

# Alumni Notes

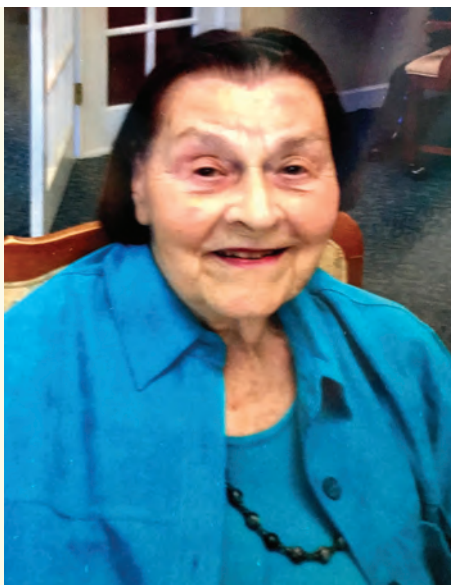
## Alumni Notes Policy

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## Class of 1934

### SUMMER/FALL

**Kathryn "Karie" Marie King Dawalt** passed away on May 28, 2020, at age 104. She led an interesting and fulfilling life, from her 1916 birth as an Army daughter to living as an Army wife, traveling the world for over 30 years with her husband, Brigadier General Kenneth F. Dawalt and their family. After World War I, Karie and her mother, Myrtle, (both survivors of the Spanish Flu) moved wherever the U.S. Army sent her father, Lt. Colonel Arthur Edwin King. She attended Punahou when the family was stationed at Schofield Barracks. There, she excelled as a tennis player and young scholar. She then attended the University of Vermont and graduated in 1938 with a degree in commerce and economics. Karie met Kenneth F. Dawalt in Vermont and they married in 1940. While assigned as an assistant physics professor at West Point from 1941 – 1945, their two daughters, Karen and Karie, were born. Together, they all embarked upon a career that included posts throughout the United States and abroad, including Yokohama, Japan, during the military occupation following World War II; NATO in Paris, France, and the 30th Artillery Brigade in Okinawa. In 1963, the Dawalt family returned from overseas to Virginia, which would be Karie and Ken's lifelong home. One of Karie's fondest memories was her return to Punahou in 1999, with husband, Ken (who passed in 2000), and daughter, Karen, to celebrate her 65th Class Reunion. She loved her family and enjoyed her grandson and three great-grandsons. Aloha no, Karie.



*A fond aloha to Kathryn "Karie" Marie King '34 Dawalt, who lived to be 104. She passed away on May 28, 2020, in Virginia.*



*Jim Case '37 celebrated his 100th year with a Zoom birthday party with his wife, Suzanne E. Case, and in-house residents, Suzanne D. Case '74, Marjorie Christenson '66 Abel, Betsy Case '81, Melia Marguleas '19 and Maile Marguleas '21. Wishing Jim well on Zoom were more remote family members, U.S. Rep. Ed Case, Kay Case (wife of the late John Case '72), Brad Case '81, Rusty Case '76, James Case '07, David Ansdell '02, Christine Case '09, Nathan Case, Bradford Case and Caroline Case.*

## Class of 1937

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## Class of 1938

### SUMMER/FALL

**William "Bill" Whithed Budge** passed away quietly on June 6, 2020, at his home in Hillsborough, California, at the age of 98. His childhood in Hawai'i was spent swimming, surfing, skin diving and fishing. Bill attended Punahou and the Hotchkiss School in Connecticut, where he was a member of the football, swimming and track teams, and the only student with a throw net for fishing.

On his 17th birthday, Bill, his brother, **Alexander "Zander" Budge '41**, and two friends were fishing off the coast of Moloka'i, when their sampan sank. With the current pushing them away from Moloka'i, the boys swam for 13 and a half hours back to O'ahu,

landing at Diamond Head beach and on the local paper's front page.

Bill was enrolled at Williams College in Massachusetts when the United States entered World War II. He joined the U.S. Army Air Forces in 1942, and graduated with distinction from the Air Forces Technical School in meteorology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). While serving as a meteorological officer, Bill took private flying lessons, which led the Army to enroll him in flight school learning to fly B-25 bombers. At this time, Bill set a new swimming record for the base, completing 117 laps in 45 minutes (the average trainee swam 47). In May 1944, Bill flew P-51 Mustang fighters over occupied Europe, collecting weather data to develop forecasts in support of the Normandy invasion and American bombing raids. As the fighting front advanced through Europe, their base moved forward to captured airfields in France, Belgium and Germany. Captain William Budge was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Returning to Honolulu after the war, Bill met Willa McNear during a stopover in San Francisco. The couple married two years later, going fishing in Yosemite for their honeymoon. In 1951, Bill joined the Folgers Coffee Company, moved to San Francisco, and raised their family there. They purchased a fishing cabin near Campbell River in 1959, and Bill taught his children his "old college tricks" to catch salmon. Bill left Folgers Coffee in 1965 to establish Pacific Mariculture, on the San Mateo County coast in the shadow of the Pigeon Point lighthouse, and for 20 years, pioneered techniques to raise commercial quantities of young oysters and abalone in tanks on shore.

In the late 1960s, as president of the Burlingame Country Club, Bill remained an enthusiastic and skilled competitor at dominoes, backgammon and bridge until late in life. Always a gentleman, his friends describe him as kind, loyal, thoughtful and knowledgeable. They appreciated his clever sense of humor coupled with a gentle demeanor that embraced everyone he encountered. Bill remained active and curious, taking up windsurfing in his early 60s and scuba diving in his 70s. Bill traveled to all seven continents, frequently fishing or hunting. He flew small planes as a private pilot and earned a commercial helicopter license. In the 1970s, Bill and Willa found two important new fisheries and communities: in the north, steel-head fishing on British Columbia's Dean River and in the south, fishing at Las Cruces, Baja California Sur. They returned to their friends in these places every year until Willa became ill near the turn of the century and passed. Bill, himself, carried on. In 2003, Bill married Elena Eaton, and they enjoyed a decade together.

Bill Budge was predeceased by his parents; his siblings, Zander Budge Jr. '41, **Hamilton Whited Budge '46** and **Ruth "Luki" Budge '44** Nowicki; and by his wives, Willa and Elena. He is survived by his four children, a step-

daughter, 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

In 1992, Bill founded the Solid Rock Foundation, a private foundation that supports programs for disadvantaged youths. Additionally, he was committed to philanthropic support of adolescent programs at Samaritan House San Mateo, Students Rising Above and Reading Partners of the San Francisco Bay Area. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made in Bill Budge's memory to one of the latter three organizations.

## Class of 1939

### SUMMER/FALL

**Marjorie "Marney" Bellows** Guy passed away on May 7, 2020. She grew up in Manoa, graduated from Punahou, then went off to Northwestern University, which was quite a change for a local gal. In 1943, she graduated and went to work for IBM in San Francisco. A childhood friend, Doug Guy, came to the Bay Area for a 10-day vacation and proposed to her on the last day. They were married in Las Vegas in 1944, where Doug was stationed. In 1947, they moved back to Honolulu and started a family. Marney was an entrepreneur from the start. She modeled at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel Monarch Room, sold Avon products, and was a photographer for many families to enhance the Christmas cards she sold. She made time to be a Brownie troop leader for her daughters. Her sport of choice was paddle tennis at the Pacific Club, where she graces the wall of champions in her day. Her career in travel started in 1961, and over the next 50-plus years she lived and worked an enviable lifestyle. She experienced every position in the travel industry and mentored younger travel advisors coming up in the business. She created lifetime memories for many friends and families. Marney is survived by her children, **Julie Guy '64** Vandervoort, **Wendy Guy '68** Goodenow and Gordon Guy; and her granddaughter, Sarhana. Through the years, Marney inherited five step-grandchildren, 10 step-great-grandchildren and six step-great-great-grandchildren because family was the most important thing in her life.

## Class of 1940

### SUMMER/FALL

**Eleanor Eaton Faye**, M.D., FACS, an ophthalmologist and a leader in the field of low vision, died on Jan. 7, 2020, in New York City. She was 96 years old. Eleanor was born in Berkeley, California, on Feb. 15, 1923, and in her youth moved to Hawai'i. She grew up with her sisters, **Charlotte Faye '48** Sharp and the late **Margaret "Peggy" Faye '45** Morgan.

Eleanor received her medical degree from Stanford University School of Medicine in 1950, at a time when women in the medical field were still considered a rarity. She was also the first woman resident at Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital, and was the



*A fond aloha to Eleanor Eaton Faye '40, a pioneer in the field of low vision, who passed away in New York City, on Jan. 7, 2020.*

attending ophthalmic surgeon there for many years. She was medical director at Lighthouse Guild in New York, until she was 91 years old in 2014, the culmination of an affiliation which spanned 60 years. She played a pivotal role in shaping the field of low vision nationally and internationally. Her lectures at universities, hospitals and agencies and the publication of her first book in 1970, "The Low Vision Patient: Clinical Experiences with Adults and Children" were a powerful influence in changing the perception of individuals who were blind or visually impaired. Her book, "Clinical Low Vision," published in 1994, has become a classic text on low vision.

One of Dr. Faye's major career achievements was bringing together the professions of optometry and ophthalmology with training, vision rehabilitation and occupational therapists. Her many accolades and awards include two Merit Awards from the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the Distinguished Service Award from the American Optometric Association. She was a member of the board of trustees of the American Foundation for the Blind, chair of the American Academy of Ophthalmology's Low Vision Standing Committee and chair of the Low Vision Clinical Society.

Dr. Faye's colleagues admired "that while she held her views firmly, she was open to having them changed. If she held a view on a particular topic, she had her reasons for doing so clearly in mind. If you wanted to change her view, you had to have better evidence than she did. Yet,





*Hau'oli la hanau to Irwin "Bud" Spalding '41, who celebrated his 96th birthday in Camden, Maine, in January 2020.*

she was always open to rationally discussing different viewpoints, even those expressed by young researchers. She recognized good clinical skills in others, regardless of their degrees. She was satisfied as long as the patient truly benefited. This was a quality that she had in common with other truly great people in any field. She had the utmost modesty about her achievements and was always open to learning new things from her colleagues, a trait common to the great leaders in history."

Sister, Peggy, followed Eleanor and passed on Jan. 25, 2020. They are survived by their sister, Charlotte, as well as six nieces, two nephews and many grand- and great-grandnieces and nephews.

## Class of 1941

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### SUMMER/FALL

We received a sweet, but sad note from **Eva Spielman '72** Naniolo, informing us that her mother, **Elizabeth "Tita" Kauikeolani Ruddell Spielman**, passed away at home in Waimea, in January. In addition to daughter, Eva, Tita is survived by sons, **Joe Spielman Jr. '72** and **J.K. Spielman '77**, as well as numerous grandchildren

and great-grandchildren. Tita is predeceased by her brother, **Francis Ruddell '40**, and her husband, Joseph Spielman.

Tita's classmates remember her as an ardent member of the Glee Club. She elevated their performances with her talents in Hawaiian mele and hula and her "sparkling" smile. There was a mischievous side to Tita's creativity. A veiled reference exists to certain "escapades at Castle Hall" (the girls' dorm in those days), but no one volunteered any details. Her playfulness was offset by a demonstrated practical side, too, as manager of circulation for Ka Punahou and editor of the Oahuan. Tita took off for college in Massachusetts after graduation, then returned to her family home on Hawai'i Island, when World War II broke out. She spent the duration of the conflict working at Kilauea Military Camp.

Tita lived a richly fulfilling life that demonstrated her deep love of the 'aina and the traditions of Hawai'i. Her accomplishments and contributions are too numerous to mention in these brief notes. Her grounding in the preservation of Hawai'i's traditions and resources is, perhaps, well-demonstrated by the fact that Tita's friend, Princess Lili'uokalani Kawanakoa Morris, asked her to convince her husband, Joseph, to take on the responsibility of directing the restoration of 'Iolani Palace. Ten years later, with the Palace restored, Tita and Joe returned to Waimea, where they spent their remaining years.

In the sunset of her life, Tita's wisdom and experience was frequently sought by those who were engaged in planning for the future well-being of the 'aina mauna as a cultural and natural resource. For uncounted generations, Tita and her family had practiced spiritual traditions at Mauna Kea, including the scattering of ashes and the placing of piko at Lake Waiau. Tita is quoted several times in the Kahea Environmental Alliance's court filings. One quote about Mauna Kea by Tita from a 1999 oral history lingers in my mind: "Yes, the mana is there. There is no question." A hui hou, Tita.

## Class of 1942

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### SUMMER/FALL

Aloha to the Class of 1942, their family and friends.

Recently, I came across my mom's 1942 Oahuan. With some similarities to your Class and the Class of 2020, I wanted to share what appeared at the front of the 1942 Oahuan. On the first page there was a dedication to The Armed Forces of the United States. The next page had this message:

"We the students of Punahou, have a glorious tradition to uphold. For a hundred years our school has prepared men and women for the life that lies before them.

Following the accustomed pattern, our year started with unusual promise. The football season, with its hilarious rallies, was typical of the school spirit. However, this pattern was shattered in one swift blow and the Class of '42 and those to follow were faced with an uncertain future.

Beneath all the excitement and inconveniences predominated the pioneer spirit of one hundred years ago, which enabled us to adapt ourselves to a new mode of living. It was that same spirit, aroused in a moment, which caused many of us to offer our services for defense immediately. All of us seemed to grow up overnight, and life took on a much more serious aspect. Back at school again we studied more conscientiously realizing the value of a good education – an education which left us with a firm resolution.

We must look to the future without pessimism and remember that it is we who must someday be at the controls."

The next page of the front of the Oahuan had this message:

"'Punahou, our Punahou' means more to us this year than ever before. We didn't 'tread the halls' much, but nonetheless we are truly Punahou. Punahou, because we gave our campus to our country, because our boys were among the first to take defense jobs where they were desperately needed, and because we have just as much spirit off our campus as on it.

We were a 155 strong until Dec. 7, but because of evacuation and numerous jobs we lost 40 of our classmates. After being at Central Union Church for three weeks, we moved into our new home at the University of Hawai'i.

As student body president we had **Elia Long**. He was ably assisted by **Mariajane Clarke Mee**, vice president. **Barbara Fritsch** Dew and **Henry Alexander** were secretary and treasurer respectively. **Pat Black** was the president of the Senior Class; **Phyllis Frazer** Yount, vice president; **Dan Case**, treasurer; and **Pat Clark** Millett, secretary.

Our greatest accomplishment was in football. We cheered Punahou back into the football world and felt certain that our year was destined to be one of the best.

At the outbreak of war, we forgot our cherished dreams of a beautiful Oahuan and commencement in Dillingham Hall and turned without a backward glance to the defense of our country.

That's our Class – the Class of '42! The first class in the second century of Punahou! It will long be remembered, even if our pictures do not hang in Bingham Hall, for its excellent cooperation in this great national crisis."

We are all blessed to be alumni of Punahou, whether you were a 13-year or one-year student. Welcome to the Class of 2020, as our newest alumni!

Please send me any updates of 1942 alums.

## Class of 1944

### SUMMER/FALL

**Norma Faaborg Cole**, known to her friends and family as “Nonnie,” passed away peacefully on Nov. 23, 2019. After graduating from Punahou, she attended a small women's college, the University of Hawai'i, then followed her best friend to Oregon, where she decided to finish her education at Willamette University in Salem. There, she met her future husband, Paul Cole. They married in 1949, moved to Eugene, where they raised two daughters. Family ski trips to Mount Bachelor and Snowmass, Colorado and camping and hiking with their two burros in the Oregon Cascades were favorite pastimes. They traveled extensively and visited many countries on every continent, except Australia. Nonnie loved to entertain and was an outstanding hostess, especially during the Christmas holidays. She loved nature, the outdoors and doted on her beloved cats, who were her devoted companions throughout her life. She will be missed by her family and friends. Aloha, Nonnie.

**C. Robert “Bob” Clarke** passed away April 5, 2020, in Shingle Springs, California. Growing up, Bob lived with his parents and two brothers, **Allan '45** and **Raymond '49**, on 'Aiea Heights, overlooking Pearl Harbor. As a teen in December 1941, he shared many stories about his experiences during the Pearl Harbor attack. Bob served in World War II with the 19th troop Carrier Squadron of the Seventh Air Force in the Pacific. After his discharge from the service in 1946, he attended College of the Pacific (now University of the Pacific) in Stockton, where he



A fond aloha to C. Robert “Bob” Clarke '44, who passed away April 5, 2020, in Shingle Springs, California.

met his wife of 70 years, Joanne, and graduated with a degree in civil engineering.

In 1950, Bob returned to Hawai'i, and worked for his father at Clarke-Halawa rock quarry then stayed on as vice president after it was sold. He raised a family with Joanne. Richard, **Gary Clarke '80**, **Debbie Clarke '75** Brownstein and **Carolee Clarke '70** McGrath filled their Waialae-Kahala home. He moved on to new interests and purchased Surfside Hawaii, Inc. in 1964, which was a distributor for Capital Records. He eventually formed his own record label, Lehua Records, purchased House of Music store located in Ala Moana Shopping Center and bought and sold numerous other businesses over the years. One of his passions over the past 60 years was being a Rotarian. He served on both district and international committees, and was a major donor the Rotary Foundation and a multiple Paul Harris Fellow. Bob will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

## Class of 1945

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### SUMMER/FALL

**Margaret “Peggy” Faye Morgan**, passed away peacefully at her home in Kahala, on Jan. 25, 2020, at the age of 93. She attended Hanalei School and Punahou until shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941, then San Dominican School in San Rafael, California, and returned to graduate from Punahou in 1945. She attended Pine Manor College in Brookline, Massachusetts, thereafter.

In 1947, she married First Lieutenant William “Brewster” Morgan of Honolulu, a prisoner of war and recipient of the Purple Heart and Air Medal for his actions as a Royal Air Force and U.S. Air Corps pilot during World War II. A mother of four, Peggy began family life at Polihahiwa, the historic home in Nu'uuanu built in 1927 by Dr. James Albert and Elsie Morgan. She was active in Honolulu community theater and as a model for pioneering designer Pauline Lake at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, making her Hollywood debut in the Kaua'i-location film, “Seven Women from Hell,” a World War II drama about female POWs. A Daughter of Hawai'i and member of the Junior League of Honolulu, Outrigger Canoe Club and Pacific Club, Peggy was devoted to her friends and family. She was engaged throughout her long life as a kama'aina in community and philanthropic activities in Honolulu, playing tennis and swimming with old friends and new into her 90s.

A great reader who was passionate about politics, religion and philosophy, Peggy gained wisdom and inspiration throughout her life from her Episcopalian faith at Honolulu's Cathedral of St. Andrew. For decades, Peggy served on the board of the Kikiaola Land Company, a Hawai'i-based family-owned



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company founded by her great-grandfather, Hans Peter Faye from Drammen, Norway, whose history has been proudly linked to the community of Waimea and the west side of Kaua'i for more than 100 years.

Peggy was preceded in death by her beloved daughter, **Margaret Faye Morgan '67**; her first husband, Brewster Morgan; her second husband, Andy Wuebel; and her eldest sister, **Eleanor Eaton Faye '40**. Peggy is survived by her sister, **Charlotte “Bubsy” Faye '48** Sharp; her children, **Karen Brewster Morgan '68**, **Gail Morgan '71** Beardsley and **Brewster Kalani Morgan '73**; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins, who loved her and will miss her unshakeable devotion to tradition and continuity in a changing world.

## Class of 1946

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### SUMMER

Here's a further glimpse into the life of the Class of 1946, as the Junior Class in 1945, courtesy of **Ken Hanson's** Ka Punahou issues:

On April 24, 1945, the semifinal participants of the Damon Speech Contest were announced. Representing the Junior Class were: **Barbara Butler Tate**, **Kenneth Douglas**, **Pat Peacock Blackburn**, **Robert King**, **Heli Jungnickel Gray**, **Kurt Johnson**, **Alison Kay**, **Don Gaut**, **Betty Ann Rabe Boyd**, **Ed Schoen** and **Willson Moore** ... Here's how Ka Punahou announced the upcoming May Day celebration: “Wear slacks, aloha shirts and lei, and come barefooted next Tuesday for May Day is the day everyone turns



kanaka and comes in true Hawaiian style!" ... **Deenie Fuller** Allen, chairman of the May Day dance committee, warned: "Hurry and ask your dates, 'cause the wahine have to start borrowing or making their holoku. The bids are also on sale to outsiders, so the Punahou guys better get them before they are all gone." ... The Ka Punahou editorial admonishes all readers that the recent fall of Berlin was not V-E (Victory in Europe) and asks: "Have you sold your two (war) bonds?" ... Newsworthy also was the fact that Punahou "O" for athletic achievement were awarded to **Ricky Larsen** and **Raymond Akana** in swimming, and to **Robert King**, **Kua Cummins**, **Wilfred Kam** and **Thomas Fujimoto** in junior basketball ... Oh yes, Punahou's baseball team was trounced by both McKinley and Farrington, but **Philip Chun**, **Koon Yoy Ching** and **Allen Kam** starred in both losing causes.

On to Reunion news: **Willson "Willie" Moore** reminds us that our 75th Reunion, in June 2021, is a year away. Unbelievable! Where have all those years gone? Willie has been in contact with a number of classmates: **Tom Carpenter**, **Peter Nottage**, **Homer Maxey**, **Ed Schoen**, **Julia Sia Ing** and **Honey Markham** Wedeman in Honolulu; **Dougal Crowe** and **Bob Martin** on Maui; **Richard Henderson** in Hilo; **Duncan Carter**, **Ken Hanson** and **Jim Rodrigues** in California; **Steele Stewart** in Florida and **Betsy Church** King in New Mexico. Many more '46ers are surely out there, so please email, write or phone Willie with your contact updates, so you will be in the Class Reunion loop. We hope despite health issues that our Class will be well represented at the 2021 Reunion celebrations.

Malama pono.

#### FALL

We all hope that our 75th Class Reunion, will return to the familiar June campus celebrations of the past. This June, there were none at Punahou. We missed the huge crowded lu'au tent with fanfare for the entrance of the 50th Reunion Class of 1970 and all the hoopla. Instead, a very different June 6, 2020, as that usual highlight of a Reunion weekend was victim of another coronavirus cancellation. Hence, the address by President **Mike Latham '86** was online, as was the wonderful Hawaiian music. Here at Kahala Nui, Punahou delivered delicious lu'au meals to 32 residents who were either alumni or otherwise connected to the School as former teachers or staff. With the food came a lovely yellow plumeria lei. All very appreciated remembrances, but just not the same. We all missed our on-campus Reunion activities and hope all is back to normal in 2021!

As to our upcoming 75th – although our 1946 ranks have been dwindling at a too rapid rate, I know there is still a strong group of classmates out there. I would ask all who have a computer to go online and update your contact information at [punahou.edu/alumni](http://punahou.edu/alumni). This fall, I will send a questionnaire to find out who is

interested and able to attend our Reunion in June 2021, and how many guests might come with you. Meanwhile, please stay safe and well.

More from the nostalgia bag: **Ken Hanson's** copy of the April 24, 1945 Ka Punahou, when we '46ers were juniors, provides more memories. The front page features a picture of sophomore **Adelaide "Addie" Gibb** Jensen with her parents, who were just released from Santo Tomas Prison in Manila, where they were confined by Japanese forces following the fall of the Philippines. More sobering reminders that there indeed was a war going on in 1945. These Ka Punahou issues always included a column with names of Punahou graduates serving in the various Armed Forces, their station with mention of their exploits, decorations and promotions. Also on this Ka Punahou front page was lighter news that KGMB will feature a Honolulu high school's selection of their favorite bands each week and that Punahou is up next. These were the selection instructions to students: "Do you get swoony over Glenn Miller? Are you strictly a Harry James fan? Does Tommy Dorsey send you? Well, write your top name band on a slip of paper, sign it, and drop it in the box in the lower hall. No stuffing the box please! P.S. Ray Anthony cannot be included, as his band isn't recorded."

Finally on the athletic front, April 1945 "O" letters were awarded to these Juniors: Baseball to **Allen Kam**, **Philip Chun** and **Bob Cameron**; Swimming to **Ricky Larsen** and **Raymond Akana**; and for Basketball – **Robert "Bob" King**, **Robson "Kua" Cummins**, **Wilfred Kam**, **Thomas Fujimoto**, **Bill Goff** and **Fred Rohlifing**.

More 1945 Ka Punahou nostalgia on us '46ers as Juniors next time!

### Class of 1947

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#### SUMMER

**John Warne** and his wife, Bonnie, have moved into a new house in Billings, Montana. His cousin, **Anne Warne '56** Arthur, in her Christmas card, shared that John is still healthy and agile. I am happy with this news.

**Beadie Kanahale** Dawson has been named by the Historic Hawai'i Foundation as the 2019 Kama'aina of the Year. She was "honored for her leadership and contributions as an advocate for historic preservation, Native Hawaiian rights, social equity and Hawaiian values." Congratulations to our lovely May Day queen.

**Joan Pratt** is among those quarantined at Arcadia, because of COVID-19. Joan has supported the University of Hawai'i volleyball program since its beginning. The University of Hawai'i men's volleyball team is ranked second in the nation. A scheduled game that would have made them national champs was put on hold because of the pandemic.

**Addie Gibb** Jensen lives in a senior facility in Reno, Nevada, where her son lives and is able to visit. Addie's daughter, Ray Ellen, who shared this news with me, lives in Boise, Idaho, and talks with her mother weekly.

Please send me your news and thoughts. Enjoy your happy memories.

Aloha, Mandy

#### FALL

I find that being 90 makes it easier to stay indoors. Telephone communication has replaced gathering at the beach. Fortunately, we have wonderful memories of days gone by.

**Dutchie Schuman's** son, Richard, was profiled in the newspaper in July. Richard has been in the aviation business for 24 years owning Magnum Helicopters and an officer of Mokulele Airlines. We recall Dutchie in charge of Schuman Carriage, which sold cars.

**Bill Monahan** passed away on May 30, 2020. He was our student body president, an accomplished waterman, athlete and our friend. Aloha to his wife, Pam, and family. A few lines from his poem, "Homeward Bound:"

How can a fleet I build with this wood rough?  
I've never seen such motley stuff.

Shipwright Curtis called his crew and cried,  
We've done it before, we've always tried.

Shape some form of beauty and of grace,  
Into all endeavors the fleet shall face.

All must set sail by '47.

We would love to hear from more of you, please.

Aloha! Mandy

### Class of 1948

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#### SUMMER

These notes were written at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Let us hope that by the time this issue is delivered, things are back to normal and this health event is a thing of the past. Wondering what people were doing during this time of "social distancing?" Classmates near and far were asked, "How are you coping with being restricted to your home?" Here are their replies: **Ike Shapiro** in New York City: "If it weren't for TV, we'd have nothing to do." **Sam Van Culin** in Washington, D. C.: "I'm enjoying the peace and quiet in my garden, reading and keeping in touch with friends on Zoom." **Tita Thacker** Johnson: "Cleaning my closets that I haven't cleaned in 10 years." **Linda Faye** Collins: "Spring cleaning my home and art studio. Recovering from my successful lung surgery for cancer. Doing very well." **Flora Timberlake** Thompson: "Abiding by the rules to stay indoors." **Donnie Wilson**: "Staying home, keeping well and marveling at the closing of stores, gas stations, etc."

**Frankie McDonald Anderson:** "Time to reflect on what's valuable in this life, to catch up with friends and family and to express appreciation for a wonderful life. Time to look for old recipes and cooking from scratch." **Lois Carpenter Nottage:** "Same old, same old. Looking after my garden and loving husband." **Joan Baldwin Spalding:** "Sewing palaka dresses and walking every day." **Muriel Otani Kashiwa:** "I'm writing my late husband's, Genro Kashiwa, experiences as a platoon leader during World War II in France and Italy. The book has captured the interest of a movie company." (Fantastic, Muriel!) **Doris Berg Nye** loves tending to her garden but it's managing her real estate holdings that she started acquiring in the late 50s that keeps her on her toes. **Tita Marks Stack:** "Overseeing the ranch, but keeping as close to home as possible."

I'm sad to share that **Betsy Sumner Erdman** passed away. She is remembered as a Class leader, swimmer, actress and songleader. She was a lovely, effervescent beauty. That is how she will be remembered. Our condolences to her family.

How do you say goodbye to a person who was full of life and carried with them joy, laughter and the gift of song? **Joy Valderrama Abbott** died on Feb. 8, 2020, in Miami Beach, Florida. The impact she made on her classmates who respected and cherished her is expressed in the following notes: **Sam Van Culin:** "Joy was her name, and joy is what she shared. She was a special and wonderful gift." **Theone Vredenburg:** "Joy was well-named. She always presented such a bright, happy face for all of us. She was just such a wonderful person. God bless her." **Vonnie Pratt Turner:** "We will miss her effervescent joy." **Frankie McDonald Anderson:** "Such a memorable lady – Joy was the personification of a life well-lived! She will be missed by all." **Harriet Sato**

**Masunaga:** "So sorry. We will miss her dearly." **Muriel Otani Kashiwa:** "She was one-of-a-kind. Absolutely no one like her. She was like her name ... she did bring joy to our lives." **Ted Vierra:** "I was overwhelmed with sorrow, and then slowly gratitude took over for that life of hers she shared so graciously with us." **Fred Gartley '49:** "All of us will surely miss her, as there is no one who could ever replace her." Fred said it all. There could never be another Joy. Farewell, dear friend. You were a blessing to us all. You will be greatly missed.

Another note of sadness is the passing of Richard "Dick" Foster, the husband of **Peg Deschwanden Foster**. Dick died on March 30, 2020. He was the "Mr. Do-it-all" at Arcadia. He leaves a vacancy that can never be filled, not even by 10 talented people. Our condolences to Peg.

Keep it up you '48ers. The last stretch can still be the best we've ever had. We are resilient, and we shall prevail. After all, what is our motto? '48 - 4 - EVAH!

#### FALL

COVID-19 has changed our lives forever. What happens tomorrow is anyone's guess. Fortunately for us seniors, through the years we have learned to adapt, adjust and accept. Speaking of accept, just recently during conversations with classmates, these questions were asked, "How did you happen to choose Punahou?" and "What were the reasons for your coming to Punahou?" Here are a few responses:

**Margaret "Peg" Deschwanden Foster:** "Being a teacher, my mother heard about a Wilcox scholarship being offered to attend Oahu College. I took the qualifying exam and was invited for an interview. I was met by a stern looking elderly lady, Ms. Wilcox. After a short speaking session, Ms. Wilcox looked up and



*Joy Valderrama '48 Abbott, who passed away on Feb. 8, 2020, in Miami Beach, Florida, shared her gift of song, joy and laughter with everyone. Aloha, Joy.*

said, 'I guess you'll do.' Then added, looking at my mother, 'And where will she be staying?' My mother replied that they hadn't had any time to think of a place. Ms. Wilcox said, 'Then she'll have to stay at Castle Hall, and I will pay for her board and tuition.'

**Gordon Lavering:** "When I was attending grade school at Stevenson, I heard my brother, **Leroy Lavering '43** speak about Punahou School. From all that he said, I thought to myself that was where I should go to get a good future. I applied and was accepted.

**Stafford "Staff" Silverman:** "As a recent graduate from University of California, Berkeley, my dad was recruited to come to Hawai'i to teach at Punahou. Not knowing anything about Hawai'i, the recruiter asked him to contact his cousin who was a librarian at Punahou. To make a long story short, my dad married that lovely librarian within a year, and I have practically lived on the hallowed grounds of Punahou since birth." Stafford claims he has spent more years at Punahou than anyone he knows. How many of you recall Mr. Silverman's English class, and learning how to diagram?

**John Hinrichs:** "World War II ended in September 1945, and my dad, a career Army officer, had been in the Pacific for two years. He had left my mother, brother and me in Washington, D.C., and wanted us to join him in Hawai'i. He negotiated an extension. My mother in the meantime had researched private schools in Hawai'i and selected Punahou. My brother and I applied and were admitted."

**Joan Baldwin Spalding:** "My dad, **Herbert Baldwin (1916)**, was instrumental in getting my sister, **Anabel Baldwin '50**, and me to attend Punahou. I entered in 1941. When the war broke



*Celebrating the Year of the Rat with good food and great company were these '48 classmates. Front row, from left: Dudley Fullard-Leo, Peter Nottage '46, Lois Carpenter Nottage, Vonnie Pratt Turner, Theone Vredenburg, Pat Brown Faus and Tita Marks Stack. Back row: Elva Uyeno Yoshihara, Dick Carpenter, John Hinrichs, Peg Deschwanden Foster, Joan Baldwin Spalding and Philip Ching.*



out, I left for Oregon, but I returned to complete my high school education at Punahou."

**Tita Marks Stack, Tom Warne, Tom Kay, Leonard Stanley, Ted Chinn, Garner Anthony, Randolph Galt, Donald Wyeth and Elva Uyeno** Yoshihara all came by way of Hanahau'oli School. At that time, everyone who graduated from Hanahau'oli went directly to Punahou.

We are sad to bid aloha to six classmates.

**William "Ray" Hadley Jr.** delighted us all by attending our 60th Class Reunion. We are glad to have had that time with him.

**Donald Smith** attended Punahou until 1941, but always felt he was a part of the Class of '48.

**Frank Butterfield** was a true gentleman's gentleman. His wife, **Barbara Lindquist '49** Butterfield, said that Punahou meant a great deal to him.

**Beverley "Bev" Tribble** Markoskie was one of the staunchest supporters of our Class. She will be missed!

**John "Skip" Hance** formed a plan for himself with his grandchildren that he would leave this world in the year 2020, at the age of 90 – and he did.

**Garner Anthony** – We are saddened that Garner never made it back for our Reunions.

Not a member of our Class, but husband of **Elva Uyeno Yoshihara, Takeshi Yoshihara**, passed away on June 25, 2020. He enjoyed meeting the members of the Class of '48 and always acknowledged the excellence of Punahou.

**Gordon Kay** has moved to "The Woodlands," a retirement community in Fairfax, Virginia. If you wish to contact him, please let me know.

We live in troubled and turbulent times. As those who sail would say, "Keep a taut line. Stay the course!" – and be not afraid.

## Class of 1949

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### SUMMER

The phrases "sheltering-in-place," "stay-at-home" and "flattening the curve" are all part of our daily language in these unique times. All five of my grandsons are working from home on their computers. My daughter, a clinical psychologist, is seeing patients via Skype. My medical daughter is talking on the phone to patients, or going out to their cars in the parking lot after the nurse has checked them. I am standing six feet away from everyone when waiting in long lines at Costco, and I'm hoping our closed library will be dropping books off at some point. This is the real norm.

Many of our classmates living in group facilities have their meals delivered to them, since all group activities have ceased. **Ellen Schattenberg** Townsley lives at The Forum in Cupertino, California, where residents gather on their patios at 5 p.m. to wave to each other. **Mervlyn Conner** Henderson mentioned that she has gone back to cooking for herself to vary the fare.

My sister, **Barbara Blom '52** Ward, traveled with me in February. We were met in Honolulu by three of her classmates, **Alice Flanders '52** Guild, **Corinne Kong '52** and **Peggy Moir '52** Vollman, at the Outrigger Canoe Club. Alice gave Barbara a copy of her beautifully illustrated children's book, "Kolea and the Chief's Cloak." Corinne brought us orchid lei. We appreciated the chance to catch up with them and share our Punahou memories. The travel plans for Greenland in August, with my sister, are on hold.

News about **Eileen "Ale" McLachlan** Hogue's granddaughter, **Rebecca "Becky" Hogue '03**, should have us all cheering. Rebecca was awarded a Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship for 2019-2020, which is a competitive fellowship awarded to only 60 graduate students in the nation. Becky will graduate from University of California, Davis this year with a Ph.D. in English and a designated emphasis in Native American Studies. She has just been contacted by Harvard University to be on contract as a lecturer for three years. They wrote that they "were very impressed with her research."

Thank you for your news. We are all in this together.

Aloha, Beverly Blom

### FALL

In July, **Izzy Lamb** Ryan wrote that businesses were slowly opening up in Honolulu. She

joined **Cara Marshall** Chapman and her husband, Red, at a restaurant on Maunakea Street, Duc's Bistro. They enjoyed really good food and the owners were so happy to have them visit. "Waikiki is wonderful right now as there are no tourists crowding our beautiful beaches. It is just like the old days when we were young. Traffic is great and easy to get a parking space." She mentioned that she sees the Chapmans frequently, as they live in a condo next door. Izzy reported that she had talked recently with **Kathleen O'Brien** Muirhead and that she and **Bob** were doing fine and enjoying meals delivered daily in their retirement site at Hawai'i Kai.

**Ann Walsh** Gerling wrote that not much was going on at the Manor she lives at due to the lockdown since March 2, 2020. "Whoever thought our hairdresser would be our greatest desire?" She was looking forward to a haircut the following week.

**Janet Grout** Chilberg wrote that her husband, George, had passed on June 1, 2020. They had moved to North Carolina several years ago to be near their son, Peter. Janet has identical twin granddaughters that graduated in June from different high schools. One twin was on an accelerated program completing all four high school years at a junior college and is entering the University of North Carolina as a junior. The other twin graduated with honors from a regular high school in Wilmington, and received a scholarship from Penn State. Janet's daughter-in-law arranged for her to watch both graduations on her iPad, but everyone wore masks, so she was unable to recognize either of the girls!

**Barbara Lindquist** Butterfield wrote that her husband, **Frank Butterfield '48**, died in early June. Barbara met "Bud" at a Punahou Reunion after-party held at **Carol Muirhead** Makinney's home in Lanikai in 1950. They dated and married in 1952, traveled a lot and lived in many places until they moved to Jackson, Wyoming, when Bud retired in 1989. He leaves behind Barbara; their four children Kyle, Allison, Geoffrey, Leslie and their spouses; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. "In his heart, Hawai'i was always home."

The last of my five grandsons graduated from high school in June, with hopes to attend the International Institute of Image and Sound (3IS) in Bordeaux, France, should the borders open to Americans this fall. His graduation was a car-winding event in the school parking lot for over 400 students. His appointment for joining the car line started at 5:30 p.m. We had two cars totally decorated with balloons, flags and banners. We weaved around waving to other students in their decorated cars and to all the teachers lined up in their parked cars on one side. Diplomas were handed out by the masked principal standing alone. Then each student jumped up on a ramp to have their picture taken. Two hours after starting, we waved goodbye to all school staff and



*Hau'oli la hanau to Kenneth Doolittle '48, who celebrated his 90th birthday with his family.*



John "Jack" Campbell Jr. '51 passed away at home in Honolulu, on March 28, 2020. Jack and his wife, Karin Campbell, pictured here doing what they loved best – traveling together.

counselors standing six feet apart on the side banks. The next night, we met at my daughter's home to watch slides of all graduates arranged alphabetically on YouTube. There were no speeches or folding chairs.

Each quarter, I ask our classmates to share with us what they are doing. I really appreciate those that help out.

Best of health to all.

Aloha, Beverly Blom

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### SUMMER/FALL

This coronavirus pandemic has brought the entire world into chaos. The economy and unemployment problems, among other things, have been astronomical and will be difficult to overcome. Surprisingly, a few good things have come out of this unimaginable situation, like more family time, home-cooked meals and eliminating a few chores from the "to-do" list.

Please take care of yourself and your loved ones. Hopefully, things will return to normal sooner rather than later. As was mentioned to me recently by a dear friend, an appropriate phrase at the present time is, "this too shall pass."

Aloha, Jean

## Class of 1951

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### SUMMER

We have been following the "stay-at-home" order since St. Patrick's Day, and most likely, well into summer because of the coronavirus.

I'm sorry to share that we lost two more classmates. **Donald A. Rogers**, who was with our Class for kindergarten in Castle Hall from 1944 to 1946, passed away on Jan. 14, 2020. Aloha, Donald.

**John "Jack" Campbell Jr.**, also known as "Kid," passed away on March 28, 2020. I'm sure we all remember Kid and his big smile. Kid's family offers this: John "Jack" Campbell Jr. '51, a second-generation Punahou alumnus, will be missed by Karin, his wife of 52 years, his son, **Mark Campbell '87**, and grandsons, Kaikona, Kekoa and Tamalii. After graduation, Jack attended the University of Hawai'i, then earned his law degree at the University of California, Berkeley. Jack and Karin married in 1968 and have lived in Honolulu ever since. He started his law career at Castle and Cooke, Ltd., then became a Hawai'i state prosecutor. He then made the switch to the Attorney General's office for the State and earned a position as the Deputy Attorney General in charge of extradition and social services, where he worked until he retired at age 65. He was then appointed to be a circuit court judge until mandatory retirement at the age of 70. Jack and Karin traveled the world and loved taking cruises with friends. Jack was a great husband, father and friend to so many people around the world. He touched many lives and will be sorely missed by all that knew him. Our aloha to Kid's family.

Take care, be healthy and see you soon.  
Mary E.

### FALL

Hi, Class:

Not much new with the coronavirus pandemic. Punahou canceled this year's Reunion and moved it to next year. It looks like the 0s and 5s will join the 1s and 6s in June 2021, if all goes well.

Got a nice note from **Bob Gordon**, who resides in Lakewood, Colorado. He would like his classmates to know how much he appreciated Punahou and that, "No, I did not have Mr. Greenwell for a teacher. My homeroom teacher was Miss Gaong and my math teacher was Miss Anis." His family traveled a lot, so Bob went to many schools in different cities: Hong Kong, Wallingford, San Francisco, Tucson and Guadalajara. "King George V School in Hong Kong is good. Choate School is better. Punahou is the best! It instilled in me many things – being alive and living in an amazing world; giving knowledge – like knowing man would travel to the moon and it did. I knew someday a president of the United States would come from Punahou, and it happened. I am so proud of having been a part of Punahou School." Thanks, Bob. See you in June.

Well, we lost a few of our dear classmates. **Bill Goodheart's** wife, Marianna, wrote to let us know that he passed away. Bill was an avid surfer and referred to himself as an "old surfer." After Punahou, Bill went to Stanford University, then spent two years at the University of Munich and returned to Stanford to earn his M.D. It was during his time at the University of Chicago that he met his wife, Marianna Giacalone. He spent the rest of his career in the Bay Area running a private psychiatric practice. In 2017, he retired and moved to Pleasant Hill to be near their eldest son. He leaves his wife; sons, Ross and Matthew, and their wives; and grandsons, Connor and Spencer.

**Dr. Donald B. Roberts**, "Peewee" to us, passed on May 15, 2020. Born in Monrovia, California, he grew up in Hawai'i, where he watched the bombing of Pearl Harbor from his rooftop. After Punahou, he graduated from California Institute of Technology in 1955, served in the Air Force and studied physics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology before entering Harvard Medical School and graduating as a pediatrician in 1963. He married Muriel Rice and had three children, Cameron, Carson and Karen. He opened Pocatello Children's Clinic along with two other doctors. In 1975, he returned to Seattle for a Fellowship in Pediatric Cardiology, and from there, joined the Army and practiced at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu. After his service he joined a group practice in Kihei, Maui. He returned to Pocatello in 1995, and was a pediatrician there until he retired. He loved the children for whom he cared for over so many years. He lost his daughter and her children in a house fire in 2004, and also his son, Cameron, in 2019. Their ashes will be





*Bill Goodheart '51 passed away just past midnight on the morning of Dec. 25, 2019, surrounded by family. A hui hou, Bill.*

joined with family at the Rice Family cabin on Baker's Island, Massachusetts.

On June 16, 2020, **Margaret Ednie Fraser** passed in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Margaret was from Hawai'i Island, so spent her school days at the Castle Hall dormitory. After Punahou, she attended the University of Oregon, then returned home to teach. She was a physical education teacher at Punahou for a couple of years and also worked for a few years in Punahou's admissions office. Margaret and her son, **Alan Fraser '78**, joined us at our 65th Class Reunion in 2016, and she really enjoyed being able to see her classmates. She was preceded in death by her husband, **George Fraser '48**, and is survived by her children, **Heather Fraser '76** Bjelland, Alan Fraser '78 and **Mark Fraser '81**.

