gloves and Services, LLC, a seller of medical supplies, ranked No.19. Robin and Malu are presidents of their company which was founded in 1997...

**Dena Kashiwamura Gattis '80** of Dallas, Texas writes that she is a stay-at-home mom after graduating from the University of Texas in Austin with a degree in government and economics. In 1986, Dena started law school at Southern Methodist University and in 1989 started practicing law in Dallas until the birth of her daughter in 2000... **Lori Piikea Tomczyk '80** has been awarded the elite "Fran McConoughey Award for Excellence in Training" for her numerous years as a volunteer with the Girl Scouts of the Pacific and for her outstanding contributions in the area of training and qualifying adult leaders for outdoor troop camping. Lori has also been awarded the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs (O'ahu Council) Helen C. Kane Mahalo Award for her work as past president of the Waikiki Hawaiian Civic Club. Lori was honored for services rendered to her club, council and the association; for service provided to the Hawaiian community at-large; and for helping to keep alive the vision and mission of Hawaiian Civic Clubs founder Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalani'ana'ole.

### Kamehameha Alumni Serving on Maui Campus Staff

Kamehameha's Maui Campus boasts 30 graduates of the Kapālama Campus on its staff. They are, in alphabetical order: **Melani Paresa Abihai '67** (secretary, high school), **Lory Kim Aiwohi '91** (grade 8 math teacher), **Ladd Akeo '82** (counselor, middle school), **Rhonda Alexander-Monkres '83** (human resources manager), **John Cluney '68** (safety officer), **Shalei Mossman Damuni '86** (grade 7 teacher), **Leo Delatori '86** (counselor, high school), **Lee Ann Johansen DeLima '77** (principal, middle school), **Emā Eldredge '77** (high school mathematics teacher), **Lyla Eldredge '79** (grade 2 teacher), **Kris Haina Galago '84** (human resources assistant), **Cathy Davis Honda '82** (grade 1 teacher), **Mitchell Kalauli '58** (principal, high school), **Ivalee Kamalu '84** (Hawaiian language and culture, elementary), **Jason Kane '80** (operations team leader), **Kaukokalani Andrade Kane '80** (secretary, elementary), **Monica Mata '80** (Christian education instructor), **Leimamo Fukino Nitta '78** (music, middle school), **Lokelani Williams Patrick '72** (parent community coordinator), **Annabelle Ono Saiki '71** (grade 5 teacher), **Stephanie Armitage Sakugawa '74** (educational assistant, elementary), **Andaline Hatchie Simon '75** (secretary, middle school), **Jill Paresa Tahauri '70** (operations, food services), **Kimberly Thomas '84** (administrative assistant to the headmaster), **Clark Tuitele '92** (music specialist, elementary), **Kalani Wong '74** (chaplain), **Tolani Yamashiro '78** (orchestra instructor, middle school), **Tammy Tavares '92** (grade 4 teacher), and **Michelle Ke'ala Pasco '87** (staff secretary).





Lt. Col. Geoffrey Ellazar Jr. '83 at "pinning" ceremony with family: wife Sharon holding baby Annamarie and standing: Ryan and Clarissa



Ron Rico '86 and wife, Melissa with son Justin.

Congratulations to **Mitchell Kenui "Bull" Balutski '81** who was selected to bear the rank of chief master sgt., the highest enlisted rank bestowed upon members of the United States Air Force. Chief stripes are earned by only 1 percent of the enlisted force, and the rank has been a goal and aspiration for Mitchell since enlisting in the Air Force 19 years ago.

**Geoffrey Ellazar Jr. '83** was honored at a "pin-on" ceremony promoting him to Lt. Col. on Jan. 5, 2004 at the Robins Air Force Base, Ga., Officer's Club. As the contracting division chief for the Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Management Directorate, he leads a staff of 32 contracting professionals providing more than \$1 billion in annual contract support to the U-2 Dragon Lady, E-8C Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System (Joint STARS), and Sentinel weapon systems. He was recently recognized as the Air Force Materiel Command

Contracting Officer of the Year (field grade) for 2003. Geoff will assume command of the 314th Contracting Squadron, Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark. during the summer of 2004. Geoff, wife Sharon, and children Clarissa and Ryan were recently blessed by the birth of a second daughter, Annamarie Hauoli.

**Mark Hee '83** is now senior vice president of investments at Morgan Stanley where he has worked the past 13 years. He is married to former Miss Hawai'i **Luana Alapa Hee '79**. They have two children, Kyla Kauilani, age 7 and Marcus Kaniaulono, age 3. Mark enjoys investing in and

collecting paintings by renowned artists and heads his own *koa* furniture business, Kamehameha Furniture. During his spare time, he plays softball with his KS alumni class team.