Keep safe, wear the mask, wash hands and stay home. Need to see you all next year for our 70th Reunion.

Mahalo,  
Mary E.

## Class of 1952

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### SUMMER

Welcome to new Class co-correspondent, **Corinne Kong!**

First, mahalo to our dear **Hugh Wang**: Each and everyone in the Class of '52 is indebted to you and shouts out a huge mahalo for being our Class correspondent for 20 years. You have faithfully kept us in touch with each other, sharing your advice and good humor. Enjoy this next phase of your well-deserved retirement!

Memory Lane from **Soot Bredoff**: "**Bob Shane (Schoen)** was one of the regular good guys in our Class, and he marched to the strum of his own guitar. I remember helping him with his Star-Bulletin paper route when he lived on McKinley Street, and that in the summer, Bob, **Sandy Kam** and I would catch the bus to Fort DeRussy to swim and jump off the tower. Bob was on the track team and ran distance races. Our Oahuan notes that he was also in the Glee Club, Operetta, spring play, Variety Show and Aquacade. Then, of course, off to greatness with classmate, **Dave Guard** and Nick Reynolds as The Kingston Trio. We won't forget you, Bob, or the Trio's music – 'Tom Dooley,' 'Scotch and Soda,' 'MTA' and all of it. Sad to see that **Barbara Rhodes Maness** passed on too. Who could forget that wonderful smile, her laugh and her Southern accent."

Quarantine with **Pat Fox**: "My neighbor recently complained she was running out of things to do. I am so lucky to have put off my chores for 30 years and now have time to consider them. On impulse, I busied myself by moving ALL my furniture from living room to lanai. I now have a wildly disorganized living situation, with an outdoor lanai buried under a lifetime's detritus – nothing put away or finalized. Plus it's raining. I've run out of steam. Luckily, LOCKDOWN. I now have a month or more to give uninterrupted attention to this project of thinning things out. My daughter, Hanna, returns home from work to dress extravagantly for her cocktail FaceTime with cousins to entertain each other – think feather boas, dripping jewelry, gowns and hats. My son, Sam, and his wife, Lara, exchange recipes with me and sunset shots from bare O'ahu beaches. I drove out the other day to the empty streets in Los Gatos. It reminded me of life in the last century

when there were fewer of us and time seemed ample to notice things around us. Mind your ps and qs, and we'll see each other on the other side of this. I'm sorry for the stress, the crushing of businesses and the disappearance of jobs, the closing of schools, cancellation of plans, and family agonies all over the world. This too shall pass. Stay in touch! Aloha."

From **Alice Flanders Guild**: "Hello, fellow sequesterians. Hopefully, by the time this Bulletin comes out, we will have restarted our lives. On March 13, I moved from my retirement community to our old house on Ke'eumoku Street. My daughter, **Di Guild '78**, who lives in the family home next door is my keeper, sharing enough furnishings to make me comfortable. Fortunately, she has a predisposition for long-range planning and just enough of my hoarding instincts to have stocked three freezers, two refrigerators and closets and cabinets with food and supplies – including astronaut rations. We are amazed at how quickly and painlessly things can be ordered over the internet. I'm going through boxes of photos and papers left behind when I moved. It's fun rediscovering my ancients in their silver frames – Great Aunt Abby in feather boa and ostrich plumes, turn-of-the-century siblings in pantaloons with giant hair bows, and my parents in their 1930s "whites," posing on the prows of schooners or leaning against coconut trees. They are good company in my solitude. Their presence brings back long forgotten stories and happy memories. I shall not leave them behind when I return to Kahala Nui. Aloha."

Our '52 family sends aloha to the family of **Kathy Cadinha Strong** who left us for bluer skies in February of this year. Also, aloha to **Peggy Moir Vollmann** on the passing of her son.

**Maureen McDiarmid Whipple**, who has been living in Melbourne, Florida, was hoping to make a trip home with several generations of her family, but with the present travel restrictions, her plans are on hold.

**Joan Maggioros Triantafyllides** checked in. She still spends Christmas holidays with her son and his family in Charlotte, North Carolina. She shared news of her grandson's wedding on the Greek Island of Sifnos. The bride, a Texan, had no shortage of fellow Texans there to help celebrate. The event lasted three days and spread to various islands before quieting down. (Those crazy rich Asians have nothing on the Greeks!)

Stay safe, stay well and stay in touch!

### FALL

Aloha, Class:

This is a very difficult and sad column to have to write. We have lost four of our '52 family. I also have joyful news to share. I will give it try and see where it takes us.

**Homer Eaton** peacefully passed away on May 18, 2020. He had been hospitalized since April, which left his family unable to see him in person. Thankfully he was able to FaceTime

for happy visits. A lasting remembrance of his daughter's was how Homer's face lit up at the thought of coming back to Hawai'i for a visit. He is survived by his wife and two daughters.

**Faye Erwin** Field passed away on May 29, 2020, of cancer. She and **Lois Thom** Mui were lifelong friends from first grade at University of Hawai'i Lab School. Lois extols what a generous friend Faye was – full of good humor, wit, wisdom, and one who really lived her life with aloha. **Pat Fox** remembers her as a kind person who was interested in everything. She was devoted to the 'aina, and supported nature and land conservation. She loved the ocean and her daily swim. Faye was one of the many artists in our '52 family. She attended Stanford University and then art school in Los Angeles. She was a painter, sculptor and book illustrator. She is survived by her sister, **Valerie Erwin '57** Hetherington, four children and four grandchildren,

**Virginia Crippen** Claire passed away, but details are unknown. I lost contact with her many years ago, and although I reached out to several of her pals, they, too, had lost contact. Her last address was in Arvada, Colorado. I do remember she had a beautiful flashy smile, was ever-friendly and vivacious ... not a bad way to be remembered.

**Rita Paris** Cowell passed away at home on July 14, 2020, following hospitalization for pneumonia. Rita and her husband, **Skip Cowell '50**, own and operate Kowali Farm in Captain Cook on Hawai'i Island. Rita was an incredibly inspiring lady. She was an active coffee farmer, artist, community leader in countless causes,

beloved friend and center of her family. Rita is survived by her husband, three children, grandchildren and many, many cousins, of which our **Charley Cooke** is also one.

Sincere condolences to the friends and families of Homer, Faye, Virginia and Rita. We send our love, aloha and are grateful that they were part of our lives.

Good news! Pat Fox has a new title – "Tutu!" Her son, Sam, and his beautiful wife, Lara, have presented Pat with a grandson, Brixton Ikaika Levitz. Pat is anxiously awaiting the end of travel restrictions, so she can begin the cuddling and spoiling process!

Pre-COVID-19, **Alice Flanders** Guild was in collaboration with historian and author, Rianna Williams, performing a reading of Williams' one-act play, "An Hour with Queen Lili'uokalani." The play is a fascinating look into the thoughts of Hawai'i's last monarch. The first performance was before a standing room audience at Kahala Nui in January 2020. Future performances for private groups and organizations have been put on hold.

In 2019, a handful of classmates began gathering infrequently for lunch. How great it was to see each other, catch up, talk story and relive some pretty extraordinary and crazy "junkets!" Word spread and more joined the chorus. From that evolved "'52 CORNER," an email chain. If you are not receiving it, please send me your email address.

In closing: Due to the pandemic alert, the King of Spain was inextricably detained and



*These friends from '52 lunched together at the Honolulu Museum of Art at Spalding House in July 2019 with Rita Paris Cowell, who passed away on July 14, 2020, at home on Hawai'i Island. Front row, from left: Molly Freeman Cherry and the late Rita Paris Cowell. Back row: Ann Kirsch Latham, Pat Fox and Corinne Kong.*

quarantined on his royal jet ... hence, the reign in Spain stayed mainly on the plane. (Hey, have I ever claimed to be a comedian?)

Until next time, keep smiling, and stay in touch with those important to you.

## Class of 1953

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### SUMMER

These notes are being penned at the height of the coronavirus pandemic. Right now, in April, most of us are homebound. The beaches at Waikiki are empty, as are the hotels, and most airplane flights.

I sent a Yahoo group note asking if this experience reminded anyone of time after the Pearl Harbor attack. **Ted Harders** said, "Similar, but without the air raid wardens." After the Army Corps of Engineers occupied the campus, Ted remembers schooling at someone's home before classes were moved to the University of Hawai'i. I recall that there were curfews, restricted travel, no school until February, and no toilet paper. For our 60th Class Reunion, I collected many World War II stories and recall **Mary Ann Burgess** McCrea sharing a copy of her dad's medical doctor pass that allowed him to be out at night. My dad could be out at night as his essential job was to censor the mail.

**Ian Birnie** emailed that Herr Siegfried Ramler passed away on Jan. 19, 2020, at the age of 95.



*Sisters Beverly Blom '49 and Barbara Blom '52 Ward traveled to Honolulu in February and enjoyed lunch with Barbara's classmates at the Outrigger Canoe Club. From left: Barbara, Peggy Moir '52 Vollmann, Beverly, Corinne Kong '52 and Alice Flanders '52 Guild with her son, Walter Guild '75.*



From Ian: "I have fond memories of visiting his home in Maunawili and listening to him easily switch languages to accommodate his guests, speaking Japanese, Chinese, English, German and French." From **Harry Bowman**: "He was an amazing individual and a translator at the Nuremberg tribunals post World War II."

Last November, I got to see **Bernadette Farden Kidder** on Maui. We were both attending the Hawaiian Civic Club conference. It's always fun to hug a classmate, which I miss in this time of social distancing.

In February, David Bowden, husband of **Connie Warne** Bowden, called with the sad report of her death from ovarian cancer. They lived most of their 66-year marriage in the Northwest. After graduation, Connie attended college in Fort Collins, Colorado. On the first day of school, she met her husband-to-be, David. A celebration of her life is to take place on the family's tree farm. From **Helie Robertson**: "So sorry to hear about Connie. We were good buddies from second grade, when we both lived in Nu'uuanu, and would play at each other's houses." **Fran Lum '54**: "I dated Connie when we were juniors. She was a wonderful gal."

When I asked **Chuck Andrews** how he was doing. He said, "I miss my angel more than I can express. I spend half the year in York, Maine and the winters in Nokomis, Florida. Life goes on, and life is good."

Sadly from **Ena Marie Sroat**: "I received word that our friend and classmate, **Dave Mowat**, died on April 7, in Ashland, Oregon. In one of his last emails to me, he requested that I tell everyone that he died peacefully at home according to his wishes. His words exactly. Dave had been fighting cancer for the past year. He taught science at Punahou for 33 years, then retired in Ashland, where he was active in several volunteer groups over the years. He will be missed by all of us '53ers, as well as his many friends in Ashland." Aloha nui, Dave.

During this pandemic, **John Pasch** reported reading the book, "Freckles," a memoir of growing up on Kaua'i that he recommends. **Margaret Bell Merrion** gives a five-star review to "Daughter of Moloka'i."

And for a bit of cheer during these pandemic times, **Mary Hartwell Truesdell** shared a video of her granddaughter, Julie, playing the 'ukulele and singing her original song, "We're All at Home." Some of the catchy lyrics garnered over 250 views on YouTube in a few hours. She was spreading aloha, not corona.

Aloha, Dorinda

#### FALL

This year has brought many changes and celebrations. For our Class, the celebration of 85th birthdays. Remember drive-ins, black and white television and the Ford Victoria?

Dick and **Chitie Gamboa** Edgett celebrated their 85th birthdays with knee replacements. I'm too chicken, so I do steroid shots every three months. Waiting till I'm 90, like **Margaret Bell Merrion's** brother, **Douglas Bell '47**, who now plays golf, again.

Our Class also celebrated wedding anniversaries of 60-plus years: Dick and Chitie Gamboa Edgett, our Class sweethearts **Ted** and **Zelie Rogers Harders**, Theresa and **John Pasch**, Rip and **Maxine Felzer** Ranicke, George and **Lorraine Souza** Silva, Larry and **Dorinda Stagner** Nicholson and those newlyweds of 15 years, Joe Wahnsiedler and **Helie Robertson**.

During this pandemic, I've participated in Zoom conferences on Pearl Harbor history. Here are is a link to YouTube videos curated by the Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum, where **Ian Birnie** is a docent. [bit.ly/2PBpALT](http://bit.ly/2PBpALT)

Sadly, **Lorna Harrison** Hazen's husband, Jack, passed away in December 2019. Jack enjoyed our Class Reunions. He previously worked with **David Espinda** at one of the Espinda gas stations. Lorna shared a poem written by Jack. The last line of his poem, "There always is tomorrow, so move on to live and learn." Condolences to Lorna and her family.

Also, sympathy and condolences to **Mary Ann Burgess** McCrea on the passing of her sister, **Patricia Burgess '55** Blackman.

My travel idols, **Harry Bowman** and wife, Ute, have been on world adventures again. This



Noel Murchie '53 passed peacefully in her sleep on Oct. 22, 2019. She was a pioneer in the women's long-distance running movement in Hawai'i, and was a whimsical freelance writer. She will also be remembered for her free spirit and kindness. Aloha, Noel.



Aloha to David Mowat '53, who taught science at Punahou for 33 years. He passed away peacefully on April 8, 2020, at home in Ashland, Oregon. He will be missed by his classmates, his colleagues and his many friends.



A fond aloha to Connie Warne '53 Bowden, who passed away on Feb. 19, 2020, at home in Woodland, Washington, surrounded by family after a long and courageous battle with cancer. She grew up on the family orchid farm in Honolulu, and her celebration of life will take place on her family's tree farm in Washington. Aloha, Connie.

time the Marquesas Islands, Pukapuka (yes, I did say Johnny Frisbie's island), and my deepest bucket list of all, Pitcairn, where the ghosts of the Mutiny roam everywhere – well, I like to think so. Harry sent a travel log. Fascinating read. Can be shared.

Hey, **Fran Lum**, fun to hear from you, and glad to know you are still playing softball. Way to go!

As we went to press last edition, we got word of the passing of **David Mowat**, longtime Punahou teacher. From **Marta Russell Sullivan**: "This is really sad for me. We communicated often. I even met him in Ashland for lunch a few years back. I think that **Ted Harders** said it well – he was a scholar and a gentleman." From **Mary Hartwell Truesdell**: "Dear '53ers ... we've lost a quiet, gentle and peaceful giant. Aloha, Dave." From **Ena Marie Sroat** sharing some of his obituary: "His friends in Oregon and Hawai'i held a celebration of life on what would have been Dave's 86th birthday. Those in Ashland planted a forsythia bush in his honor. Those in Hawai'i will plant a hala tree on the Punahou campus once the school reopens. This hala was sprouted by students from a tree growing at Punahou. Stories about Dave and his life were shared. In his final weeks, he shared that a kupuna is considered to be a wise, elder and not just an ordinary old man." His condo neighbors took turns placing Dave's ashes close by a bench that holds a plaque with his picture, name and the words, 'our kupuna.' The bench sits in a garden area viewed from their apartments. And lastly, from Helie: "So sad to think that Dave is gone. Always enjoyed his email comments, tossed around between Ena, Ron Mayo and me. We've lost so many this past year. My hope is that somewhere, in another dimension, **John Burmeister** is rounding them all up for a mini reunion. Aloha, Dave. We will surely miss you."

Aloha pumehana, Dorinda



Ute and Harry Bowman '53 in Bounty Bay preparing to visit Pitcairn Island.

## Class of 1954

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### SUMMER

Here we are on day two of the enforced lockdown because of the coronavirus. Nothing to do since we cannot emerge from our homes because our age group is the most vulnerable to this vile virus.

This has been a bad year for our Class, as we have lost four classmates. We bid a fond aloha to **Jeannette Hunt Smiddy**, who passed away on Jan. 14, 2020. She was married to Ed Strombeck, the father of their two daughters, who lost his life in Vietnam. She was later married to Jim Smiddy, and lived in Plano, Texas, where she raised another daughter. Jeannette was part of our Class since the second grade. We send aloha to her family.

**Sherilyn Lihuenuiahanakalani Rankin** Iona passed away on Sept. 5, 2019. A fascinating individual, she raised several generations of children in her home. Her trademark outfit were wonderful colored t-shirts on which she applied large Hawaiian flowers. A devotee of her Hawaiian genealogy, Sheri was proud to tell of her grandmother visiting her friend, Queen Lili'uokalani, and stitching her family name on the famous quilt in the upstairs bedroom in 'Iolani Palace. So many familiar surnames and anecdotes in her family, and she carefully chronicled all of them and their part in early history of Hawai'i. Me ke aloha pumehana, Sheri.

**Richard Wurdeman**, of Mililani, passed away May 24, 2019. He came to Punahou in the fifth grade and left at the end of our junior year. He attended the University of Hawai'i, went on to receive his bachelor's degree in economics at Stanford University, his law degree from the University of San Francisco, and his Master of Laws (LL.M.) from the University of Washington. Richard returned to Hawai'i as the First Deputy Prosecutor for the City and County of Honolulu. He went on to be the corporation counsel for the County of Hawai'i, and an administrative law judge for the U.S. Social Security Administration. A Vietnam veteran, he also worked in the Judge Advocate General's Corps at CINCPAC, then retired as a captain in the U.S. Navy Reserve. He enjoyed reading and gardening. We send our aloha to Richard's family.

**Douglas Kwock Hong Young** passed away on May 16, 2018. He served in the Marine Corps and then graduated from the College of San Mateo. Marrying Betsy, he then served in the Honolulu Fire Department for 32 years. We send our aloha to Betsy and her family.

**Richard "Wat" Watkins** is sad to report that he is retiring after an active 75 years of playing volleyball. The only member of our Class to be on any sports team at this point in the game. Wat says it has become frustrating and simply not fun anymore. Will he sit in a rocking chair



Congratulations and best wishes to Marcy Lichter '53 Friedman and Paul Kaufmann '53, who married on New Year's Day.

and watch daytime TV? Absolutely not! He will play more golf and also take up lawn bowling again. He says that it is the end of an era. I think so. Wat was always going to another tournament somewhere and reporting back long after other guys had hung up their sport shoes!

**Charlie and Debbie Kent Springer**, weary of shoveling snow in the winter and yard work in the summer, have sold their mountain home outside of Boulder and have moved to a retirement home in town. They love their new life there with so many fun folks to "adventure with!" They have retained their great Winnebago (that they once parked overnight on our street!) and plan to continue their life of travel, perhaps to visit all the classmates that they missed at the last Class Reunion!

We have just heard the sad news that our classmate **Ethyle Cooke Williams** passed away April 8, 2020, in Mobile, Alabama. Ethyle joined our Class in the fourth grade, and upon graduating from Punahou, she returned to Mobile to attend Spring Hill College. She married Judd Williams, and the two of them served as missionaries to Haiti for 13 years. We send our aloha to her family.

Take care, classmates.

Aloha, MB

### FALL

On we go, as we move along in this dratted pandemic! As I write this column in the fourth month of the lockdown, there is a striking





Here are the Darrow Girls in their yard at Waikiki, during World War II, when gas masks were the order of the day. Their address was 2895 Kalakaua Avenue, the current location of the Colony Surf. From left: Patsy "Recky" Darrow '49 Cairns, Noel Leilani "Bobo" Darrow '54 Head and Beverly Gail "B.G." Darrow '51 Derr.



The three Fox sisters arrived in September 1944, during World War II under different circumstances, when gas masks were no longer available. From left: the late Jean Lewis Fox '49 Horn, Pat Ann Fox '52 and Mary Bell Fox '54 Blackstone.

absence of interest in doing useful things like cleaning the garage, purging closets, desks and files. Still the Class news keeps generating as our classmates struggle through this uncertain time.

Many of our own children and grandchildren had graduations from high schools and colleges that we could not attend. For those of us who tuned into the internet, it was a wonderful graduation that Punahou staged for the Class of 2020. You most likely can still see it. President **Mike Latham '86**, wearing a palaka mask, officiated at the most wonderful and emotional graduation exercise, a thrill to watch, concluding his first year at Punahou. What a first year for a new administrator. President Latham has deftly handled so many unusual issues in his first year with such ease.

I am so sad to tell you that we lost several of our beloved classmates. **Paul Lawrence Wysard** died in June, at his home in Hawai'i Kai. A longtime member of our Class, he was one of the guys that played every sport and participated in every activity possible. As part of the highly fabled football team that won the Interscholastic championship our senior year, Paul went on to have a 35-year career at Punahou, as teacher, coach, dean, treasurer and vice president. We will not soon forget his impish smile and twinkling brown eyes, as he'd finish up an anecdote or past told tale. We send our aloha to his wife, **Jan Priest '55** Wysard, and their two sons, **Jay '80** and **Lon '81**.

Hailing from Klamath Falls, Oregon, **Sara Stewart** Johnson joined our Class as a junior, and became instantly recognizable as an eager and scintillating newcomer, anxious to participate in all that Punahou offered. She did it all, Oahuan, Aquacade, Carnival, Hui Eleu, and off to Colby College after Commencement. She loved teaching and did so in three different school systems. She taught for 45 years. Sara passed away in May, in Salem, Oregon. Our aloha goes to her three children, Anne, Gus and Kate, on the loss of their dear mother.

A 12-year classmate, **Daniel Shigeo Yanagihara**, died June 14, 2019, in Lancaster, California. Attention to detail was Danny's forte. He was editor of Ka Punahou and assistant editor of our treasured Oahuan, our most "valuable possession." He returned to Hawai'i after graduating from the University of Southern California for several years before relocating in California. A retired dentist in the fabled Antelope Valley, where he practiced for over 30 years, Danny and his wife, Amy, raised two sons and a daughter. Our fond aloha to his family on their loss.

Please continue to voluntarily isolate yourself and be watchful for friends that don't. This is a time that we can know how to live with less confusion – at home working hard on unfinished projects. Keep in touch with your chums, as they miss you!

Aloha, MB

## Class of 1955

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### SUMMER/FALL

A sad note. **Patricia "Trish" Burgess** Blackman passed away at her home in California. She had a long bout with cancer. I always enjoyed being around Trish as her energy was so strong. She was interested in everything. I know all of us will miss her. **Eddie Jensen** said, "She was wonderful in the first grade and hasn't changed." **Dean Ho** and **John Balfour** always used to compete as to who would sit next to her."

I received a call from Gretchen Austin informing me that her husband, **Bill Austin**, had died. She said until the final moment he was incredibly positive. Bill and Gretchen met at Punahou when he was still in the Marines and she was teaching there. They got married shortly thereafter. They moved to California and Bill became a sixth grade teacher along with his wife. Bill always brought positive energy to every event. They attended every Reunion our Class had. They were intent on coming to our next Reunion. I remember playing with Bill in the seventh grade when he lived on Makalei Place. A good guy who had good energy.

I've had what I hope is my last knee surgery. Dean Ho was supposed to give me a ride to the hospital, but he had just returned from China and was in quarantine. **Stuart Ho '53**, his brother, was more than ample substitute.

Ten days later I emerged from rehab into a totally new world. The streets were largely empty. The parks, and the beaches were deserted. My sister and brother-in-law, my closest relatives, as they live next door, left to be in their house in Sunset Beach. **Mary Philippotts McGrath** said, "This is like the war or science fiction." Luckily, we do not have to wear gas masks.

This is what's happening: **Chuck Pearson** is staying with his family in Kahalu'u and recovering well from knee surgery. He said he recently bought a female potbelly pig and named her Peggy. I talked with Eddie Jensen three times, but I cannot remember what we talked about. **Irene Appleyard** is in Pennsylvania writing and illustrating children's stories. **Harvey Meyerson** emailed me recently about a spelling error I made. He and Gladi live in Walnut Creek, California. Eddie Jensen, **Tay Perry** and I have visited him. **Alexandra Ossipoff** mentioned that her husband, John, had reached a milestone. **Mike Baughman** has written eight books and writes syndicated articles. Mike as an athlete was wonderful to watch – the speed of a gazelle and the grace of a ballet dancer. **Rhea Ehlers Maxwell** is enjoying New Mexico. **Cynthia Marks Salley** had a birthday in January and I forgot to call her.

I recently wrote Eddie Jensen and mentioned that I think that the virus is the worst thing that's happened in my lifetime. His reply: "It is maybe the third big thing ... First was the Great Depression. Second was World War II. Third is COVID-19. However, COVID-19 could move up if mishandled. We someday will learn to coexist with the virus and restore some economic functioning. But we can't let rushing to open cause a logarithmic upward growth that will itself destroy the economy. We must manage COVID-19 until "AV Day"- After Vaccine Day. In my opinion, vaccine day is two years out. In the meantime, we must support drug treatment to reduce levels of sickness. Big thing, yes ... but we can do it."

My best to all of you! Plunging through the line of the San Francisco 49ers.

## Class of 1956

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### SUMMER

I am relieved to be back at the laptop sharing the spring news. Only **Guy's** serious illness and death on Jan. 20, 2020, could have caused this hiatus. Fortunately, our family planned his funeral for Feb. 22, 2020, before the COVID-19 quarantine could intervene. It was an especially positive occasion blessed by the presence of many friends and classmates. Daily phone calls from **Mari-jo Flanders Allen** and **Judi Thurston** kept me sane while our family readied for the service. During the funeral, **Barbara Kong Vlachos** read a Bible selection, and **Melvin Kau** gave the perfect eulogy by recounting his years of friendship with Guy at Punahou, Dartmouth

and beyond. He even mentioned how he encouraged Guy to join him at church every Sunday, during their first semester as college roommates – an invitation that led Guy to join the church and to eventually become an Episcopal priest. Maybe most important, Mel was the best man at our wedding in 1960.

On March 28, we lost another classmate when **Susan E. Stanley** died in Cupertino, California. Because she was a woman with many talents and accomplishments, notes about Susan will appear in the next column.

There were positive gatherings of classmates during the holidays. Mike and **Anne Angen Gershon** were in Hawai'i for Hanukkah and Christmas. First, they visited **Paul Nagano** and **Kui Vlachos** on O'ahu. Next, they visited Guy and me on Hawai'i Island. In late February, the Volcano Ladies convened at **Tad Shaw** Sewell's beautiful home and garden near the Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. The wet weather kept Helen Bowles, Pat Kamakana, **Sue Beck '57** May, Tad, Kui and me inside for good food, wine and wonderful conversations. Because I had not been able to make it to the gathering in 2019, this weekend was a treat.

Due to the quarantine, online contacts are now more important than ever. Paul is posting his art online, Kui and I share emails, and Anne and Mike have moved to their vacation home in Copake, New York. Thank goodness for texting and email that keep us in touch daily. Even better are the long phone calls and all the good news that make the quarantine bearable. Possibly the most inconvenienced classmate is our inveterate traveler, **Barbara Bush Doenecke**. But even she told me that she

had made a solo trip to a local marshland for a welcome dose of fresh air and birdsong. I shared with Barb and others that I had recently seen five nene fly over my property. Further proof that nature is resilient!

Iris and **Jim Blaisdell** called me in March to chat about social distancing. Fortunately, they have supplies available nearby in Nevada, and their horse keeps them busy. Horses keep Mari-jo busy, too. She told me that trips to the barn are a daily requirement for horse owners. **Sally Pasch** said that her life near Chicago is made easier because her son lives with her, and they are well-supplied with necessities and conversation. Similarly, in Virginia, **Nat Whiton** manages well because he has always lived with his twin brother, **Elliott Whiton '57**. **Lou Etta Eisele** Bowman lives near her younger daughter in Tennessee, and frequently hears from her older daughter, who is in California. According to **Patti Soule** Anderson, classmates I think of as "The Arcadia Gang" are being kept safe and comfortable by the safety regulations at their retirement home. **Gordon Beaton**, **Penny Foster** Garrity, **Diane Larsgaard** McFaul and **Eva Miyahara** Kama are able to greet one another from a safe distance. Courtesy of an ArcadiaTV advertisement, I get to see Eva looking as beautiful as ever as she touts the advantages of life there.

The most exciting recent news came via letter and phone call from **Anne Warne** Arthur. In January, she traveled from her home in South Dakota, to Arkansas City, Kansas, where Harlow Arthur was born on Jan. 11, 2020. Even winter weather could not stop Anne from meeting her first great-grandchild – a girl!



*Friends from '55, Blake Johnson and Dean Ho, after a long walk together.*





*Roger Cornell '56, who is now retired, enjoys the company of friends and his wonderful Springer Spaniel, Bono.*

Staying in touch with friends is more important than ever, and we all enjoy hearing your latest news. In addition to the contact information above, I can also be reached on my cell: 808-989-0578 and at my P.O. Box 1973, Kamuela, HI 96743.

#### FALL

By the time this reaches you, I hope that the world will be very close to a viable COVID-19 vaccine so that we can safely see one another again. Certainly, the quarantine has made us more aware of how much we value family and friends and has sped up the learning curve. I have finally become a whiz at emails, phone calls and even texts!

A recent phone call from **Aileen Bobo** Doria was, therefore, a special treat. She now lives near her children and grandchildren in Southern California. She enjoys family visits and investigating family history. After all these years, we still enjoy laughing together and sharing our memories of Punahou.

I recently treated myself with a call to Dr. **Roger Cornell**. It was like old times hearing his voice. We spoke for almost an hour about memories and what he has accomplished since graduating from Stanford Medical School, where he specialized in internal medicine and medical dermatology. He did his residency at New York Hospital, and a four-year stint in the U.S. Air Force before returning from Vietnam to practice his specialties at Scripps Clinic in La Jolla. He also taught at the University of California San Diego. Now retired, Roger enjoys time with his friends and his wonderful Springer Spaniel, Bono.

Despite the limits on travel, at the end of June, **Nicky Cleghorn** moved from Honolulu to Medford, Oregon, in order to be closer to his daughters. His faithful group of Monday mahjong players gathered for a last time to bid him farewell. Nicky was the prime mover of the group that is comprised of eight players: Sim and **Melvin Kau**, David and **Bonnie Frazier** Andrew, **Ulu Boyle** Friese, **Eva Miyahara** Kama and **Leilani Mermod** Maunakea. **Barbara "Kui" Kong** Vlachos often hosted the games, and she also filled in if one of the players were absent. Kui told me that Nicky is already planning to start a new mahjong group in Medford once he is settled there.

Another ardent game lover is **Mari-jo Flanders** Allen, who recently introduced me to Sudoku. She also loves working on jigsaw puzzles, and shares those once she has conquered them.

On July 11, **Lowell Chung** sent word that our Class had lost another good friend, **Bill "Honey Boy" Vannatta**. Bill and Lowell both worked for United Airlines for many years. At the time of his death in early July, Bill was retired and living in Hawai'i Kai. There will be a more complete obituary in the next column.

It is very hard to share another friend's obituary. On March 28, 2020, our Class lost **Susan Stanley**, a woman of many talents. She was my friend at Punahou, Mount Holyoke College and beyond. She studied psychology at Cornell University and at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, where she earned her master's degree. At San Jose State University, she earned an MBA while working in the Juvenile Probation Department for Santa Clara County and later

for the Mental Health Division of the Health Department. She and a colleague started Stairways, a residential treatment home for adolescents in Los Gatos. In addition to helping young people, Sue trained her beloved Corgies as therapy dogs. If you wish to send condolences, I have her cousin's address.

Speaking of addresses, I have other addresses, too. I am willing to share once I check with our friends if such sharing is acceptable. In the meantime, please stay safe. Aloha to you all. Keep me in the loop. I love hearing from you.

#### Class of 1957

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#### SUMMER

All things come full circle. The first friend I made myself, and the first friend who fostered me once I finally got to Punahou, **Doug Kilpatrick** and **Roland H. M. Hiu**, respectively, are my most reliable correspondents in these parlous times. Roland shares his thoughts on how to reach 100: "Eat well, take naps every day, have lots of friends, and we'll all make it together! We had dinner with **Juju Pang**, Harold and **Ginny Brodhead** La Pierre. Bus-da-mout with Pake chow."

Small kid time memories at the Natatorium from Roland: "Gotta confess that I never could convince myself to jump off the top deck. I went up there and looked down more than once. (My wife,) Arlene, says she did it. I believe her. **Michael Moynahan** used to make



*Friends forever! Classmates from '57 visiting in Hilo. From left: Jay Adler, Pudding Burke Lassiter and Bob Johnson.*



me laugh, reminding me that, even though my doting Chinese parent protected me from you brutish haole on the football field, 60-70 years later, my body is all bus-up, and most of you guys are not doing too bad."

Doug Kilpatrick keeps us current on O'ahu: "Ronny and I do our quarterly 'bring kaukau and talk' at Diana and **Val 'Baduga' Marciel's** house. Baduga had two classmate lunches recently. The first was with Ginny, Harold, Roland, Arlene and Juju. The second was with me, Ronny and **Jean Nishigaya '58** Yokoyama-McDonald. Ronny brought a beautiful sketch that she had done of the Marciel's daughter's dog, Loki. He's hoping she makes one of his dog, Kaipo. Baduga missed the Kung Hee Fat Choy soiree at Juju's. Juju has to build a ramp for Baduga since he can't climb stairs. Tentatively, the Marciels leave in August to live in Wisconsin with Debbie – if the coronavirus situation improves and the contractor can finish the home addition. This is the reality of 'seniority.' Aging-in-place just ain't gonna happen for many, including generations-old kama'aina like the Marciels. Can that ol' chop-suey Hawaiian survive on the mainland, away from Kin Wah Chop Suey and Elena's Filipino grinds?"

Back before the travel ban, **Kathleen "Pudding" Burke** Lassiter submitted: "Had the nicest visit with **Jay Adler** and family, **Lamela Holt** Battley, and her sister, **Luella Holt '63** Kurkjian. Such fun!" Jay confirms: "My wife and I were visiting our daughter, Mealani, on the Big Isle and got together with classmates and my U.S. Naval Academy roommate, Gus Keolanui. Pudding arranged lunch at Hilo Yacht Club. I thought Pudding had only boarded four horses after the 2018 eruption, but she had boarded 15 horses! Talk about a 'horsatarian!' On O'ahu, while visiting my sister, **Ann Adler '62** Aitken, we saw Jan and **Jon Bryan** at Kahala Nui. Jon and I swapped lies about how I influenced him to apply for a Navy ROTC scholarship at Northwestern."

We lost two '57 wahine. **Tanya Rockstead** Bova was a gorgeous, gracious woman who only spent one year with us. When her family moved to Maui after freshman year, all the '57 boys were decimated. A fashion model, then businesswoman, she was prominent in the visitor industry. **Brenda Barnes** Klarner didn't graduate with us either. She was really brainy and had a great sense of humor.

Then, in a real shocker, **Layton Carr** slipped away on Valentine's Eve. He and his wife, **Marsha Wright '58** Carr, were always close to this scribe – joint 1961 bachelor party and married on successive days, and they were Punahou's Los Angeles area coordinators for me when we began organizing the worldwide alumni in 1970.

Mai poina 'oe!

#### FALL

Poetry. Did we study this in English in the Academy back in the mid-1950s? Then why



*Wahine from the Class of '57 lunched together at Nico's Pier 38 in Honolulu. Enjoying each others company were, from left: Sharon Cook Fairbanks, Lamela Holt Battley, Luella Holt '63 Kurkjian, Betty Neary Alberts, Lani Neunzig Hearn, Linda Cunningham Hutchinson, Laurel Wood Leslie, Sue Beck May, George-Ann St. Sure Derby, Kathleen Cloward Robertson and Baba Townsend Bryan.*

can't ye come up with more haiku in response to the challenge posted by your lowly scrivener? Here are three haiku for you.

Punahou Swing Haiku by **James. B. Pratt**  
Thrown, I rise above  
Water, pads, lilies, crawdads  
Decent punishment

Untitled by **Robert "Lopaka" Newton**  
Lily pond shimmer  
Hides childhood treasures below  
Bounty from Ka Punahou

Untitled by **Twig Hatlelid** Morris  
Life during COVID  
Masks and social distancing  
Pray for a vaccine

What would Basho write? I'll keep entries open for a while. Now's your chance! Graduated from Punahou 63 long years ago, you can finally be immortalized in the esteemed PunBull for readers 'round the girdled earth to peruse. Chance 'um.

**Denby Fawcett '59**, researching for an upcoming book, was connected to **George Pray** and he later reminisced on old Hawai'i. "This brings back lots of memories ... I can still taste the 5 cents cone sushi after school from the store at the intersection of King Street and Punahou, where we caught the Kaimuki bus to Wai'alae. How about hitchhiking at that 'Joe Fats' bus turnaround and getting picked up by J. Aku Head Pupule? Also, K. Okada Store across Wai'alae, where we could stand and read comic books (while) waiting for the bus to come ... sometimes missing the bus because we were so engrossed in Captain America's adventures. Stacking cases of pineapple at Dole Cannery! The shave ice vendor at the bottom of Koko Head on Kalaniana'ole after body-surfing at Makapu'u and/or Sandy Beach. The alternative

was being invited to **Mary Harrison** Mackie's home for iced tea, home-baked chocolate chip cookies, and a dip in their freshwater pool. Great days!"

Alas, a clear sign of our times is that most of our news involves passings. **Buddy Chapman** advises that his cousin, **Roy Hedlund**, died on March 2, 2020, of complications from bypass surgery. Roy was a fine artist, who collected and



*Twig Hatlelid '57 Morris celebrated her kanawalu, her 80th birthday, with her family in Florida. Front: Twig. Back row, from left: Steve Wood, Chrissy Wood and Kevin Morris*





*Hau'oli la hanau to Linda Cunningham '57 Hutchinson, who enjoyed a birthday lunch prepared by her granddaughter, Molly McMahon '11. And cake, of course.*

sold aboriginal art for many years. In later days, he worked at the family roofing business on O'ahu. He is survived by two kids in San Diego.

On April 28, 2020, **Albert D. "Puck" Waterhouse Jr.** passed away at home in Pukalani. A late addition to our Class in the Academy, Puckie was a darling of many Kaunoa School girls, and later enjoyed a rewarding career as a TWA pilot. He was a director of the Alexander & Baldwin Sugar Museum for a time, then sat on their board. He also founded the Kapalua Hangar of the Quiet Birdmen.

**Chuck Emery Jr.** passed away on May 20, 2020. Born in Honolulu, where his old man and mine were in the food supply business. He joined us in the Academy. He was in our hui that published **Ken Goring's** book and got stuck with the unsold inventory from **Michael Moynahan's** garage. Chuck made a deal with the C&C garbagemen that for every couple cartons of books they'd haul to da dump, he'd geev 'em a case of Primo.

**Donna Fay Batezel Riefler** died on June 20, 2020, in Florida, after living with multiple sclerosis. She joined us in the Academy and played varsity tennis. She studied at the University of Colorado at Boulder, then at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa. She married a submariner, Capt. George B. Riefler USN (RET), and raised their children, David, Doug and Lynne, living throughout the Pacific and on both coasts of the United States before settling in Florida.

Waterman, former football coach and English teacher, **Bill Monahan '47** died May 30, 2020. He was coach 1954 to 1958, inheriting a nucleus from Godfrey's '53 championship team and led Punahou to two state championships. Like some of his charges, Mo played on the snowy gridiron at Dartmouth College.

On Father's Day, Punahou lost a favorite son, **Paul Wysard '54**. Paul was a stalwart on the '53 Champs who finally won ILH football championship after 29 long years. He went on to play at Dartmouth College, and savored a memorable four years in Hanover. Married to Maui's **Jan Priest '55** Wysard, they have two solid sons, **Jay '80** and **Lon '81**. One of our heroes when we were little "warts," Paul shared many life experiences with your scribe. He is sorely missed. There is a detailed remembrance of Paul's life, and his importance to the Punahou 'ohana in the Memorials section of this issue. Mai poina.

## Class of 1958

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### SUMMER

COVID-19 has changed everyone's lives dramatically, but hopefully, by the time you read this, we will be able to resume some of our usual activities.

Before all of this began, **Ron Amemiya** was able to celebrate his 80th birthday in a big way. Actually, he didn't know about it until it happened. It was a total surprise when he arrived at the Natsunoya Teahouse to find 130 friends and family there to help him celebrate.

In his own words, **David Fairbanks** has had a major life transition. "On Jan. 1, 2020, at 12:01 a.m., I officially became irrelevant. I retired. Never mind that my partners are convinced that I retired 10 years ago and had been irrelevant for even longer. I'd join **Sherman Hee**, but he has young grandchildren who need transportation and bedtime stories. Do his children let him drive the grandchildren? Without a mask? I had no idea retirement would mean self-isolation and special hours at the grocery store to stare at empty shelves for wipes, cleaning sprays, firm tofu and, of course, toilet paper. There IS something to be said for a parking stall and a desk: a place to go. The good news is that if you wear a mask to the gas station, no one thinks you are about to hold it up. But you have to sanitize the cash (re-defining the term 'money laundering'). Take care!"

Some very sad news: **Tim Guard** passed away unexpectedly on Feb. 22, 2020. His list of achievements is long and includes being a member of Outrigger Canoe Club's winning Moloka'i to O'ahu race team, a decorated Navy veteran, president and CEO of Honolulu stevedoring company, McCabe, Hamilton & Renny Co., Ltd., and chairman of the USS Missouri Memorial Association board of directors. Tim got hooked on surfing after taking his first lesson at age 12 from Duke Kahanamoku, off Waikiki. He was inducted to the Waterman Hall of Fame in 2017. Just before our 60th Class Reunion, Tim hosted a tour for a group of classmates that included lunch served in the captain's dining room. Our condolences to his wife, **Devon Darrow '68** Guard; son, **Matt Guard '86**; daughter, Abbie Buck; and stepsons, Greg and David Sarish.



*Dr. Gene Doo '57 and his wife, Cecilia Doo, provided a beautiful magnolia arrangement for services at Community Church of Honolulu.*





The late Butch Robinson '58 with two of his classmates. From left: Larry Johnson, Bob Corboy and Butch.



Ron Amemiya '58 (center) at his surprise 80th birthday party with Keith Amemiya '83 and his wife, Caroline.

We were sorry to learn that **Layton Carr '57**, husband of classmate, **Marsha Wright Carr**, passed away in February, at home in Sequim, Washington. Layton became a very close friend of mine when his family moved to Portlock Road in 1952. I have fond memories of the mischievous adventures he engineered. Our sympathy goes out to Marsha and her 'ohana.

**Larry Johnson** sent word that his wife, **Claire Olsen Johnson**, passed away on March 30, following complications from a brain aneurysm she suffered over a year ago. Claire started at Punahou in ninth grade and Larry, recognizing beauty and talent, began dating her in 10th grade. They remained sweethearts in high school, reigning as honorary king and queen at the Valentine's dance. Claire was a songleader for the buff 'n blue her senior year, cheering on the team at the old Termite Palace (Honolulu Stadium). They exchanged marriage vows in 1961. Here are a few comments received about Claire from classmates. Ron Amemiya: "Claire was one of my favorite wahine classmates. I came to Punahou in the ninth grade and remember how gracious and genuine she was. She remained the same throughout her whole life. She was a remarkable woman." **Bobbie Gibson Sandoz-Merrill**: "I will always remember her lovely warm smile emanating from her uniquely kind heart. Claire will be missed by many." **Elizabeth Thompson Benka**: "Claire was a truly lovely and kind person." **Pauline Friel Castanera**: "She was a beautiful person." **Lorna Larsen-Jeyte**: "A loss to our super Class of '58 and a loss to Punahou, where she served tirelessly on the Board of Trustees. She was quite a gal!" Aloha, Claire.

#### FALL

**Pete Sanborn** has moved from Reno, Nevada, to Laguna Woods, California, where he will be close to his daughter. His wife of 45 years, Lynda, died last year, which figured in his decision to relocate. He wrote: "Bottom line, the many challenges in the past year, especially since September are history. I have been supported by the best family anyone could imagine. My move to SoCal into a great one-bedroom apartment on the ninth floor with a beautiful view is perfect for the start of a new phase in my life. Plus, there is a nine-hole, par-three golf course just across the street, to help the exercise plan, although I walk about two miles daily to keep the blood flowing. If any of you are in the area, please call and stop by. It would be great to see you, have coffee and talk story. Aloha, Pete" You can email Pete at [pesanborn@aol.com](mailto:pesanborn@aol.com).

It is difficult to be the bearer of heartbreaking news, but a number of our classmates passed on in the last year. We share special memories with these classmates. We bid them all a fond aloha and send our sincere condolences to the families of these departed friends. Now that most of us are octogenarians, we must make every day count!

I just learned that **Scotty Gaffney** passed away on July 3, 2020. Although he made his home in Mesa, Arizona, he loved Hawai'i and he loved Punahou. **Larry Johnson** noted, "Scotty attended more Punahou Reunions than probably anyone else in our Class." His last visit was June 2019, and he made a point of catching up with his classmates. At that time

he was starting to have some health problems but seemed to be managing them well. As his health declined in the past few months, his wife, Jane, advised some of his friends that his condition was worsening.

I received word that **Geoff Miller** died in April, in North Bend, Washington, where he was living with his wife, Cindy. Geoff left Punahou after fifth grade when his father was moved to Washington, D.C. He would come back to Hawai'i during summers while in high school, staying with his grandparents and reconnecting with many of his Punahou friends. In 1962, he married **Linda Long Fitzpatrick**, lived on Hawai'i Island for several years when Geoff worked for Alexander & Baldwin, and they raised two daughters, **Kristin Miller '81** and Lisa Miller. After they divorced in 1973, Geoff moved to the mainland, married his second wife, Cindy, and raised their daughter, Carrie.

**Lynn Williams Higgins**, who attended Punahou in her junior and senior years, lost her battle with ovarian cancer in February 2019. She was on the swimming team and held a national record in 1958. In later years, she participated in masters swimming, placing in Nationals in 2006, 2007 and 2008, and in the Masters World Championship in 2006. While attending University of California Davis, she met her husband, Thomas Higgins, and together they had three children. She had many careers, but once her children were older, she returned to school to obtain a teaching degree from Concordia University Chicago. She taught science at Proviso East High School in Maywood, Illinois, from the late 1980s until her



retirement in 2006, and then she toured the country as a “Polymer Ambassador,” conducting lectures and demonstrations at conferences of science teachers.

**Georgianna Lum** passed away in May 2020. After graduating from Punahou, she received her teacher's degree from Colorado State College, Greeley. She pursued a teaching career, which spanned 30 years from 1963 to 1993, and included five public schools on O'ahu. Georgianna was a world traveler, who explored Europe, Australia, Morocco, Turkey, Russia and Japan. However, her favorite destination was Las Vegas. She was a very lucky lady battling the poker machines, earning her a place on the Wall of Fame at the Fremont Hotel & Casino.

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### SUMMER

Aloha to all,

A flurry of emails were flying around after an unscrupulous wretch hacked **Karl Polifka's** computer asking for “help.” Both Karl and I were inundated with questions if indeed he needed help. Thankfully, no one fell for the ploy, and at this point, Karl's computer is up and running. Just remember this can happen to anyone – take a close look at the email return address before replying to any email! If you need more information on what to look for, please contact me.

On Feb. 25, the Punahou Alumni Association Northern California chapter held a meet-and-greet at the Presidio Officers' Club in San Francisco for Punahou President **Mike Latham '86**. The party was wonderfully thought out, with good pupu and, of course, caramel cuts! A nice trio performed and several of the attending wahine got up to hula, including **Charmian Cushnie** Lyons' daughter, **Noelehua Lyons '91** Archambault, who is Punahou's vice president for Institutional Advancement. I ran into a few familiar faces, **Mary Bell Fox '54** Blackstone, **Pat Fox '52** and **Jon Larson**. I'm not the only one who ran into familiar faces. Seems Dr. Latham got to catch up with his junior prom date, who was among the attendees, as was classmate, **Joshua Luria '86**. Dr. Latham shared his plans for Punahou, which were well received. Punahou is in good hands.

Sad news from **Lionel Craven**: “We lost another classmate, dear friends. **Bruce Thomas** passed away on Jan. 11, 2020, after a long bout with Alzheimer's. The disease robbed him of his brilliant mind and warm personality some time ago. Our thoughts are with Sally and son, David. I know we all cherish the memories of our Punahou friendships, back when we were



*Mindy Rinehart '58 Finnegan, Mike Durant '58, Margie Kepner '60 Durant and Jean Nishigaya Yokoyama-McDonald '58, together in Kona.*

so young and felt we had all the time in the world. Take care and remember, every day is a gift. Aloha to you all.”

**Mark Leggett** wrote telling us his husband of 34 years, James Kyle, died. Many of you may remember him from the Alumni Lu'au they attended a while back. Our condolences go to Mark and his family.

**Judith Ho Schulz** and I were talking about fun things like ice skating and how it can be a little dangerous as we approach adulthood. Accidents that might involve existing hip replacements and/or back repairs with rods and screws that many of us can relate to. This came up when she was saying how she wanted to go skating with the grandkids last winter. She decided to be practical and just stay with what she does best – tap dancing. Judy shared: “I can, and I will keep shuffling along as long as I am able – buffalos, single and double maxi fords, single and double cincinnatis, bombersays, stomps, chugs, scuffs, digs, flip kicks, an occasional back or front essence, maybe some rhythm rolls or a waltz clog, with perhaps a soutenu turn at the end.”

Judy isn't the only one among us to have that philosophy. **Eric Herrick** and **Judith Ramsdell** have been corresponding. Eric learned that after retirement Judith has been busy as a yoga teacher. He mused, “Maybe I should have taken up yoga in my 20s instead of trashing my legs, arms and back with soccer, racquetball, skiing, rowing, aikido, rafting and volleyball. Ah well, too late now. With the way I do things, paralyzing myself doing yoga would have been possible. It has been fun to communicate over the years, since 1949, when we were neighbors.”

But that is not the end of the story, Judith told me she received her diploma to teach yoga in

2012, at age 72. She teaches gentle yoga “to bring about improvement and well-being. Yoga really helps to keep limber. I also attend stretching and gentle gym classes. I feel so good afterward that I consider it therapeutic.”

How did all this medical stuff happen to us? Best reason I can come up with is that it comes (and goes) with the territory.

### FALL

It turns out that two of our classmates started school together in San Angelo, Texas, and graduated with us 13 years later. In 1945, **Jan Collins Moreno** and **Lawrence “Lani” Wiig** started in nursery school in San Angelo. Lani's family returned to Hawai'i in 1946. Jan moved on from San Angelo with her family, attended nine schools in seven different states and two territories before arriving at Punahou. Jan decided to ask Lani about this and he remembered the school, but not Jan (guess she didn't make an impression). Adding a little more to this story, on June 6, 1959, our graduation day, Jan was escorted by Lani! They started and ended their school days together.

**Jackie Lemmon Johnson** and **Chris McKenzie** had a spring-time adventure that, lucky for them, worked out well. On Feb. 19, 2020, they flew from Honolulu to Buenos Aires, to begin a cruise that was to end in Peru. Things did not work out that way! They had a great time on the many shore excursions along the way around the tip of South America. On March 13, they discovered they would not be departing the ship in Lima, since the port had closed due to COVID-19. They headed back to Chile, but found that the port there was also closed. The ship then headed to the Panama Canal, where, after a bit of a wait, they moved on to Miami, adding an additional 10 days of cruising.



Sheila Fletcher '59 Kriemelman in her artistic turf in SoHo, New York City.



Chris McKenzie '59 and Jackie Lemmon '59 Johnson enjoy a shore excursion in Argentina while on their extended cruise.

Things could have been a lot worse! They had great praise for the cruise line, the ship and the very supportive crew. Their good luck continued, as they were able to change their airline reservations and make the last flight from Dallas to Honolulu, on March 25. That is one way to extend your trip!

**Lindy Webster** Shults and her husband, Chuck, were on a great two-week cruise that started on March 1, 2020, and took them to Spain, where they planned on doing some touring before heading home. Nope. They were essentially locked down until they were able to escape Barcelona via an Aer Lingus flight to Dublin, and then, they thought, on to Minneapolis, then home. Nope. They were routed to Chicago, so their temps could be taken, and then home. What starts out looking simple sometimes doesn't work out that way.

In from **Eric Herrick** – the only blog responder: With "stay-at-home old person" protocols in place, the number of times I fuel cars per week

has dropped to "under once a month." Have not come up with a hobby like writing newsletters, cataloging stamps, grafting hibiscus, learning to play piano or whatever else y'all do. Many family birthday celebrations have been deferred to August. Those are the thorns. The roses are – kids do my shopping, walk down the street to deliver meals, and tutor me through the installation of apps. It is fun to keep up with how folks elsewhere are weathering the COVID-19 event. With Punahou and college folks, much of the world is covered. By example, an old neighbor from 'Aina Haina and classmate, **Judith Ramsdell**, and I swap thoughts dating back to the 1950s. She's a yoga teacher in coastal France, so it's been fun talking with her, as she still remembers her English.

**Sheila Fletcher** Kriemelman writes that in New York City, the shops and restaurants in SoHo are taking the boards down. "As an artist, I am sad, as the street art was returning SoHo to its original place as a vibrant artists' colony. Seeing the entire neighborhood embalmed in plywood was jarring, but then the boarded shops began to exhibit artwork. Magnificently crafted tributes to peace, love and social reform and many other murals and collages are affirmations of humanity, healing and comfort. Miss them! We loved reading everything all of you communicated! Let's continue to stay in touch."

Lastly, we regret to inform you that **Helen Larson** Dalton passed away on June 25, 2020, in Honolulu, after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. She lived a life of service being an active member of Central Union Church, a volunteer docent at 'Iolani Palace and involved in the Order of the Eastern Star. She leaves a saddened family; her sister **Gail Larson** '63 Hutchinson; her brother, **Jon Larson**; and her niece and nephews.

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### SUMMER

In from **Lee Boynton Hoxie**:

Congratulations to **Paul MacLaughlin** for capturing the Maui Country Club Men's Ace of Aces on Jan. 18, 2020. Paul carded a net score of 71, to just edge out the next scorer at 72. The Ace of Aces featured the 12 monthly "Ace" winners from 2019 in a low net shootout. Way to go, Paul!

Sadly, I have to share that **Paula Abbott** Rounds of Whidbey Island, Washington, passed away on Feb. 27, 2020. Paula and her husband, Gordon Rounds, a colonel in the U.S. Air Force, lived many years in Europe, including the Netherlands and Germany, as well as on Air Force bases throughout the United States. She was a master gardener, a French teacher and tutor and an avid antique collector. Due to the



Helen Larson '59 Dalton, who lived a life of service, passed away on June 25, 2020, in Honolulu.

coronavirus restrictions on travel at that time, son, Lance, of Seattle, and daughter, Tiffany, of Norway, celebrated Paula's life along with her sisters and brothers and their families in their respective places of residence on March 22, 2020. Sisters, **Willie Abbott** '62 Romanchak and **Margo Abbott** '65 Rowland, along with their brother, **Lyman Abbott** '76, gathered to remember Paula on Maui, to coincide with the service on Whidbey Island. Brother, **Sandy Abbott** '67, remembered Paula in Melbourne, Australia, and **Tom Abbott** '70 joined his family in Seattle, while brother, **Ethan Abbott** '72, honored her with his 'ohana in Honolulu. Aloha, Paula.

On a happier note, **Liz Howard** will be receiving the 2020 Laura N. Dowsett Award from the Junior League of Honolulu. The award was created to honor a Sustaining member who personifies the ideals of the organization. The recipient of this annual award demonstrates the spirit of voluntarism, the value of specialized training, the effectiveness of advocacy and the qualities of leadership developed in the Junior League.

Last year, **Wilette Wong** Thompson sent the following, which your correspondents inadvertently failed to include as we should have. From Wilette: "I've just returned from a trip to China with three of my younger siblings. It was a fabulous tour of Beijing, Xian, the three Gorges, Chongqing, Yichang, Shanghai, Guilin and Guangzhou. Two sisters had been to China several times, and my brother once to Guangzhou. They found the tour excellent as they learned and saw new things pointed out by our outstanding guides. At my age, I was surprised that I could handle the 170,000+ steps walked, or over 80+ miles and some 140 flights of stairs climbed. We thoroughly enjoyed the Great Wall. The temperature during the two week trip was in the mid-90s. We were soaked





*The Wong siblings at the Mutianyu section of the Great Wall of China. From left: Wynn Wong '70, Wilaine Wong '63 Loo, Willa Wong '67 Tsana and Wilette Wong '60 Thompson.*



*Vernon Woo '60 with his daughter, Lia Woo '94, on the occasion of her elevation as the head of Hanahau'oli School.*

and dripping each day. There is so much rich history and beauty in this country. The cruise on the Yangtze to see the three gorges and dams was amazing, and the Li River cruise in Guilin was stunning. A new thing I had to learn was to go to the bathroom using their squat toilets. Thank heaven there were many bathrooms with Western-style toilets."

**Susan Major** has been going through a box of letters of her family history and slowly digitizing them. She had an interesting letter chronicling the April 1, 1946 tsunami that devastated many homes in Kahului. She wrote: "Do you remember this tsunami? I do, as we lived right on Kahului Harbor. Luckily we lived inside the harbor wall, so our house survived with minimal damage." **Judy Givens** Huffman wrote that **Muffet Baldwin** Callender was on Maui during that tsunami as a very young child. Her cousin, **Judy Sylva** Waterhouse, was also there. Judy H. shares: "We are doing well. We live in Arizona now. I keep in touch with many of my childhood friends from Hawai'i." Sending aloha, Jude.

#### FALL

I am writing this at the end of June, with COVID-19 still very much affecting everything. Different people have different ways of coping. In Michigan, I wear a mask to public places. To entertain on our patio, we put people at tables at least eight feet apart. In Minnesota, **Sara Newberg** King has done some research in alternative medicine and relies on oregano oil, vitamins C and D, and n-acetylcysteine to keep herself healthy. In Massachusetts, just as things were opening up, Lloyd and **Wilette**

**Wong** Thompson celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary at an outdoor restaurant with four friends. In South Carolina, **Jim** and **Ann Linnell '61 Muir** went to a party to celebrate their grandson's engagement. In Ontario, **Ted Duff** plays the keyboard and bass pedals and sings with several small groups at nursing homes. Patients look out the windows, as the performers stay outdoors with mics, and stand about 10 feet apart.

The current attacks on police officers are particularly saddening for one of our classmates. **Dave Benson** spent 31 years with the Honolulu Police Department and then more years as chief of police in Castleton, Vermont. Dave has turned tragedies in his life into good things for other people and has given me permission to tell his story. Dave's oldest son, Bobby, addicted to drugs, killed himself at 15. Shattered, Dave drowned himself in alcohol, but later quit completely. Shortly after this, he had a vision of Bobby, in which the boy said, "I have 84 days on you, and I'm proud of what you're doing." Dave realized later that it had been 84 days after Bobby's death that he quit drinking. In honor of Bobby, Dave built the Bobby Benson Center in Kahuku to help teens recover from drugs and alcohol. He was given the land for the center by a man whose daughter was an addict, who, in a horrible turn of events, ran into and killed Dave's second son three years later. On Sept. 1, 2020, Bobby Benson Center will have been helping Hawai'i's addicted teens for 30 years. Dave sits on its board and several other boards, including the Coalition for a Drug-Free

Hawai'i and CrimeStoppers Honolulu. He has won many awards for his public service.

**Jim Muir** has written with much fascinating information about his family, Punahou and the military. Jim's mother's family, the Graces, once owned a dairy on the land that later became Fort Shafter. Jim's mother went to Roosevelt with **Charlie Pietsch's** father. Jim's grandfather was stationed at Fort Shafter in 1934, when Jim's father, Col. **James Muir Jr. '34**, graduated from Punahou. Jim's father was stationed at Fort Shafter in 1960, when Jim graduated from Punahou, and Jim, himself, was stationed at Schofield Barracks in 1986, when his daughter, **Jean Muir '86 Wall**, graduated from Punahou. Jim is married to **Ann Linnell '61 Muir**, another "army brat." Jim is a fifth-generation West Pointer. He and Ann now live in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, with all three of their children nearby, a fact that excites envy in those of us with children all far away. Jim has lots more information about Punahou and the military. I hope to have room for it in another column.

Hanahau'oli School classmates are happy that the new head of school is **Vernon Woo's** daughter, **Lia Woo '94**. She is the first head to have graduated from Hanahau'oli herself. Vernon says that back in the day, his own application to Hanahau'oli was rejected, but he's going to try again, now that he has an "in" with the boss. The rejection was Hanahau'oli's loss. Vernon earned a law degree from Harvard University and is still practicing. He is a deep water swimmer, and he has recently published





Jim '60 and Ann Linnell '61 Muir at their grandson's engagement party in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina.



Paula Abbott '60 Rounds of Whidbey Island, Washington, passed away on Feb. 27, 2020. Due to the pandemic travel restrictions, Paula's family remembered and honored her from their respective homes. Front row, from left: the late Paula Abbott '60 Rounds, Margo Abbott '65 Rowland, Ethan Abbott '72 and Lyman Abbott '76. Back row, from left: Willa Abbott '62 Romanchak, Sandy Abbott '67 and the late Tom Abbott '70.

his first novel, "Paradise Pursuit." It's a tale of intrigue in Kaka'ako real estate development. How does it end? My lips are sealed.

Stay well, everyone!

Cathy



Willette Wong '60 Thompson and her husband, Lloyd, celebrating their 55th anniversary at Scituate Harbor, Massachusetts.

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### SUMMER

On this April morning, **Sherri Kahanu '79** Shephard and I attended a small virtual gathering to study the "Rooted" course. Tomorrow is Sunday, and I plan to attend First Presbyterian Church at Ko'olau virtual services online. Such is our lives as we hunker down in our Lilipuna Road condo in Kane'ohe and lower our exposure to the coronavirus. Hawai'i has only a small number of afflicted, but we do not want to be added to the statistics. Really not so bad looking out over Kane'ohe Bay to Chinaman's Hat. I suppose **Roy Yee** is just down the street and on the water enjoying his K-Bay view too.

**Jill Roehrig** Olson, who hung up her spurs as president of the Kona Historical Society, has stationed herself at home during this time of social distancing and is immersed in books and TV. **Wendy Greenwell** Craven delights in a group of classmates who are close neighbors, **Leslie Milne** Agorastos and **Mary Helen Hodgins** Higgins, and **Lei Blomfield** Benson, **Conard Eyre**, **Kalei Kenney** Cadinha, **Wanda Williams** Rietow and others who live farther out. Every so often they find a way to get together and have fun.

We are sad to report that **Carolyn Goodlin** Griffith's mom passed away. The beautiful service was organized by Carolyn's daughter,

Athena. Classmates who came to support Carolyn were **Anson** and **Meymo Lemon Rego**, **Jackie Seifert** Collins and **Mary Jane Dobson**. Our sincere condolences, dear Carolyn.

In Issaquah, Washington, **Meredith Prock** observed that self-quarantine is not so fun, and that time goes by slowly. She took the matter at hand and made dozens of homemade cookie packets and handed them out to some 40 residents of her condo. I am told that she sampled the cookies as part of quality control before delivering them. Way to go, Meredith!

Last article I wrote that **Dianne Hallsted** Arguelles and her hubby sold off their Puerto Vallarta home and moved to Tellico Village in Tennessee. More recently, **Gretchen Stiling** Willson and hubby, Dave, sold their Washington, D.C. home of 46 years to move just one mile away to the brand new continuing care retirement community. In doing so, they make caring for themselves much easier on their kiddos, even while their health is good, which it is. Now, they are in the process of shoe-horning into 1,335 square feet.

On a visit to Hawai'i, former Kailua boy, **Bob Briand**, and wife, Nancy, invited Sherri and I to join them and another Kailua boy, Jim Fernie, and his wife, Jean, for dinner at ChampaThai – which is right across the street from Kailua Elementary School. We talked about the Kaneohe Yacht Club El Toro fleet and who among us sailed the eight-foot long flat-bowed boats. We came up with **David Nottage**, **Kerry Watson**, **Bob Briand**, **Stephen Harris** and **Roger Harris '63** and perhaps **Kenny Sexton**.



Bob missed the dinner hosted by **Lex Alexander** for Kaneohe Yacht Club guys at Kahala Nui. It was a fabulous dinner and evening of sharing memories. No worries, Bob, next time.

I have just been reassigned by Bowers and Kubota Consulting to work at Honouliuli Wastewater Treatment Plant in 'Ewa Beach. While talking to Wendy Craven, I disclosed my new assignment and the complexities of it. Wendy quipped back, "I'm glad that you have your hand in the matter."

Nuff for now. I would be thrilled to hear how you are faring in this time, or any time. Write or call.

#### FALL

I'm sorry to share that a few of our classmate friends have passed away.

**Leslie Reile '64** Higson, sister of our classmate, **Barbara "Bobi" Reile** Long, gave us notice that Bobi passed away on May 3, 2020, in Lynnwood, Washington, following a long illness. She began her 13 years at Punahou in 1948, in the temporary buildings on Wilder Avenue. After graduation, she attended Monterey Peninsula College. Bobi lived in the Seattle area for more than 50 years, where she enjoyed skiing and sailing. She is survived by her two children, four grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

**Sharon "Shay" Orlin** James passed away on Jan. 20, 2020. Her roots were in Honoka'a, where her dad was employed by Hamakua Mill Company. She dormed in Castle Hall and noted that the best part of dorm life was living with classmates, **Nancy Ayers** Hawes from Singapore; **Ruthlyn Wong** Stephan from Hilo; and **Sonja Rockstead** Hayslip from Maui. **Virginia Thomison** Boushey and **Judy Morgan** Levy were dorm friends, as well. Mudsliding and Rocky Hill adventures were fun as were visits to Alexander Grocery for shave ice and crack seed. She earned her nursing degree at the University of Oregon and worked in that calling. In Honoka'a, she met her husband, Clay James, a hotelier. They moved to many hotels, but the Grand Teton Lodge was the place they called home. While Clay was CEO of the Grand Teton Lodge Company, they served their community doing volunteer work. Bobi leaves a son and daughter and six grandchildren.

Our good friend, **Charlie Makinney**, passed away on June 2, 2020. He chaired our 50th Reunion – the best 50th Reunion ever! He was gifted in organization, was a keen listener, fast learner and wonderful leader. He retired in Portland, where he hosted mini reunions over many years. There is a detailed remembrance of Charlie's life, and his importance to the Punahou 'ohana in the Memorials section of this issue.

Can you believe that next June we will celebrate the 60th anniversary of our graduation from Punahou? How did those years fly by so fast? The best way to keep up with information on Reunion plans is via **Meredith Procks' Pun'61** eNewsletter. If you currently receive them,

great. If you do not, we need your current email address. If you have recently changed your email address, we need to know that as well. Please send your email info to [meredith.prock@icloud.com](mailto:meredith.prock@icloud.com).

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#### SUMMER

From **Simone Botkin Andrade**:

Since I last sat at the computer to write our Class notes, life has changed drastically. We are in the midst of a global pandemic, and it is not fun! Because of our advanced age and/or underlying health issues, we must stay home and only venture out as far as the grocery store or pharmacy. Retail stores, theaters, schools, restaurants and bars are all closed (except to provide takeout or delivery orders). Churches are no longer holding services, unless it is via Facebook, FaceTime or TV. Doctor visits are now conducted over the phone! I had the opportunity to speak (either via email or phone) with several of our classmates, among them **Ron Cox**, **Ipolani Sylvester** Bailey, **Mike Befeler**, **Linda Sutton** Kemp and **Ann MacLachlan** Dias. I learned that we are all trying to cope and make the best of this situation. We are cleaning, cooking, baking, sewing, watching TV (Netflix is a popular choice) and reading.

I am sure that you have experienced, as I have, extraordinary acts of kindness in all of this. Leonard and I have received several offers of help (grocery shopping, meals dropped off, wonderful telephone visits) from not only our sons, who live in the area, but from friends and neighbors in our community. As an example of what I am talking about, let me share with you our "rice story."

We eat a fair amount of rice at our house, and we love it. We particularly like short-grain Calrose rice and haven't had any problems purchasing it here in Texas. When the coronavirus arrived in Texas, one of the first food staples to disappear from grocery store shelves was rice. I mentioned to a few friends in conversation that our rice supply was dwindling, and I was not able to find what I wanted in any stores or even online. I need not have been concerned, for within days, I had received two, five-pound bags of rice (from neighbors in our area) and notification from Amazon that another bag was being shipped! I now have 15 pounds of rice, which should last us the rest of the year! If anyone needs rice, let me know! I am sure there are many similar stories out there!

Before the quarantine started, Leonard and I were lucky to visit with Carolyn and **Mike Gillespie**. They were on a road trip from their home in Michigan, visiting friends and family in Arkansas and Texas. We enjoyed our visit

and are so grateful for the timing of it. We did a lot of reminiscing about Punahou and also some catching up on what we and our families have been doing since last we were together.

I am sad to share that **Nancy "Tiny" Faye** Thain passed away in January. A note from her sister, **Janet Faye '59** Lilly, advised that Tiny had been living with her daughter in Virginia, and was an avid hiker and traveler. Our sincerest condolences are extended to her family.

**Phil Brooks** sends this update from Berkeley: "My wife, Sally, and I had a fun get-together recently with **Judy Winn-Bell** and **Steve Hayashi**. We got to catch up on all the things that have happened in the last 57 years. They came up to our house in the late afternoon for a glass of wine, and then we went to a nice restaurant with a view of the Bay, where we just went on talking and talking. We haven't caught up with their 'ukulele group yet, but we will as soon as we can."

This is all I have for now. Aloha and stay well until our next edition of the Bulletin. Know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers. Please take care and stay well. When you have a moment, drop a line, or an email or pick up the phone and call. Phil and I would love to hear from you!

#### FALL

Greetings! I am hoping that all are well and continuing to adjust and live in the COVID-19 environment we find ourselves in. Here in Texas, we are still considered a "hot spot" as the number of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations climb. We continue to self-quarantine and limit our "out-of-the-house" activities to picking up groceries and medications, going for walks and short car rides in the area. Not very exciting to be sure, but at this time, we are virus-free, so it's worth it!

As an example of how **Mike Befeler** gets his inspiration for his writing – his most recent publication is a short story about a young boy in Southern California, who keeps a journal about being quarantined at home with his parents and how his life changes during this time. The story is titled "Coronavirus Daze," and is a fun and uplifting tale. One of the characters in the story is a teacher by the name of Mrs. Meeker (the story is dedicated to our own Mrs. Janet Meeker). Read it and enjoy!

One of the fun discoveries for me during this time at home has been my introduction to Zoom. Had not even heard of Zoom until mid-May, when we were invited to a Zoom meeting to "attend" our oldest granddaughter's graduation from Whittier College in California. The ceremony itself was a virtual one, and we were able to share the experience with her, her parents in Honolulu, her brother in Colorado, our two sons here in Texas and friends on Hawai'i Island! We had a great time!

A Zoom event occurred in June, when Carolyn and **Mike Gillespie** were treated to a party by their three children in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. Family and friends from all across the country and as far away as China (their son, Asher, lives and works in Beijing) were able to attend and

share memories. It was a unique and memorable occasion for Mike and Carolyn to be sure.

Also heard from **Chula Reynolds** Harrison and **Jackie Neunzig** Scott. It's great to know that they are doing just fine and managing to maintain some semblance of normalcy. Chula says that when things were locked down, she and Jackie were able to get out in the early mornings and spend some quality time on long walks. Once things opened up a bit, and the Outrigger Canoe Club became available, Chula was able to resume her daily volleyball games!

Jackie spoke about gatherings of '62 classmates for cribbage nights with **Alan Robinson**, **Puna Chillingworth**, **Art Kamisugi** and **Steve Scott** during one such gathering. Aside from great games of cribbage, all who attended enjoyed a great pupu spread featuring Art's self-caught ahi, made into a yummy seared ahi platter! **Patsy Wilcox** Sheehan and Jackie also played cribbage, along with Libbie Kamisugi, Eva Robinson and Lauren Wright. In addition, Jackie writes that she continues to work with Steve and their two sons, **Michael '90** and **Kaione '01**, at Scott Hawaii. Jackie also helps take care of three grandsons ... she is a very busy gal!

This is all I have right now. Hope by the time you are reading this, we are done with the worst of this virus and managing the "new normal," whatever that may be.

Do take care. Let me hear from you. Stay well and safe!

## Class of 1963

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### SUMMER/FALL

Mahalo to Dr. **Tom Kosasa** for his 75th birthday gift to our Class, (a 75th birthday party), which was regrettably returned due to the pandemic. Many of us were unpleasantly surprised that the number of COVID-19 cases swelled so high on O'ahu, not to mention on the mainland, as well. Mahalo also to **Sue Anna Waterhouse** Wells, **Les Hong**, **Randy Spangler**, **Sally Tyrell** Lyles, **Arthur Chang**, **Cissi Kennedy** Jacobus and others for sending photos, and to **Tim Burr** for organizing them. Mahalo to classmates who sent newsy regrets (before the party was cancelled).

**June Hanks** Carey: "Sadly, I will not be able to attend. Since it is a noteworthy age, I will be celebrating with my sister, **Susan Hanks '60** Rice, her three children and eight millennial grandchildren, my daughter and four grandsons, ages 15, 13, 11 and 9. I had gotten used to football and wrestling matches until last year, when my daughter had a whoopsie pregnancy. She had a girl, Isla June. She has stolen our hearts and life is beautiful with her in it. We are staying at a beach house in Pajaro Dunes and will spend our time playing the annual "young against the old" football game, flying kites, bird and dolphin watching, searching for shells, Boogie boarding or swimming for those who are not bothered by cold, cold water. The nights are filled with bonfires (as I remember from the days in



Classmates from '62 together for a night of cribbage. From left: Steve Scott, Alan Robinson, Art Kamisugi and Puna Chillingworth.



Michael Gillespie '62, and his wife, Caroline, with their family on the day they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Hanalei, when I was young), and playing games like Pictionary, Scattergories, Tripoley, etc. My youngest grandson is learning to play the 'ukulele. His third grade teacher bought 'ukulele for each student in the class with a grant."

**Gordon Pattison**: "I would love to be there, but our family will be on Cape Cod, celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary! Anna and I spent part of our honeymoon there. I am still working part-time here in Los Angeles after selling my practice four years ago. I enjoyed attending the Punahou vs. Long Beach Poly football game here in Southern California last year – a game Punahou won handily. I hope I will be able to attend our 60th Reunion."

**Jonathan Chu**: "I've not retired, though will do so after my next sabbatical in fall 2021. My work has revolved around editing a scholarly journal, consulting on secondary-to-college curriculum transitions and community history projects and writing a text. As you point out, college professors are like Supreme Court justices. Too many of us hang on too long. I had a colleague who vowed to die in the classroom. I wondered who would be able to tell. (I hope that no one is saying that of me.)"

**Dick Sutton** sent a beautiful photo for the Class collection of himself and his wife, **Shayna Baecker '67**, in front of the Taj Mahal in February, while on their Heart of India tour.





*The Class of 1963 celebrates its 75th birthday this year! This is Mrs. Latimer's third grade homeroom during the 1953 – 1954 school year.*

"Other news is that I was awarded 2018 – 2019 Hawaii High School Athletic Association track and field Official of the Year. I have been officiating track and cross-country for 30 years and been head official for the State championship since 2013. Anyone interested in officiating can contact me." Dick can be reached at [dsutton@java.net](mailto:dsutton@java.net).

West Hawaii Today published an informative article about **Syd Kraul**, who passed away from a brain tumor in late December. "He was the master of mahimahi, the man many in the aquaculture community knew as the go-to when it came to rearing any impossible-to-raise fish. Such as angelfish and yellow tang ... He was an aquaculture researcher who worked for Kampuchea Farms ... and later became owner of Pacific Planktonics at the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority. He's well-known internationally for his groundbreaking ability to raise fish from the egg phase on up, from food fish like ahi and mahimahi to reef fish." Syd created the mahimahi tanks at the Waikiki Aquarium many years ago and was planning to expand sales of his farmed reef fish. Illegal poaching is threatening tropical reef fish in Hawai'i and around the world. His advice was not to overfeed aquarium fish to keep their water clear.

In her recently published autobiography, "Miss Aluminum Susanna Moore - A Memoir," classmate, **Susanna "Sue" Moore**, voyaged six

decades into our shared past, back to Punahou days and the years after. I have an indelible image of a pretty girl with brown hair sitting quietly next to a gray nun outside Mrs. Valentine's room in Bishop Hall. It was seventh grade, my first year at Punahou, and I was curious about everything, but too shy to ask questions. That image, repeated daily for a week, remained a mystery until several decades later, a new author named Susanna Moore wrote "My Old Sweetheart."

A shiny, but easily dented metal, the intriguing title refers to a job as a boat show model for the Aluminum Association, Miss Aluminum, in a scratchy metallic dress with cardboard trident. **Michael Kaiser**, adopted son of Henry J., was also in our seventh grade homeroom class, and Sue's close friendship with his family led to not one eye-catching dress, but suitcases of Mike's mom's designer hand-me-downs that provided the wardrobe for a motley career of jobs at Bergdorf Goodman, modeling, socializing and movies.

Writing from New York after the publication, Susanna said, "I was very happy at Punahou. It was my only education as I did not go to college, and I am very grateful for my many years there. I made many lifelong and much-loved friends at Punahou, and I'm grateful for that, too."

The decade after high school graduation was one of exploration and insecurity, lovers and

spouses, as it was for all of us. Susanna was reluctantly sent the day after our Commencement to her maternal grandmother in Philadelphia, leaving four younger siblings with their father and stepmother in Honolulu. Thus began a mainland odyssey in search of stability and self, plagued by longing for a deceased mother and never knowing why she died.

Today, Susanna is the nationally known author of the novels "The Life of Objects," "The Big Girls," "One Last Look," "In the Cut," "Sleeping Beauties," "The Whiteness of Bones" and "My Old Sweetheart." She has also written two nonfiction books, "Paradise of the Pacific" and "I Myself Have Seen It: The Myth of Hawai'i." Susanna presently lives in New York City and teaches at Princeton University.

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### SUMMER

It's STILL not too late! **Ellen Wheeler** Guest still has flash drives of 506 photos from our 55th Class Reunion last summer, available for the utterly ridiculously low price of \$9.99 (or \$2.99 for a CD disc). You need to get this, so email Ellen at [EllenGuest@mac.com](mailto:EllenGuest@mac.com). Tell her the format you want, and the address of your most convenient Costco. You pay and pickup at the store. Hey! It's less than 2¢ a picture! From the flash drive, you can blow up pictures, frame 'em and decorate your home!

I'm very sorry to report that we lost **Gisele Nusspickel** Smith on March 2, after a valiant five-year battle with cancer. (She still found the energy to come to our 55th!) Gisele arrived in Hawai'i and Punahou for her freshman year. She and her mom left Germany after the war to live with relatives in Toronto for a few years. With visions of Webley Edwards' Hawai'i Calls in their minds, they made their way to Hawai'i. As so many of us have said, in so many ways over the years, Gisele said: "The lessons taught in community service, self-confidence, tolerance, individual responsibility and constant encouragement are life-long and have all built on each other to turn us into the adults we are today. My life has truly been enriched by my Punahou experience." Aloha, Gisele.

In the last Bulletin, we reported to you that **George Mills** had retired after a wonderful 50-year career at Tacoma's University of Puget Sound, which began shortly after his graduation from that institution. Then recently, we received word that on March 19, George had passed away! He had a life fulfilled, serving variously as Director of Academic Advising, Director of Admissions and Vice President of University Relations. He leaves wife, Nilmah, also a Puget Sound graduate, and three adult children. In the words of one of the professors at Puget Sound, "There are few in our history who have done as much for and meant as much



*Susanna Moore '63, the nationally known author of the numerous novels, has released the story of her unconventional life, "Miss Aluminum: A Memoir."*



*Class of '64 gathering in Seattle with Cris LeGassey, Sue Givens Finneran, Mac Carter, Jae Hale Anderson, Mac's wife, Penny Carter and John Madison. Carolyn Lundquist Madison was there too. She took this picture.*

to Puget Sound as George Mills." George's middle name was Hi'ilani, meaning "held in the arms of heaven." Aloha, George.

Here we are, hunkered down in our homes, waiting out the COVID-19 pandemic, which is probably the worst worldwide mess we have ever seen or ever will see. We FaceTime, Skype, call, watch movies, learn how to work all the media equipment we have, pray for friends and family and the world, we call people who are alone to help them feel better, and it has given us all time to sit back, relax, catch up on the "honey-do" list, and work on those projects that we have put off for years (genealogy research, 'ukulele lessons, gardening, piano lessons, read "War and Peace" and so on). It is good to keep in touch. Stay well!

#### FALL

Rats! (I wonder if anyone ever started Class notes with that word before). Another victim of COVID-19 bites the dust. Our 2021 Class Reunion scheduled for next May, in Healdsburg, Sonoma, at Bishop Ranch has been canceled, all due to the uncertainty surrounding this virus. Thanks so much to **John and Carolyn Lundquist Madison** for trying to make this work, once again. But never say never: We'll try again for another memorable reunion in Healdsburg in 2022, or maybe even later next year. Stay tuned.

**Pat Quilter** reports that COVID-19 forced the cancellation of a spring trip to Punahou, originally slated to witness the first round of students using the Patrick H. Quilter Lab for Creative Arts in the Kosasa Community. They are planning to reschedule for some time next year after COVID-19 is under control. Meanwhile, the space is being repurposed to allow more separation and smaller class sizes for the Kosasa grades. Pat remarked that he enjoyed the virtual Holoku pageant and the

Commencement ceremony, as well as some other nice musical tributes.

**Cori Smart Pohle** is doing well in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, surrounded by friends and family, and would love to hear from other classmates who are in the area. She would love to see a mini reunion in her neck of the woods. We both agree that most of the reunions seem to take place out West in Washington and Oregon. Why IS that? Well, if anyone would like to see a reunion in Eastern Pennsylvania, or in Orlando, Florida, (in my case), please let us know! Cori's email is [cpohle08@gmail.com](mailto:cpohle08@gmail.com). Mine is listed at the top.

**Gayle Hong**, although living in South Carolina for the past several years, still makes it back to Hawai'i every year, despite the virus. This year is no exception: six weeks at the Colony Surf beginning in August. Nice life!

**Betty Ann Barnett** reports that Waikiki, without 30,000 arrivals per day, has been better than our small kid time growing up there. Walking on an empty Waikiki Beach has been a real treat. Some swim friends swam into Hanauma Bay and said the bay was choked with fish in crystal clear water. (They were yelled at because the bay is closed for research projects underway.)

It is good to keep in touch, and I think our Class, via the Bulletin and emails, does it better than most. Keep up the good work, Class of '64! Pray for the end of COVID-19, forever! Stay well everyone!

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#### SUMMER

You just can't keep an LXV guy down. **Mike Hollinger** and **Malcolm Tom** suffered strokes last year, but they are both recovering well. In

fact, Malcolm was recently on the winning team at the Punahou Alumni Association Golf Tournament at the Hawaii Prince Golf Club, along with **Robby Ostrem** and **Daryl Sato**. (Dare I mention that they also won the prize for the oldest team in the tourney?) LXV Classmate, **Sharlene Mau**, also played in the tournament, but she was paired with her son, **Evan Mau '95**.

As reported previously, **John Yearwood** is using the time and creativity in his retirement years to write novels. He just published his third, "The Gender of Fire." He reports: "The three novels are in the epic fantasy genre and follow the story of a modern Army Ranger whose parachute jump mysteriously sends him 4,000 years into the past, into the middle of



*Toni Castro '65 Johnson in her mask keeping COVID-19 at bay.*





LXV classmates enjoying the Punahou Alumni Association Golf Tournament held at the Hawaii Prince Golf Club. Front row, from left: Daryl Sato and Sharlene Luke Mau. Back row: Malcolm Tom and Robby Ostrem.

a Bronze Age war. All three novels (the first two are titled "The Icarus Jump" and "The City and the Gate") are available on Amazon, Kindle and iBooks." John recently finished the audio version, which is joining the first two on Audible. Now he has a novel circulating to agents, which features an eighth grader who writes a lie detector app for his iPhone.

We all remember the late **Clark McPherson** for his warmth, kindness, generosity and unique sense of serenity. Now you can share a few serene moments remembering Clark when you visit Lyon Arboretum. You see, Clark chose this beautiful garden in Manoa as the place for his loved ones to celebrate his life, and his family arranged for a special bench in a lovely spot to be inscribed with Clark's name. Why Lyon Arboretum? Because Clark's mother, who was a staunch supporter of the Arboretum, had a bench inscribed with her name after she passed.

Although he only spent his senior year with us, **Robert "Bob" Crites** was an active and welcome member of our Class. It is with sadness that I report his passing last year in Virginia. Bob was an Air Force "brat" whose father worked at Hickam Air Force Base. After Punahou, Bob spent a year at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, then transferred to the University of California, Riverside, where he graduated with a degree in physical sciences. He worked for 36 years in the Washington, D.C. area; the last 24 years were spent at the International Monetary Fund. He and his wife of 46 years, Linda, lived in Falls Church, Virginia. Bob was an avid league volleyball player, and the Crites' endowed a men's volleyball scholarship at George Mason

University, where they were avid boosters of the arts and sporting events.

Please be sure to share stories with me so I can pass them on in our Class notes. We would love to hear from you. I'm just an email or phone call away. A hui hou!

#### FALL

**Lono Lyman** manages his family's land in Puna on Hawai'i Island. The Lymans are the largest landowners impacted by the 2018 eruption, with 1,325 acres covered by lava. The Puna Geothermal Venture project is on this land, and power production is expected to resume in late 2020. Lono keeps busy working with tenants, the Hawai'i Island community and both public and private sector partners. My cousin, **Delan "Rusty" Perry '66**, is a fruit farmer in this community and was fortunate to have his farm of 40-plus years spared during the eruption.

**Elaine Garrett** Evans reports: "Like everyone else, I've been holed up at home for months, but my days have been full. In March, the University Outreach College Mandarin classes that I began taking in January moved online. In addition to tackling a seriously challenging language, now I'm also having to learn to negotiate Zoom classes. (I hear 'unmute yourself' a lot.) That was more than I bargained for. This old dog's synapses are about to snap trying to learn all these new tricks. My mainland grandchildren and I are finding fun ways to be together (virtually) during quarantine. We use FaceTime to read together almost every day and until the school year ended, I was helping my 6-year-old grandson with his homeschooling – mainly spelling. No one (including me) thinks

I'm qualified to teach first grade arithmetic! I've cooked, played Legos and even lively Bingo games with five grandchildren in two different homes. In a way, it'll be a letdown when school begins and they will no longer be bored enough to enjoy 'TutuTime.'"

Also enjoying long distance "TutuTime" is **Toni Castro** Johnson, who reports: "Like all of us, we have been social distancing but keeping sane with online exercises, lots of books, daily walks and great shows on Netflix and Amazon. I miss my kids and grandkids! Be well."

**Fred Hemmings** has written another book, titled "Can, No Can." He describes it as an "easy read series of short essays on issues and opportunities in Hawai'i. It is political ... why not? Politics is the most pervasive and expensive thing in our lives. The book is also interactive in that the reader can check off 'can or no can' boxes at the end of each presentation. This book follows up after 'Local Boy,' published several years ago." Fred is also on the public speaking circuit with the theme, "history wears the face of who is telling it," in which he highlights several historic figures he believes have been aggrandized or cheated by historians with agendas.

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#### SUMMER

Aloha, dearest classmates!

The British historian, Arnold J. Toynbee, once said that "those living in an age of crisis must become pioneers of a better age, striving to find positive solutions and thereby turning the age into one of achievement." Our hope is that you are all maintaining the healthiest and happiest lives during these difficult times.

**Danny and Lorna Fung Auyong** are fortunate to have their children, **Ryan '97**, Darin and **Taylor '07**, and their only grandchild, Brixten, living nearby. Danny does what he loves and does best: Cook! How lucky! Lorna is working on learning Japanese and reading.