**Ronald Rico '86** and wife Melissa celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary in March 2003. Both Ron and Melissa work at the University of South Florida in Tampa. Their son, Justin Maka'ala, age 16, is a first-degree black belt holder and 2003 Junior Olympic medalist in the art of *tae kwon do*.

### All-Hawai'i-Alumni Connection debuts on East Coast

The first All-Hawai'i-Alumni Connection took place on Jan. 17, 2004 at the Army/Navy Country Club in Arlington, Va. O'ahu private high schools partnered to make this event happen. Graduates of Punahou, 'Iolani, St. Louis, Sacred Hearts Academy, St. Francis, Maryknoll, Hawai'i Baptist Academy, Mid-Pacific Institute and Kamehameha living on the East Coast gathered for an afternoon of camaraderie, fellowship and networking.

The connection also included state Department of Education schools such as Baldwin, Moanalua, 'Aiea, McKinley, Kailua and Wai'anae. Fresh flower *lei* were brought in by the contingent of private school alumni relations directors and goody bags containing Kona Coffee, macadamia nuts, island shortbread cookies, Hawai'i Visitors Bureau bumper stickers and a magnifying book marker with the event's pineapple and orchid *lei* logo were distributed to guests.

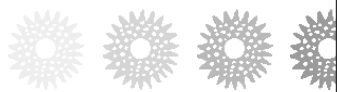
The 400 or so guests who attended the event were treated to Hawaiian music by Halau 'O Aulani, a group headed by *kumu hula* **Wanda Kuulei Enos Stockman '66**, and the band Aloha Boys. Emcee for the event was **James Kimo Bacon '71**, who entertained the guests with his unique comedy antics.

*Mahalo* to the KSAA-East Coast Region and its president, **Maile Mahikoa Duggan '57**, along with Kimo Bacon, who did a super job in helping make this event happen. The graduates formed a huge circle around the club's ballroom, held hands and raised their voices in song to "Hawai'i Aloha," their eyes glistening with tears as thoughts brought them back to the place they call home – Hawai'i.

The second All-Hawai'i-Alumni Connection has already been scheduled for January 2005 in San Diego, Calif.



Displaying their Hawai'i pride are, from left: **Rowena Peroff** Blaisdell '62, Steven Lee of Punahou School, Jane Heimerdinger of 'Iolani and Andrea Hamilton of Sacred Hearts.



## ***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:

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Cruising '86 classmates at Times Square, New York: From left, Bonnie Ishii Coen, friend Becky Matsui, Lisa Kuewa Willette and Sienna Yoshida



The Craig Mocks (Malia Kuenzli '90) with sons Micah and Dustin at Mt. Bachelor, Ore.

'86 classmates **Bonnie Ishii Coen**, **Lisa Kuewa Willette** and **Sienna Yoshida** celebrated turning age 35 in style by visiting New York City. They were there during game six of the 2003 World Series and watched the game at Mickey Mantle's restaurant, located at the south end of Central Park. The rest of their time in New York was spent sightseeing, attending musicals and, of course, shopping...

**Valerie Franquez Teixeira '86** is proud of the latest release by Kava Music titled "The Pacific Sessions." Val sings with the group. The CD features a blend of different musical styles creating one unique sound and features "The Ride," written for the original motion picture soundtrack for the movie of the same name.



"The Pacific Sessions" is the latest release by Val Teixeira '86 of Kava Music.

## 1990s

**Sean Palama '90** is currently employed at Xerox Hawai'i as senior account executive. He previously worked at Bank of Hawai'i. Each year Sean has ranked among the best in Xerox's Hawai'i operation and recently finished the year as their top performer... **Malia Kuenzli Mock '90** and husband **Craig** of Fort Collins, Colo., want to share the newest member of their family: **Dustin 'Iolani**, born June 26, 2003. He joins older brother, **Micah**, age 2. Malia is a stay-at-home mom for now and **Craig** works as a network security engineer with DoubleClick.

**Melonie Villanueva Stewart '91** sends greetings to classmates from Glenview, Ill., along with husband **Manny**, and their two children: son, **Jonah**, age 5 and **Victoria**, age 2. While Mel awaits the birth of their third child, **Manny** is with the U.S. Army and attends college part-time.

**Angelique Keaokalani Lopez '91** recently completed a master of science degree in clinical embryology from the University of Leeds. The two-year program included three trips to Leeds, England for lectures and exams. Angelique is the mother of two sons, the second of whom was born while she was starting a clinic and finishing her master's program. Angelique is presently the embryology supervisor for the Hawai'i Center for Reproductive Medicine and Surgery's In Vitro Fertilization Laboratory.