**Jay Lambert** lives in Waimea on Hawai'i Island, and has downsized from his Hawai home. Before quarantine days, he enjoyed paddling at Kawaihae with **Hal Burchard**, swimming with **Rick Schaefer** and sailing with partners on their catamaran. Life has been good, considering that Waimea has quieted down with no visitors and restaurants closed.

**Myron Arakawa** shared that the last months of working at Punahou were not as expected and how challenging it is for everyone to rely on online teaching and conferencing. Kudos to all the educators and parents who are working together to care for our youth. His wife, Ellen, shared pictures of Myron's favorite flower,



*Julie Haynie '66 Cline-Maurer's beloved husband, Jeff, passed away in March 2020. Aloha to Julie, who shared a wonderful life with her husband of 25 years.*

ginger, which is growing beautifully at their Hawai'i Kai home. They named their home, Awapuhi Ulu Pono, a place where the awapuhi thrives. **Hattie Eldredge** Phillips once shared that awapuhi chases away bitterness and sorrow. The Arakawas hope that we keep the faith as we overcome this crisis.

**Diana Lee** traveled to Hawai'i in February from Berkeley, to visit her mom. What a treat to have a mini reunion lunch in Manoa, together with **Bill Tam**. Our discussions on the world affairs overflowed beyond the restaurant closing hours and finished on the lanai at beautiful Waioli Kitchen & Bake Shop (once the Waioli Tea Room.) Diana is back in California, in lock down, enjoying her time gardening, walking outdoors, reading and lots of online meetings several times a week.

**Deborah Clay** Carter offered these words, "Love when you come. Cry when you have to. Be who you must. Await your arrival with simple survival, and one day we will all understand." Deb also shared the sad news of the passing of our dear classmate, **Joanne Brooks** Griep, in February. She will be greatly missed by her husband, Stanley; her children Skye, Keola and Pualani; and six grandchildren. Our love to all of her family. I will always remember our rides in her Volkswagon Bug. Thank you, beautiful Joanne!

**Julie Haynie** Cline-Maurer's beloved husband, Jeff, passed away in March. Our deepest love and hugs to Julie, who shared a wonderful love with her husband of 25 years, whom she calls her hero, her love, her soulmate.

**Betty Ralston** Giraldo is in Florida, still contributing to the welfare of others. Most recently, she has been making masks for

friends with cool Hawaiian prints and teaching eighth graders online, every day. She makes time to garden, and take bike rides at night with her husband, Luis.

**Miki Briggs** McFadden lives in Oregon, where she walks and rides her bike freely. Her partner is a nurse practitioner in hospice and palliative care. Her daughter, Alana, is in England for one more year of college, and daughter, Nila, graduates in June. Miki maintains an attitude of "What can I do, not What I cannot do." **Ed Lohmann** and his wife, Lynn, are embracing the more contemplative part of being and appreciating the great blessings in their life. For now, "Wake up, read, walk, meditate, listen to music, prepare meals, enjoy films, early to bed. Repeat."

Thank you all for your heartfelt words. "Life is the most precious of all treasures. Even one extra day of life is worth more than 10 million ryo of gold."

#### FALL

Thinking of all of you and praying that you and your loved ones are healthy and happy! Thank you to those who have reached out to let us know how you are doing.

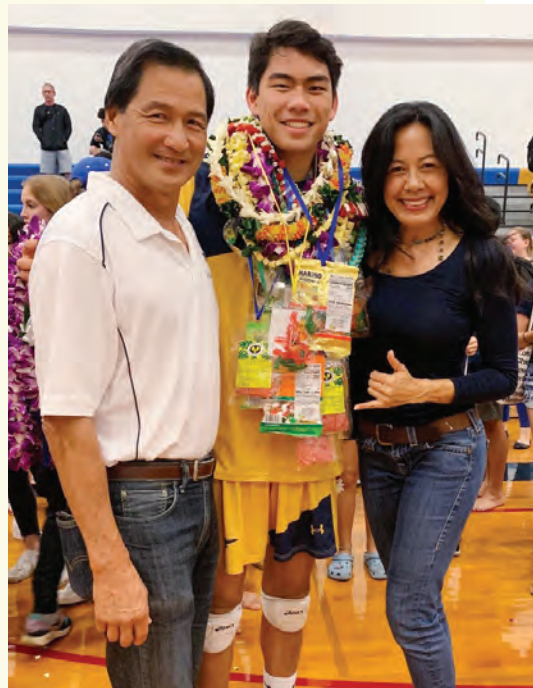
**Elaine Civin** Lange and husband, Craig, continue their work with an organization in Egypt that uses sports to teach character and values, while building leadership and identity within their local communities that include refugees from Sudan and Syria.

In Minnesota, **Linda Chun** Bergman says that she's lucky to have her children living close by. They drop off groceries but are limited to only doorway conversations. FaceTime, Goggle Hangouts, Skype and Zoom have been saviors, but could never replace the real life

hugs that we all are longing for. **Ron Sumida** lives in Philadelphia, near his sons. One son is in Philly and the other in Tennessee. **Doug Austin** is enjoying time in California with his wife, Wendy, and twins, working from home, while his architectural firm remains intact and operational.

**Linda Irons** McCook sent a sad note, "My husband, Kevin, passed away on Feb. 11, 2020, from cancer attributable to his combat exposure to Agent Orange in Vietnam. He loved our Punahou connection and fully embraced the mantra, 'Live aloha.' We attended both the 45th and 50th Reunions and had such a great time. I have been in touch with Mr. Yee through the years (as you know), and Kevin and I enjoyed meeting up with him at both Reunions. We also participated in many of the Punahou Alumni Association activities in the D.C. area. Kevin would happily don his aloha shirt and shell lei. We always looked forward to the music, hula and, at the annual Punahou Mid-Atlantic Family Picnic, the malasadas and caramel cuts! We also attended the Hawai'i State Society events like the Cherry Blossom Princess dinner and the King Kamehameha Day lei draping at the Capitol. He always joined in singing in his best Hawaiian at the end."

**Steve Blackburn** passed away on April 24, 2020, due to glioblastoma. During his illness, he was surrounded by the love of his beautiful family. Aloha to his wife, Cathy, and his three sons, **Chris '98**, Michael and Nick. Steve joined us in 10th grade and had many fond memories of his Punahou days. A special note from Steve after



*Glenn Hong '66 with his son, Kawai Hong '20, and wife, Jaydene Sniffen, at the last volleyball game of 2020.*



our 50th Reunion, "We had such great fun at the 50th! We are still basking in the glow!" We will miss you, Steve! Until we meet again.

**Melissa Yee** shares: "Still working diligently as a doctor of acupuncture and bioenergetic medicine in my private practice, writing and illustrating a children's book, researching and compiling a comprehensive book on Chinese immigration, keeping bees, doing community education and activism and traveling to faraway places. Life is full and rich. There is no time for retirement!" Most recently, Melissa met with Maj. Gen. Bob Lee and Maj. Gen.

**Stephen Tom '67** to discuss plans for several video interviews with living World War II veterans for her 'Olelo community television program "Seeds of Truth," which she has been producing for 10 years. The Chinese American Citizens Alliance, a national civil rights organization, will honor Chinese American World War II veterans through the Chinese American WWII Recognition Project by presenting them with a belated Congressional Gold Medal of Honor for their selfless military service. Melissa's father, Charles Toy Sang Yee, and **Merie-Ellen Fong** Gushi's father, former U.S. Sen. Hiram Fong, will be among 200 Hawai'i veterans from the five military branches to be recognized. The formal ceremony will take place in Washington, D.C. in the fall, followed by a banquet in Honolulu, organized by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Hawai'i.

Please take good care. Stay strong!

Aloha, Charlot

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### SUMMER

Hi, classmates,

I've never felt, as I do now, how quickly the time has passed since the last edition of our Class notes. Daily, we experience and learn to deal with triumph and disaster. Rudyard Kipling wrote in his poem, "If," that we can deal with both if we treat them just the same.

I played golf with a good friend on a Saturday in mid-March. We had lunch together. The following Thursday he tested positive for COVID-19. Fearing what I may be carrying, I consulted my physician who said I should quarantine until April 1. It was my disaster and triumph (and good luck) to emerge with no symptoms.

**Brian Sullam** and wife, Susan, are new members of the Grandparents Club! Brian writes: "In November, our daughter, Karen, and her husband, Diego, who live in Bern, Switzerland, had twins, Dante and Lisa. We spent three weeks helping the new parents. We did a lot of diapering, cooking, cleaning and enjoyed every minute. We were looking forward to going back to Bern in April for a five-week stay, but the COVID-19 crisis has



Melissa Yee '66 with Maj. Gen. Bob Lee and Maj. Gen. Stephen Tom '67 planning interviews for her 'Olelo community television program, "Seeds of Truth."

stymied those plans. Meanwhile, we are doing a lot of FaceTime. We are planning to return to Hawai'i sometime this year, but at this point we don't know when.

On March 27, 2020, **Pi'i Miyamoto** slipped away in peace. Caring for her was a close friend, **Cosette Morrison '61** Harms, who shared: "This was Pi'i's final sunset, ... her splash of aloha lighting up the sky for us. I stood on deck watching and thinking about her, and it lasted for only moments. Colorful, like her. Always to be remembered with a smile and a song. I can visualize her deep voice, her mischievous laughter, and the cute space between her front teeth! ... Now I feel more than ever, her love in my heart. Her 'earth suit'

wasn't keeping up with her anymore. What a wonderful legacy she left in us. And when we can gather, we will sing. And celebrate."

For more news, please visit our Class Facebook: 67 Punahou Classmates.

I close by sharing a blog post by Dr. Craig R. Smith that inspires me. Dr. Smith is a chief surgeon in New York City, who writes about the triumphs and disasters in his daily world. This post resonated with me: "Writing on April 1, late in the day, I can't possibly be the first person to shout out the first four lines of 'The Waste Land' by T.S. Eliot. But first or not, I can't resist: 'April is the cruelest month, breeding / Lilacs out of the dead land, mixing /



Brian Sullam '67 and wife, Susan, traveled to Bern, Switzerland, to be with their twin grandchildren, Dante and Lisa.





Friends from '67 enjoying a day in Jim Tam's yard, picking mountain apples and heliconia. From left: Laurie Randolph White, Jane Earle-Dabrowski, Jim Tam and Laurie Ehrman.



Celebrate! A bevy of '67 beauties joyfully did so in January, sharing high tea for their seventh decade of life. From left: Rebekah Luke, Suzanne Sato, Laurie Randolph White, Dew Kaneshiro, Dianne Ige, Barb Young Morgan, Valerie Lam, Jane Earle-Dabrowski, Laurie Ehrman, Nancy Somers Shaw and Liane Chang.

Memory and desire, stirring / Dull roots with spring rain." The rest of the poem is much too long, too grim and overwrought for my taste. The line-breaks that highlight three verbs (breeding, mixing, stirring) are a nice writerly touch, but I admire it most for one phrase – mixing memory and desire. In an April that may be apocalyptically cruel, that is how we are poised, desiring spring."

#### FALL

I continue to feel abundant blessings and tremendous gratitude every day as my extended family continues to stay healthy and make adjustments to get through these turbulent times. I am grateful to have a backyard environment that inspires me to be a steward of the 'aina. Never a day goes by without doing something to prune or grow or cut or beautify. Doing this gives me peace and fortifies that kernel of my essence to intensely desire and engage and nurture this gift in a vital way ... no different from taking a breath.

Mountain apple season created a joyful experience in my backyard with **Jane Earle-Dabrowski**, **Laurie Ehrman** and **Laurie Randolph White**, who came to pick the sweet delights until they could not carry any more (because they also were taking home some heliconia flowers from the forest).

Congrats to **Craig Green** who reports: "Later than many in our Class, but I just joined the 'Grandparent Club' Reed Calen Green arrived last month from my son, Brian, and his wife, Steph. All doing well."

Be well. Be happy. Be safe.

Jim

### Class of 1968

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#### SUMMER

Hopefully, when you read this, the COVID-19 pandemic will be under control and normalcy will return to our lives. The pandemic turned our lives upside down, requiring social distancing, postponement of events large and small, working from home, FaceTime with friends and family members and Zoom sessions with business associates.

Our record-breaking 50th Reunion Class gift included \$150,000 for the restoration of the Lily Pond with Punahou matching our gift. Thanks to the tireless efforts of **Rocky Higgins** and **Steve Piper**, the project is on the home stretch. **Presley Wann** and his cousins, Noah Ka'aumoana and Moku Chandler, made several trips from Kaua'i to build a wall away from the east side of the Punahou Chapel, separating that section of water to identify Ka Punahou, the new spring. They were assisted by Rocky, **Kimo Lyman** and **Gary Ostrem**. The flow of the water from the spring is between the Chapel and the wall. The water is clear and pristine just like it was when the Lily Pond was built in 1907 – 1908. The wall is now home to over 20 sunbathing turtles. Fourth grade teacher, **Pam Piper '91** Fox, and sixth grade teacher, **Ian Earle '89**, have engaged their students in studying and monitoring the water in the Lily Pond. The fourth graders made 700 Genki balls, which are made of mud and sugar and will help break down the organic sludge in

the Lily Pond and help to keep the water clean. New drainage pipes diverting debris away from the Lily Pond have been installed and new gutters on the Chapel will complete the project to help keep the water clear for years to come. Story boards will be installed in the pergola near the Lily Pond to show exactly where the spring is located.

**Linda McFaul** Perry cannot wait for the all-clear sign to see her great-grandson, Everett Ellis, who was born on Feb. 18, 2020, in Utah. Linda is feeling very blessed to be alive to see a family member of the next generation. Are there any other classmates with great-grandchildren?

Punahou Carnival 2020 was our mini reunion with **Julian Monsarrat**, **Kay Simpson Ebert**, **Steve Piper**, **Libby Yee**, **Patti Mikasa Purnell**, **Larry Langley**, **Bruce Akina**, **Barbara Zapotocky** Cook from the mainland and **Clare Rogers** Rundall from Vancouver, B.C., joining **Doug Kern**, **David Lundquist**, **Rocky Higgins**, **John Moore**, **Linda Goto**, **Marti Wiese** Rounds, **Jayne Montz**, **Presley Wann**, **Robin Midkiff**, **Jeanne Botts** Herbert, **Sesnita Moepono**, **Dale Kamisugi** Bordner, **Wendy Guy** Goodenow, **Carmel Davis** Tosaki, **Kimo Lyman**, **Becky King**, **Kathy Haglund** Kane, **Pam Rickard** Fern, **Lita Thompson** Blankenfeld, **Tim Wong**, **Kyle Metcalf**, **Linda Wong** Stringer, **Alan Masuda**, **Helen Izuta** Tricas, **Jan Luke** Loo, **Gloria Kosasa** Gainsley and **Gary Ostrem**. These '68ers enjoyed a no-host party at Murphy's Bar and Grill, a potluck party at Lita's and our Carnival shift serving Hawaiian plate.

**Wendy Ho** Brizzle missed this year's Carnival as she and husband, John, spent a month in India celebrating her 70th birthday with two



weeks in an ashram outside of Mumbai, and two weeks in Northern India.

**Barbara Civin** Patterson is celebrating four years of sketching her Guardian Angels. Her purpose is to connect Guardian Angels to their one person. "It is important for them to have faces as the eyes are the window into the soul." Visit Barbara's angels at [www.angelartbybarbara.com](http://www.angelartbybarbara.com).

Congratulations to Ute and **John Saito** whose daughter, Tanya, is to start her residency training in obstetrics and gynecology at Albert Einstein School of Medicine – Montefiore Medical Center in New York.

**Mike MacBride** is back on the walking trails after recovering from having his left hip replaced in February.

**Kenny Bailey** paddled on the Team Hawai'i six-man canoe crew in the 22K Waka Ama race in Auckland, New Zealand, in February. His crew battled rough and windy conditions, finishing in fourth place in the 60-year-old division. Please mind that Team Hawai'i's average age for that race was 73.

#### FALL

Happy 70th or 71st birthday wishes to everyone. Hopefully when you read these notes we are in the "new normal" phase recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic. The pandemic lockdown resulted in everyone social distancing, using FaceTime and Zoom and for the most part kept our classmates from celebrating 70th and 71st birthdays, anniversaries, retirements and graduations with family and friends in person. Here are some of the events that classmates missed. **Noel Black-Ackerman** said Kealakekua on Hawai'i Island was beautifully quiet during the shutdown, allowing her access to secluded beaches to catch waves, enjoy hikes and play golf. Barry and **Faye Watanabe** Kurren canceled a three-week trip to Russia, Helsinki and the Baltics, in June, and a 70th birthday celebration in Scotland with friends, in September. **Paul Pei** missed personal and business trips to Vietnam, Honolulu, Singapore and Cancun. Busy **Mahi King** Savage canceled trips to Machu Picchu, the Amazon Rainforest, the Galapagos Islands, the Arctic Circle, moved a birthday celebration at a local vineyard to the fall and is hoping things will be safe next April to head to Greece. Lonnie and **Drew Braun** canceled an African safari, a 12-day southern Caribbean cruise and a family trip to Hawai'i in August. **Bruce Marnie** missed teaching a marine biology summer class on Hawai'i Island for a Colorado University program that he has been involved with for 45 years. His RVing was limited to delivering a motorcycle from Arlington, Washington, to former Academy physics teacher, Jim Kline, in Idaho. Debi and **Marc Desgalier** missed out on a spring training trip to Phoenix to watch the Colorado Rockies in action, plus summer concerts by Blake Shelton, The Eagles and Jimmy Buffet and several Denver plays. Marc was optimistic he

would be in Los Angeles to watch the Colorado versus University of Southern California football game on Halloween.

Congratulations to **Wendy Guy** Goodenow, who celebrated her 33rd anniversary heading HNL Travel on July 1. Condolences to Wendy and family on the passing of their mother, **Marney Bellows '39** Guy, in May. Carolyn and **Dave Kemble** were ready to have their contractor start renovations on their Kailua house the day before the shutdown occurred. The contractor was finally able to start work in June. **Marilyn Garvey** Gelvin survived the shelter in place edicts in Costa Rica, but missed traveling to see her kids and grandkids – especially her sixth grandchild born in Seattle, in July. Cellist **Marcia Sloane** missed the spring and summer musical opportunities to play at weddings and the Mendocino Music Festival in Mendocino, California, so she put her cello aside and is writing a music book that's been on the back-burner for years. **Greg Booth** is the resident carpenter and handyman on a 35-acre vineyard in Healdsburg, California. He was planning to drive north in July, and was looking forward to meeting up with his long-lost grade school sweetheart from 64 years ago at the Portway Tavern in Astoria, Oregon. **Becky Walker** Columbus said she was soooooo glad to be out of the dance studio business in Orlando, Florida. Becky sold her Columbus Center Dance Studio after 42 years of training thousands of dancers. Becky said they are fixing up their house, including adding a new roof during the downtime. Congratulations to **Pat Roos**, who retired on July 1, after a 45-plus year career writing and teaching sociology, mainly at Rutgers University, working in two broad research areas: occupational sex segregation and grief and resilience in the midst of the opioid epidemic. Pat and her husband, Chip, are looking forward to moving into a condo in Washington, D.C. in the summer of 2022. Mark and **Gale Shepard** Erwin enjoyed walks on the beach, snorkeling and being outdoors during O'ahu's shutdown. Gale said they missed out on an Alaskan wilderness adventure and trips to see their Oregon grandchildren. **Bill "Alika" Burso** passed away in March 4, 2020. Condolences to his family and friends.

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#### SUMMER

Aloha, classmates:

We are grateful to **Scott Berk** and the late **Robin Lee** Gyorgyalvy for being wonderful correspondents for our Class. Scott has passed the note-writing torch to us, **Victoria Judd Hill** and **Vicki Sandelin** Reisner, so we are

taking our turn as correspondents. We look forward to hearing from you – the noteworthy Class of 1969!

Scott Berk and his wife, Gina, are living in Argeles-sur-Mer, a Mediterranean beach town just north of Spain, nestled below the eastern end of the Pyrenees. Scott reports: "The beach, ocean, parks and most businesses are closed. A few restaurants have takeout, and food stores are open. We are doing fine, keeping occupied with various things. Retirement has been good training for 'hanging out.' We order groceries online and do curbside pickup, as it's kind of creepy going into a market with the increased potential of getting infected. We can drive to the store, pharmacy, doctor, but we stay in town unless absolutely necessary. We can take a walk for an hour a day, within a one-kilometer radius of home. The government requires an online form to be filled out whenever you leave your home and carry it with you. I do it on my phone."

We were happy to hear from **Phil Dawson**. He is retired and living in Washington with his wife, Sharon. Phil had a stroke three years ago and has been steadily recovering since. He and Sharon were going to Maui in March, but canceled their trip due to the pandemic. Phil hasn't been to Hawai'i since our 15th Class Reunion, which he recalls was a "blast." Sharon has never been to the Islands, so we hope they can reschedule their trip soon. We wish them the best!

**Nancy Maxeiner** sent this in: "When I graduated from Punahou, I had a clear-cut plan to become a veterinarian – my dream since I was four. I



Master gardening interns and '69 classmates, Vicki Sandelin Reisner and Cordelia Fukuhara, learning all the dirt on plants at the Pearl City Urban Garden Center.



received my DVM from Washington State University in 1988, and owned a mixed animal practice in Moscow, Idaho, for over 20 years. I met a nurse anesthetist on the Oregon Trail Ride, who did volunteer work in Ecuador. I was also a RN, and so it began. I have worked with various nonprofits, going yearly to Ecuador, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Cambodia and China. Three of us in Moscow started a nonprofit where we work in rural Haiti, supporting two small schools, sponsoring a meal program for keiki, hosting free veterinary clinics and teaching good animal care. Sadly, this year we couldn't travel to Haiti due to the country's civil unrest, and a cleft palate mission to India was canceled due to COVID-19. I have made some wonderful friends all over the world. My best experiences and treasured memories are times spent with them, their families and the adventures we've had together. I've been to incredible places, seen amazing sights, held the cutest babies, worked with superb medical teams and made deep and lasting friendships."

And from **John DeFries**: Coping with the impacts of COVID-19 takes me back to our 50th Reunion chapel service, where two notable quotes were highlighted that soundly resonate today. From Mother Teresa: "If you want to change the world, go home and love your family." The stay-at-home and work-from-home directives have caused us to find solace and safety in our homes, where each day we express our concerns for and aloha to family members and friends. Then, the world's shortest poem from Muhammad Ali: "Me. We." This speaks to our existence as individuals, who are organically intertwined with the greater whole of humanity. It's as if "Professor Pandemic" has walked into the global classroom with a life-threatening reminder that humans for too long have encroached into the natural habitats of our wildlife, resulting in an increase of animal-carried viruses being passed on to humans. In the course study of this pandemic, the worldwide lesson plan and local homework assignment is to restore a better balance in the ways in which we live in relation to all life forms and living systems. Our collective mandate is to malama – to care for and nurture life; to malama Hawai'i and malama honua.

#### FALL

**Debbie Chang** Di Bella, who has received many floral awards and whose artistic expressions have appeared in many magazines, writes to us: "Floral arranging was never a goal of mine in my art career. Lei making attracted me to The American Institute of Floral Design (AIFD) because it had a curriculum, a stellar reputation and there were many great designers who were a part of it. Education is a continuingly, enjoyable process, and the flower business is ever-evolving. You have to keep up with the latest trends to satisfy customer requests. As a floral designer, you better know how to make a traditional cascade bridal bouquet of roses, orchids and lilies; a contemporary, elevated 12-foot long centerpiece of tropical exotic



*Friends from the Class of '69 gathered with family at the Waioli Kitchen & Bake Shop for breakfast. From left: Chuck Hill '69, Lori Carahasen '69, Wes Carahasen '69, Mahi Martin '69, Charlotte Carahasen and Victoria Judd '69 Hill.*



*Scott Power '69 has served as trustee of the Manoa Heritage Center for 24 years. Gathered in front of a wall mosaic by artist, Leah Kilpatrick '86 Rigg, are volunteer, Zoe Welch '23, with her mother, Executive Director Jessica Welch, Scott, Director of Education Jenny Kessner '94 Engle with her daughter, and volunteer, Lily Engle '23.*

flowers and foliage; or the latest trend - dried grasses and foliages suspended from the ceiling over diners. Having access to the internet helps with ideas, but you still have to learn the correct mechanics, or your designs may fall apart. Ongoing workshops and classes are essential."

**Cordelia "Cordie" Fukuhara** describes her interesting experiences. "There were a couple of firsts for me in 2019. One was our wonderful 50th Reunion. The other was joining the University of Hawai'i's Master Gardener Program. Back then, my plants were dying. My lawn was yellow. I didn't know what to do, a conundrum! I heard about the Master Gardener

Program that has 40 hours of classroom instruction, plus 50 hours of related volunteer work. I had no previous knowledge of gardening but signed up. It has been amazing! It was a privilege and empowering to hear from UH doctorates and researchers, as they taught about their specialty and shared their current challenges. Gardening is a science! I have learned so much, and I'm still learning by volunteering. I think of it as an internship for my Master Gardener Certificate. Now, I deadhead, hard prune, lay compost, mulch, have discussions on plant seed stock and answer questions on plant diseases. There's much to learn and more to do! I've met the





Scott Berk '69 in Barcelona with a floral fundraiser, who was supporting the beautiful cathedral in the background.



Nancy Maxeiner '69 volunteering in Harare, Zimbabwe.

nicest people and had yummy potlucks. My plants and I are doing much better."

For 24 years, **Scott Power** has been honored to be a trustee of Manoa Heritage Center (MHC), founded in 1996 by **Samuel '55** and **Mary Moragne '54 Cooke**. MHC is a 3.5-acre living classroom dedicated to promoting understanding of the cultural and natural heritage of Hawai'i. The education-focused, nonprofit center features Kuka'o'o Heiau, the last intact

heiau in the greater ahupua'a of Waikiki. The center also includes Native Hawaiian gardens and a visitor education hale. Along with the history associated with Kuka'o'o Heiau, MHC's native and Polynesian-introduced plants provide school groups a glimpse into a time when inhabitants had a very close connection to the land.

Sad to share that we lost two classmates. **Lance Lee** Johansen passed away in Ensenada,

Mexico. He loved horticulture on land and the energy at sea. **James Sexton** passed away on April 25, 2020. He served in the Navy, was a marine diesel mechanic and loved the ocean. We send condolences to their families.

Aloha, Victoria and Vicki

## Class of 1970

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### SUMMER

"Hey, Class of '70! Let's be different – **TOGETHER!**" is the a challenge from **Gail Simpson** Owen, who is living in Morton, Illinois. Recognition that our Class was truly a transitional one. Reflect for a moment on how the world changed from 1966 – 1970. Gail recently retired as the Regional Superintendent of Schools for a three-county region in Illinois, overseeing operations for 30 different school districts. After retirement, she jumped into community and national volunteerism with a passion for empowering others – especially women. Her Joseph Campbell passion finds her serving as the International President of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. She notes that her "little group" consists of 300,000 women ranging in age from 17 to 107 across the United States and Canada. Gail was also kind to note that the Kappa chapter at the University of Arkansas is one of the largest undergraduate chapters.

I enjoyed another long chat with **Danny Deacon**. Danny plans to visit a son and daughter who live in Austin, Texas, once the skies become friendly again. I will then head down I-35 to share a story or two with an old friend. In Texas, driving three hours is no big deal when bridging 50 years.

**Colin Miyabara**, franchise owner of Maid Brigade of Honolulu, was awarded the prestigious "Franchise of the Year" award at the 29th Maid Brigade Annual Convention in Chicago, Illinois. "It is indeed an honor to receive this award. It is testimony to the outstanding effort of our field and office staff. I am proud of their commitment to reliable, consistent and professional house cleaning service. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all our loyal customers and will use this award to motivate us to do an even better job for them as we move forward," said Miyabara. Congratulations, Colin.

As part of "being different – together" we have become "Baby Boomers." Responding to the postponement of our 50th Reunion, **Gary Pacarro** created a series of Zoom cocktail events. Our first cross-country gathering stretched from a core of familiar faces in Hawai'i to East Coast favorites **Shelley**





Deb Chang '69 Di Bella demonstrates the art of floral design at a department of agriculture exhibition. Photo taken by her daughter, Sarah Di Bella '00.



Here are the "Baby Zoomers" of the Class of '70 during one of their Zoom cocktail events. Top row, from left: Gwen '72 and Gary Pacarro, Will Morris, Peter Jaquette and Shelley Midkiff. Second row: Mark Osmun, Louise Ing, Jim Scott and Gail Simpson Owen. Third row: Dana Bell Kuyper, Marion Lyman-Mersereau, Steve and Janice Johnston Primiano and Doug Ostrem. Bottom row: Suzie Blackwood Foote, John Reppun, Bub Wo and Keith Davis.

Midkiff, Dana Bell Kuyper, Ceseli Fisher Milstein and Janice Johnston Primiano. We are adjusting the time schedules to include coffee with Candace Johnson in France. Our Zoom gatherings have included Gary Pacarro, Will Morris, Jim Scott, Lauren Nottage Hogan, Allen Tom, Joan Vannatta Larson, Peter Jaquette, Toni Miyahara Shimura, Louise Ing, Rosalyn Loomis Meyer, Anne Hogan Ezer, Mark Osmun, Joan Gossett, Doug Piper, Steve Mechler, Beverly Walton, Bub Wo, Bonnie King Murphy, Betsy Mills Skevington, Joanne Fahrenwald, Jodee Farm, Doug Ostrem, Betsy Wilson, Dale Smith, Bruce Campbell, Marion Lyman-Mersereau, Suzie Blackwood Foote, John Reppun, Keith Davis and Ricky Cassidy.

Doug Piper, who has been living in Cheyenne, Wyoming, called me after a recent Zoom meeting full of emotion and affirming a renewed feeling of connectedness to "so many familiar Punahou faces." Doug is a Punahou-lifer and agrees, "let's be different – together."

Let's continue our search for "lost" classmates and reengage those that have been absent. I have a vision of creating regional mainland mini reunions – both in person and via Zoom. We live closer to each other than we might imagine. Heather Forsythe and Peter Jaquette recently discovered that they live just 15 minutes apart, and a long phone call revealed new perspectives.

Just minutes before submitting my notes, I received notice that **Tommy Abbott** had passed away after a long and determined battle with cancer. Tommy was one of the good guys, living in Seattle, with his beautiful family for many years. Phone a classmate and tell them you love them.

#### FALL

We will celebrate our 51st Reunion in 2021. In the interim, our Class has drawn closer through weekly Zoom meetings. Over 80 classmates have shared their stories and updates – some who left in sixth grade – others who were with us for only our senior year.

I note that in an earlier edition of our Class notes, I omitted **Dale Smith** as a Punahou Lifer. A Lifer indeed, whose ancestors helped found Punahou in 1841. Dale shares this founding common ancestor with **D.C. Mist** Eichelberger, **Barbara Schleif** Rogers and **Marion Lyman-Mersereau**. I learned that Dale is more interesting than I ever imagined. Dale and his wife, Nancy, left San Diego six years ago and settled onto a horse ranch in Washoe Valley, Nevada.

After 10 years in Honolulu, and 10 years in Bend, Oregon, **John and Shea Reiner '71 Mounts** recently moved to the warmth and endless golf links of Scottsdale, Arizona, where they will often visit with double old friend, **Mark Osmun**. Lisa and I venture to see Mark and Karla every few years – now looking forward to seeing John and Shea and a good pinot noir.

It took a Zoom meeting with classmates around the world to reconnect with **Glenn Haggstrom**. Glenn is living in Fort Worth, Texas, less than an hour away from my home in Plano. Glenn is enjoying retirement and we will get together soon – once the pandemic



John '70 and Shea Reiner '70 Mounts enjoying their new home in Scottsdale, Arizona.



border between Dallas and Fort Worth is lowered.

Another ROTC pal, **Albert Turner** (formerly known as Farrant) took his ROTC training more seriously than most of us. He attended West Point, followed by a 25-year military career, followed by 17 years at Northrup Grumman. Now fully retired in Huntsville, Alabama, in the shadows of NASA, he enjoys golf, woodworking and volunteering.

**Heather Forsythe-Auchter, Peter Jaquette and Charlie Mayfield** got together for a mini reunion picnic in Carlsbad, California – filling a 50-plus year gap. Charlie is looking forward to retiring in the next few years and leaving the Bay Area for San Diego. Peter moved to Carlsbad from New Jersey about five years ago and has been enjoying playing keyboards with a classic rock band and 'ukulele at Hawaiian kani ka pila. I look forward to a little music at our next mini reunion in San Diego.

**Baba Kreutz** is another baby boomer on the move. After 20 years in Northern California, living near the five grandchildren of his oldest son and youngest daughter – Baba and Judy packed up the golf clubs and headed to Portland, Oregon, joining his oldest daughter and youngest son. When not hanging out with the three Oregonian grandchildren, he is playing golf with old friend, **Larry Langley '68**.

**Jim Nurse** describes an ideal day of retirement in Sequim, Washington. "Arise early to watch the sun rise and listen to an array of birds greet the morning. Then, out on the boat to round up Dungeness crab, Spot shrimp or Chinook salmon – followed by a short nap and dinner with a Chateau St. Michele. Closing the day with a tawny port and off to bed. Then, repeat." I confirmed with Jim that he is now on my bucket list. I also discovered that **Dan Deacon** enjoys the same routine when visiting his sister on Orcas Island.

I received a surprise note from **Mike Hong** and enjoyed the opportunity to catch up. Mike is a cardiologist in Buffalo, New York, enjoying four children, ages 26 to 38, and twin granddaughters. Mike moved to Buffalo in 1990, just before the Dallas Cowboys beat the Buffalo Bills in back-to-back Super Bowls.

Please update your contact information at [punahou.edu/alumni](http://punahou.edu/alumni) and contact me if you find a "lost" classmate. Our Class website is [www.punahou70.com](http://www.punahou70.com). Reunion information can be found at [punahou.edu/reunion](http://punahou.edu/reunion). The Reunion committee has adjusted to the COVID-19 curve ball to ensure that the friendships of our youth continue to serve as powerful introductions to friendships of our wisdom years.

## Class of 1971

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### SUMMER

As I write this, it's April 1 – some April Fool's Day, this COVID-19, eh? I can only hope that



*Friends from '70, Charlie Mayfield, Heather Forsythe-Auchter and Peter Jaquette, following COVID-19 protocols in Carlsbad, California.*

by the time you read this it's about five to six months out and we are over this challenge. I'm not even giving this virus any more power than calling it a challenge ... Thirteen hearty souls manned the front desk and serving line at Hawaiian Plate this year: **Vicky Chiu-Irion, Liane Chong** Takara and husband, John, **Pauline Morihara** Kim and husband, Rick, **Portia Ching** Jim On, **Willie Lum, Shelley Pang, Edith Beard** Brady, **Suzette Bolster, Meg Paty Wolter**, first-timer **Jerry Wilkinson**, along with **Percy Wong**. The dinner shift is always nonstop action from beginning to end. It was lots of fun being able to catch up with fellow '71ers and enjoy the great sounds of a parade of talented musicians, including our own **Lloyd Kawakami** and his sons, **Alx '04** and **Nick '01**, of Manoa DNA. Following the shift, everyone posed for the annual group shot taken by our Class photographer, **Dave Sonoda**, then sat down for the traditional post-shift meal. **Gordon Yee** (smart guy) showed up just in time for the photo. Little did we realize that in the span of less than two months how our lives and those around the globe would dramatically change and how large gatherings such as the Carnival would be an anomaly in today's world. It has been decided that Carnival next year will be the last hurrah for our Class. It was agreed that the last shift will coincide with our 50th Reunion ... **Jane Goodsill** reports that two years ago, she started taking oral histories of people who participated in the destiny of Hawai'i in the last half of the last century. Her goal was to preserve the bits of Hawai'i history that live in people's memories and have not been captured to date. Well, happy to report that this project has morphed into a book! Watermark Publishing will release her book, "Voices of Hawai'i" in the fall of 2020 ... **Willa Cox** was thrilled that Mitchell Giddings Fine Art, located in Vermont, used one of her images, "2003, No. 4," to announce a group

show. To make the piece, she glued together layers of white, black and fuchsia papers, then cut and tore through them – sort of like making an abstract cameo. She further developed the piece, by adding elements of marbled and embossed papers, sanding and painting. Check out her website to see the image at: [willacox.com](http://willacox.com) ... Sad news about our classmates: **Stephanie Horio** passed away in December. She was living in Honolulu ... **Pam Bowen** passed away in January, and had been living in Littleton, Colorado ... Thanks everyone for sending me announcements for our Class. Even if you feel, "Gee, it's not important," I beg to disagree. Your classmates want to stay in touch and hear about you. Please send me info to the email above. If you don't, I just might make something up!:) A hui hou!

### FALL

Are you ready for our 50th Reunion? By the time you read this it's about eight months away! We're going to be marching in to the Alumni Lu'au with the younger classes looking at us and probably saying, "Do you think we'll ever look like those old dudes?" The first committee meeting was held in June. Our theme is "E wala'au kakou – Let's talk story." Our goal is to have our classmates join us so we can share our stories, listen to others, kani ka pila (singing music jam session) and just be together in unforgettable venues. **Edith Beard** Brady has secured a blog for us, check it out: [punahou71.wordpress.com](http://punahou71.wordpress.com). Huge mahalo to Reunion co-chairs, **Jane Goodsill** and **Randall Chung**; watching the money are **Martha Morgan** and **Laurel Bowers** Husain; secretary is Edith Beard Brady; Class gift is **Laura Ing** Baker, **Stan Kuriyama** and **Cyndy Char** Ong; Off-Island adventure is **Liane Chong** Takara, **Brooke Young** Nasby and **Momi Kay** Vincent; Friday night cocktail party is **Martin Rabbett**, **Mike Sayama**, **Carol Titcomb**, **William Meheula** and **Byron Yoshino**; memorial service





*The Class of '71 at their 20th Reunion in 1991. Looking forward to the 50th Reunion in 2021!*

is **Betsy Goss Stilwell** and **Frank Washburn** (we get the chapel for a full hour); aloha apparel is **Shea Reiner** Mounts; and publicity is Edith Beard Brady and **Pauline Morihara Kim**.

**Lailan Yee McGrath** and **Dave Sonoda** are putting together videos for our Reunion and need your help. Please send a current photo of yourself (it's okay if with a child, spouse or pet) and any fun candid photos of yourself with friends from high school, past or current. Send digital photos to both Lailan at [lailanmcgrath@gmail.com](mailto:lailanmcgrath@gmail.com) and Dave at [punahou71@gmail.com](mailto:punahou71@gmail.com). We will need lots of help. This is your opportunity to reach out to any of these folks if you want to be involved or

give your two cents. If you don't have someone's email, let me know at the email at the top of our Class notes, and I'll get you to the person you want. Please look for a survey heading your way (maybe you already received it) and return it to help design a fun week!

In other news, **Debbie Child-Lawrence** has been living in Kamuela with her husband, Bryn. They have three children and two grandchildren, all living on the mainland. Debbie is retired from teaching but continues to be involved at the Montessori school she helped to start in 1984.

Sad news to share: **Alvin Isaacs III** passed on Jan. 29, 2019, in Honolulu, and **Delia Valentin**

passed on Sept. 21, 2017, at her home on Kaua'i. Mahalo to **Willie Lum** who let us know about our two classmates who passed away some time ago.

Please send your updates to the email at the top of this column. A hui hou!

## Class of 1972

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## SUMMER

Greetings, classmates!

It is the first week of April as I write these notes, and it will be another three months before this issue appears in your mailbox or inbox. Wherever you are across the globe, I hope this finds you and your loved ones well and adapting to whatever new reality awaits when, hopefully, the COVID-19 pandemic is behind us.

Like communities nationwide, Honolulu's mayor issued a stay-at-home/work-at-home order that became effective March 23, followed a few days later by a similar mandate from Hawai'i's governor. Fortunately for me, I have worked out of my home office since 1989, so the adjustment was uneventful. Unfortunately, a large part of my business is special events, which for now are either postponed or canceled altogether. On a brighter side, I'm a company of one that didn't have to go through the heartbreak of closing down a business and letting go of employees. So, with a little more time on my hands and nowhere to go, I pulled out my mother's vintage wooden jigsaw puzzles (can't binge on Netflix every night), refreshed my vegetable garden, exchanged veggies and fruit with neighbors and friends



*Class of '71 was well represented at Carnival, serving up Hawaiian Plate on Friday night. Front row, from left: Gordon Yee, Steve Chang, Jerry Wilkinson and Dave Sonoda. Middle row: Vicky Chiu-Irion, Edith Beard Brady and Shelley Pang. Back row: Willie Lum, Meg Paty Wolter, Rick Kim, Percy Wong, Suzette Bolster, John Takara, Liane Chong Takara, Pauline Morihara Kim and Portia Ching Jim On.*



and found a good CSA to support Waimanalo farmers, while supplementing the fresh produce in the fridge. I also organized 12 years of Kailua sunrise beach walk photos for a future project, and, like many others I know, started chipping away at deferred home improvement/cleaning/purging projects.

I would love to hear what interesting new (or old) hobbies, skills, projects or community service activities kept you sane during the coronavirus crisis in your respective parts of the world.

About a month before our world turned upside down and Hawai'i's visitor industry all but shut down, **Shannon Hager Bauhofer** and her husband, Don, managed to bring their kids and grandkids to Hawai'i for a vacation. It was fun to catch up with them (sans kids and pre-social distancing) at the Outrigger Canoe Club, along with **John and Susie Cooling Field**, Eric and **Lissa Lam Schiff** and **Ethan and Jean Dillingham Abbott**.

**Mindy Blackwood D'Alessandro** reconnected with **Nancy Wilson Drake**, who visited Mindy in Florida earlier this year, now that both are retired. At the end of her junior year of high school, Mindy's Navy father was transferred overseas, so she lived with the Wilson family during her senior year so she could graduate from Punahou. They have remained pals ever since. Nancy was a second grade teacher for many years in Pennsylvania, where she has lived since graduating from college. Mindy reports that Nancy hasn't lost her talent for sewing and crafting.

In the "old news is better than no news" department (because I forgot to include it last time), **Susan Gunther Hoff**, who divides her time between Northern California and Hawai'i, was in town in December, and joined **Lori Lloyd '78** and me for a terrific performance of Ballet Hawaii's Hawaiian-themed "Nutcracker." We met up with our spouses (Tony Hoff, **Bill Leary** and Tom P.) for dinner at Lori and Bill's lovely home overlooking Kane'ohe Bay. Both Susan and Lori are former ballet dancers, and we're hoping to make "Nutcracker" an annual soiree.

Lastly, when it's safe to travel again, **Judi Wiens Hahnel** would love to host classmates at her new Coachella Valley home in Palm Desert, where she relocated from Washington, after retiring at the end of last year. Reach her at [hahnelju@comcast.net](mailto:hahnelju@comcast.net) or (425)785-0442.

#### FALL

I hope that you and your loved ones (pets included) are staying safe and healthy through these extraordinary times.

Although 2022 seems like the distant future, our 50th Class Reunion has started to roll! A small advance crew of Reunion planners, facilitated by **Lisa Morrett Reid Cole** and **Lissa Lam Schiff**, held the first meeting in June via Zoom. Classmate communication was the

main topic of discussion, which includes plans for a Class of '72 website and increasing our presence on Facebook *Punahou Class of '72*, which **Marcella Foo Yee** has faithfully administered over the years. It's a public page, so you can browse through the posts and photos even if you don't have a Facebook account.

Mahalo to all of you who responded to the Reunion survey earlier this year. Lots of help will be needed as committees get organized to put together this milestone event. Keep your eyes on your inbox for updates and opportunities to join the fun. Please email [punahou1972@gmail.com](mailto:punahou1972@gmail.com) to volunteer, update your contact information and/or add ideas to the "calabash" of activities that the Reunion committee will be considering.

Thanks to our Class Facebook page, I discovered MootiePatootie – **Beth Opperman Andrewes'** Etsy store, which she opened after retiring from her real estate career two years ago. Turning her passion into a business, Beth crafts colorful, whimsical earrings and pendants using handmade beads, mainly lampwork, enamel and porcelain, that she sources from artists in the U.S., Europe, Australia and New Zealand. She and husband, Tom, have two adorable granddaughters and are loving life on Lopez Island, Washington.

Small world item: I ran into **Carl Kim** at my neighbor's garage in July when I was picking up some fresh-caught ahi. Turns out the two of them have been surfing buddies for more than 30 years! Being the era of COVID-19, I didn't linger to get all of the back story, but it was fun to see a familiar face at a time when my ventures from home were mostly limited to grocery shopping, essential errands, exercising at Kailua Beach and buying fish from my neighbor.

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#### SUMMER

Aloha kakou:

Please welcome Hawai'i's newest residents: **Ingrid Peterson Seely** from Topanga Canyon, California; **Connie Kleinjans** from Los Altos, California; and **Tim George** from Rhode Island. I'm so excited for your new adventures as retirees! And guess what? You are all new volunteers for our 50th Reunion!

We are in the golden years of retirement. If you have a bucket list for travel and Turkey is on that list, call on **Diane Kimura**. In October 2019, Diane and her husband, Bill, took part in the Punahou Alumni Travel Program for a two-week tour to Turkey, traveling with a group of 23 alumni from Classes ranging from 1962 to 2007. Diane's travel pictures, history and detailed descriptions read like an article out of a travel magazine! One of the most interesting historic details was Diane visiting the ancient city of Aphrodisias. "To get there, you were on a covered wagon pulled by a tractor with no

shocks on a rough, cobblestone street." Diane recommends that if you travel anywhere, take a tour led by Mert Tanner, who is one of the top guides in the Rick Steves' Europe, Inc. or **Mei-Mei Zane '84** Engel, who led the tour to Mert's home country of Turkey. In March, Diane and Bill took another history-filled trip to the East Coast – Boston to Washington, D.C. Can't wait to see where your travels take you next, Diane!

Our Class was well represented at our Carnival Hawaiian Plate shift on Friday. Mahalo to **Pomai Toledo** for her leadership. From the moment you paid the cashiers, you were met with aloha and smiles (and at times too much laughter), and of course, the stylish bonnets! Big mahalos to **Jennifer Ando**, **Dexter Au**, **Sue Lum Carlson**, **Colin Fong**, **Anna Hirai**, **Val Uyehara Ito**, **Diane Kimura**, **Glen Kobayashi**, **Karen Leong Lee**, **Ingrid Peterson Seely**, **Allan Spitzer**, **Patty Buchanan Takabayashi** and **Dawn Yamaguchi**. We had so much fun reconnecting and catching up with each other! Please remember that Pomai will need volunteers next year, February 2021. Mahalo.

As some of our classmates have moved back to the Islands, Joe and I decided to retire to Oregon, in September 2019, to be close to our boys, who are living on the mainland. We are adjusting well and loving life on our three-acre farm with its beautiful views of Mount McLoughlin. We have already planted fruit trees, and soon, raised beds with vegetables, and I'm hoping a few goats. We are just out of the city, but close enough for services. We have enjoyed the Islands for 65 years. We have fond memories and our roots are still there, but we are looking forward to our new chapter in life. Mahalo to our now retired realtor, **Cheryl Narver**, for helping us find the perfect home, and Diane Kimura for making this a smooth transition.



A fond aloha to Bob Lehr '73, who passed away in April 2020. Here are Bob and his wife, Marguerite, on the Class of 1973's 60th birthday cruise to Alaska.

Live your life from your heart! Travel and enjoy! Be grateful. Forgive. Hug and love those around you. A hui hou.

#### FALL

It seems like 2020 is passing by so quickly. Many retirements on the horizon and many of us are getting notices on Medicare and Social Security. New adventures in the Golden Years of our lives!

**Kirby Wright** is still writing and getting noticed for his work! Kirby's latest story is forthcoming in Gold Man Review, a literary magazine out of Salem, Oregon. His story is titled, "Punahou Crush Story." Big question is –Who is she? Kirby is very tight-lipped about her identity. He says, "Stay one secret." What he loves about writing is how you can go back in time and grab powerful moments. Kirby was influenced by the epiphanic technique perfected by the stories of James Joyce in, "A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man." When it hits the stands, go grab a copy and figure out who this girl is!

Sadly, we have received news that **Bob Lehr** passed away peacefully in April 2020, in Dana Point, California. Bob resided in California for the last 19 years so he could be closer to 'ohana. Bob worked in tax software sales until he had to go on permanent disability to tend to his many health challenges. He lived a happier, longer life with the woman of his dreams, Marguerite, who insisted on him eating healthier meals. All of Bob's medical staff says he was model patient, and everyone loved him. **John Ross** wrote me a heartfelt note and is allowing me to share his thoughts with you. John met Bob at Punahou in history class in the fall of 1971. John was a military kid who had moved from Omaha, Nebraska, and was just getting to know Hawai'i. Bob was a Midwestern kid, also from Omaha, Nebraska, who's dad had just retired to Hawai'i. John and Bob shared a story of watching the same huge fire at a veterinary hospital near John's house from opposite Omaha neighborhoods. It took Punahou to bring these fast friends together. They learned to love Hawai'i as they moved through high school, exploring O'ahu in either John's VW Bug, (Can you imagine Bob getting into that?) or in Bob's red Toyota Celica. **Don Haisley** shared many adventures with them, as well. Bob will be missed by so many. Please keep Bob's wife, Marguerite, in your prayers. Aloha no, Bob.

**Tad Nottage** shared on our Class Facebook page that **Kibby Mills** passed away unexpectedly in May 2020, at his home in Volcano, Hawai'i. Kibby's sister, **Puanai Mills '79** Ka'ai, reached out to me and talked about her brother. Kibby had a rancher's soul, and had an innate gift of caring for animals, especially his dog, Otter. He cultivated a beautiful yard that looked like a true work of art. He was a generous farmer and cook, who always made everyone feel welcomed and cared for. He had a big heart and a wild spirit, a combination many people yearn for. His endless circle of family and friends will remember him



Chickie Lee '73 Guillaume and her husband, Joe, have moved to Oregon and are loving the Pacific Northwest. Here they are visiting the Tillamook Creamery.



Diane Kimura '73 in Ephesus, enjoying the Punahou Alumni Travel program trip to Turkey.



Big mahalo to the '73 Carnival crew that dished it out at Hawaiian Plate! Front row, from left: Anna Hirai, Val Uyehara Ito, Sue Lum Carlson and Karen Leong Lee. Back row: Dexter Au, Glen Kobayashi, Dawn Yamaguchi, Diane Kimura, Pomai Tyler Toledo, Allan Spitzer, Ingrid Peterson and Colin Fong. Not pictured, but definitely served it up were Patty Buchanan Takehashi and Jennifer Ando.

for his loving, unabashed personality and unequivocally agree he was a man who lived life with no regrets. Kibby attended Punahou until his sophomore year, then transferred to Kahuku, where he graduated in '72. For the past 28 years, Kibby lived in Volcano, Hawai'i, where he set up his ranch and fence building business in the

community he called home. Please keep his beautiful, patient wife of 30 years, Ronna; his daughter, Maile; his sister, Pua; and his brother, **Kimo Mills '74**, in your prayers. Sadly, they also lost mom, Barbara "Bobbie" Mills, and brother, **George Mills Jr. '64**, with months of each other. Aloha no, Kibby.





Visiting '73 alumnae, Melanie Ching, Linda Fessenden-Butts and Anna Koike Schuler, enjoyed a fabulous lunch at Kikuya Restaurant.



After 2,082 nautical miles and 12 and a half days, Doug Bolduc '74 (in the hat) is back on land after delivering a boat from Houston to the Wye River in Maryland.

Also sending our aloha to, **Lori Wong, J.D. Watumull** and **Amy Yanamura Young**, who have lost loved ones.

Please take care of yourselves. Remember to hug and love those near to you. Sending each one of you hugs filled with aloha.

Chickie

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### SUMMER

As I write this at the beginning of April, we are social distancing, I wonder what the situation

will be when we receive the summer Bulletin. I hope we are all in a more normal lifestyle, and have the freedom to be at the beach, on the golf course, the tennis courts or wherever you like to be when you are outside. I hope you are all safe. For now, it's off to the news ...

A big mahalo, once again, to all of you who participated in our Carnival Malasada booth shift. We had the largest turnout, 40+ volunteers, and I appreciated that very much! I loved seeing the TV news coverage and **Renee Ahuna** Cabrinha talking about what giving back to Carnival meant to her. Please note that I am aware that some would like to find a different booth to volunteer in, but I truly appreciated that you showed up when needed. I will keep you posted on any potential booth changes.

Besides the Malasada booth, several classmates also volunteered before Carnival doing haku lei prep. That group included **Yuriko Wellington**, **Catherine Tompkinson**, **Lyallyn Temple**, **Fay Inouye Aitcheson**, **Lisa Yamaguchi Bowden**, **Lee Ann Gullikson Nicolay**, **Babs Miyano-Young** and **Taren Taguchi**. The lei they made were beautiful. See the Class blog for photos and more information!

In March, the annual Punahou Alumni Association Golf Tournament was held at the Hawaii Prince Golf Club. **Ann Martin** and I were part of a team and had lots of fun. I also saw **John Morgan** and **Leighton Lam**. I apologize if I missed anyone that was there!

**Landis Lum** works as the primary physician at a COVID-19 screening and treatment location in Iwilei for the homeless. He already provides medical services at the Chinatown homeless clinic. Thank you for your service, Landis, both personally and professionally.

A note from **Coralie Chun** Matayoshi, who is producing and hosting legal video podcasts for KHON2TV. "What's the Law" educates the public about common legal problems, like what happens if you die without a will, get into a car accident, get divorced or go bankrupt. The podcasts are scheduled to be posted every Monday at [KHON2.com](http://KHON2.com). Sounds like a great resource for our community. Coralie was recently awarded the 2020 Pacific Business News (PBN) Career Achievement Award for Women Who Mean Business. The PBN article noted that the award was to "celebrate her success as a business leader running three consecutive statewide nonprofits." In the previous Bulletin column, it was noted that Coralie recently retired from her position as chief executive officer of the American Red Cross Pacific Islands Region.

I hope when I write the next column, life will be more normal, and yet, maybe we can keep some of the good stuff happening now – like taking time for loved ones and home projects! Take care, everyone.

### FALL

By the time you receive this, summer will be over and I hope life is seeing less restrictions



due to COVID-19. Personally, I hope sports and schools are back, and that our State is further along the process of economic recovery. Lots to hope for!

Congratulations to **John Morgan**, who was recently selected as a Punahou Trustee. John has been manager of his family-owned Kualoa Ranch since 1981. The operations have grown from eight to 400 employees, who work in cattle ranching, diversified agriculture, outdoor recreation and educational programs. John continues to be involved on many local boards as a dedicated volunteer. He and his wife, Carri, have three children; **Jason '01**, **Kyle '03** and **Lindsey Morgan '09** O'Neil. We are honored to now have two classmates as Trustees; **Mark Fukunaga** is currently chair of the Board.

**Fred Randolph** emailed me to say he was releasing his fourth CD, "Mood Walk," with his Fred Randolph Quintet. Fred is an accomplished bassist. Check out the making of "Mood Walk." [bit.ly/30qulbX](http://bit.ly/30qulbX)

I received an email and photo from **Douglas Bolduc**. The photo was of the crew of a boat after they took it 2,082 nautical miles in 12 and a half days. Doug, with the intrepid crew, delivered the boat to the Wye River in Maryland from Houston, Texas. I know nothing about moving a boat, but that sounds like a pretty speedy journey! Great job!

Now, some sad news ... I was informed we lost a classmate in June. **Richard "Butch" Ochoa's** sister, **Linnea Ochoa '81** Sanchez, sent me the news that Butch had passed away on June 16, 2020. We will miss him and send our condolences to his family and friends.



Classmates, Mei-Ling Yee '75 Sparring and Mary Fairhurst '75, reconnected after 45 years at Zia's Café, in Kane'ohe.

Aloha to you all. Wishing you health and safety in this unusual time. Please send me any updates to share with classmates. Don't forget to check out the Punahou '74 blog by **Lynne Gartley Meyer** at [punahou74.wordpress.com](http://punahou74.wordpress.com).

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### SUMMER

Aloha, classmates:

As I write this column, it is April in Northern California wine country and life is, well ... different. We are shaping our lives around COVID-19. My high school junior is participating in online education; masks are now required in all enclosed spaces; and shelter-in-place has been the norm for five weeks now. I hope each of you and your loved ones are healthy in mind, body and spirit. I'm also hopeful that this summer edition of the Bulletin finds all of us enjoying the company of people we care about and in a lighter frame of mind.

**Greg Kim** was in the news in March, when he stepped up to address the needs of the elderly and the vulnerable on O'ahu during the COVID-19 quarantine. As a successful corporate attorney for over 30 years and co-founder of Business Law Corps, a nonprofit that provides pro bono services to talented entrepreneurs, Greg already embraces the idea of moving forward, as he puts it, with new ideas. So, when he understood that many folks wouldn't be safe leaving their homes during the pandemic he created Help Is On The Way, providing a crucial network of volunteers to help kupuna and other individuals by delivering groceries, medicine and other essential items during the stay-at-home order. Within days, he had 30 volunteers ready to deliver anywhere on the O'ahu, and I'm sure that number has grown since March. Greg Kim, way to step up! Your classmates are proud.

I received a nice newsy email from **Mei-Ling Yee Sparring** in March. She has been very busy with other '75 classmates. In January, she got together with **Nancy King Holt** and **Lindy Rowan** for brunch at Tango Contemporary Cafe in Honolulu. Just so happens, **Maile Meyer** and her family were dining there too. Then, a few weeks later, she reconnected after 45 years with **Mary Fairhurst**. Mary retired recently as Chief Justice in Olympia, Washington, and sends her warm aloha to us all. THEN Mel was able to visit with **Billiejean Kam-Takashima**, **Faye Katano Okawa** and **Phyllis Hironaka** at the Carnival in February. Mei-Ling, you get around, girl! Glad you've been in touch with so many classmates.

Finally, I heard from **Bruce Fink**, who sent a photo of a big gang working our Class Carnival shift serving Hawaiian Plate — **Billiejean Kam-Takashima**, **Nathan Sult**, **Leighton Wong**, **Linda**



Steve Torkildson '75 with his family in February 2020, in Dallas, where Steve and his wife, Karen, now live. Front row: Granddaughters, Ava and Jocelyn Roberts, and grandson, Clark Waddell. Back row: Steve, Karen, son-in-law, John Roberts, daughter, Sally Torkildson '04 Roberts, son-in-law, Geoff Waddell, and daughter, Kristi Torkildson '08 Waddell.

**Rigler Rasmussen**, **Leilani Jones**, **Beth Tarter Sult**, **Laura Mayfield Fink**, **Bruce**, **Lisa Wong**, **Danton Wong**, **Faye Katano Okawa** and **Phyllis Hironaka**. Thank you, everyone, for being our Class representatives. Looks like fun!

Please let me know how you are doing. I'd love to pass along a message and an update to our classmates. If you're reading these words, you must know others are too. We'd all like to get caught up on what's happening in your life. Really!

### FALL

Summer has come and gone. It will be October when you read this, and the news of our 45th Reunion Alumni Lu'au being rescheduled again is perhaps old news. I will look forward to June 2021 when the 0s and 5s will join the 1s and 6s for a happy lu'au. This means that there is more time to make arrangements to join classmates to celebrate our 45th, at our 46th!

We have classmates living all over the U.S. and abroad, and COVID-19 is hitting some places harder than others. I was relieved when I heard that our own **Nelson Michael** is on the job. Col. Nelson Michael, Md, PhD, U. S. Army, (retired) is Director for Infectious Diseases Research at Walter Reed Army Institute and has been featured on CNN and other media for his thoughts on research and vaccine development. I am confident that if Nelson is doing this very important work, we will be in good shape. You make us all proud, Nelson.

**Steve Torkildson!** Surprise! Your daughter, **Kristi Torkildson '08** Waddell, reached out to me in



May. Steve and his wife, Karen, have been married for 41 years and moved to Dallas in 2017. Kristi sent a wonderful photo of Steve and his family. He now has three grandchildren. You are a good looking bunch!

Also in May, I received a Facebook post featuring Dr. **Lisa Wong** playing her viola for patients at Boston Hope Medical Center. Lisa is a pediatrician, author and musician with a very impressive resume of accomplishments. Boston Hope, a field hospital built in a week, had a 1,000-bed capacity to accommodate COVID-19 patients released from area hospitals. The Boston Hope Music Wellness Program was created to provide opportunities for patients to listen to music several times throughout the day. I've learned that Lisa was president of Longwood Symphony Orchestra, an ensemble of medical professionals dedicated to healing through music, for 20 years! Lisa, what a wonderful way to be a positive force in the world.

Earlier this year Punahou School created the Advisory Council for Student Safety. The council is made up of alumni, parents and friends of Punahou. Our own **Cathy Kaho'ohanohano** has been selected to join this distinguished group. Cathy has nearly 30 years with the DOE and most recently has worked in the Office of Curriculum Instruction, Health and Education as a resource teacher serving the needs of homeless children and youth. As a dedicated advocate for children, I know Cathy will be an important contributing member to this council. Congratulations on this honor, Cathy!

It is with the deepest sorrow that I report the passing of our friend, **Kathleen Kaipoleimanu**



Senior picture of Kathleen Kaipoleimanu "Manu" Cabrinha '75 Siliga, who passed away in April 2020. A hui hou, dear Manu.



Tim Freson and Leighton Yuen '76 were married on Feb. 22, 2020, at the Pacific Club in Honolulu.

"**Manu**" **Cabrinha Siliga**. Manu passed away on April 30, 2020, with her beloved husband, Sipi, at her side. She was a member of the 13-Year Club. She was beloved by so many of our classmates who struggle with the loss of such a dear friend. I asked **Marvi Rosehill** Ching, who was so close to "Muns," for her help. Marvi shared that Manu's children would like us all to know that their mother was a beautiful woman inside and out. Her smile would light up a room and make you feel extremely special. She was very family-oriented and proud of her large, close-knit family – the one she came from and the one she created. Manu loved being of service to others and always found a way to help. She was resourceful and creative and used these talents for the good of all people and in all situations. I know that I will always remember Manu smiling – a friend to everyone. Manu is survived by her husband; her children, **Shaina Siliga '05**, **Luka Siliga '00** Pule, Kiona Siliga and Koakela Siliga; 18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Our Class sends deepest condolences to Manu's 'ohana. A hui hou, dear Manu. Heaven has gained a special angel.

I also want to extend our sympathies to **Mike Ratiani** on the passing of his father, Nicholas, in May, at the age of 91; and to **Debbie Clarke** McGrath, who lost both her husband of almost 30 years, Michael, and her father, **Bob Clarke '44**, within weeks of each other this past spring. Huge hugs, dear Debbie.

Thanks as always to the helpers, **Steve Scott** and **Rick Smith**.

Be well!  
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### SUMMER

Dear, '76ers:

Wow, what a difference a month makes! In February, we were hugging each other and happily working our Class shift at the Carnival, and a month later, we were taking our temperatures, trying to practice social distancing and avoiding touching, well, anything. We hope you are all staying healthy in this weird new world, and we look forward to the days when we can once again share those heartfelt hugs. Mahalo nui to those of you who are working the front lines of this pandemic – we appreciate you beyond words.

Back to more carefree days of mere months ago: Kudos once again to **Gregg Kageyama** for organizing our wildly successful new volunteer venture, making malasada dough in the cafeteria, before it gets shipped down to Lower Field for frying. Not to brag, but our Class – ever the overachievers – broke the record for the most dough made in one hour. Sweet! Mahalo all-around to **Beth Bartz** Kingery, **Pat Camara** McDonald, **Willy Falk**, **Terry George**, **Laurie Ishida** Oue, **Arna Johnson**, **Randy Kam**, **Franchise Lum**, **Skip McCabe**, **Paris Priore-Kim**, **Cammy Spencer**, **Vik Watumull**, **Desi Winnie** Poteet, **Brenda Wong** Yim, **Leighton Yuen** and a few lucky husbands, wives and partners for joining us for such a fun shift. **Vickie Fullard**–

**Leo, Raymond Noh** and **Sherry Bush** Curtis stopped by to cheer everyone on but were swiftly kicked out due to their open-toed shoes. Safety first! Raymond, **Lyle Asaoka**, **Joe Choo**, **Mark Goto**, **Lane Ishida**, **Jay Kanegawa**, **Mike Kim**, **Peter Nakagawa** and **Malcolm Yee**, put in their Carnival time working as part of the O-Men's produce tent.

Following work, we shifted into party mode, moving out into the dining area to enjoy Punahou's excellent Hawaiian Plate dinner, serenaded by the music of I Ku Mau Mau, featuring our own **Mark Goto**. (I heard reports of a **Benton Sen** sighting, but was bummed to miss seeing my old acting classmate myself.) Check out our Facebook page for lotsa fun photos and videos.

The following night, another cluster of '75 and '76 classmates converged on Blue Note in Waikiki to cheer on **Willy Falk**, joined onstage by **Angela Leilani Jones** '75 Wilmore and **Nick La'a** '19 for his new cabaret show, "Mostly Romance." The show was delightful, and it was so great to gather with friends once again!

Dede's trip to Honolulu started off right: she ran into **Ann Ohata** in the San Francisco airport. Ann was returning home from Palm Springs, and they were standing next to each other in line for the same flight. Small world!

**Leighton Yuen** and Tim Freson were married on Feb. 22, in a joyful celebration which opened with beautiful oli by **Arna Johnson**. **Jay Kanegawa**, **Patti Maehara** Eisinger, **Peter Nakagawa**, **Audrey Ng** '77 and **Gail Otsuka** '77 Ayabe were among the guests.

In January, Utah Valley 360 ran a fantastic profile of **Gail Fessenden** Higgins and her husband, John, who are volunteer EMTs for Mapleton City. John has been an ambulance volunteer since 1994, and Gail joined him in 2010, after their three girls had moved out. "I realized if I wanted to see him, I better join him," said Gail, "so at 52 years old, I became an EMT and then an advanced EMT." "Easily more than 50-percent of the night ambulance shifts, you will find these two serving and ensuring dependable reliable response," said Fire Chief Nicholas Glasglow of the Mapleton City Fire Department. Mahalo for your fine work, Gail and John!

That's all for this column. Please, please stay safe and keep washing your hands. And drop us a line, and if you're friends with a recalcitrant classmate, give them a nudge (from a distance) to do so too.

Mahalo and aloha!

Tuck & Dede

FALL

Aloha, friends,

Wow, it worked! **Russell Lee** saw his name in our "Where are they now?" plea in the spring issue of the Punahou Bulletin and sent an email full of news. Here's what he had to say:

"I've been living in Waimea (aka Kamuela) since 1989 and feel this is more like the Hawai'i I knew when we were growing up. Ran into **Poomai Dowsett-Pflueger** last year. (Actually backed into her car in the shopping center parking lot. Laughed at knowing each other and being elderly drivers.) **Erin Lee** used to have a farm here, but I haven't seen her in years.

I retired in 2014 as a fire captain in the Hawai'i Fire Department with 25 years of service. (Worked with **Marshall 'Alika' Luke**, who is also retired.) After retirement (before quarantine), I was paddling with Kawaihae Canoe Club and coaching boys and girls volleyball at Hawai'i Preparatory Academy. Also, still surfing, swimming and playing 'ukulele with the kupuna (yikes), and really just enjoying retired life. Since my life has been put on pause, I've caught up on the projects around the house that I've been procrastinating with for years. LOL. I'm happy to have my health and live an active life.

"I have a daughter, **Erica Lee** '09, who graduated from Punahou, then the University Southern California in 2013 and John A. Burns School of Medicine in 2019. She is currently in Santa Barbara finishing her residency and is headed to Omaha to further her studies in dermatology.

"My son, **Christian Lee** '11, who attended Punahou his freshman and sophomore years, moved back to Waimea and graduated from Hawai'i Preparatory Academy in 2011. He graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in 2016, and recently got promoted to lieutenant. His first duty was on the U.S. Midget in Seattle. He then transferred to work as a Coast Guard civil engineer in Rhode Island. He will be starting flight school in the summer.

"Spent a week in New York City with **Ken Oishi**, **Lorin Ikeda**, **Keith Chun**, **Malcolm Yee** and **Lane Ishida** to celebrate making it to 60. Had a blast at a Yankees game, Jets game, saw

"Jersey Boys," played tourist and enjoyed the cuisine of the city. I was the country mouse in the big city trying to figure out the subways and not getting lost. LOL.

"Thank you for doing the Class notes for all this time. Continue to call out people. I wouldn't have sent this if I wasn't asked."

Thank YOU, Russell! Since that shoutout was successful, let's close with another edition of "Where Are They Now?," and call out a few more classmates who we haven't seen in this column in ages - or ever - to ask "Hey, whassup?" Focusing on some random Ms this time around: **Lynette Mah**, **Peter Mair**, **Melinda Mauch**, **Mike May**, **Caroline "Lindy" Mee**, **Darcie Melendy Hoff**, **Robert Mitchell**, **Richard Mirikitani** or any of you other Ms ... how you stay? Give us a holler - we'd love to hear from you!

A hui hou kakou,  
Dede & Gary

## Class of 1977

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### SUMMER

Hi, classmates. Let's go straight to the notes!

**Dana Rudin** Land is creating comedic scripts for "Hula Rosie" and is the executive director for "Help for Hawaii's Humanity," an organization that provides workshops based on common sense values.

**Moana Meyer** says: "I'm alive, grateful and well, and missing my Hawai'i nei. Enjoying the magic of Portland, Oregon, and thriving as a wellness coach for 12 years with LIV International. Sending my aloha to all, holding you all in the light!"



Classmates of '77 enjoying a holiday brunch at Cinnamon's Restaurant at the 'Ilikai Hotel. From left: Mary Strode, Tom Black, Kristine Osuna Sutton, Holly Honbo and Ronda Ching Day.





*Niall Yamane '77 with his wife, Layla, and sons, Brennen, 13, and Kellan, 9.*

**Debbie Kim** Morikawa still has her personal training biz, GYMGUYZ, which has now transitioned to a virtual model.

You can find commercial/residential interior designer and artist **Jamie Clark** at Pacific Home Maui in Wailuku. She has also created a collection of art-inspired home decor and lifestyle products.

**Robin Uperesa** shared sad news that **Anita Oba** Kaupiko passed away in February, after her battle with cancer. Robin shares, "(Anita) enjoyed a good life in Miloli'i with a beautiful posterity. She was a beautiful spirit and was my bestie. She made my Punahou years da BEST! Titas 4ever."

I chatted with Dr. **Clifford Char**, **Natolie Miyawaki** Ochi and **Reagan Sakai**. I am hoping to join them on their next virtual happy hour. If you'd like to join us, please message Reagan. (**Brad Denis** and **Raymond Victor**, we did not talk about you!) The cutest story is about **Natolie**. She is a widow who has found love again! After losing contact for almost 40 years, her high school prom date, **Mike Lee**, found her on Facebook and they reconnected. They have been living together in Irvine, California, for three years now!

Thank you, **Tom Black**, for sparking spontaneous gatherings: "On Jan. 3, 2020, **Holly Honbo**, **Krissy Osuna** Sutton, **Ronda Ching** Day and I (visiting from Oregon) joined **Mary**

**Strode** (in from Sacramento) at Cinnamon's in the Ilikai Hotel. A few days later, **Jon '74** and **Sigi Sundstrom Andersen**, **Cid Inouye** and spouse, **Susan**, **Phyllis Dougherty** Modlin, **Dana Rudin** Land, **Kathy Stanford**, **David Hamamoto** and I gathered at the Outrigger Canoe Club. I also bumped into **Marty Meeker** Hamamoto the next day. Marty and David visit Hawai'i often, but still live in New York City.

Our Class worked our traditional Carnival shift at Malasada Waikiki, last shift on Saturday night. A big mahalo to **Debbie Kim** Morikawa, who coordinates '77 volunteers every year. Mahalo 2020 Malasada Waikiki crew: **Bonny Suzui** Amemiya, **Kai Fowler** Andrade, **Mark Andrade '76**, **Marcia McCrae** Braden, **Hubert Chang**, **Diane Fowler** and husband, **Scott Mueller**, **Wendy Yamaguchi** Fujimoto, **Holly Honbo**, **Girard Lau**, **Ross Matsumoto**, **Alan Nishijima**, **Diane Nogami** Shigeta, **Krissy Osuna** Sutton, **Cheryl Kimata** Wong, **Lianne Seu** Wong and **Debbie**!

In the Northwest, **Lucy Neilson** Hanson, a food caterer/stylist; **Leanne Shimada**, now a government retiree and I were planning a spontaneous gathering event for classmates who live in Washington and Oregon. Unfortunately, because of the current pandemic-induced-staycation, that event has been postponed.

Tom also called a few classmates: **Annabelle Tatum** Martinez and her cats say "hello" from South Carolina ... **Randy Baird** says, "What?" from Washington ... **Andrew** and **Bonnie Wong**

**Steele** and their son, **Lane**, are all doing well in spite of the pandemic. **Andrew** is retired after 30 years teaching in the New York Public School system. I also left messages for about a dozen other classmates, but have yet to hear back from ... (hint, hint)!

If you have changed your mailing address, email and/or phone number(s) in the last couple of years, please take a moment and update your information at [punahou.edu/alumni](http://punahou.edu/alumni). Finally, please join us on our Facebook Private Group Page Punahou 77.

#### FALL

**James Kneubuhl** says, "Talofa" from American Samoa (A.S.). Since 2000, James has been living in A.S. and working as a part-time photographer at the American Samoa Community College. He says that as of this date, A.S. is one of the few locations on Earth with no recorded cases of COVID-19 as their borders have been closed since March. Take a peek at his 11,000 photos here: [www.flickr.com/photos/jameskneubuhl/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/jameskneubuhl/)

**Conrad Herwig**, who lives New York City, just finished his 25th professional jazz recording, "The Latin Side of Horace Silver." He has four Grammy nominations with past releases and is looking forward to performing live concerts when COVID-19 lifts.

**Tom Copeman**, who attended Punahou in his senior year, retired as a three-star admiral from the U.S. Navy in 2014, and is in his second career as an executive in the defense and aerospace industry. Tom lives with his wife of



*Mike Lee '77 found his high school prom date, Natolie Miyawaki '77 Ochi, on Facebook. After 40 years, they reconnected and reunited.*







*Class of '77 on the Hau Terrace at the Outrigger Canoe Club during the holidays. From left: Dana Rudin Land, Kathy Stanford, David Hamamoto, Cid Inouye and Sigi Sundstrom Andersen with her husband, Jon Andersen '74.*

35 years, Judy, in the Outerbanks of North Carolina, and has two children. Tom sees **Glen Sears** in Washington, D.C. as they both work at Lockheed Martin Corp. He also stays in contact with **Bertie Hall** and **Lowe Bibby**.

**Niall Yamane**, who practiced law in San Francisco and Los Angeles for 28 years, now lives in Alabama, as a retiree. His hobbies include Brazilian Jiu Jitsu, 'ukulele and motorcycles. He owns Yamane Championship Mixed Martial Arts, which has won the Alabama State Championship 10 years in a row! He also coaches wrestling at his son's high school. Niall has many fond memories of Punahou and says to please look him up if you are in Alabama!

**Sue Clemons Shultis** works as a reading specialist in Hendersonville, North Carolina, and cares for her aging mom. "I've been going home June - August and living in Kona, some years 'woofing' on a fourth-generation coffee farm." Her children are busy, "Kalani is a local police officer, Leigh works for the Y, Makana works in Houston and Jan runs a healing ranch for veterans and first responders with PTSD."

**Dana Kirley Newberry** and her husband, Tim, moved to Shoreline, Washington, in 2018. "It's beautiful here! I'm working from home at the moment for Kappes Miller Management, in Seattle, as a CAM – Community Association Manager. Fortunately, it's been a fairly recession-proof business. Our daughter, **Kristen Newberry '16**, graduated with her degree in psychology from Pacific University and attends George Fox University to begin a clinical psychology program.

**Alison Erde** works as a family physician in Eugene, Oregon, where she is, "managing patients, employees, a business and myself during these crazy times. I will say, this isn't a bad time to be living in Oregon, trees outnumber people by a wide margin."

**Becki Barrett Rawson** and her family are starting their 31st year in Hood River, Oregon. She is a nurse practitioner specializing in orthopedics, immersed in the world of fractures, joint replacements and various musculoskeletal issues – all too real issues for us boomers! She and her husband, Pat, have four kids and two adorable grandkids. A highlight last year was running into **Jenifer Lawrence Kavanaugh** at Ikea!

**Barbara Faison Tien**, lives in Berkeley with her husband, two cats, four hens – and a snake. Their grown daughters have moved on to Portland and Brooklyn (where Berkeley kids move to when they grow up). Barb's now focused on a new startup – Ponga, software to share family stories through photos. Reach out on the chat-bot at [ponga.com](http://ponga.com) and say "hi."

After many years working for the Irvine Company, **Terri McCormack** finds herself "looking for a new work home! Oh man, looking for work at this juncture in life is pa'akiki! In a recent job interview, in person and masked, the interviewer (a former hotelier from the Hilton Hawaiian Village) said, 'A Punahou grad? Very impressive.' It felt great to revive the buff 'n blue pride and to appreciate the recognition that Punahou provides. Mahalo to my dad, **Mike McCormack '52**, for sending me to Punahou!"

## Class of 1978

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### SUMMER/FALL

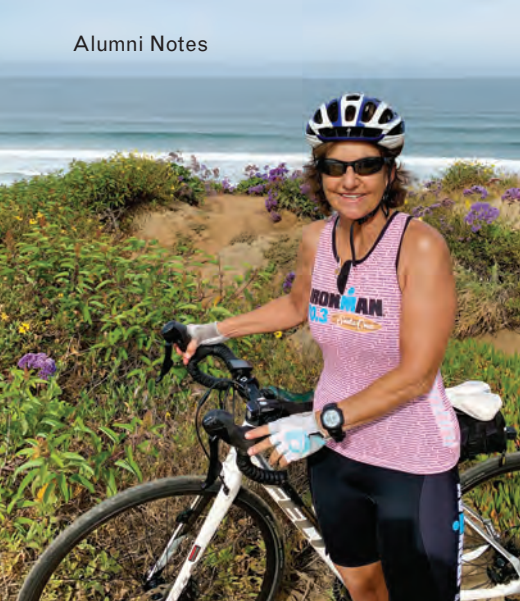
Loving wife, proud mother, skilled teacher, world traveler and avid bookworm, **Carolyn Bunn Stewart**, passed away on Jan. 22, 2020, leaving the world a little less bright. For over 30 years as a first grade teacher and academic support coordinator, she guided young minds at Glen Urquhart School in Beverly Farms. Painstakingly lettered notes from students to Carol include statements such as, "Thank you for teaching us reading," "You always made me feel better when I was down," and "You tot me haw to like books." Carol graduated from Smith College and studied abroad in Paris. She was married in the Punahou Chapel, to a musician who made her laugh. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

**Belle Strickland Heppard** shares that she stepped out from her career in obstetrics and gynecology into art. Recently, she received a federal trademark for her original conception and design of The Artist Angle, a drawing device that assists in learning and creating perspective. This tool can be used for geometry, engineering, architecture diagrams, doodles, sketching patterns for knitting and interior design work. Her book, "Watercolor Batik: An Artist's Guide to Watercolor Batik on Rice Paper," was released in 2015. Belle loves impressionist plein air oil and watercolor painting, but her passion lies with watercolor batik on rice paper. Belle credits Punahou teacher, **Bob Torrey**, for teaching her the importance of research and being thorough, and is grateful to Punahou for teaching her to trust her instincts and be creative.



*Mahalo to Lorraine Chun and Ross Uchimura, who were part of the Class of '79 Carnival cafeteria kitchen crew.*





*Tandy Chouljian '79 loves Pacific Coast Highway bike rides in San Diego.*

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## Class of 1979

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### SUMMER

Life changes so suddenly. In January, I arrived in San Diego, with my wife and our menagerie of pets. My new job at the Rady School of Management at the University of California, San Diego had started off well, and I was enjoying being back in sunny Southern California. About a month later, I was joining a growing population of people working from home. When these notes hit your mailbox, I expect that many of us may still be quarantined at home with hopes of a "new normal." I hope that you and your loved ones are safe and well.

Before the pandemic, we sadly lost a couple of special people. Condolences to **Malia Ramler** on the passing of her father, Siegfried Ramler, in January, [bit.ly/3c8022B](https://bit.ly/3c8022B). As many of you may remember, Mr. Ramler was a longtime Punahou teacher, Nuremberg Trials interpreter and founder of the Wo International Center. Learn more about his fascinating life on YouTube, [bit.ly/2xCjUvN](https://bit.ly/2xCjUvN).

**Mark Bendix** passed away in February, after battling a rare form of cancer, [bit.ly/2yotKSF](https://bit.ly/2yotKSF). I remember him for his sense of humor and good nature. Others will note his love of basketball and his Washington Cougars. Those blessed with good fortune were able to spend some precious moments with him at our 40th Reunion last summer. We miss him already.

Mahalo to the Punahou Carnival cafeteria kitchen crew of **Jay Higa**, **Ross Uchimura**,

**Lorraine Chun**, **Derrick** and **Nikki Hammon Lai**, **Don Machado**, **Shawn Beirne**, **Russell Tom**, **Carol** and **Roy Hirai** and **Robert Clancey** for their hard work and proud representation of our Class.

If you missed the virtual Holoku Pageant and Case Middle School May Day Program, you are in luck, [bit.ly/3frMAso](https://bit.ly/3frMAso). If you are seeking some tropical inspiration, check out author, speaker and coach **Thor Challengren's** Instagram, [bit.ly/2WtUbbH](https://bit.ly/2WtUbbH). If you are more into surf and sand, look at **Tommy Boyle's** posts, [bit.ly/2SGLejN](https://bit.ly/2SGLejN), and **Alex Bratakos's** posts, [bit.ly/2yyiK4T](https://bit.ly/2yyiK4T). For those craving cheese and wine, check out **Kent Torrey's** shop, [bit.ly/2ysDKKC](https://bit.ly/2ysDKKC).

While many of us were familiar with **Barack Obama's** home at the corner of South Beretania and Punahou Streets during high school, did you know that he lived in a house a block away from the University of Hawai'i from 1964 – 1967? [bit.ly/3foZJCQ](https://bit.ly/3foZJCQ)

A big mahalo to all our health care workers, including those who take care of our four-legged family members, **Joan Ceccarelli-Meister**, **Lorraine Chun**, **Juliette Cooke**, **Derrick Fu**, **Candace Furubayashi**, **Lori Kimata-Greene**, **Brad Lee**, **Kenny Lee**, **James Lin**, **Jeff Liu**, **Tammy MacDonald**, **Audrey Miklius**, **Gary Morikawa**, **Arno Mundt**, **Wade Nobuhara**, **Scott Oishi**, **Annabelle Okada**, **Edy Pang**, **Paula Temple**, **Lisa Valderueda**, **Arnold Yee**, **Victor Yee** and **Alan Yuen**. Let me know if I missed you. Thank you for all you do. You all deserve a shoutout!

Thoughts and prayers to you and your families. Wash your hands. Stay home. Hopefully, we'll all be able to see each other again in real life soon.

### FALL

As I sit down to write in July, many of you may be working from home as we endure this pandemic. Raise your hand if you're Zoomed-out after countless virtual meetings! I had been hoping to gather with classmates living in San Diego soon after I resettled in the area in January. It looks like that will have to wait.

In the meantime, I was able to catch up on the phone with **Tandy Chouljian**. Tandy is a senior clinical quality assurance auditor at ICON Clinical Research, a contract research organization. Her work involves "conducting audits at investigative sites at hospitals running clinical trials to make sure they are following the protocol correctly." The goal is to find mistakes before the FDA finds them. Tandy moved to San Diego in early March, after living in the Bay Area for 35 years. She wanted a change and loves the weather, beaches and vibe of San Diego. Luckily, Tandy can work remotely and live anywhere within reasonable distance to an airport.

Another San Diego resident, **Ted Grozen**, writes: "I went to Punahou for seventh through ninth grades (homeroom with Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Cox), but then left Hawai'i, as my dad was in the Navy. We moved to San

Diego, where I completed my sophomore and junior years at Point Loma High, then moved to the Washington, D.C. area for my senior year. I attended Duke University on a Navy ROTC scholarship, and the rest is history and a blur. I have been in San Diego since 1985, getting stationed here while in Naval Aviation and then staying once I left the service. My wife, Deanna, and I have been in the same Del Mar house since 1997, and have raised our three sons here. I had the chance to get together with **Lachlan Cooke** in Seattle a few years ago, but that has been the extent of my Punahou reconnections."

Well, Ted, we will need to change that when it is safe to get together. I am looking forward to reconnecting with **Deirdre Smith**, **Susan Steiner Stevens**, **Gobind Sahney**, **Andy Wasa**, **Mike Davis**, **Gary Hayes**, **Eric Sjoborg**, **Elton Inada**, **Ken Dillingham** and **Julie Kim Yu**. Anyone else in the area? If you have moved recently, please update your contact information at [punahou.edu/alumni](https://punahou.edu/alumni).

While surfing the internet, I came across a nice remembrance video of **Mark Tuinei '78**, [youtu.be/-eib-pohTEU](https://youtu.be/-eib-pohTEU). How many of you recall the Great Wall of Dallas, [bit.ly/338JGFr](https://bit.ly/338JGFr), when the Dallas Cowboys won three Super Bowls in four years?

Unfortunately, alumni were not able to gather for the annual Alumni Lu'au at Punahou this summer, but a virtual Alumni Lu'au, "Buff 'n Blue Together: Live from Punahou," took place on Saturday, June 6. Enjoy the replay at [youtu.be/qIHJrrcAMg](https://youtu.be/qIHJrrcAMg).

**John Kolivas** and his Honolulu Jazz Quartet are planning a new recording project. Until that is released, enjoy some HJQ classics, [bit.ly/2PdQcT1](https://bit.ly/2PdQcT1). **Kim Greeley** leads the Celtic Kula Pipe Band of Hawai'i and is a bagpipe



*John Lee Bell '80 stopped on his road trip from Seeley Lake, Montana, to Cody, Wyoming to visit with former Punahou teacher, Joan Florence Van Dyke, at her summer home in Bozeman, Montana. Joan is staying busy with friends, horses, fishing and yoga.*



Greg Yim '80 held a food distribution at Windward Pediatrics to support the Windward community. Punahou alumni who volunteered were classmate, Mona Lee '80 Balish, Greg's children, Connor '12, Becky '15 and Kaity '10, along with their classmates and friends.

teacher. She honors Hawai'i service members through her bagpipe playing at military funerals and other memorial events. [bit.ly/39N530j](http://bit.ly/39N530j)

While we are all stuck at home, that does not mean we can't meet sooner than later. I am hoping to connect with many of you via some virtual reunions. I will be in touch soon.

Until next time, stay safe and healthy!

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### SUMMER

Ray Hironaka reports classmates really shined at the 32nd Annual Punahou Alumni Association (PAA) Golf Tournament. In attendance: John Morris, Mark Kam, David Tongg, Reid Fukumoto, Warren Bissen, Byron Mello, Brian Ching and Guy Amimoto. He also recently bumped into Heather Ho in Honolulu. After caring for her parents the last 11 years, Heather is back at Hawaiian Dredging Construction Company.

Going to publication, we caught Kelly Hutchinson McMahon reading "Mango Days" by Patty Smith. "Patty was so intelligent at such a young age!" Wendy May remembered Patty lived to run. "I don't know if you saw her mom's Facebook post, but her parents, Margie and Kit Smith '52, had a water fountain built in

her honor in Hawai'i Kai, so that runners could stop for a drink."