**KS '94** is calling all chili lovers to its fundraiser to help defray the cost of their 10-year class reunion. Those wanting to sell or purchase tickets can e-mail class representative **Monte McComber** at momccomb@ksbe.edu.

**KS '96** – In 2003, KS '96 classmates organized themselves to form a class board. The results: president, **Liloa Nakamatsu**; vice president, **Karlen Porter**; treasurer, **Marissa Furfaro**; secretary, **Avis Poai**; and social committee chair, **Aileenmarie "Boo" Arnold**. Visit the class Web site at [www.ks96alumni.org](http://www.ks96alumni.org) for your class board's contact information... On behalf of the class of 1996, the board made a monetary donation to Kamehameha's Class Representative's Community Service Project – providing Hawaiian monarchy history books to Department of Education elementary schools with a high percentage of Hawaiian students... About 40 classmates gathered at the Mai Tai Pub on Dec. 12, 2003 to celebrate the end of another year and to just hang out. It was the first class gathering since December 2001. So that we may have more participation at class gatherings, we urge you to update your current contact information by visiting our class Web site or the alumni Web site at <http://www.ksbealumni.org/db/>. Mark your calendars: July 2004 is planned for a family picnic. Keep

checking the class Web site page for updates. If you would like to be part of the class planning committee for activities, share some exciting news with the class or for *I Mua*, do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to hearing from you. (Submitted by class representative Marissa Furfaro.)

Aloha, **KS '97** classmates: Just a quick update on what's been going on with fellow '97s. We had a class social on Jan. 3, 2004 at the Velvet Lounge. Lots of people came and enjoyed hanging out, talking story, and catching up on the latest happenings. Everybody had a great time and is looking forward to the next event. Planning is in the works for a '97 picnic sometime this summer. Family and friends are always invited to class events. If you have ideas or want to help out, contact one of our class reps... In class news: 1st Lt. **Jana Kehau Smith** Kangas was married in November 2002 and is currently in Iraq with her husband. She says the weather is bad and she misses the "*ono* kine grinds," but it's been worth it being in Iraq, especially seeing the

Iraqi kids waving at her when they go out on convoy. Jana and her husband have been in Iraq for almost a year and we pray for their safe return home... On the coconut wireless, **Aaron Kilbey** and **Chris Masagatani** have a band in Portland and finished a CD last year... In the world of education, **Todd Otake** is finishing his student teaching at Pāhoā High School on the island of Hawai'i and **Keoni Pau** is completing his student teaching at Sunset Elementary. **Brie Ventura** and **Carmel Hurley** are working with special needs children at two different schools. **Kina'u Young** began teaching math this past fall at Moanalua Middle School. **Maka'ala Rawlins** is working for for 'Aha Pūnana Leo in Hilo with its Lamakū Scholarship Program for students who want to teach in Hawaiian. We're fortunate to have some great teachers emerging from our class. We wish them the best with their *keiki* as they educate the bright young minds of Hawai'i. (Submitted by class representative **Aaron Aina Akamu**; phone: 1-808-956-7101, e-mail: Akamu@cba.hawaii.edu.)



The Stewart 'Ohana (Melonie Villanueva '91): Melonie holding Jonah and Manny holding Victoria.

Rookie **Makoa Freitas '98** made a name for himself this year in the National Football League. The 6-4, 295-pound tackle, drafted in the sixth round out of Arizona by the Indianapolis Colts, started six games at left tackle after an injury to starter Tarik Glenn. Makoa did so well he was featured in a Dec. 8, 2003 *Sports Illustrated* article on offensive linemen, where he was called "a star in the making." Another article on the Colts' Web site ([www.colts.com](http://www.colts.com)) describes Makoa as "silent but effective." "He doesn't say much, he just plays," said Makoa's father **Rockne Freitas '63**, who had an all-pro career with the Detroit Lions and Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Makoa and Rockne are the only father/son tandem to be drafted by the NFL out of Hawai'i.

**Brendan Ordonez '01** is on the move. He writes, "Recently, I took this amazing opportunity with BCBG, a huge fashion company, working as an assistant to the president. I'm gaining public relations experience and so far, my first two months have been fantastic! In the month of September, I went to nearly every runway show during fashion week and flew to Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Atlanta and Chicago for trade shows. My job takes me to Los Angeles once a month for one week. I am living the 'American Dream' in New York City."

#### E Kala Mai

**William Berman '69** was omitted from the listing of KS alumni working at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard in the December 2003 issue of *I Mua*. William has worked at Pearl Harbor since 1972.



Makoa Freitas '98