On Jan. 23, 2020, we lost our classmate, Mark Anderson. His wife, Elizabeth, writes: "He passed away due to Alzheimer's and everything that goes with that disease. He is survived by his wife; daughter, Allie; son, MJ; and many relatives and friends. Mark will be remembered for his good humor and his love of golf." The family asks that donations be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America.

In February, Heather Murakami, Dan "Paco" Moore, Philip Sutter, Brian Ching, Jill Suzuki

Haworth and many '79ers gathered at Side Street Inn to celebrate the life of Keith Fujiyama. Keith, an avid photographer on the Oahuan staff, had piles of pictures that his family shared with his friends. Heather, Keith's family and friends threw a party that embraced all things "Fuji!" A hui hou, Keith and Mark.

Hey! Did you see Donna Ching on the news for Kokua Market? Donna was passing out masks and teaching customers how to make them. Thanks, Donna!

### FALL

Did you hear? Lynne Wooddell has joined the University of Hawai'i Foundation fundraising team as the director of development for the University of Hawai'i Cancer Center. She joins the team after serving as Assets School's capital campaign director, where she managed and completed phase one of their multiphase campaign. Before joining Assets, she spent a decade working as a principal gifts officer for Hawai'i Pacific Health and was the lead fundraiser for Kapi'olani Medical Center's capital campaign. Congratulations, Lynne!

Classmates joined Michele Holbrook, who hosted a Zoom meeting in lieu of postponed 40th Reunion events. Michele was joined by Matt Mattice, Richard Haenisch, Emelie Anderson Pletcher, Kathy Harper, Michele Arnone Pauly, John Fordham, Pam Abundo Morgan, Susan Shern Wilder, Alan Low, Tom Mullen, Maryann Overstreet, Susie Weitalla Pharmakis, Kyle Scott, Tracy Wong, Brian Ching, Cathy Lee Chong and Ray Hironaka. Everyone provided updates on their families, what they are up to and where they are living. There were many laughs, and also a few tears for our lost classmates.



FORE! These players enjoyed the 32nd annual Punahou Alumni Association Golf Tournament, held at the Hawaii Prince Golf Club, in March 2020. From left: Jeff Yamashiro '12, Warren Bissen '80, David Tongg '80, Byron Mello '80, Brian Ching '80 and Ray Hironaka '80.





Proud polo papa! Jeff Benz's '80 daughter, Alana, and her team won the Polo Western Regional Championships. Alana scored the most goals for her Maui team. From left: Jeff Benz, his daughter, Alana, and his wife, Ramona.

We learned that Maryann Overstreet is living and surfing in beautiful Ka'a'awa with her husband, George, and their new black Labrador, Nani. She is currently a German language professor at the University of Hawai'i.

We send our love and aloha to all of our Bamboo classmates and their families while they adapt to staying, learning and working at home. Mahalo to all of our many classmates who are physicians, nurses, first responders and those with positions in the essential services who are putting themselves in harm's way, while caring for and serving the community. Our hearts and prayers go out to all your families, and to you, our dear classmates of '80. Truly, these are the times when the Class of '80 shines. We are a Class that bends, but never, never, ever breaks.

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### SUMMER

From **Betsy Case**:

Waterman **Bruce Ayau** is living in Kona, where he has a window cleaning business and is marketing Amavara, reef-safe sunscreen to protect the ocean. He's an avid diver who has done 10 spear fishing and paddling shows.

Recently, Bruce guided ABC television show "OceanTrek's" host, Jeff Corwin, for his Hawai'i feature, which aired in March. Bruce said, "It was a blast! Nice to get on the water with someone who shares the same passion. He definitely has skills." He and his beautiful wife have a son, Keawe (13), and a daughter, Naia (16). He sees his twin brother, **David**, in Kona and **Ricky Fong**, who is a pediatrician and physician-in-charge for Kaiser Permanente on Hawai'i Island. (Their sons take jiu jitsu together.) The Ayau family has taken some nice trips to Italy and Croatia (but no good diving); to Los Angeles to see brother, **Patrick Ayau '78**, and sister, **Kathy Ayau '77** Rohrbacher; and to Oregon and Canada to fish on the lakes and visit **Leslie Ayau '87** Monroe.

From **Lisa Lee Mitchell**:

Carnival 2020 was a blast! We actually worked more than we socialized, and still had fun anyway! Big mahalo to **Russell Lo** for being Portuguese Bean Soup point man this year, and doing the heavy lifting alongside **Gil Schaeffer** (who came all the way from England), **Lon Wysard**, **Melvia Hardy**, husband Curtis Popa, **Eric Tadao Kahalelehua**, **Scott Axelrod**, **Keith Cockett** and a few other hearty souls. The less strenuous, but more taxing packaging crew was **Lori Kam** Harrison, **Karen Lau-Baptist**, **Jeremy Low**, **Kaui Bryan** Lucas, **Kalei Lum** Love, **Cathy Loo** Devaney, **Cherrie Axelrod** (Scott Axelrod's wife), **Betsy Searl** Crawford, **Joslin Snyder** Crowe, **Pia Morris** Jensen, **Lissa Guild** Eveleth and myself. If I missed anyone, I apologize. It's always great to have this time together to catch up, touch base and laugh. We are now coming full circle,

aren't we? From students of Punahou, to being Punahou parents. For some, seeing kids get married and watching them raise kids of their own. Time passes much too quickly.

Hopefully by the time you read this, we will have found a new normal. Reconnecting and staying connected with classmates through different platforms of communication like Zoom has been great. I would love to hear from all of you and find out how you are doing. Take care, and be safe. Hope to see you at our 40th Class Reunion in 2021!

### FALL

Greetings, classmates:

Sending aloha and hoping that you are all well and keeping safe.

**Mark and Lisa Merrill Hemmeter** were in Florida to welcome their first grandchild, Finley, whose mama is their oldest child, Taylor. Taylor and her husband retired from the traveling Marvel Universe Stunt Show and now both work at Universal Studios in Orlando. Beautiful Finley is a loved bundle of joy!

Harrison and **Helena Fordham** Ishida's son, **Jeeter '08**, married **Aisha Price '09** in February 2020 on the grounds of 'Iolani Palace. The event was attended by family and many friends, who shared a very special, love-filled celebration. Congratulations and best wishes to Aisha and Jeeter!

Giving thanks for all of life's blessings great and small, and hoping that you are experiencing aloha wherever you are and whatever your circumstances may be. Please take care.

Aloha nui, Rosie



**Bruce Ayau '81** is a professional scuba diver in Kona, and guided "OceanTrek's" host, Jeff Corwin, for his Hawai'i feature, which aired in March 2020.





The Class of '81 served their Portuguese Bean Soup at the Carnival with lots of aloha! Front row, from left: Lori Kam Harrison, Karen Lau-Baptist and Jeremy Low. Middle Row: Lisa Lee Mitchell, Kaui Bryan Lucas, Kalei Lum Love and Cathy Loo Devaney. Back row: Keith Cockett, Gil Schaeffer, Cherrie Axelrod (Scott Axelrod's wife) and Betsy Searl Crawford.



Mark '81 and Lisa Merrill '81 Hemmeter in Florida, to welcome their first grandchild, Finley.

## Class of 1982

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### SUMMER

Carnival 2020 came and went, with lots of classmate sightings and, of course, malasada consumption. **Lisa Hutchinson** and I spent all day both Friday and Saturday eating everything on offer, seeing old friends and relishing the absolutely perfect weather. We spotted **Andrew Ghali** (who was carrying three cases of chutney and lilikoi butter), **Jeff Hungerford**, **Oona Twigg-Smith**, **David Von Hamm**, **Kiki Fordham**, **Joanne Kouchi**, **Kate Latham Horwitz** and **Michelle Doo Van Rafelghem**. Down at the O-Men booth, we saw **Greg Milne**, **Rich Asato**, **Mark Beavers** and **David Andrew**.

Longtime pals and classmates, **Stacy Hutchison-Miller** and Lisa Hutchinson, enjoyed a sushi lunch at Maguro-Ya in Kaimuki (highly recommended). In addition to keeping busy as an attorney, Stacy recently returned from a vacation in the Dominican Republic.

With only two years to go until our 40th (gulp!) Class Reunion, I am happy to report that **Colleen Kelley's** new **Geoff Lewis**-designed home is coming along nicely and will be ready in time for our Sunday Reunion weekend gathering.

Finally, as I write these notes, we are in the middle of the coronavirus pandemic. We are social distancing and home quarantining.

Hopefully, by the time this makes it to print, we will be back to normal, or at least a new normal.

### FALL

As I write these notes, we are deep into our fourth month of quarantining, isolating, distancing, masking and other COVID-19 measures. The skies are quiet, the malls are empty, restaurants marginally open and social interaction is slim to none. As such, I haven't had many classmate "sightings," but there have been a few.

I ran into **Michelle Doo Van Rafelghem**, who is busy selling real estate at Better Homes Advantage Real Estate in Kahala. I also bumped into **Emery Wong** at Costco recently, who says he's happily working as a building contractor. **Jeff Davis** had me down to his new abode overlooking Palolo Valley, where we were also joined by **Jen Braman Lyons**. In observance of the Fourth of July, **Lisa Hutchinson** and I hosted a pandemic-appropriate gathering and enjoyed the presence of both **George Bratakos** and **Andrew Ghali**.

**RuthAnne Allison '79** Herman reached out to share news about her sister, **Lynn Allison Unflat**: "Lynn passed away on May 23, 2020, after a very short and unexpected battle with cancer. A 13-year Punahou attendee, Lynn remained close to many of her classmates throughout her adult life and was comforted by the outpouring of affection and support from them in her final days. After leaving Hawai'i for college, Lynn lived in Southern California for many years, before making her home in Austin, Texas, where she



Harrison Ishida, Helena Fordham '81 Ishida, Aisha Price '09, Jeeter Ishida '08 and Hannah Ishida '09 at Aisha and Jeeter's February wedding on the grounds of 'Iolani Palace.





*Mahalo to the Class of '82 "Malasada Gang," who closed out Malasada 'Ewa on Saturday night! Front row, from left: Karlyn MacPherson (Heidi's spouse), Mary Friend Williamson, Joanne Kouchi, Michelle Doo Van Rafelghem, Lori Mizoguchi, Joan Hirozawa Fujita and Kellie Sekiya. Middle row: Heidi Goldstein Grant, Anne Ching, Oona Twigg-Smith, Missy Seu Beavers, Kate Latham Horwitz and Andrew Ghali. Back row: Laura Margulies, Laura McMarlin Beauregard, John Horwitz (Katie's husband), Gordon Pang and Bill Akamine. Missing from the photo, but definitely part of the M-gang are Jeff Kagihara, Joy Matsuyama and Glenn Horio.*

used her artistic talents as a painter and interior designer. She married her husband, John, in 1992, and raised three beautiful girls – Allison (25), Alex (22) and Ava (17). Lynn held her love for Hawai'i her entire life." A hui hou, Lynn.

Until next time, stay safe!



*Aloha to Lynn Allison '82 Unflat, who passed away on May 23, 2020. She was comforted by the outpouring of support from her classmates in her final days. A hui hou, Lynn.*

## Class of 1983

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### SUMMER

Hello to all from a slightly warm Pacific Northwest day! It's the beginning of April, and we are getting some warm spots here and there. I am working long hours at the prison right now, so I am grateful to have some warmer weekend days to spend outside in my yard.

My best wishes to everyone during this difficult COVID-19 pandemic. Very unusual times that are challenging in so many ways. Difficult situations often bring out the best and worst in humans. Let's focus on the good.

**Maui Meyer**, from his home in Hood River, Oregon, formed a nonprofit, Hand Made Brigade 50 (HMB50), to support the creation and distribution of PPE to Oregon health care workers. With donations and materials, he prototyped and produced a single-use, emergency isolation gown that he hopes could protect health care workers from airborne COVID-19 droplets. Meyer and HMB50 are gathering the locally made medical supplies and donating them to the Hood River County public health department cache, which then assesses needs of the four local hospitals and seven senior facilities and distributes accordingly. WOW! Huge hugs to you, Maui.

**Chris Kobayashi**, his wife, **Rondee Lum '90** Kobayashi, and their children, **Kai '30** and **Noe '27**, raised \$550 with a "Stay-In-Your-Car" car wash, and donated the funds to support

the Punahou faculty, who 3D-printed masks and other PPE for local hospitals.

**Hieu Ball** posted on his way in to perform emergency surgery, noting the lack of usual bumper-to-bumper traffic on the 680 in California. Hieu wrote: "Every time I have to go in, I reset the clock for my own quarantine to protect my family. I canceled all clinics and elective surgeries for a month, but this surgery I had to do (fractured spine). So I have to isolate from my own family now for two weeks."

**Matt Case** posted a photo of our graduation memorabilia – a program for Baccalaureate, Commencement and tape of the ceremony. Hard to believe it has been 37 years since that magical time. **Malia Johnston Bervar** posted a photo of her cafeteria/snack bar punch card. She still had money left on it! Wonder if it's still valid ...

I LOVE seeing the fun that is Carnival. Some year I will come back and attend. Thanks, **Tracy Ishikawa Woo**, for all the amazing food shots; **Tom Arnold** for the parking tips; and **Cameron Krainin** for the coffee, chutney and Mr. Kusunoki updates.

**Kathy Kim Peters** shared the most amazing sunset shots from her home in Kona. She recently installed a pool, which gives her already amazing sunset photos the added reflection angles. I will end with that image for all to envision. The beauty of the world.

My biggest socially distant hugs to all. Be kind, be safe and stay healthy!

### FALL

Aloha, Class of 1983!

Greetings from the beginning of true summer here in the Pacific Northwest. This means Fourth of July! We don't traditionally start summer, strong warm sunny weather, until we reach the Fourth of July. I am looking forward to the three-day weekend, disappointed for the lack of big group activities.

Classmate info to share: **Steve Rakow** sent the following update. Due to COVID-19 shutdowns Steve's criminal defense practice has slowed down to nearly nothing, but he keeps plugging along with civil matters and is trying to keep things going as best possible. He and his wife, Kelley, just celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary. His oldest daughter, Marley, graduated from Kings Point, U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, in June. Middle daughter, Lily, is half-way through college and decided to complete her last two years via online with Lindenwood University. Youngest daughter, Lexie, who is a junior in high school, had a hip labrum repair surgery and will make a full recovery. She should be back to 100% for swim season come November. "Life is great for us here on Maryland's Eastern Shore. We just hit the 20-year mark living here. If anyone comes to Ocean City, please look us up so we can have a mini reunion." I am definitely bookmarking this invite!





*Matt Thompson '84, Bianca Levin, Dany Garcia, Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson and Harry Brown at a photo shoot for The Hollywood Reporter Power Lawyers issue.*

**Steve Carr** and his wife, Brenda, just made the huge move from Hawai'i to Bend, Oregon. Steve has posted many amazing photos of his transition from shorts/slippahs to long pants/shoes! They are making the most of their amazing property, with acres of land, a pond, koi fish and a yard big enough for a riding mower. Fun to see all the photos of settling into their new hale, but also exploring their surroundings ... camping, biking and off-roading. Fun times! What an adventure to move during COVID-19 ... wow.

Punahou just announced an Advisory Council for Student Safety and our own classmate, **Doug Kwock**, will be serving on it. Not mentioned is that Doug is also a former president of the Punahou Alumni Association.

First lady of Hawai'i, Dawn Amano-Ige, interviewed Dr. **Scott Shimabukuro**, acting administrator for the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division, to talk about children's mental health. Excellent interview, Scott. You can check it out on [helpyourkeiki.com](http://helpyourkeiki.com).

Walk down memory lane: **Pam Tseu** just posted a few class photos on Facebook, dating from when we were in sixth, seventh and maybe eighth grades ... wow the haircuts, the clothing ... so fabulous! Sentimental seeing photos with **Dawn Kamakana** and **Ka'au McKenney** in their young years.

That is all I have this time around. It's been an intense and challenging year so far. I hope that you are remaining safe, being kind to others and taking care of yourself.

All my love and aloha,  
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## SUMMER

From **Debbie Sharkey Linville**:

Against the sad backdrop of the world around us, I pen these words in late March. Could there be a better time to acknowledge our classmate-warriors who are playing such critical roles right now as the world deals with COVID-19? Punahou '84 can boast heroes among us with classmates like **Rick Maurer**, first responders who are truly risking their lives on the front lines of this global pandemic. We have many representatives in health care fields, working in hospitals, in medical offices and in labs around the world to heal the sick and better



*The Class of 1984 soars! Here they are gathered after their annual Friday night Carnival shift at Malasada Waikiki. It has become a tradition that Duncan Hsia only appears for the after-shift photo, but at least this year he arrived with the best accessory: an infant strapped to his chest. Ok, you get a pass this year, Dunc!*



understand this nightmare of a virus. Thanks to **Patti Horii** Oshiro and the magic Punahou database, we know that some of them include: **Kathy Ho, John Boyer, Jennifer Sasaki, Julia Woods** Karlsson, **Christine Wong, Mareeni Amirthanayagam** Stanislaus, **Men-Jean Lee, Terri Fu** Gauer, **Tina Pai, Yoon-Ki Chai, Tomiko Stein, Mike Miyamoto, Richard Ikehara, Howie Klemmer, Frank Paz, Erin Nakano** Waring, **Ryan Hagino, Greg Takemoto, Stephanie Yang** Wong, **Darrell Natori, Won-Yee Cheng-Leever, Ivy Nip** Asano, **Peter Dung, Chien-Wen Tseng, Tommy Leong** and **Phil Suh**.

There's also an especially critical role being played by mental health professionals, who are helping so many of us manage our stress and anxiety levels. Whether you are a first responder or just an average Joe feeling distressed and isolated, classmates including **Ken Matsumoto** and **Jeff Stern** are ensuring that mental health is not overlooked.

And then there is **Jason Kimata**, who is conducting COVID-19 research in his lab at Baylor College of Medicine. While that is not his usual area, he was recently shifted so that all resources could be focused on understanding the coronavirus and figuring out how to treat and prevent the disease. Talk about heroic!

We also have many classmates who are teachers and professors, still working to educate our children amid these unprecedented challenges. Just try to imagine the crazy magic that **Camille Okata** Masutomi has been doing as the chief of staff at the Hawai'i State Department of Education as it provides distance learning to 180,000 public school students who may not have internet at home or

may be food insecure! Our Class educators include **Kevin Beauchamp, Virginia Olson, Peter Hansen, Sarah Spoehr** Jenny, **Anthony Gayer, Jinny Aki, Ronn Nozoe, Deira Akiyama** Itagaki and **Debbie Young** Otsu.

As is usual for this due-on-April-1 column, we recount the fun of the annual Class Malasada shift at the Punahou Carnival. Once again, 60 of us gathered around boiling vats of oil – many (including **Cara Davis, Jessica Schieve, Gail Stringer, Bruce Weiser, Dean Nakamura, Maya Byrne** McBride, **Kevin Mark, Peter Brust, Russell Lee** and the aforementioned Peter Dung) traveling great distances across the ocean to be there. We also want to note those who joined us for the first (but certainly not the last!) time: **Chris Nagamine, Ann Huffman** Hemminger, **KK Roeder, Bryan Guenther** and **Len Materman**. What a statement of the '84 Class friendships and general camaraderie, even 36 years after our graduation!

And I'd like to close out this column with thanks to **Phil Suh**, who has been the Class visual historian for a couple of decades. We are so fortunate to have professional-quality images of our annual Carnival Class shift, Reunions and other gatherings because Phil shares his camera equipment and skills with us at every turn. Dr. Phil by day, but by night, he's our Class documentarian. To paraphrase something that I often tell my own children, "One day we may lose our memories, but we will still have our photos," ... thanks to Phil!

Please do what you can to stay safe and healthy. Remember that our friendships sustain us, so remember to lean on each other and keep in touch with **Karin Kwock**

**Martin, Russell Lee** and me. As your Class correspondents, we work for you!

#### FALL

In from **Karin Kwock** Martin:

I hope you all are doing well in your part of the world. This year has been trying, but it has also been a time of resilience, hope, unity and a time to reconnect with classmates.

Mahalo to our amazing Class Zoom leaders – **Patti Horii** Oshiro, **Grace Leong** Saturnia and **Krissy Izumi-Nitao**. With their energy and efforts, they have brought together 84 of our classmates (84! Yes, you read that right), over eight Zoom meetings! I attended one, and I gotta tell you, it fills your soul. Nothing beats talking story with classmates about the good times.

Here's a Zoom recap: On one end of the next-generation spectrum we have **Duncan Hsia**, living in Hawai'i, who has a baby boy, Lucien, and other side we have **Audrey Nishina** Cottingham, living in Texas, who has six grandchildren! Both look exactly like they did when they were at Punahou. Two other classmates who have not changed, and miraculously found and wore their holoku on Zoom – **Ann Huffman** Hemminger of Colorado, and **Deborah Sharkey** Linville of Hawai'i. Amazing, ladies! **Nalu Won** boasted the biggest collection of prom pictures from the day! Classmates who can multitask while Zooming – **Jessica Schieve** and **Julie Brooks** while walking, and **Chris Chang** and **Laura Genoves** in a moving car! Laura is currently living in Seattle, as are **Chris Nagamine** and **Gail Stringer**. Don't forget Gail's Hawai'i



For decades, **Phil Suh '84** (left) has served as the official photographer for the Class of '84, helping capture our memories. For once, we got Phil in front of the camera with **Eric Young '84**.



**Serge Krivatsy '84** and daughter, **Zoe '23**, worked together during '84's Class Carnival Malasada shift. We believe that it was a Class first to have a father-daughter duo in the same malasada line! You owe us, **Serge**: We did tell your daughter that "your dad was sooo cool in high school."





Friends from '85 enjoyed camaraderie on the course at the 32nd Annual Punahou Alumni Association Golf Tournament, held at Hawaii Prince Golf Club in March 2020. From left: Ed Kageyama, Colleen Maeda Bird, Mark Miyashiro and David Lam.

General Store in Seattle. I called the store up one day from Shanghai (where I'm living) and those guys put together a lauhala basket, with all kine broke da mouth Hawai'i stuff AND delivered it to my daughter in Seattle. Best birthday gift ever! Mahalo, Gail! Best Zoom backdrop went to **Rob Engle**. I wasn't there but

can imagine what it must have looked like with his work experience. Rob does visual effects and has supervised the 3D adaptations of numerous films, including "The Polar Express," "Monster House," "G-Force," "Pirates of the Caribbean" and "The Amazing Spider-Man." While working at Walt Disney Imagineering, he did projector mapping for Disney rides at Epcot/Tokyo and Shanghai Disney. Must have been a great backdrop! Please join us to find out more about your classmates. There's so much more I could add here, but I'm running out of space! I need room for one more notable.

**Matt Thompson** was always smiling and cruising in high school. Did you see him on the cover of the March Hollywood Reporter with his client Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson? Matt is a partner at Sidley Austin LLP in Century City, and head of the media and entertainment group. He has had a major impact on the entertainment business and ranks up there with Hollywood A-listers. Here's a small snippet of his awards and recognitions – top 100 California lawyers for cutting-edge legal work (2019), named in Variety's "Variety500" an annual collection of the world's most impactful people working in media and entertainment (2019), Hollywood Reporters "Top 100 Power Lawyers" (2012 – 2020) and "Top Dealmakers" (2017 – 2019). Amazing, Matt! We thought you might land in front of the camera instead of making all the major deals behind the scenes.

Stay safe. Spread aloha. See you all on Zoom!



Jennifer Moy '85 Cowell found a proper use for 1985's Class Carnival fabric! She is living in Western Massachusetts and hoping her classmates are doing well.

## Class of 1985

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### SUMMER

Aloha, classmates!

We hope this Punahou Bulletin finds you safe, happy and healthy. As you may know, we write and submit these columns three months before they arrive in your mailbox/inbox. And so, we are writing to you from the comfort and safety of our respective homes. Admittedly, at first, "social distancing" sounded like something we did at a seventh grade canteen. Now, we are heartened by our Facebook and Instagram feeds, where we see you and yours hunkered down and adjusting to this new way of living. We see you, and we're right there with you.

Thank you to those of you who are doctors, nurses and emergency workers. Shout out to **Neil Kaneshiro**, who posted about COVID-19 and what he was seeing in Washington state. Neil's thoughtfulness helped guide us early on. Thank you for keeping us safe. Thank you to those of you who are dedicating your craft talents to sew face masks. Shout out to **Cindy Rice Johnson** who, in one weekend, made nearly 80 masks.

Before we sat down to write this quarantine installment, we did actually have some high-lights to share. Please enjoy these fun-filled items that remind us of "Only GoodTimes" that were not so long ago, and will come again ...

Lifelong friends, **Beth Simmons** and **Alysha Nachtigall**, met up for some quality time together when Alysha was in town. Alysha says, "We chatted about our kids, laughed,



Rod Hurtig '85 married Ilona McHugh on Aug. 9, 2019, in Honolulu. Fun fact: Classmate Leela Bilmes Goldstein was his woman of honor and emcee! The newlyweds live in Marin County.





*Awesome Class of '85 dished it out in a big way by filling two Carnival shifts at the Portuguese Bean Soup booth. This photo taken at the shift change on Friday night doesn't do their numbers justice. Mahalo, '85 Carnival crew!*

reconnected." She noted that she thought this sounded cliché. We don't think so. That's what life is all about! Beth is a teacher here at home, and Alysha is a web program manager for the Metropolitan Transportation Commission of the San Francisco Bay Area. Whew! Take a breath. She manages *511.org* and a number of other agency websites.

What would the summer issue be without a Carnival entry? In case you were wondering, Portuguese Bean Soup booth on Friday night is where it's at! We've included a photo with the majority of our classmates who came to work a shift. We had so many awesome volunteers from our Class that we actually filled

two shifts! The photo doesn't do our numbers justice, it's missing a few of us. Assembling folks for a picture during shift change is like getting 27 third graders to sit still for a Dougie Davidson shoot. This year, we believe the award for "Farthest Distance Traveled" goes to **Teri Okita**, who now lives in London and came home to work a shift! The "FirstTimer" awards go to both **Anne Stringer** and **Naomi Takayesu** Totty (and her husband, Darren), who came to hand out hundreds of bowls of soup. Note: **Dave Fan** held an after-party for our crew. Your correspondents were both absent, and so what happened at Fan's party, stays at Fan's party.

Spring on the alumni calendar also features the Punahou Alumni Association Golf Tournament, which always draws a bunch of our gang. Fun fact: Did you know we have three golf pros in our Class? We swear we have the most of any Class: **Brendan Moynahan** at Four Seasons Resort Hualalai, **John Hearn** at Oahu Country Club and **Eddie Kageyama**, who coaches at Hawai'i Pacific University. You'll see from our photo that one of these golf pros showed up for the tourney held in March.

Please keep in touch via text, social media or a good old fashioned phone call. At least we don't have to dial a number anymore, our phones aren't connected to wires, and the calls are free!

#### FALL

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Hey, April! Working on our column. How's this...

"We are still reeling from 'Let(ting) the Good Times Roll' with you all at our four-day extravaganza! Shambattlers, how are those battle wounds coming along? Thirty-five years have nothing on you – that was some classic fifth grade rivalry on display. We're happy to have just cheered from the sidelines, thank you very

much. Mahalo to **Dave Campbell** for hosting us at Aloha Beer – those brews were the perfect bevies on a hot Friday evening at 'Home in the Islands.' And that noodle bar by **Mark "Gooch" Noguchi '93!** Folks who flew in, how's that for a welcome home snack! Mahalo also to **Dave Fan** for hosting the brunchie picnic at Wai'ala Country Club – Ahem, ladies and gentlemen, we have arrived ... no camping out at 6 a.m. to reserve a spot at a beach park. Just roll-in, valet, buffet and lounge-ay."

Just a start. Feel like I'm a little light on details, maybe you can help me fill in some of the blanks?

<3 Erin

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Hi, Erin! Good start. I'm a little fuzzy on the details, too. Let's check with Colleen. She's def got the 411 on everyone.

April

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OMG, you two. Seriously? Sigh. Recycle this next June when we reunion with and/or crash '86's bash.

Love you! Mean it! ~Co

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Well classmates, there you have it. The Reunion that was not (yet). Stay tuned as we re-plan!!

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Meanwhile, back in the land of the masked and homebound ...

This year has served up some craziness for us, and instead of bumping into folks at social gatherings – which would be a no-no – we now run into each other when we do things like "pandemic buying." Here we use that in a sentence, "April was pandemic buying wine at Long's Kahala when she ran into **Buzzy Buchwach!**" (Don't you love how they could recognize one another underneath masks, and probably sunglasses and maybe a hat. That is some old school, I knew you back when, I can pick you out anywhere, kind of "Hey, I know you!")

**Jennifer Moy** Cowell reached out to say "Hello" her fellow '85 Puns. "I am sitting out the (continued) quarantine ... Safely at home in western Massachusetts, with my husband of 24 years and our two kids, ages 15 and 12. Hope everyone from our Class is doing well."

To all of you who have kids in the Class of 2020, whether it was high school, college and beyond, this was a curious year to be sure, and your kiddos really took it all in stride. Congratulations to **Jill Takatsuka** Yoshimoto, **Katrina Li** Wilson, **Dave Takeyama**, **Kevin Sugiki**, **Mark Maretzki** and **Kristi Poell** Gracie – who all had kids in Punahou Class of 2020. Congrats are in order to: **Lise Earle** Beske, who had a son graduate from high school in Bethesda, Maryland, and he will be heading to Kenyon College; **Lisa Fruean** Smith, whose



*Beth Simmons '85 and Alysha Nachtigall '85 catching up on the good times. Beth is a teacher in Honolulu, and Alysha is a web program manager in the Bay Area.*



daughter graduated from Indiana University and is now starting medical school; and our hostess with the mostest, **Colleen Maeda** Bird, whose son, **Kekoa Nakasone '16**, graduated from the University of Oregon! We know there are so many more of you out there, and our virtual hats – but not our masks – are off to you all.

Thank you for taking care of your beautiful selves, and here's wishing you and your 'ohana health and wellness.

April & Erin

P.S. – The fine print. By now you've heard that our 35th Reunion is postponed until next June 2021. It's kind of like you got back a year. You can celebrate your 35th birthday when you're 36 – and nobody will bat an eye.

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### SUMMER

Class of '86 – How are you?

As I'm writing this, we are all in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. This unprecedented and uncertain time is sure to bring about a range of emotions and experiences for all of us. Despite the overwhelming challenges, we continue to see and hear of examples of people stepping up to help one another and to help communities near and far. Punahou alumni are included among the amazing workers on our front lines as well as those actively helping others in need, whether it is delivering meals or finding resources for much needed personal protection equipment. Dr. **Tarquin Collis**, Chief of Infectious Disease at Kaiser Permanente, has cared for affected patients and has provided his expertise about COVID-19 to the community. **Lillian Masamitsu Kam**, **Jean Campbell** and **Dawn Sanderson** are sewing masks for others. The selfless actions of so many and the care for one another we see day in and day out show that we will get through this together.

True to form, the Hot Noodles booth rocked it at Carnival! Mahalo to all who signed up this year. Our noodle experts included **Caren Wun** Fukushima, **Matt Foster**, **Jan Murakami** Furuta, **Melanie Shim**, **Maile Hirota**, **Lillian Masamitsu Kam**, **Berna Chee**, **Dawn Sanderson**, **Paul Chattergy**, **Roselle Leong Chin**, **Derek Wong**, **Ruth Honda Matsunaga**, **David Tanabe**, **Billy Wong**, **Susie Gushiken Serna**, **David Bell**, **Kenny May**, **Lyle Fujikawa**, **Mike Latham**, **David Hsu**, **Bobby Simmons**, **Dale Chun**, **Maile Racuya Lum**, **Jerelyn Watanabe**, **Jill Tanaka**, **Carol Lockwood**, **Malcolm Nakamura**, **Nana Nakano** Howell, **Vera Jhung**, **Tay Sandoz** (and Tay's wife, **Stephanie**), **Gwen Isherwood**, **Allison Higa**, **Ben Meyer**. If you haven't been back for Carnival, I encourage all of you to consider going. It's a great way to reconnect with classmates and



Who wants noodles? Awesome '86ers are all smiles mixing the flavors at the Carnival Hot Noodle booth. From left: Paul Chattergy, Melanie Shim, Jill Tanaka, Dawn Sanderson, Matt Foster, Leah Racuya Lum, Lillian Masamitsu Kam, Maile Hirota and Berna Chee.



Happy Class of '86 alumni ready to serve up your Hot Noodles in their best Carnival blues! From left: Kenny May, Bobby Simmons, David Tanabe, Malcolm Nakamura, Dale Chun, Lyle Fujikawa and Billy Wong.



Carnival weekend provided mini-reunion moments for a few '86ers. Front row, from left: Jarret Yoshida, Ann Omori, Dawn Sanderson, Cass Nakasone and Matt Foster. Back row: Malia Lagaso and Sio Saipaia.





*Rick Piper '86 enjoying his new life in Idaho and California. Mountain life definitely agrees with him – days filled with fishing, cycling and farm-to-table living.*



*Tay Sandoz '86 and his family celebrated the high school graduation of middle child, Toby. From left: Nicky, wife, Stephanie, Toby, Jesse and Tay.*

our campus. Other '86 gatherings occurred Carnival weekend, bringing those living on the mainland, together with classmates living in Hawai'i. **Jarret Yoshida**, **Ann Omori**, **Dawn Sanderson**, **Malia Lagaso**, **Cass Nakasone**, **Matt Foster**, **David Tanabe** and **Sio Saipaia** found time for a mini reunion with a side of karaoke.

**David Hsu** and his family are now living in Potomac Falls, Virginia. Not surprisingly, they've experienced huge turnouts for Punahou Alumni events organized by the Punahou Alumni Association Mid-Atlantic. David continues to work for the U.S. Department of Defense and travels all over.

Congratulations to **Jarret Yoshida**! He is featured in "20 Designers For 2020: The Sotheby's Home List." The article credits him for design with accessible indulgence and highlights his upbringing in Hawai'i as influencing his work. Well done, Jarret!

Our 35th Class Reunion will be here before you know it! If any of you are in touch with classmates we haven't seen or heard from in a while, encourage them to reach out. Also, please make sure to update your contact information at [punahou.edu/alumni](http://punahou.edu/alumni). You can also find us on Facebook at *Punahou Class of 1986*.

Be safe, my dear Class of '86.

Aloha kekahi I kekahi.  
Valeri

#### FALL

Aloha, everyone!

I hope you are weathering the challenge of this pandemic in good health and spirits. It's one of those times that I especially appreciate the sense of community that comes with being a member of the Class of '86.

Our classmates have played many roles during the pandemic: **Leslie Oyama** has been on the

front line, as director of the emergency medicine resident program at the University of California San Diego Medical Center. **Maile Hirota** used her skills as one of Hawai'i's top immigration attorneys to aid international surrogacy clients of mine stranded in Hawai'i by the pandemic. **Possie Dudgeon** Badham and **Shannon Dudgeon '88** Piper nimbly pivoted their Gourmet Foods Hawaii business from wholesale to retail, sustaining and delighting local families on lockdown. **Brenda Kwon** has been keeping folks centered teaching yoga online, while **Malia Lagaso** keeps hands occupied as craft coordinator at the Ben Franklin flagship store in Mapunapuna. **Holly Greenwell** (aka "Dr. G.") and her Punahou colleagues ran a 100% distance learning Academy summer school session, while preparing for online instruction in the fall. **Fritz Johnson** kept busy with design work for **Cecily Wong '89** in Manoa, **Dawn Sanderson**'s family in Hawai'i Kai, and **Kevin Kondo** on Waialae 'Iki, among others. **Joy Maeda**, general manager of sports planning and promotion at Fuji Television in Tokyo, is still waiting for the Olympics! For his part, **Greg Thielen** conducted no fewer than 28 socially distanced sign-waving sessions in his campaign for a seat on the Honolulu City Council. Victorious in the primaries, Greg was working toward the General Election when we went to print (fingers crossed, Greg!).

Our classmate, President **Mike Latham** handed diplomas to the Class of 2020 in a well-planned, socially distanced event. Punahou graduations this year were **Jerelyn Watanabe** and **John Friend**, with **Lilly Jones '20**; **Jan Murakami** Furuta's son, **Jarret '20**; **Shawn Brady**'s son, **Hugh '20**; **Jamie Lui**'s daughter, **Jayna '20**; **Cass Nakasone**'s son, **Cole '20**; **Mela Shim**'s daughter, **Abby '20**; and **Alvin Sato**, with son, **Jarrin '20**. **Ed** and **Kristen Spengler Kenney** celebrated two graduations with son, **Duke '20**, from Punahou;

and daughter, **Celia '16**, from Harvard University. **Louise Lalakea** Alving's daughter, Lauren, recently embarked on a two-year program of rigorous dance training with the Dutch National Ballet Academy in the Netherlands. **Tay Sandoz** and wife, Stephanie, celebrated 25 years of shared psychology practice this summer, along with the high school graduation of middle child, Toby. Eldest son, Nicky, is a college senior this year, while youngest son, Jesse, is a high school sophomore. Congratulations to all of our '86ers and their '20 graduates!

Undeterred by the pandemic from making major life changes, **Erin Ostrem** eloped with longtime love, Michael Panek, (her brother, **Kanoa Ostrem '89** officiated) and now has a blended family of six: stepsons, Ilya and Quinn; and sons, **Ka'iana Kau '11** and **Nahi Kau '17**. On the job front, Erin is now the national chain accounts manager for Willamette Valley Vineyards. Welcome home, **Vera Jung**! Vera left her Indianapolis home of 15 years to return to Hawai'i, and took a position as an assistant teacher in the Case Middle School at Punahou!

Making the most of the pandemic, **Letitia Moffitt** set a personal goal in May to run 62 miles in 15 hours – and beat it by 48 minutes! In addition, Letitia's touching and hilarious memoir, "Bird People," won the Animals and Pets category of the 14th Annual National Indie Excellence Awards.

Finally, long-lost classmate, **Mike Malterre**, checked in from Boise, where he lives with wife, Jody, while their two daughters attend college on the East Coast. Mike reports they owned and ran Montessori schools in Idaho, until selling them five years ago to retire – for all of about 36 hours. Now both are Positive Discipline Parenting coaches, and Jody has returned to teaching, while Mike has joined a company manufacturing human and reef-safe





*Congratulations to Erin Ostrem '86, who married her longtime love, Michael Panek.*

mineral sunscreen. Mike says he would love to be in touch with more classmates!

Stay safe everyone!

Carol

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## SUMMER

From **Brent Uyeno**:

As I write this in April, sheltering in my place, I recall February, when hundreds of people were walking around Chamberlain Field enjoying the sights and smells of the Carnival. Our Class was well represented at our Malasadas Waikiki shift on Saturday night. Thank you, **Christopher Lum**, for organizing our shift and the after-party. **Bennett Abe**, who is a radiologist in California, raised the bar for the rest of you. He flew in from California, and timed his visit with his parents so he could volunteer at the Carnival. For those of you who can, come join us next year.

I've been providing physician input for the HMSA Resource Center at Kuakini Physicians Tower. I ran into my freshman year Punahou Marching Band drum major, **Marvin Buenconsejo '84**, at the blessing in February. Marvin is the communications manager for HMSA, and was with his crew capturing the event for social media.

I pray that you all are safe and healthy. May we return to some sort of normal and be able to spread our aloha in person very soon.

From **Debbie Yokoyama McDonald**:

Aloha from Las Vegas! It's Debbie subbing for **Lyla Cachola Prather**, as she's on the front line of the pandemic. To all our classmates and their families who are on the front lines, we thank you.

To update everyone, I've been living and teaching in Las Vegas since 1992. I married a "Razorback," and have two boys, Josh and Ian. I'm grateful to stay in contact with a few classmates in person and more over social media. We're doing well, but there was a time last week where I got anxious counting down the number of TP rolls! (We're good now.) We

have created a new "routine" to help us deal with quarantine. I'm grateful to be home with my family and to have this time to ponder what's really important. What a strange and unprecedented time we're living in.

**Takae Nishimura Miller** reports: "March has been a rough month for us. I live right outside of Nashville, and we had tornadoes destroying our towns at the beginning of the month. Luckily, we are safe. Now, we are doing our best being quarantined. My kids have been busy with online learning and having piano and ballet lessons on Zoom. Our trampoline has become our best friend. The neighborhood kids go out and draw a fun participatory game on the sidewalks. All of my races have been canceled, but I'm running outside more and exploring new trails and hidden gems in my neighborhood. I'm grateful that we are healthy and together with my family. This whole experience has brought us closer."

**David Herrmann** shares: "Aloha from Kailua! We are surviving quarantine. Luckily, three years ago, we started our own business, Embrace Family Learning, from home. We provide tutoring and parenting workshops. Our daughters are homeschooled with outsourced classes, which are online. Unfortunately, many of their activities have been replaced with Zoom gatherings. Luckily, walking along the beach, biking and hiking are still allowed! I really see all this as a blessing (except the pandemic part). We get to spend more time with the ones we love and get to do things that we never have time to do. It is somewhat ironic, a pandemic that inhibits the respiratory system, is giving us all a break to breathe!"

**Ellen Okamoto** is enjoying life in San Diego, where she is working in pharmaceutical research and raising her son (7) with her



*Takae Nishimura '87 Miller with her family in Tennessee.*



*Brent Uyeno '87 and Marvin Buenconsejo '84 at the grand opening of HMSA's Resource Center at the Kuakini Physicians Tower.*





*This crew of '87ers had a great time at Carnival serving up sugary sweets on Saturday night at Malasada Waikiki!*



*David Herrmann '87 and his family hiking in Hawai'i.*

husband and longtime climbing and adventure partner.

**Bob Camacho** is making a much-needed return to his woodworking, as he continues to care for his elderly parents and consult remotely for a handful of business clients. Stress-baking his way through a chocolate lovers cookbook is also helping.

I'd like to leave you with this quote that has helped me cope during this time. "Hope is important because it can make the present moment less difficult to bear. If we believe that tomorrow will be better, we can bear a hardship today." –Thich Nhat Hahn

Stay healthy, friends.

FALL

From **Brent Uyeno**:

I was thinking about how through the years milestones that are new to us somehow seem familiar. They are familiar because our parents walked this path with us. At every marker, I'm reminded that I have become my parents. I mention this because my eldest, **Evan '16**, has

graduated from college. I thought I felt old enough four years ago when he graduated from high school! Then, I thought of a time when our social distance was shoulder to shoulder. The good old days of May 26, 2019, when my second child, **Sean '19**, graduated. Over a thousand people gathered at Central Union Church for Baccalaureate, where the graduates and their families were treated to wonderful singing and inspirational messages. Our classmate, **Carolyn Fong Chan**, mother of **Caroline Chan '19**, shared a message, "Your Journey, Your Story," that encouraged the graduates to remember their time at Punahou, to use those memories to mark the beginning of their journey into new experiences, new memories and new steps on their journey. Then I wonder, how much of my children's journeys will be like my own. I hope they have children just like them.

I had honor of attending the Aloha Council of Scouts-BSA Oahu Recognition Dinner co-hosted by **Jason Fleming '94**, director of Kuakini Medical Center's department of emergency medicine. Two leaders from my son's Scout

Troop 33 were recognized for their service to Troop 33 in 2019. Dani Nishikawa, mother of **Tyler '16**, **Hunter '18** and **Oliver '22**, received the Imua award, and Lea Inoue, mother of **Pierce '20** and **Paige '23**, received a Scoutmaster of the Year award. I was pleased to witness **Susan Ornellas Haruki** and her husband, oral maxillofacial surgeon Todd Haruki, both receiving the Imua award for Troop 325. Thank you for supporting the youth of Hawai'i.

I pray that we will return to some sort of normal and be able to spread our aloha in person. E malama I kou kino.

From **Lyla Cachola Prather**:

**John MacGregor** has published a now International bestselling book, "The Top 10 Reasons the Rich Go Broke – Powerful Stories that Will Transform Your Financial Life Forever." John said, "There's probably no better time for this book than now!" I explored John's website [johnmacgregor.net](http://johnmacgregor.net), and I was impressed with his list of previous live events that have included China, Singapore, Japan and New Zealand. I'll be catching up on his podcasts this weekend.

I'm sorry to share that our dear classmate, **Laura Phillips McIntyre**, passed away on July 14, 2020, after a long battle with cancer. I remember being amazed by Laura because as a new kid at Punahou in seventh grade, who'd only ever seen gymnastics on TV, she could nail stunts on the balance beam and uneven bars in PE. She parlayed these skills to earn a spot on the Punahou diving team in high school. She later went on to sail the 1991 Transpacific Yacht Race with her father, **Joseph Phillips '53**, who preceded her in death in 2005. Laura graduated from the University of Hawai'i (UH), where she studied economics, planning and political science. After receiving a master's in urban and regional planning from



*Aloha to Laura Phillips '87 McIntyre, who passed away on July 14, 2020, in Honolulu.*



David Snow '88 celebrated his 50th birthday with friends on Zoom. Top row, from left: Martin Lind '88, David's wife, Miok Joo and David. Second row: Karen Elizaga '88, David's college friend, Miguel Buckenmeyer and Keith McLane '87, Zooming from Cheers. Bottom row: Dustin Sellers '87 with special guests, White Snake.

UH, she transitioned into the Hawai'i State Department of Health and worked as a manager in their environmental planning office. Always giving, she and **Billy Nagel** created a memorial for our late classmates at our Reunion picnic in 2017. Laura continued to make a difference as an elected board member on the Waikiki neighborhood board from 2017-2019. She is survived by her mother, Marda Phillips; her sisters, **Joda Phillips '82** Derrickson and **Daja Phillips '84**; and her two sons, William and Benjamin.

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### SUMMER

Dear, friends:

As we write this, many of our classmates are sheltering in place, and just like you would expect from the Class of '88, they're doing it in style. Here are a few tidbits of what everyone has been up to: **Eric Humphreys** and **Meredith Burney** writing (and receiving) snail mail letters to (and from) classmates; **Tony Kim** cooking up a storm with his keiki; **Katie Goldcamp** Delaney making homemade masks and a gorgeous birthday cake with her daughter, Lily; **Danny Kim** wowing everyone with his 'ukulele and vocal skills; **Karen Elizaga** playing 'ukulele while her daughter, Sloane, sings to her kupuna; **Mark Lehman** showing us just how comfortable you can be while working from home; **John-David Stubenberg** playing for

cribbage world domination with his Dad; and the dynamic duo of **David Lau** and **Chad Hashimoto** keeping Facebook posts light with funny memes about growing your own toilet paper and Whole Foods staff members greeting customers in full scuba gear.

We have big news from **Ingrid Schroffner**, who recently moved to a new position at the University of Massachusetts Medical School - Office of Management. Ingrid writes that like many of us, she is working remotely, however when life resumes at its normal pace, she can be contacted at [Ingrid.Schroffner@umassmed.edu](mailto:Ingrid.Schroffner@umassmed.edu). Congratulations, Ingrid!

What would we do if it weren't for **Ralph Winnie**? It is always nice to receive a positive note from Ralph, updating us with all of the interesting international work that he is involved in. Most recently, Ralph was featured in Ke Kula Kanawai, dated Feb. 19, 2020, the weekly newsletter for University of Hawai'i's William S. Richardson School of Law. Ralph spoke about trade relations between the U.S. and China in the State Bar Association International Law section. Ralph is the director of the China program for the Eurasia Center and its Eurasian Business Coalition. Way to go, Ralph!

Heartfelt shoutout to **Dana Tokioka**, newly named to the board of directors for Bank of Hawaii Corporation (BOH). "Dana is a highly accomplished businesswoman with a robust set of skills, knowledge and experience. She is uniquely positioned and will complement our Board with her vast background and community involvement." said chairman, CEO and president of Bank of Hawaii Corporation, **Peter S. Ho '83**. Mahalo, Dana, for making Punahou proud!

Thank you again for reaching out to us throughout the year with thoughtful updates.

### FALL

From **Karen Elizaga**:

Given that we've been in quarantine, I thought this column would be two sentences. Wrong! People still are doing awesome things all over the world, not to mention that a bunch of you are 50 this year!

**David Snow** deftly converted his 50th birthday shindig in Brooklyn in April into a Zoom series that included **Martin Lind**, **Dustin Sellers '87**, **Keith McLane '87**, Snowy's wife, Miok, me and one lone friend from college (poor guy missed a bunch of the inside jokes). More recently, **Lani Fujimoto** Alfonso (thanks to her super sly sister, **Jill Fujimoto '92 Steele**) was surprised (and relieved) to find **Ross Masunaga**, **Joelle Uyeda**, **Tony Kim**, **David Akinaka**, **Lynne Kawakami**, **David Hong** and me on Zoom instead of an aspiring engineer. (To be fair, it was a Saturday night!) Most recently, **Carrie Behm** Starkie celebrated from the United Arab Emirates! As a doctor working in Dubai (and previously in Kuwait and Virginia), Carrie has friends all over the world. When I joined, she happily connected people living in Kuwait, Scotland and Connecticut! Happy big 50th birthday to all of you!

A hero of quarantine is **Eric Humphreys**, who catalyzed old school pen pals to connect people all over the world. I loved getting (and have saved) letters from our classmates, including **Uilani Chun Chong**, **Judy Hicks** Brantley, **JD Stubenberg**, **Mary Colin McIntosh** and **Kathy Wurdeman** Thurston, and, of course, Eric himself. I wrote a bunch as well, including to Carrie. But apparently, Dubai doesn't want even correspondence originating from the U.S. because they returned my letter twice!

**Matt Uiagalelei** reposted photos of seniors from an assisted living facility seeking pen pals. My daughter and I wrote to the lovely senior woman who loves "men and snacks!" How could we not? Eric and Matt, thank you for your brilliant ideas! These letters are a time capsule of this extraordinary time.

Throughout the pandemic, **Mark Lehman** has been the voice of reason, sharing with us solid medical and public health perspectives! Mark is moving back to Germany, after finishing his Pentagon tour as the deputy chief for the U.S. Air Force public health. (A slightly important job at the current moment, I'd say.) Mark says that **Ian Lee**, recently promoted to Colonel in the U.S. Army, works down the hall, and they regularly go out for bahn mi! Just like the old days.

Who's had enough politics? Whatever your inclination, you might find a friend in **Charles Djou**. We all are familiar with Charles's conservative bent (since high school!), but according to the local news, he has openly criticized the GOP and will cast a vote on the other side of the ticket in November. **Lara Mui** Cowell quotes Charles: "What happens to





Eric '89 and Gigi Marsella '89 and their family are happy to be finally back home in Hawai'i! From left: Eric, Calista '24, Miranda '26, Gigi and Lexi.



Kira Seamon '89 at her solo exhibition at the Attleboro Arts Museum Community Gallery in February 2020.

people like me who are looking for a sensible middle?" I'm asking the same question, Charles.

**Ulalia Woodside** and **Dana Tokioka** are taking names and kicking tail in Honolulu. Ulalia is an eloquent representative on a new form of economy based on aloha 'aina, while Dana supports programs that help female inmates transition once they've served their prison terms. **Albert Cheng**, who is still at the helm of Amazon Studios, was recognized as one of A100's 2020 Most Impactful Asians. **Daryl Muromoto**, with his culinary skills, started a

new business focused on herbal medicinal teas ... oh, and umeboshi! **Danny Kim** continues to spread love and gratitude with his Aloha Journal.

So that's pretty good, right? We managed to stay engaged during quarantine. I hope that you are staying healthy, safe and sane ... that those of you with kids have some sort of school and connection. When Broadway opens back up, I am dead serious about entertaining and going to the theatre with any of you who want to show up in New York City! Sending so much love!

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## SUMMER

Mahalo to our classmates who are health care workers, first responders, suppliers, postal workers, store workers and owners and individuals like **Anna Dodd**, **Bennett Loui**, **Brad Chun**, **Edward Fong**, **Henry Wu**, **Edward Kim**, **Eric Kajioka**, **Alika Winter**, **Dean Hashimoto** and



Derek Fox '89 and his family are excited to be back home in Hawai'i. From left: Lia, Erica, Amira, Derek and Claire '25.



Class of '89's Carnival Chicken Plate crew serving up ALL the chicken! Front row, from left: MaeLynne Ng Swoboda and Lisa Higa. Back row, from left: Sydney Hiu Bisho, Tara NakagawaTakatsuka, Bryan Nakamoto, Vince Krause, Duke Ah Moo, Tricia Masumoto Matsumoto and Chad Konishi.





Class of '89 crew kickin it at the Chicken Pit. Front row, from left: Garret Hoe, Jim Owens, Paul Bunda and Punahou parent volunteer. Back row: Todd Inabata, Mike Nakano, Punahou parent volunteer, Jason Kauhane and Efren Baria.



Class of '89's Carnival Smoothie booth crew blended in smiles and school spirit! Front row: Joal Murakami and Jaci-Ann Chung. Back row: Edward Fong, Ryan Gilbert and Cliff Yuen.

**Natascha Ching**, to name a few. We appreciate your service and the sacrifices you have made to help your community during this unprecedented time of COVID-19. Also, thank you to folks like **Janet Masamitsu**, who have donated much needed items like N95 masks and PPE to hospitals or health care facilities.

Although it seems like ages ago since our favorite weekend in February, and the Punahou Carnival, we couldn't let this issue go by without thanking our classmates who volunteered their time. Shoutout to **Jaci-Ann Chung** for organizing our Class shifts at Chicken Plate, Chicken Pit and the Smoothie booth.

Join us on our Class Facebook page while you are sheltering in place. It's an easy way to reconnect with classmates you may have lost touch with over the years. For those who are

on Facebook, nudge those classmates who aren't connected to join us.

Until next time, take care.

#### FALL

Welcome home to **Eric** and **Gianna "Gigi" Marsella Yap**! Eric and Gianna have realized their lifelong dream of returning home. They bought a small house within walking distance of Punahou, and are enjoying the 'ono local goodies they have missed while living on the mainland for the past 30 years. Their daughter, **Calista '24**, has already begun her Punahou education, as she opted to take Lifetime Fitness over the summer to make room in her ninth grade schedule for other classes. Calista loves dance and aspires to be an aeronautical engineer. **Miranda '26** loves the performing arts and is looking forward to joining choir and trying other new experiences at Punahou. Eric has continued his work leading IT

due diligence efforts for a Los Angeles-based private equity firm (starting his work at 3 or 4 a.m. HST). Ssshhh! They don't think anyone has noticed that Eric is no longer in Atlanta. Gigi is helping everyone get settled and exploring what her next professional venture will be.

Welcome home to **Derek Fox**! Derek has begun his one-year sabbatical at University of Hawai'i at Manoa (UH), supported by his home institution, Penn State University. Derek will be hosted by the Institute for Astronomy, while his wife, Erica, also from Penn State University on sabbatical this year, will be hosted by UH's history, philosophy and Asian studies departments. Their younger daughters will attend Ma'ema'e Elementary School while their eldest, **Claire '25**, will attend Punahou.

Reach out to Eric, Gigi and Derek as they are eager to connect with classmates and friends!

Congratulations to **Kira Seamon**, who has been recognized by The Marquis Who's Who in America. This distinguished honor is limited to individuals that possess professional integrity and outstanding achievement in their respective fields and have made innumerable contributions to society as a whole. Kira has been very busy shuffling between being an inaugural artist in residence for the town of Natick, Massachusetts, to having her first solo exhibit at Attleboro Arts Museum. May you have much continued success, Kira!

Finally, we end this update on a somber note. We were saddened to hear about the passing of **John Harris** this past May. John was a genuinely good guy who endeared himself to everyone he met. He will be deeply missed. Our love and aloha to his family.

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#### SUMMER

From: **Brian Watanabe**:

It may be summer for you, but I'm currently writing this on April 6, during our country's toughest week of the COVID-19 pandemic. "Social distancing" wasn't even in our vocabulary three months ago, so it's hard to imagine where we'll be in another three. But for now, **MIGHTY '90** is making a difference in any way they can, whether it's rallying Congress or staying at home and watching "Tiger King."

U.S. Senator **Brian Schatz** is working hard as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, helping to get Hawai'i at least \$4 billion in federal COVID-19 relief funding and pushing for economic relief. Brian texted that he spends his days on the phone trying to get money for Hawai'i so we can endure the catastrophic economic effects of this pandemic.



If you've subscribed to the "Team Up! Punahou School podcast," you've heard our own **Allen Murabayashi** as podcast editor, talking to alumni about the COVID-19 outbreak. Allen volunteered for the job, tapping into his six years of podcast-producing experience. His interviews have been insightful and heartfelt, from a New York City nurse to one of the country's leading infectious disease experts. Allen is currently sheltering in Hawai'i.

**Rosalyn Won** is in her second week of distance learning, teaching in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. **Jennifer Jay Oakes** is also starting distance learning with juniors and seniors at San Diego High School of International Studies. She misses her seniors, and says they remind her a lot of the Class of '90—easygoing and remarkably resilient. She has been reflecting on their senior experience, and how it will be so different.

Personally, between the distance-schooling of two Punahou kids and learning how to cook, COVID-19 has had a big effect on our household. My wife, **Jenefer Oyama '94**, and my Berkeley roommate, **Jennifer Sato '96** Ping, are both ER doctors at Straub Medical Center. It's been stressful. But the outpouring of community support—from the making and donating of PPE, to the messages of support, has been uplifting. And if there's a silver lining to this global timeout, it's how we've all been gifted this extra time to spend with our kids and loved ones. I'm hoping as you read this that the future is brighter. We're all in this together.

From **Dana Shimoda-Fraiola**:

Carnival 2020 was a success with our fun and entertaining Taco Salad crew! Mahalo to **Jerusha Hagen Tabori** for many years of coordinating our Class and passing the baton to **Sandy Ng Niebling**. Volunteers received a keepsake this year—a MIGHTY '90 apron! (Mahalo, Sandy!) MIGHTY '90 spirit prevailed at the Pa'ani booth with **Nedra Dwyer** Manson, **Malia Kamisugi**, **Nicci Lee Mowat**, **Mari Okimoto** Konishi, **Cee Cee Sheehan** Simmons and **Aolani Yamasato-Gargas**. Whether it was gathering floral donations, working the booth or making arrangements, you raise lots of money for girls athletics at Punahou. THANK YOU!

MIGHTY '90 athlete, **Charle Fern**, drove over a thousand miles from Chicago to Denver in April, to be better situated as sales director for CenturyLink. I can't wait to work a trip there and visit her and **Paul Lucken**!

If there is any positive outcome from this historic crisis, it's that as we self-isolate, we are brought together. I heard from my Hamada homeroom pal, **Floyd Ota**. He is a pediatric emergency physician at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth, Texas. He also keeps busy with Texas USA Wrestling.

Staying true to our eleemosynary descriptor, **Adam Chapman** is pro bono advising the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME), helping to get their COVID-19 projections out into the world. He leads the



*Mahalo to the MIGHTY '90 Carnival Taco Salad crew! Dana Shimoda-Fraiola, Butch Reddy, Jon Matsuda, Leah Arizumi, Ryan Nakamura, Kyle Arakaki, Sandy Ng Niebling, Tyler Asada, Chad Kawashima, Eric Osaki, Karyn Lee, Corey Matsuoka, Darin Kamiya, Caryn Nakamura Matsuoka, Shelley Soga and Julianne Chun. Brian Watanabe is not pictured, because he's taking the picture.*



*MIGHTY '90's Aliko Alexander Piper, Kristin Ing Aune and Leah Arizumi working behind the scenes of Variety Show 2020.*

volunteer outreach team and connected with **Brandon Ito**, who volunteers as an online moderator for the *Covid19HAWAII* Facebook page.

**Rondee Lum** Kobayashi and her family raised \$550 for Punahou faculty creating PPE for local hospitals with the school's 3D printer. Her children, **Noe '27** and **Kai '30**, hosted a "Stay-In-Your-Car" car wash.

I cannot imagine the world when this is published. We wake up every morning to the effects of this pandemic. Let's give thanks and focus on the positive. MIGHTY '90 has an

incredibly talented array of medical professionals and first responders near and far helping with this pandemic. You are truly awe-inspiring. SHAKA POW to all essential workers who fly our planes, work security and safety details, stock shelves of supplies and drive transportation to get people to their jobs and food on our tables. Virtual high fives to all MIGHTY '90 teachers, who are exercising creativity and adapting to distance learning. Air hugs and shaka to all parents who are at home, working and teaching. Remember to put out that blue recycle bin, I'm sure it's filling up faster now than ever!





*MIGHTY '90 elves, Heather Zeigler Palling and Dana Shimoda-Fraiola work for United Airlines in Honolulu. They volunteer for the annual Fantasy Flight which transports Make-a-Wish children and their families to "Christmas Island" to meet Santa, Tutu Claus and their elves.*

Until we can see each other without a mask and gloves, stay safe. Smiles across the miles.

#### FALL

Hope you're all hanging in there, MIGHTY '90. The hits keep coming this year, but there's always some good news.

**Wyeth Matsubara** wanted to recognize a big group of MIGHTY '90 classmates who are now the proud mothers and fathers of 2020 graduates. Congratulations to **Alika Alexander Piper, Alika Mau, Beth Fukunaga Gusman, Christopher Ko, Jen Kobayashi-Schiel, Jon Matsuda, Leah Arizumi and Rick Humphreys**, who will be partying with their kids at the next Alumni Lu'au. Wyeth's daughter, **Taylor '20**, overcame multiple knee surgeries and two years of recovery to compete on the Punahou varsity girls soccer team. She must get her tenacity and perseverance from her old man. Also congrats to **Val and Denise Kamimura '93 Espania**, whose son, Adonis Espania, graduated from Mid-Pacific Institute. Congrats to all our '90/'20 graduates, if we missed you!

Finally, I was picking up Spam musubi from Kahala Mall during quarantine and recognized a classmate – even with her facemask on. **Kerri Tamakawa** Kuioka shares that she moved back home five years ago from San Francisco. She's a realtor and has two young kids, Courtney and Chase, struggling with distance learning like the rest of us. It was nice seeing a familiar face (or at least half of one) during quarantine. It was the closest we both got to a real 30th Reunion. Let's hope we can emerge



*Duncan Blair '90 and Allen Murabayashi '90 at a chance meeting on campus at the Sidney and Minnie Kosasa Community. Duncan is based in London, and Allen shares his time between New York City and Hawai'i.*

from this dark timeline stronger. And maybe, if the murder hornets don't come back, we'll be reunited together in 2021. Fingers crossed.

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#### SUMMER

Aloha, '91ers!

During this time of uncertainty we wanted to acknowledge all of the health care workers, first responders, teachers, government officials and essential workers keeping our community going, and restaurants and food services for keeping us fed. "It takes a village," to keep us all safe. We appreciate every single one of you and all the sacrifices you are making for communities, here in Hawai'i, the mainland and all over the world. We will make it through and become stronger, and hopefully, smarter, so this doesn't hit us as hard the next time. A huge mahalo to **Evan Leong** and his brother, **Darin Leong '95**, who have been holding webinars to help small businesses in Hawai'i cope with the COVID-19 crisis, sharing resources to help.

Looking back at more fun times, we are thankful that we were able to enjoy Carnival together. A huge shoutout to **Kim Wong** Yoshimoto for organizing our Hot Noodles shift and bringing us all together once again. Mama Carol Chun sacrificed walking the next few days after Carnival by working an ENTIRE shift along with **Nicole Adam Jones Nakamoto, Stacy Chong** Philippou and hubby, Paul, **Jose Elizaga, Reyn Hata, Darryl Nakamoto, Sean Matsumoto, Heather Nakasone, Lisa Itoga**

**Tam, Rae Nakasone Yazawa, Mike Watanabe, Dennis Djou, Darin Goo and Emily Chan, Blake McElheny, Stefanie Loo Jefts, Renee Saito Shimamoto, Scott Harada, Tiffany Farrell, Jeannie Kam Camacho, Lindsey Cassiday-Chang, Catherine Allday-Davis, Brent Ching, Noelehua Lyons Archambault, Raine Fukuda, Minette Lew McCabe, Mayumi Hara Dao, Allison Takeshita Van Orman and Vanessa Higa** Kau and hubby, Jamin. It was great seeing and catching up with you all for Hot Noodles! Although **Nolan Terayama** wasn't able to make it to Carnival, he did meet up with us after our shift!

One last note – we want to honor those classmates who have seniors this year and whose traditional graduation, prom and other special events have been canceled or reinvented. Class of 2020, we are proud of your accomplishments and your resilience in facing the sacrifices you've endured. You are in our hearts and thoughts.

Wishing you all health and safety,

#### FALL

Vanessa and I hope everyone is hanging in there with life as we now know it.

Congratulations to **Jeff Mexia**, who was honored by the University of Hawai'i Board of Regents as a recipient of the Regents' Medal for Excellence in Teaching. Jeff is currently an assistant professor of English and the professional development coordinator at Kaua'i Community College, where he has been teaching English since 2005.

**Dr. Heidi Lowrey Baines** was featured in a Macalester College alumni profile. She has been practicing medicine in Alaska since completing her residency there. After spending many years providing care to residents of



remote villages, she and her family moved from the smaller city of Kodiak to Anchorage, where she currently works as a lead physician for Vera Whole Health.

It's been a challenge to keep up with our fellow classmates in person, but I did get to chat briefly with **Lara Wong** Dao when she, her husband, Mark and their three girls, **Nicole '23**, **Anna Sophia '25** and **Jacqueline '29**, were standing six feet in front of me and my son, **Clark '30**, in the Kapahulu Waiola Shave Ice line in July.

What's everyone up to during quarantine? Inquiring minds want to know: **Naoi Yuen** started a new business, Hawai'i FoodService Solutions. The company acquires and refurbishes pre-owned restaurant equipment and helps local small business food operations by providing an alternative to buying expensive new equipment. Due to the travel restrictions and quarantine laws, **Keli Sato** Amann and her family were unable to make it back to Hawai'i this summer. Instead they enjoyed Santa Cruz staycation – the beachiest island vibe closest to her Redwood City home. Keli's son, Ryan, "Boogie Boarded," and dined on the best Spam musubi and poke the wharf had to offer. **Wendy Hara** got outside of her radiation oncology comfort zone and planted tomatoes, basil and tatsoi at her home (also in Redwood City) and is amazed that everything is still alive! **Kristi Fujioka** Katayama and her kids, Kenzie and Maika'i, planted corn in their backyard. **Stefanie Loo** Jeffs and her kids, **Noah '25** and **Kailee '28**, delivered fresh Sugarland Farms watermelons straight from the vine to some very lucky recipients, including myself. It was delicious! (Then I made her come back with apple bananas.) **Lynn Nakamura** McNamara, with the remote assistance of her parents in Hawai'i and mother-in-law in New York, taught her daughter, Amelia, how to sew. First project: face mask! Much to **Mayumi Hara** Dao's excitement, her 2 ½ year-old daughter, Mari, is successfully potty trained! When not on the potty, Mari loves to practice ballet with her 17-year-old sister, Jadelyn. **Malia Oshima** Paul taught her teens, **Kainoa '22** and **Mehana '23**, how to change a tire, cook eggs multiple ways and iron clothes. Reach for the stars, Malia! **Cade** and **Waileia Davis '86 Roster** taught their 11-year-old twins to cook eggs (eggs are popular!), bake pies and cakes (from scratch) and decorate cakes with butter frosting. They also do laundry. Cade lent his artistic talent in designing the artwork for the gift from the 2020 Punahou Alumni Association. **Vanessa Higa** Kau's son, Ollie, began trying his hand at skateboarding, while older brother, **David '27**, has mastered the skill of making lunch for both himself and Ollie (but no eggs ... yet!)

I guess I can look forward to teaching my son, Clark, to cook eggs in a couple of years, but for now, I'll just have to settle for him learning to wash his own milk cup, take out the trash and fold his own underwear this summer. Baby steps.



*This crew of '91ers had a great time at Carnival dishing it out at the Hot Noodles booth! Front row, from left: Mike Watanabe, Vanessa Higa Kau, Noelehua Lyons Archambault, Mayumi Hara Dao and Allison Takeshita Van Orman. Middle row: Renee Saito Shimamoto, Rae Nakasone Yazawa, Stefanie Loo Jeffs and Mama Carol Chun. Back row: Emily Chan, Darin Goo, Sean Matsumoto, Dennis Djou, Reyn Hata, Jose Elizaga, Darryl Nakamoto, Blake McElheny, Scott Harada, Heather Nakasone and Lisa Itoga Tam.*

Last, but not least, the COVID-19 Productivity Award goes to **Denise Zane** Ishikawa, who made sure her daughter, Mahina (13), learned how to rock the karaoke mic with a true classic – "Ice Ice Baby."

And with that, peace out, '91! Stay well, friends!

Allison

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## SUMMER

Aloha, Class of '92!

Hope that all of your families and loved ones are doing well. Thank you to everyone who sent in their exciting news and fantastic updates.

Besties **Michelle Kobayashi** and **Eliza Leineweber** Lathrop took a girls trip of a lifetime this past December, traveling to France where Eliza's daughter, **Maeve Lathrop '21**, was spending her School Year Abroad. They spent a week in Paris, and the second week in Rennes to meet up with Maeve, exploring Saint-Malo (where they had a butter course for lunch - ooh lah lah) and the famous Mont-Saint-Michel.

In January, **Blair Sataraka** was inducted as Imu Gang Emeritus #21, joining our esteemed classmate, **Maile Judd**, who is #19. Blair has a

Kamehameha senior, a Mid-Pacific junior and a Kamehameha seventh grader. Congrats, Blair!

Over 102 million viewers of Super Bowl LIV were able to see our classmate, **Chris Chee**, during the extremely catchy TurboTax Commercial, "All People Are Tax People." Be sure to fast forward to the :18 mark on this link [intuit.me/35NButp](https://intuit.me/35NButp).

Competing in another type of Super Bowl, on the other side of the Pacific Ocean, president



*Lisa Yoshimoto '92 Nishimoto married Matthew Nishimoto on Feb. 15, 2020, at 3660 on the Rise.*





The '92 Carnival crew gathered for the annual Saturday evening shift at Malasada 'Ewa with over 50 classmates expertly producing the most delectable delights!



President of the Aloha State Sumo Association, Kena Heffernan '92, traveled with his team to compete in Tokyo, and train with Grand Champion Hakuho Sho.

of the Aloha State Sumo Association, **Kena Heffernan**, traveled with his team to the Hakuho Cup held at the Ryogoku Kokugikan on Feb. 2, 2020, in Tokyo. Coach Kena was extremely proud of his eight Hawai'i athletes who trained with former Ozeki Konishiki Yasokichi and former Yokozuna Musashimaru Koyo. Four made it to the semifinals, one to the final of their bracket and the entire group made it to final in the overall team competition representing the U.S. These kids demonstrated amazing fighting spirit and were true ambassadors of aloha.

**Elizabeth Stampe** is a city strategist with the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) in San Francisco. She published an article in Civil Beat about decongestion pricing, asking readers what they would do with 92 hours of their life back instead of sitting in traffic each year. She and **Nicola Hedge '00** are helping Honolulu reduce climate pollution and make O'ahu more resilient. Elizabeth lives near Dolores Park with her husband, Marty (a high school English teacher), and their son, Aylen (6).

**Elizabeth Lentz-Hill** and **Mary Ann Alexander '69** Lentz are the dynamic duo working at Hawaiian

Mission Houses, which enters its third century of operations. The mother-daughter team is having a ton of fun. Elizabeth is director of development and interim executive director. She is relearning her own history as an Alexander, Bond, Bishop and Baldwin missionary descendant, while sharing the stories of the vibrant programming and research being done at Hawaiian Mission Houses. Mary Ann is the director of society relations.

**Matthew Solomson**, who attended Punahou until 1986, while his father was assigned to Tripler Hospital, was recently nominated by President Trump and confirmed by the Senate to be a judge at the U.S. Court of Federal Claims in Washington, D.C. Judge Solomson is married to Lisa Entel Solomson and they have three children: Hadassah, Noah and Miriam.

**Lisa Yoshimoto** Nishimoto married Matthew Nishimoto on Feb. 15, 2020, at 3660 on the Rise. Lisa is a second grade teacher at Pearl Ridge Elementary School, and Matthew is a construction foreman at Nan, Inc. They live in Kaimuki with Matt's two children, Khloe and Liam, and their completely spoiled Pomeranian, Kuma. Blessings, Lisa!

Finally, a special message from **Lisa Johnstone**: "Thank you to our 50+ classmates who came out and worked the Class of 1992 Malasada shift at Punahou Carnival. Like always, the parent chairs were impressed with our malasada skills and large turnout. Thank you again and I hope to see more of you next year!" Shout out to Lisa, who was also recognized as Outstanding Educator by Spectrum OC16 and Radford High School.

From all around the nation and the world, Class of '92 continues to be accomplished. We love hearing from you! Thanks for keeping in touch!

#### FALL

Wonderful news abounds despite the unprecedented times we have all been facing. We hope this column puts a smile on your face!

Congratulations to two classmates who have assumed important leadership roles at our alma mater. **Emily Reber** Porter joined Punahou's Board of Trustees on July 1, 2020. In addition to this role, Emily serves as the COO at The MacNaughton Group and on various nonprofit boards, including Child and Family Service, Hawaii Women's Legal Foundation and The MacNaughton Group Foundation, as well as on the advisory boards for Girl Scouts of Hawai'i STEM Center, University of Hawai'i Shidler College of Business, Kupu Hawai'i, Ho'ola Na Pua and University of Hawai'i, West O'ahu. **Virginia "Ginia" Loo** is Punahou's first director of analytics and planning. In this role, she will oversee institutional research and help implement data-informed decision-making across the school. Virginia is an epidemiologist, who previously co-directed the Partnership for Epidemic Analysis, overseeing strategic planning and continuous quality improvements in the fields of HIV prevention and control and





Carnival volunteers from the Class of '93 at the Buff 'N Blue Store. From left: Chase Walsh Day, Heather Ueunten Salonga, Lea Friedman Almanza, Wilson Lau, Tonia Smith and Kanani Taliaferro Kelekolio.

sexual violence prevention. Ginia's has experience leading initiatives for UNICEF, Hawai'i Department of Health, University of Hawai'i, the World Health Organization (WHO), Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), World Bank, and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and more. Our Punahou community thanks you both for your valuable contributions to our school!

Our correspondent team thought it would be fun to solicit expressions of gratitude and uplifting stories from our '92 family: **Molly McLaughlin** Casper, a nursing home RN in Suffolk County, New York (an area hit hard by the pandemic), and soon-to-be empty nester, shared how grateful she is that her daughters, Kristen (24), and Kaitlyn (18), are doing so well. Molly, we are grateful to you for being a front line worker! **Eleu Ornellas** wanted to make sure we highlighted the amazing job Hawai'i Attorney General **Clare Connors** has done, especially during the pandemic. Said Eleu: "I'm so proud every time I see her on the news ... and how she handles herself with professionalism and grace. If I were her, my eyeballs would be permanently stuck in my head with all the rolling they do at some of the most ridiculous questions she is asked on live TV, but our Clare never waivers ... she has been the calm reassurance the State needs." By the way, on a lighter note, for several years Eleu has been working remotely (translation: in pajamas!) for Aspire Lifestyles, an international company that designs and manages loyalty and concierge programs. Eleu was way ahead of the curve on this remote working thing! Lastly, kudos to **Paul Young** and his wife, Cindy, who are raising two impressive boys, Brendan and Calen, in Irvine, California. While shopping for baking supplies, the boys noticed

senior citizens who lacked facial protection to combat the spread of the coronavirus. This led them to initiate a campaign to acquire and distribute non-surgical masks to seniors in their community. Awesome, eh?! They have learned from the best, as illustrated by a beautiful message Paul recently shared: "I'm grateful every day, bro. It doesn't take a pandemic for me to realize that every morning is a true blessing." Mahalo to Paul and his family for being an inspiration.

Aloha and God bless,

Mike "Maz," Jen, and J!

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### SUMMER/FALL

From **Rhonda Ching Wong**:

Hope you are all staying safe and healthy. We sure are having to make adjustments to the way we live. It's been great to see our community bonding together to fight against COVID-19. Thank you to those who are serving on the front lines, including health care workers, suppliers, postal workers, store workers, restaurant workers and everyone who is pitching in during this crisis.

Some of our classmates have been helping to resolve the worldwide mask shortage. When COVID-19 first jumped from Italy to the Philippines, **Kevin Sakuda** and his team at HammerHead Wetsuit Factory in the Philippines, converted to the HammerHead Surgical Mask Factory. Their first full week of mask production resulted in fulfilling a need for masks for hospitals and first responders in Cebu. **Maya Pueo Von Geldern** and Farris James (wife of **Rob James**) shared a Facebook page that functions as a bulletin board for those who would like to help with the face mask shortage in Hawai'i. On the group page, there are tutorials, instructions/patterns and an important page of tips relating to creating homemade masks. If anyone has sewing skills, please check out Maya's Facebook group that is shared on our Class Facebook group page. Way to go Kevin and Maya, for coming up with innovative ideas to support our frontline workers.

On another note, I'm sure a lot of us have been at home working on our cooking and baking skills. Thanks **Remle Wong** Birk for sharing the caramel cuts recipe on our Facebook page. At least we can make ourselves some good old comfort food – a reminder of Carnival and bake sales at Punahou. Also, I finally tried some pasta from **Angel Vardas** Foster's store, Island Olive Oil. It was the best dried pasta I've ever eaten. Thankfully, I could get more, as Angel and her husband, Brian Foster, are offering home delivery. It's perfect for cooking at home, while we have to stick close to home.

Hopefully the next column will have more news. With social distancing, it's been a little tougher catching up with classmates in person. Take care everyone and be sure to spend some quality time with your loved ones.

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### SUMMER

From **Jeri Tokumoto**:

These notes are being written during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, and hopefully by the time they are published, we will be back to some kind of normalcy. Life has been turned upside down for many people during this time. I'd like to thank all of our classmates in the medical field who are treating as many patients as possible, and kudos to others who are essential workers or small businesses that are struggling to stay afloat. My sympathies to anyone that has been directly affected by the pandemic. Things will get better.

On a lighter note, with the majority of us at home for a significant amount of time, there

have been a lot of posts with updates on social media! **Stephen Hirano**, dentist by day and gourmet chef by night, has been cooking up a storm. I enjoyed seeing his daily posts about what he was making for his family. They are lucky! Kalua pork, homemade pizza pockets, karaage chicken, bread ... the Hiranos did not go hungry. **Ryan Ichinose** used the time to build a swing set for his and **Steph Kerr** Ichinose's two children in their backyard in Hilo. Lucky kids! Even **Dawn Barsana** Szewczyk wanted to play on it! When not working, **Jason Fleming** has been entertaining Facebook followers with his singing, reminded me of him singing "Phantom of the Opera" songs in Chapel. **Cathy Ashida-Onizawa** and her family moved from Tokyo to Fukuoka during the pandemic. This was for her husband's job, but also for her oldest son, since he was accepted into a prestigious high school in Fukuoka.

Homeschooling seems to be another popular post on social media. With schools closing during the pandemic, parents working from home have now adjusted to also helping to teach their children at home. **Fia Hirosane** McGuire prepared by buying her daughter, **Stella**, her first laptop. Luckily students at private schools have access to devices and the internet needed to be able to connect virtually on a regular basis. **Jenn Tanaka** figured out a schedule that worked for all three of her kids that needed to complete work online without having a device for each of them. I think everyone out there is figuring out how to make it work during this unprecedented time. Who would've thought kids these days would need to know what a pandemic is or understand the term "social distancing?"



Brooke Wilson '95 and her husband, Matt Stephens, welcomed baby, Koa, in January.

Watching **Leah Wood** Anderson work out on a daily basis reminded me that I should get my butt moving instead of opening the fridge for another snack! Working from home means wearing elastic pants the majority of the time, so hopefully by the time I am back in an office, I can still fit into my work clothes! Activities for the kids, like music lessons and martial arts classes, are also going virtual. **Jennifer Loh** posted about her daughter's online ballet classes at **Romi Beppu's** ballet school.

This time at home has allowed for reconnecting with friends on Zoom, completing puzzles, binge watching, movies, virtual game nights, sharing supplies with neighbors, volunteering, walking in the neighborhood and just slowing the pace of life. Maybe it was something we all needed, but after this is over, I will be very grateful to go to the gym, walk around the mall, see friends in person, eat in a restaurant and get on a plane for a vacation! And everyone in Hawai'i – hold on to that toilet paper, Spam, rice and bottled water. You'll need it for your hurricane kit.

#### FALL

Aloha Class of '94!

We are certainly living in unprecedented times. We hope that this note finds you all safe and healthy.

I was so glad to enjoy a bit of normalcy by spending a socially distant afternoon with **Joy Vink**, her fiancé, Patrick, and nine-month-old son, Ben. As one of the leading high risk OBGYNs in New York City, Joy and her team have been working in overdrive on the front lines at Columbia University Medical Center keeping moms and babies safe during this crisis. **Jason Fleming**, **Jen Oyama**, **Reina Ahern** Harris and all our classmates on the front lines – thank you for all that you are doing to keep us safe!

The NYC crew had its usual quarterly drinks, only this time, Zoom-style. In addition to the regulars – **Jon Jaffe**, **JD Hong**, **Robyn Katto**, **Toni Dechario** and our honorary NYC-er, **Billy Christensen**, we had a number of surprise guests, starting with **Ffiona Jones**! Ffiona now lives in Connecticut with her two children and is a lawyer in the insurance industry. She still has a collection of wallet-sized prom pictures, so I can't wait for our next Zoom where we get to play "Name that Date!" And don't worry classmates, we already did a first-round of prom date and Baccalaureate partners pairs just to prime the pump! Thanks to Toni, **Ali Franta** Rainey stopped on through from Phoenix, where she lives with her husband and two-year-old. Ali mentioned that she was recently in touch with **Emily Taylor**, who is a professor of herpetology at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, and managed to identify a snake for her! **Melanie Kansil** interrupted her workday to join the fun and give us an update on life in the land of Oz. **Josh Levinson** dialed in from his car on his way to Hanalei School to drop off his daughter's school gear. We hoped to get a sighting of their head of school,

**Lia Woo**, but alas she wasn't there. Hopefully next time!

**Liz Yee** was so excited to listen in on a panel discussion with **Dr. Allison Briscoe-Smith**, **Dr. Ibram X. Kendi** and **Julie Lythcott-Haims**. The topic was how can we help our children talk about race and inspire them to fight for racial equity. Alli is an adjunct professor at the Wright Institute and the panel was excellent! Thank you, Alli, for your important contributions to helping us advance racial equity and justice in our country!

**Springer Fyrberg** Kaye and her family's farm on Hawai'i Island had brisk lychee sales for the month of June. They were such hot commodities that the boxes sold out in less than an hour each time they went on sale! Check out Kaye Family Farms website and Facebook pages for updates.

Stay well, friends. Please send your notes to us – we'd love to hear from you.

Aloha,  
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#### SUMMER

**Brooke Wilson** and her husband, **Matt Stephens**, welcomed their sweet baby boy, **Koa**, in January 2020. They currently reside in Denver, Colorado, where they both work in real estate.

**Summer Jensen** married **Lee Rittiner** on New Year's Eve at the beautiful Paramour Estate overlooking Downtown Los Angeles. Punahou classmates in attendance included **Amber Strong** Makaiau, **Chris Yamada**, **Ja Sean Hall**, **Carl Larsen** and **Chad Agena**. The Jensen family resides in Los Angeles with their two kids, **Soleil** (8) and **Eros** (4). Summer heads her own interior design studio, **Hawk & Co.**, and Lee is a celebrity hair stylist at his Beverly Hills salon, **TOTALEE on the Alley**.

We had a great turnout at our Class of '95 Malasada shift! Thank you to **Kasi Hara**, who organized our volunteers! Classmates who volunteered that day included **Colin Ah Yat**, **Tricia Ogimi** Araki, **Candace Rea** Beale, **Cam Black**, **Kenny Ching**, **Jennifer Chow**, **Clayton Chun**, **Alan Chung**, **Kristen Hino** Connors, **Mai-Linh Fascarelli**, **Keola Gerell**, **Taryn Ogata** Higa, **Karl Higa**, **Avril Jenkins**, **Donna Mabe** Kido, **Kara Kitazaki-Chun**, **Brett Kumabe**, **Jocelyn Kaibara** Kuniyoshi, **Gail Kuroda**, **Christine Lau** Suehiro, **Sunny Lee**, **Kyra Nishimoto** Len, **Darin Leong**, **Amber Strong** Makaiau, **Evan Mau**, **Mandy Minor**, **Audrey Ida** Nakamura, **Cara Nakamura**, **Stef Park**, **Alika Reppun**, **Cathy Yamamoto** Ross, **Damon Schmidt**, **Jeffrey Shitaoka**, **Caroline Li** Soga, **Timothy Stoddard**,





Summer Jensen '95 and Lee Rittiner at their New Year's Eve wedding with their children, Soleil (8) and Eros (4).



The Class of '95 had a great turnout at Carnival for their Malasada Waikiki shift. Thank you to Kasi Hara who organized the effort and '95ers who volunteered!

**Kimie Lum Straube, Michele Cheng Sugihara, Marla Choy Takamori, Dane Teruya, Joanne Luke Teruya, Denise Wong Thayer, Tyler Umemoto, Leilehua Phillips Utu, Donny Utu, Vanessa Van Gorder Distajo, Lorena Yamamoto, Shawna Ling Yee and Chad Zane.**

**Robin Chan** was featured on the front page of the Wall Street Journal in March 2020 for his work with Operation Masks, a charity group that Robin helped create in order to get life-saving personal protective equipment (PPE) to doctors on the front lines of the COVID-19 crisis. Our classmate, **Cathy Yamamoto** Ross, who serves as the deputy director of the Hawai'i Department of Health, was also quoted in the article. She has been working closely with Robin to get medical equipment to our State. Robin currently lives in San Francisco and is a general partner and founder at Goat Capital. A big mahalo for all the hard work Robin and Cathy have been doing for the state of Hawai'i.

As always, if you have any news for the Bulletin, please contact us. Stay safe and stay healthy.

**FALL**  
COVID-19 has created many changes in our lives. Fortunately, technology has enabled us to keep in touch while we must stay physically distanced. Zoom enabled **Audrey Ida Nakamura, Chad Zane, Karl Higa, Steffany Ho Wong, Julie Matsumoto, Shaun Young, Chad Yoshinaka, Clyne Namuo, Jeffery Shitaoka, David Tuan, Shanelle Kaneshiro Yamamoto** and I to "happy hour" across time zones. **Pamela Fong** Joe and her Superpower Academy have partnered with Hub Coworking Hawai'i to create the Superpower Camp at the Hub to provide working parents with a flexible workspace and a new educational child care solution for the summer. Congratulations to

**Daphne Jenkins** for graduating with a master's degree in nutrition from the National University of Natural Medicine. Daphne is an artist, educator, counselor and nutritionist. She recently founded Umauma Wellness (@umaumawellness), which is a multidisciplinary practice with nourishment at its heart.

While we will miss seeing each other at what was supposed to be our 25th Class Reunion, Facebook has enabled us to keep in touch while at a distance. Thanks to '95ers, who reached out to send birthday and well wishes:

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This volunteer crew of Punahou students helped with food distributions across O'ahu that were co-organized by Siana Austin '96 Hunt during the pandemic. From left: Keapo McKenney '19, Donna Kahakui '82, G.G. Thomas '19, Aukina Hunt '20, Ariana Hunt '21, Harry Newhart '02, Tori Gacutan '20, Malia Gacutan '17, Siana, Pomaika'i Keawe Lyman '99, Harlow Thomas '21 and Emmalia McKenney '21.





*Mahalo to the '96ers who volunteered at Carnival this year! From left: Meredith Kuba, Traci Gorman Morita, Jason Abdul, Carrie Ann Lai Young, Tracie Kobayashi Black and Shea Nakamura. Jason Lee is missing from this photo, but was definitely there.*



*Kristen Kau '96 Laimon with husband, Marc, welcomed their son, Zane Ronin Laimon, in March 2020.*

**Lori Kohara, Kellie Char Pecoraro, Lianne Hirano, Mandy Minor, Lori Hokyo Misaka, Malama Souza Kealoha and Carrie Hironaka.** Hearing from you was uplifting when I needed it the most. We are all in this together. While there is still uncertainty, one thing I know for sure is that together we will emerge stronger and more resilient as a result of learning from and overcoming this challenge.

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### SUMMER

Hope you are all doing well and that your families are safe and healthy after the spring of quarantine. I had never felt more homesick in my life, so it was nice to hear from our classmates living in the South and Midwest for this column.

The first person I heard from was **Kristen Kau Laimon**, who has been living in Wisconsin since 2006, when she left the West Coast, after completing her MBA and doctorate in neuroscience. After working at Marquette University, she moved into a private firm researching ALS. Kristen and husband, Marc, had quite an experience welcoming their first child, Zane Ronin Laimon, in March, during the pandemic. Thankfully, they were allowed to be

together for the birth and went home safely to start their new adventure as a family. As all of you back on O'ahu know, Kristen's sister, **Megan Kau**, ran for prosecutor in Honolulu, and it was great to see the support from our classmates during the election.

**Jennifer Finley Bisson** reached out from Kentucky. She has a son who recently joined the U.S. Air Force, and is off to his first duty station. Jen has been busy working as a writer for a small team and is producing a video game. She is still in touch with **Ryan Griggs**, who teaches robotics at Francis Parker School in San Diego. In fact, he founded the school's robotics program, which contributed to the school being named on Newsweek's list of "Top STEM High Schools 2020."

I also heard from **Nelson "Woody" Rupp**, who has been living in Atlanta, Georgia, for the last 14 years and working as a partner with a commercial real estate development company. He and his wife have a son (14) and a daughter (11), who were sad to miss their fifth and eighth grade graduations due to the pandemic. He also shared that in August 2019, he met up with **Kevin Au** in Chicago. They had a great time catching up and taking in a Cubs game. He'd love to hear from other alumni in or near Atlanta. Reach out to Woody if you are in the area or passing through.

Those of you who were at Punahou in fourth through sixth grade might remember **Rob Strauss**. He was with us while his dad was stationed at Pearl Harbor. (He has fond memories of the Big Island trip and Camp

Timberline.) Rob wrote in to share his pandemic experience as his company, Bauer Controls, was contracted by General Motors (GM) to test incoming supplied parts for the production of ventilator machines. His co-workers in Michigan designed, sourced and built the functional systems needed and Rob went to work on-site at the GM ventilator manufacturing facility in Kokomo, Indiana, for two-and-a-half weeks to get the machines up and running. If you saw the "60 Minutes" episode in April, featuring Ford's and GM's response to the pandemic – Rob was there in the background – his moment in the national spotlight!

Last, but not least, a quick shoutout to **Traci Morita Gorman** for providing the photo of our Carnival Class shift! Turnout was a little low, but hopefully more folks will sign up next year!

It may be a while before we can see each other again in person, so remember to reach out and connect virtually! Hope the warm summer weather brings you safe fun times with your families and friends. Oh, and heads up Pacific Northwest alumni! It's your turn next, so start sending in those updates please.

### FALL

Hope you were all able to enjoy at least a little relaxation time this summer, even if it meant in your own backyard due to the pandemic. It seems like it was a busy time for a lot of our classmates.

**Siana Austin Hunt** wrote in to share that she and **Mandy Pomaika'i Keawe '99 Lyman** teamed up with **Mark Noguchi '93** and Chef



Hui to mobilize weekly distributions at Papakolea, Palolo/Kaimuki, Kalihi, Waimanalo and Kane'ohe and other locations. With the sponsorship of Siana's company foundation, Community By ALTRES, and a team of volunteers, including **Noel Pietsch '99** Shaw, Siana's kids, **Aukina '20**, **Ariana '21**, **Donna Kahakui '82**, **Keapo McKenney '19**, **Emmalia McKenney '21** and other from the Punahou community, food was distributed over 12 weeks. They also coordinated a June event benefitting Punahou PUEO program students.

A few of our classmates spent the summer moving across the country. After two years in Mobile, Alabama, **Andrew Hongo** and his wife, Meaghan, moved to California – closer to Meaghan's family, who live in the Central Valley, and also closer to Hawai'i! Andrew had been teaching broadcast journalism at the University of South Alabama. This fall, he starts a new position as a professor in the Department of Broadcast and Electronic Communication Arts at San Francisco State University. The Hongos will miss the terrific friends they've made and the Southern charm of the Gulf Coast; but if there's one thing Andrew's missed in the Mobile, it's good Japanese food – so thank goodness California has tons of that.

**Kenneth Kim** shared that he and his family spent the summer moving from Birmingham, Alabama, out to California. Kenneth was recruited as the division chief for gynecologic oncology and the co-director for the Women's Cancer Program at Cedars-Sinai in Los Angeles. He said he was feeling sad to leave the South, but is looking forward to being closer to family and friends out West!

This is a good time to remind everyone that if you do move or have a change in your email address or phone, please update your contact information on the Punahou Alumni website – [punahou.edu/alumni](http://punahou.edu/alumni).

Lastly, I wanted to say a huge mahalo to **Bryan Gammel** for stepping up to join me as co-correspondent for our Class notes! Bryan replied to my last call out for updates from the Midwest and South, and expressed interest in reconnecting as a correspondent. He has been living in Bettendorf, Iowa, for about 12 years with his wife, Kristy, and three boys, Carsten (13), Simeon (11) and Oren (9). After finishing active duty with the U.S. Army in 2008, he has worked with several companies under contract with the Army. He earned his MBA through Liberty University in May 2018, and recently was hired as a civilian federal employee for the Department of the Army in Rock Island Arsenal, Illinois, just across the Mississippi River border next to Iowa. Bryan is looking forward to reconnecting with you, so please reach out to him at [bryan.m.gammel@gmail.com](mailto:bryan.m.gammel@gmail.com). Going forward, Bryan and I will be alternating our correspondence. Bryan will cover winter/summer, and I will cover spring/fall. Feel free to contact either of us with your updates at any point of the year.

Last issue, I mentioned that the next region we are hoping to feature is the Pacific Northwest, so classmates in Idaho, Washington, Oregon and British Columbia, we hope to hear from you! The changing colors of the fall foliage must be beautiful during this time of year, so please snap some photos to share. Enjoy the fall everyone!

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### SUMMER/FALL

#### In from Noah King:

As we ride out this global pandemic, I wanted to extend a big, heartfelt mahalo to all Class of '97 essential workers, and especially the first responders and health care workers taking care of us all. **Tim Reeber** has gone to work as a paramedic on the front lines in New York City, and **Reed Kotake** continues serving and protecting his community near Kansas City, Missouri. Congratulations are in order for Reed, both for his recent promotion to detective with the Blue Springs police department and for his November marriage to his wife, Amber. Those of us who are parents also have a heightened appreciation for all of you teachers and educators now that we have been thrust into such roles ourselves. There are so many of you in our Class, too numerous to name, thank you all for the noble work you do.

Speaking of health care workers, **Randy Lau** took a break from his radiology practice and his family to go on a once-in-a-lifetime adventure for his 40th birthday to Everest Base Camp in November. After a nine-day journey, Randy and his co-worker/travel companions made it to Base Camp (17,520 feet above sea level) before



New Class correspondent, Bryan Gammel '96, posing for a family photo in Iowa, with his wife, Kristy, and sons, Carsten, Simeon and Oren.



Randy Lau '97 on his once-in-a-lifetime, 40th birthday, Mount Everest adventure to Base Camp and Kala Pattar.



Reed Kotake '97 with Amber Miller and their sons (from left), Logan Kotake, Jayden Miller and Kaleb Miller.



These Class of '97 Carnival volunteers are ready to sling some Portuguese Bean Soup! Front row, from left: Stephanie Chun Nomura, Cathi Goldsmith Ben-Yossef, Mia Nakazawa Obciana, Chelsea Ching-Endow, Marni Bienfang Sakumoto, Capi Itagaki, Tricia Nakamatsu, Grace Yamamoto Arends, Tammy Uyetake Walther and Julianna Rapu Leong. Back row, from left: Kristi Inkinen Yanagihara, Cullen Pang, Keslie Hui, Randy Lau, Derek Lock, Eric Takemoto, Jason Merchant and Andy Ton. Not pictured, but also volunteering was Eathan Ozawa.

continuing on to their highest point, Kala Pattar (18,192 feet above sea level). Congrats to Randy on checking such an impressive accomplishment off his bucket list! Good luck topping that one.

In other news, I recently caught up with **Lani Park**, who moved back to Hawai'i, after living on both the East and West Coasts since moving away for college. Lani works as a cancer epidemiologist for the University of Hawai'i Cancer Center. She and her husband, Scot, have two little girls. If you see Lani around town, or perhaps at the next Carnival, be sure to say "Hi."

On a heavier note, our Class was fortunate enough to have **Mr. Ron Gould '67** as a dean. We were saddened by the news of his passing in January. Mr. Gould touched our lives in important ways, whether as our dean, mentor, teacher, counselor or friend. He was always so generous with his time and wisdom. On behalf of the entire Class of '97, thank you, Ron, for all that you gave to us. You are dearly missed, and we are forever grateful for the impact you had on our lives. Our condolences to the Gould family.

Finally, **Tommy Shih** has decided to retire as a Class correspondent. We thank him for his witty contributions over the years. If anyone is interested in helping out with these updates, please reach out to one of us.

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## SUMMER

Aloha, everyone!

**Jarin Udom** here, checking in from my secure bunker (condo) in an undisclosed location (San Diego), with the latest update from the outside world!

First off, on behalf of the entire Class of '98, I'd like to express our deepest appreciation to those of our classmates on the front lines in

the medical field, including **Casey Ching Akana**, **Joanna Sutton Agena**, **Jessica Jung Ackerman**, **Steve Kramer**, **Erika Kwock**, **Jenny Kaya** and many more.

**Naomi Baria Di Condina** is working on a campaign with Central Pacific Bank to help support Hawai'i's restaurants and employees during this time. Please visit [keephawaiicooking.com](http://keephawaiicooking.com) to see her work.



Aloha! Class of '98ers managed to rig up a coconut wireless system for a group chat and a group photo.





Class of '98 parents and Class of '30 second-graders in Mrs. Grasse's classroom. From left: Amy Gamble Wassman with Kawela, Reid Mizue with Lia, Erica Lum Martin with Gioia, Mekia Ostrem Earle with Keola, Yolanda Fan Lau with Beatrice, and Jess and Aaron Ackerman with Xylem.



Congratulations and best wishes! Julie Shih '98 married Vincent Costa on March 1, 2020 at the Halekulani Hotel, just in the nick of time! Picture taken by Tommy Shih '97.

**Julie Shih** and **Courtney Crawford** dance in the same halau in San Francisco, with Kumu Patrick Makuakane. They had their Ho'ike Nui performance in October, that featured the young trio, Keauhou!

In earth-shaking biology news, **Kristen Carreira's** Christmas cactus is blooming! She also started her own financial firm, Carreira Quinn Financial, in Madison, Wisconsin. She has already won silver for Best of Madison wealth management!

Stay safe, stay sane and stay frosty, everyone! Save up your bottle caps!

#### FALL

From **Mark Penarozza**:

Aloha! I hope you are all healthy and well. On behalf of the entire Class of '98, we'd like to recognize and express our deepest appreciation to all of the medical first responders who are at the front lines and deal with some of the most serious and pressing cases of COVID-19—including **Casey Ching Akana**, **Joanna Sutton Agena**, **Jess Jung Ackerman**, **Steven Kramer**, **Erika Kwock**, **Jennie Kaya** and many more. Both teachers and parents have adapted to changing ways in order to educate children through distanced methods, thank you for keeping the future on-track and learning through these pandemic times.

**Noel Pacarro Brown** and **Lori Kim '99** Choi were on a national wealth management panel, discussing their perspectives as impact investing advisers in the era of COVID-19. Way to go!

**Tracy Hresko Pearl** recently joined the faculty as a professor of law at the University of Oklahoma. She and her husband live in Norman, Oklahoma. Any classmates who find themselves in the middle of the country are welcome at their house.

**Rennie Lum** has pivoted careers and is now a digital archivist at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

That's all for now. Remember, if you have any news you would like to share, don't be shy. Aloha!

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#### SUMMER

We hope you and your families are safe and well.



Members of the Class of '99 served 'ono food at Hawaiian Plate, while classmate Pomaika'i Keawe Lyman (not pictured) entertained the crowd. Front row, from left: Clinton Yamashita, Jeanelle Ponce Ahuna, Cheryl Cambra Prather, Carly Wong Teruya, Dawn Urabe Meaney and Lacey Kazama Shimabukuro. Back row, from left: Sonja Hiam Hirasuna and Matthew Pennaz. Not pictured, but also worked was Nicole Altman.



Earlier this year, **Doug Johnstone** was appointed president of the Hawai'i region at The Howard Hughes Corporation. In his new role, he directs strategy, planning and operational activities, while overseeing the development of the 60-acre community of Ward Village. Congrats, Doug!

Not one, but two of our classmates were named on the Hawaii Business Magazine's prestigious "20 for the Next 20" list. **Aimee Grace** is the director of health science policy at the University of Hawai'i, where she directs the university's strategic health initiatives and federal affairs. She also leads the UHealthy Hawai'i initiative, which aims to leverage the university's health sciences programs to improve health care in the State and the Pacific.

**Lisa Ayabe** is an attorney and partner at Cades Schutte in Honolulu. She's a mentor in the firm's finance and real estate department and is a member of the firm's attorney development and training committee. She also sits on the board of directors of the Hawai'i chapter of NAIOP, the commercial real estate development association, and is a past president of the Hawai'i chapter of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association. Google their profiles for more – they are impressive! Very well-deserved, Lisa and Aimee!

**Todd Pang** married longtime love, Stephanie Hsu, in Waimea Valley, on April 27, 2019. The couple, who credit **Nicole Matsuo** and Lisa Ayabe for their meeting, hosted an epic wedding week and celebrated with family and friends from around the world, including many of our classmates. Then, on Jan. 10, 2020, Todd and Steph were thrilled to welcome daughter, Luma, into the world. The new parents are having a ball getting to know their little one



*Matt Lamon '00 and Lisa Ayabe '00 welcomed daughter, Liv Ayabe Lamon, on March 25, 2020. The happy family lives in Honolulu.*

and can't wait for Luma and Liv Lamon (daughter of Lisa Ayabe and Matt Lamon) to be pals. Todd is the administrator of Caring Manoa, and Steph is the owner of MCS Create LLC in Honolulu. Congratulations and best wishes to Todd and Stephanie!

In July, **Blaine Saito** will start as an assistant professor of law at Northeastern University in Boston, where he'll teach taxation law and other business law topics. He'll be living in Boston for the foreseeable future, near Fenway Park, Symphony Hall and the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

#### FALL

**Todd Pang**, president of Caring Manoa, was featured in July's Honolulu Magazine's article, "What It's Like Operating a Honolulu Care Home During a Pandemic." Todd found it important to provide his 16 residents (his eldest is 107 years old!) with a feeling of normalcy. His staff has learned to be creative with Zoom parties for holidays and TikTok dance videos sent to families. You can find the link to the entire article at [bit.ly/2PYFhx5](http://bit.ly/2PYFhx5).

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#### SUMMER/FALL

Hi, friends!

I hope you are all safe and healthy! I'm not going to mention the crazy world we live in right now, and I'm also not going to point out the irony in mentioning that I'm not going to mention it ... Instead, let's get to some good news from around the Class!

Over the Easter weekend, NBC rebroadcasted their live version of "Jesus Christ Superstar," with our very own **Jason Tam** as Peter! My wife and I saw Jason as the SQUIP in "Be More Chill" on Broadway last summer, and had a chance to talk story a little bit! Great to see Jason doing so well in the Big Apple!

In other Class news, **Travis Chock** and his Baseballism brand were featured on the news, discussing how businesses are addressing the pandemic. For those that haven't heard, he's been running a fundraising campaign with proceeds going toward the purchase of N95 masks for hospitals.

Finally, it was good to be part of our Class Carnival shift at the Portuguese Bean Soup booth! There are always new faces that show up, so it's nice to catch up with everyone and see how well they're all doing! If you're in Honolulu next February, hopefully we'll see you there!

That's all for now. This was a brief update because, as of this writing, we're still all under



*Bob Stellmacher '02 with his wife, Michelle Kowalski, at their housewarming celebration in Makiki.*

quarantine, and I'm still (somehow) considered an essential worker. Anyway, the real essential workers deserve all the credit. I'd like to give a HUGE thank you to all our classmates in the health, safety and service industries. Hopefully, by the time you read this, we will be starting to return to normal and be making more news for me to report on!

Aloha for now,

Nick

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#### SUMMER

Aloha, classmates!

First, we hope that you and your families are staying safe and healthy amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thankfully, before the pandemic emerged, several of us had an opportunity to reconnect at the 2020 Punahou Carnival. Several of our classmates volunteered at Hawaiian Plate. **Eric Lau** even played guitar to close out the night!



**Joanna Rudosky** Cook recently opened a brand-new, state-of-the-art animal hospital and pet resort in Kaka'ako, Ali'i Animal Hospital & Resort. The veterinarian-supervised resort is attached to a veterinary hospital, and offers dog day care, grooming and boarding/lodging, among other services.

**Harrison Bittenbender** found some time to provide us with a much needed update, as he married Woei Goh on Sept. 28, 2019, in Blacksburg, Virginia, just a month after his return from a three-year tour in the U.S. Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina. While the Virginia backdrop and military wedding was awesome, Harrison was glad to have the 808 represented with family, lei and origami cranes. This was the first time several of our classmates had seen each other since college. Classmates in attendance included **Ale Chung Kong, Yumin and Amy Wilkinson '03 Choi, Kelli Domae Kao, Mike Kozono, Catherine Matthews, Liane Nakashima, Richie Aquino, Eaton Kuh and Chanel Zeisel.**

Please stay connected and stay up to date by joining the Punahou Alumni Professional Network on LinkedIn, Punahou 2002 on Facebook and PunahouAlumni on Facebook. Keep sending us updates!

Best,  
Jonathan

FALL  
From **Marissa Machida:**

Aloha, Class of 2002!

We hope you and your families are all doing well and staying safe. Here is some uplifting news.

**Bob Stellmacher** has been working for Hawaiian Electric Company for five years



*Class of 2002 worked hard serving Hawaiian Plate, then enjoyed listening to Eric Lau '02 perform in Dole Cafeteria. From left: Jasmine Xintin Zhang, Erin Seu Mitsuyoshi, Derek Turbin, Jennifer Frost Nakasone, Pono Brown, Marissa Machida, Todd Iacovelli, Alexa Zen, Eric Lau and Marcus Asahina.*

now, after being a commercial real estate appraiser at his father's firm for the previous eight years. Bob purchased a historic home in lower Makiki near Punahou, and at the housewarming celebration party in February 2020, announced that he and Michelle Kowalski had quietly gone to Punahou Chapel to get married on Valentine's Day. It was a most welcome surprise to their family and friends.

Last fall, **Paula Fried Sanders** and her husband, Steve, welcomed their third baby boy. Zachary Sean Sanders was born on Nov. 20, 2019. Paula and Steve are loving life with three children!

**Nick Tyau** is a physician in New York City, who has been on the front lines battling COVID-19, and was featured on Hawaii News Now. As of this writing, he reported that New York City was entering phase three of reopening and hospitalizations across the Bronx and the state have remained low. Nick is back in his office and seeing patients in person again and receiving medical school graduates as they begin their intern year.

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SUMMER  
Hi, everyone!

It feels like so much has changed since the last time we wrote these notes. Spring break at Punahou just ended, and the students have had three days so far of distance learning. Christine and I are both working from home, and have heard from many of you that you're doing the same. I've been on a few Zoom calls with a few of my Punahou friends, and we played a (pretty hilarious) round of Zoom Pictionary the other week. Christine has been having weekly virtual pau hana with **Kira Teshima, Shauna Imanaka and Cathy Schmitt**, while her boys have been keeping busy with **April Hail's** Keiki Kaukau set, and have been playing restaurant since they can't go out to eat. With any luck, by the time you're reading this, we'll all be eating out at restaurants again.

Many of our classmates are still leaving home to go to work, and there are really no words to express our appreciation and gratitude for you who are putting yourselves at risk to serve the community. On top of his work as an ER physician, **Darragh O'Carroll** spoke at a mayoral news conference, wrote a comprehensive article on COVID-19 for Vice magazine, and provides communications medical direction for EveryOne Hawai'i, a nonprofit that has been mobilizing Hawai'i's next generation to flatten the curve. **Jennifer Gima** is working at a hospital in Ventura, California, and reported in that her team has been using PPE that was produced



*Baby boy No. 3! Zachary Sean Sanders was born to Steve and Paula Fried '02 Sanders on Nov. 20, 2019.*



by a local high school using their 3D printer, much like Punahou has been making face shields for local hospitals.

**Katie Gelber** is an anesthesiologist at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, and has been assisting with intubations and emergency procedures, since appendicitis and traumas unfortunately don't stop for a pandemic. She also connected Christine with **Alexa Coughlin '08**, who has sewn and donated masks for distribution to health care workers in Hawai'i. From Katie: "We have started using COVID-19 precautions for every patient as there is widespread community transmission. I am also involved with our obstetric anesthesia group. Pregnancy and labor are scary enough, but now women are delivering in the middle of a pandemic and, for some, while being diagnosed with COVID-19. We are striving to keep the process as safe as possible for moms, babies and staff. It's a very tense moment to be in health care, but at the same time, it can be quite uplifting. Everyone at the hospital is coming together and rising to the occasion like I've never seen before. And the outpouring of support from friends and the community is truly wonderful. I'm very honored and humbled to be in this line of work at this critical moment."

Our fluffy and furry friends also need care, and **Melanie Pearson** has been continuing to work as a veterinarian at PetVet Animal Hospital in Honolulu. They have moved to curbside appointments, with online and phone follow-ups. She says, "Be smart, stay healthy, and treat each other with aloha."

For those of us at home, we've been adjusting to a new world of virtual interactions. I've heard from our classmates who are teachers that they're finding ways to engage and educate



*Congratulations and best wishes to Harrison Bittenbender '02, who married Woei Goh on Sept. 28, 2019, in Blacksburg, Virginia. Classmates and family who attended added lei, origami cranes and aloha to the military wedding. From left: Greg and Ale Chung Kong, Yumin and Amy Wilkinson '03 Choi, Woei Goh, Harrison Bittenbender, Kelli Domae Kao, Mike Kozono, Liane Nakashima, Richie Aquino, Eaton Kuh and Chanel Zeisel.*

their students using video conferencing and online programs. The Punahou students all have an iPad or laptop issued by the School, and it makes me reflect on how far technology has come. I'm grateful that we have the tools we need to remain connected with each other.

To end on a happy note, Carnival was great this year! The weather was gorgeous, and we had a full shift at Taco Salad. Thank you to everyone who worked, and everyone else who stopped by to say hello! And of course, much thanks to **Alison Wilson Nakamatsu** for organizing us all as our Class shift coordinator.

Thinking of you all,  
Krystle & Christine

FALL  
Aloha, classmates!

It has been a challenging year, and we hope that everyone is safe and well.

Dr. **Kacy Church** and her husband, Eugene, welcomed their son, Henry, on March 10, 2020. Big brother, Myles, is already doing a great job looking after his new baby brother!

Dr. **Melanie Pearson** married Colin Graustein on June 20, 2020, at the Kane'ohe sandbar. **Jennifer Schmidt Miller** was in attendance, as well as Melanie's brother, **Brad Pearson '91**.

Dr. **Rebecca "Becky" Hogue** graduated with her doctorate in English and a Designated Emphasis in Native American Studies from the University of California, Davis, where she was a Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship for 2019-2020. This fall, she will begin teaching at Harvard University.

**Jordan Barnes'** debut memoir, "One Hit Away: A Memoir of Recovery," was released on Aug. 29, 2020. His book was trending as the No. 1 New Release in three different categories on Amazon before it was even released! When Jordan isn't sharing his experience, strength and hope through writing, you can find him bodysurfing and diving, as well as taking long walks on the beach while swinging his metal detector.

Congratulations, everyone, and thank you for sharing such wonderful news with us! As always, please feel free to update us with your latest news. We love hearing from you!

Until next time,  
Christine & Krystle



*Congratulations and best wishes to Melanie Pearson '03 and Colin Graustein, who married on June 20, 2020. From left: Liam Pearson, Samantha Pearson, Brad Pearson '91, Rod Pearson, Roslyn Pearson, Melanie, Colin, Stacey Graustein, Bryce Graustein, Jeff Miller, Jennifer Schmidt '03 Miller and Conner Pearson.*





Alumnae of 2004, Adoree Yu, Ashley Weston, Krista Mathews Dalton and Sara Harris, at Krista's Love Lockdown wedding in Park City, Utah.

## Class of 2004

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### SUMMER/FALL

This issue's notes come from the confines of quarantine. These notes are both sad and inspiring. They reaffirm the immense strength and bond of our school and Class community during such a scary and uncertain time. Thanks for being there for one another.

Fighting on the forefront of the COVID-19 crisis is **Jenna Cottral**, who is an anesthesia and critical care doctor at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. She has been working in the ICU and OR taking care of COVID-19 patients. **Sam Kim** is working as an emergency medicine attending and teaching faculty at Maimonides Medical Center, the largest tertiary care and adult/pediatric trauma center in Brooklyn. Maimonides Medical Center is in a zip code among New York City's hardest hit and underserved areas. Sam reported that most of his shifts involve resuscitating and stabilizing patients in the hot zone on the critical care side of the emergency department. Another large part of his job includes communicating with patients' families during an unprecedented time where access to their loved ones is limited. **Sam Jensen** has been working as a travel nurse for the past year. In 2019, she spent time living and working back home, spent the summer months working in San Francisco, the winter warming up in Phoenix, and most recently has moved to Denver, where she serves all patients.

On a sunnier note, just before the state of Utah placed the state under lockdown, **Krista Mathews** married boyfriend, Michael Dalton, in Park City! Their reception venue canceled two hours before the ceremony, so they moved the party to Krista's dad's house. **Sara Harris**, **Ashley Weston** and **Adoree Yu** were able to attend her beautiful wintry ski-town

wedding, along with Krista's sister, **Stephanie Mathews '01** Kazaantsev, her brother, **Michael Mathews '01** and our fifth grade PE teacher, Mrs. Santil!

**Emily Hodges'** Infinity Movement Studio, [infinitymovementstudio.com](http://infinitymovementstudio.com), has taken a hard financial hit as they were forced to transition all classes to a virtual platform during the pandemic. The studio offers a selection of fitness and dance classes for people of all ages and ability levels.



Taylor Wong '05 and Kynan Pang '02 tied the knot on March 14, 2020, at Hilton Hawaiian Village, a day before gatherings were canceled for social distancing. Classmates in attendance were (front row, from left): Hi'ilei Morimoto, Tessa Sonobe and Erica Miyabara Taliaferro. Back row: Shelly Masuda, Cory Shin, Jen Sasaki, Kacie Yano, Taylor Wong, Marisa Hayashi, Lynn Yee, Joy Akahoshi Lau, Kelsie Look and Kelli Ishii Yamashita.

Last, it is with a heavy heart that we report about the passing of our sweet and beautiful friend, **Erin Burris Bartlett**. In 2019, she suffered greatly from the debilitating Guillain-Barre syndrome, a rare neurological disorder in which the body's immune system attacks the nervous system. It was during her long period of recovery that she contracted a lethal form of pneumonia. On Jan. 10, Erin passed away from complications of severe pneumonia in Medford, Oregon. She will be missed by her family and friends. The Erin Burris Memorial Fund for the Benefit of Brynn, a college fund for Erin's 7-year-old daughter, Brynn, has been set up at First Hawaiian Bank's downtown branch.

If these last few months have taught us anything, it is a time to center, refocus and reset our priorities. Be well. Be there for each other. Love to you all.

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### SUMMER

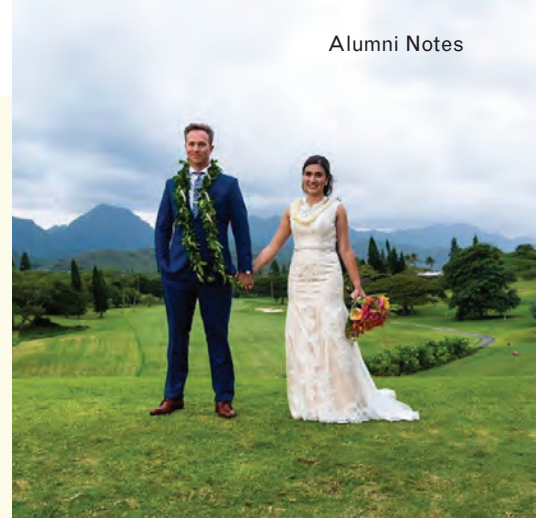
Aloha, Class of 2005!

Thank you so much for all those that joined us at Carnival! It was so amazing to see all of you. Thanks to **Taylor Wong** for organizing us for our Hot Noodles Class shift! We would be lost without you.





*Mahalo to the Class of 2005 Carnival crew who rocked the Hot Noodles booth!*



*Jon Hamilton '05 married Melinda Beccari at the Mid-Pacific Country Club in Kailua.*

During the times of staying at home, canceled social events, mask-wearing and continued social distancing, I've come to appreciate so many occupations that I took for granted. To all our classmates in the medical field, you are essential to the safety of our world while we remain at home. To the teachers and child care providers that impact our kids' daily lives, I value your patience and passion. Homeschooling is no joke.

Some of our classmates dropped a line in our newfound introverted lifestyle.

**Claire Ballon** Arnett, an ESL teacher, reports from Kirkland, Washington, that she is living the stay-at-home parent life with her almost 2-year-old son, who is so adorable. **Crystal Arnote** has been keeping busy with her fixer upper in La Mesa, California, while teleworking as an accountant for Navy Facilities Engineering Command Southwest. **Eryn Shimizu**, an accountant for Stitch Fix, is staying busy by cooking, staying active and cuddling with her pup with a side of wedding planning. **Ashley Hepburn** Pierce just finished her MBA at University of Chicago Booth School of Business. She's able to remotely continue her work, supporting faculty and students at the University's Center for Human Rights from home.

It's so refreshing to hear from you. Please keep sending updates.

#### FALL

Aloha, Class of 2005!

Hope everyone is continuing to stay safe and healthy.

A big mahalo to **Thomas Lee**, who served as the lead COVID-19 modeler for the Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency from April through July.

**Paige Markham** Yang is busy running two traditional Chinese medicine (TCM) practices – one in the East Bay and another in Kailua.

She has launched Yang Face LLC, consisting of undiluted TCM facial tools committed to production transparency, the environment and social change. A portion of the proceeds will be given to an endowed program fund through Punahou School that directly supports the Hawaiian Studies department. Learn more at [www.yangface.com](http://www.yangface.com).

**Kendra Johnston** just moved back home to Hawai'i after completing a three-year pediatric hematology oncology fellowship in Dallas. Kendra and her husband decided to move back home to raise their daughter, Nai'a, with family and to give back to the community that supported Kendra during her medical journey. She is working at The Queen's Medical Center as a pediatric hospitalist.

After giving birth to her second daughter, Marlowe, **Zeny Huang** Picone also recently

moved back home to Hawai'i to be closer to family while working remotely with the "Grow with Google" team at Google. Their mission is to ensure opportunities created by technology are available to everyone. They provide free tools and training to help Americans prepare for jobs, find jobs and grow their businesses. Please visit: [google.com/grow](https://google.com/grow).

Congratulations and best wishes to **Jon Hamilton** and Melinda Beccari, who married earlier this year at Mid-Pacific Country Club. In attendance were classmates **George Peaslee**, **Bryce Chung**, **Mike** and **Heather Jones '04 Buelsing**, **Elyse Inouye** and **Ashley Lee '04 Metcalf**. Jon is an infection preventionist at Marin Health Medical Center in the Bay Area.

Also in the Bay Area is **Rise Hirahara**, who is currently corporate counsel for UJET, Inc.



*Zeny Huang '05 Picone and her family back home in Hawai'i, on their last day of the mandatory, 14-day travel quarantine.*





Kristen Kogachi '05 and Justin Lui '05 were married on Dec. 20, 2019, at Cafe Julia in Honolulu. Classmates in attendance were (front row, from left): Marisa Hayashi, Laura Ackerman, Lauren Wakabayashi, Alyssa Segawa, Kristen Kogachi, Justin Lui, Shane Kutaka, Hannah Zeisel, Andrew Lee, Ricky Imoto and Sheena David. Back row: Kazuki Sakamoto, Peter Suzuki, Tomson Mukai, Geoff Arakawa, Jared Tam, Myca Ferrer, Nainoa Fiddler, Miles Fujiki, Jason Ishikawa and Tate Hall.



Kevin Freeman '06, his wife, Cassandra, and their son, Callum, saw their family grow with the birth of baby boy, Korban.

For the past two years, **Lawrence Tran** has been busy working on Tappity, an educational app he developed with his co-founder to teach kids, ages 4 to 10, science. Imagine Magic School Bus with an interactive live action host! His company was fortunately accepted into the YCombinator startup accelerator this past summer, so he got to learn from other entrepreneurs and investors while celebrating their 100,000th user.

Across the world, **Marcus Oda** is living in Budapest, Hungary, and works as a lawyer for a human rights organization. He is currently working closely with the United Nations to combat hate speech against minorities.

Thanks for everyone's updates. Please continue to send them along! Stay safe!

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### SUMMER

Hi, Class of '07!

I'm writing these notes in April, hoping that by the time they are published we will have returned to normal. On behalf of all of the Class of 2007, I send a huge mahalo to all of the health care and essential workers for their tireless efforts to keep us all safe and healthy.

Here are a few updates from quarantine life:

**Josh Cutts** and **Lauren Rigney** are quarantining at their apartment in the Bay Area. Josh moved there after finishing his Ph.D. in biomedical engineering at Arizona State University. He is keeping busy baking and fermenting – kombucha, kimchi, sauerkraut, miso and lots of bread. Lauren is spending her lockdown eating all the foods and taking the day shift on the puppy they're fostering. They are fortunate to



January 2020 was an exciting time for Ashley Fuchigami-Le '06 and her husband, Andrew Le, who welcomed the birth of their beautiful son, Karson.



In April 2020, Sharlyn Shibata '06 Inuma, her husband, Thomas, and their son, Aiden, welcomed the newest addition to their family, Adalyn.





*Megan Ching '07, daughters, Alexandra and Charlotte, and husband, Daniel Young, posed for a family portrait in July 2020.*

be neighbors with classmate, **Zola Hart**, so thankfully much of the homemade sourdough can be shared.

**Leslie Ching** Chau and her husband welcomed their baby boy, Dylan, on Feb. 5. With her husband working from home during the lockdown, they've been able to spend more time together during the first months of Dylan's life.

**Greg Harbison** finished his final year of medical school at John A. Burns School of Medicine at the University of Hawai'i. He has matched into orthopedic surgery at the University of California, Davis and is scheduled to start his residency in the fall. Greg, his wife and his almost 1-year-old baby girl are planning to make the move to Sacramento this summer.

I was lucky to catch up on a mass Zoom call in April with **Cindy Lankas**, who instructs her online Pilates class in New York City; **Amy Marcus**, who moved to the Bay Area to work for the education department at the University of California, Berkeley; **Jack Smart**, who is the awards editor for Backstage, and interviews celebrities on his awesome podcast, "In the Envelope"; **Peter Gottlieb**, who enjoys time with his baby, Essie, while working from home; **Paige Heckathorn** Choy, who feels grateful she and her husband took their around-the-world trip last year and not this year; **Kim Hall**, who begins a sports medicine fellowship at University of Michigan this fall; **Kai Morrell**, who teaches her adorable first graders on video conference; **Jason Keyes**, who is living his best life Down Under in Australia; **Nawa Lanzilotti**, who recently married Anandev



*Chelsi Au Hoy '07 married Deston Aiono on Sandy Beach, on June 9, 2020, in a ceremony to remember.*

Banerjee in a small ceremony with her family in Honolulu; and **Zoe Morrison**, who works from home producing (currently secret) documentaries.

Wishing you all good health!  
Martine

#### FALL

From **Christina Wong**:

Wherever you are, I hope you are staying safe and healthy. Despite these strange times, there are still many things to celebrate.

I escaped New York City in March, and as of July, am still working remotely from Hawai'i, which has been the silver lining of this pandemic. I had a few socially distant meet-ups with **Eunice Chang** and **Sara Beth Beckmeier**, who also took extended breaks from New York during the summer. While at home, Eunice and I spent time with **Megan Ching** and her growing brood! Charlotte Ann Leilani Young was born on March 12, 2020. Alexandra (2 ½) is a doting older sister, while mom and dad, Daniel Young, have their hands full with two little ones!

**Chelsi Au Hoy's** Hawai'i wedding plans were upended due to COVID-19, but that didn't stop her and her new husband, Deston Aiono, from ultimately having the perfect wedding on June 9, 2020! The couple originally envisioned a small ceremony with about 40 guests on the beach followed by a reception. While their guests weren't able to fly in, Chelsi and Deston were still determined to get married on their original date and did the mandatory 14-day quarantine

in anticipation. Chelsi writes, "We weren't sure we would be able to get our beach permit for the ceremony, but we were persistent and literally at 6 p.m. the night before, everything fell into place. The day was absolutely beautiful, and we did the ceremony as planned, at Sandy Beach. We were even able to go to Natsunoya Tea House after and do a little reception!"



*While sheltering in place in the Bay Area, Josh Cutts '07 kept busy baking lots of bread and fermenting kombucha, kimchi, sauerkraut and miso.*



Despite all the challenges and uncertainty leading up to that day, it was perfect. We couldn't have dreamed of a better wedding."The newlyweds met because they lived on the same street in Orange, California, when Chelsi was attending Chapman University. They continue to live in Orange County. Congratulations, Chelsi and Deston!

Creative juices have clearly been flowing during this pandemic, as several of our classmates have recently launched new ventures. **Erica Mau Orejel** started Vibe Creative Marketing, a digital marketing agency that works with small- to medium-sized businesses across many industries. Vibe's services include social media, website optimization, mobile and online ads, web development and maintenance and email marketing. **Maria Gotay**, who is based in Austin, Texas, founded a startup, Project Loquat, which aims to improve health outcomes using extracts from the local loquat tree. Project Loquat's goal is to provide 10,000 free herbal remedies to those in the community suffering from symptoms common in 2020 – cough, lung congestion and inflammation. **Ellise Uyema**, who is living in Seattle, Washington, recently launched a plant and handmade gift shop, Live Long and Plant. Her shop focuses on sustainability through upcycling, reusing candle jars to create terrariums! While Ellise has been busy building her business during the pandemic, she is still working remotely as an ecommerce account manager for Bic. She has also picked up new hobby – stand-up paddle boarding. She's been scheduling more FaceTime/Zoom calls with old friends, and recently reconnected with **Jessica Nam** and **Siyi Liu**.

Wishing you all an equally fruitful time of growth and reflection during these months ahead. Please stay in touch and let us know what you've been up to!

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### SUMMER

Mahalo to **Kalei Talwar**, who contributed by gathering updates and drafting these notes.

Many of our classmates have been on the front lines since the virus's stateside arrival. **Alex Wei** is a physician at Columbia University Medical Center and New York-Presbyterian Hospital, and has the grim responsibility of intubating patients critically affected by COVID-19. In Boston, **Janna Taylor** and **Daniel Magliulo** are both residents at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston and are preparing for the surge of patients during this pandemic. Meanwhile in San Jose, **Sara Sameshima-Wei** is working as a physician assistant at a hospital that's seen COVID-19 patients since January. Sara reports, "At first it was a few cases, and most people thought it was just like seasonal influenza. Then it really started exploding in our

county, and we were seeing sicker patients ... We haven't been hit as hard with an immediate surge of patients like other states, although it's expected that a surge will come in two weeks, and we are preparing by conserving resources. We have a tent outside our emergency department primarily for respiratory complaints to triage. Just to be sure when I get home, I use a different bedroom and bathroom from my husband in our house. I would say to everyone to take care of each other, respect the guidelines initiated by your local government and practice self-care." Mahalo to **Lindsey Shannon**, a physician assistant at Kaiser Permanente Moanalua Medical Center; **Jaclyn Kagihara**, a chief medical resident at The Queen's Medical Center; and **Venus Blas**, a physician assistant at Kaiser Permanente San Leandro Medical Center in Fremont, California. Mahalo nui loa to all of our classmates and alumni fighting COVID-19 in any capacity. Malama pono.

Outside of the hospital, **Alexa Coughlin** has switched production of her popular Gen-Z scrunchie company, RAT BOI, to make (adorable) cloth nonmedical face masks for the community and N95 face mask covers for health care workers and vulnerable community members.

**Jamie McClafferty** is volunteering with Project Kokua to help hospitals, community groups and others purchase verified PPE from international suppliers. Additionally, **Kalei Talwar** is working at CARE, alongside **Stacy Aldinger '03**, a humanitarian and developmental aid organization, to fortify health care systems and other emergency response mechanisms



*Nica Nurdyke '08 and Ikaika Jobe '01 celebrated their marriage with bridesmaids, from left, Chesiree Katter, Tahnee Allman '08 Towill, Michelle Yoshida '08, Nica, Ikaika, Juliana Brown '08 and Larissa Nurdyke '07.*



*Tarah Sullivan and Matt Suiter '08 were married July 21, 2018, and are relocating to Honolulu.*





*Peter Kam '08 with PPE face masks that were 3D printed at his office in San Diego and sent to classmate, Alex Wei '08, in New York City.*



*Ashley Kong '08 and Ryan Brimley celebrated their nuptials at Ko'olau Ballrooms with Ashley's grandmother, Ramona Kong.*

while bracing for the arrival of COVID-19 in refugee camps, war zones and communities experiencing acute poverty around the world.

What started as a casual post in an often ignored Facebook group turned into a wave of support and solidarity as the Class came together to thank our classmates who are putting their lives on the line to help keep the world safe from coronavirus. Our Class raised over \$1,000 to buy lunch for classmates and their teams who are working at hospitals. In a dark time when many of us are physically isolated, it was inspiring to see old friends come together to support our own.

#### FALL

From **Jasmine Wong**:

Aloha! Hope you're all doing well and staying safe and healthy.

Following our push earlier this year to show support to our classmates who are on the front lines fighting COVID-19, **Peter Kam** was able to use 3D printing facilities at his office to produce PPE for medical use. Peter reached out to **Alex Wei** and was able to coordinate a donation of face shields for Alex's hospital, Columbia University Medical Center/New York Presbyterian Hospital! Peter is currently in San Diego with his family stationed at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton. Mahalo, Peter, for your support!

**Gabby Holt** consulted on the Google Doodle for the May 20, 2020, celebration of Israel Kamakawi'ole's 61st birthday, which also fell in Asian Pacific Islander Heritage month. Gabby is the librarian at her elementary school alma mater, Hanahau'oli School.

**Maile Dyer** shared that she has recently finished her MBA at The University of Chicago Booth School of Business and is moving back to New York City to work at Bain & Company. Maile is also serves as co-chair for the New York Chapter of the Punahou Alumni Association.

As always, many thanks to our classmates for continuing to share notes and photos! If you have anything you'd like to submit in the future, please don't hesitate to email us at the address above or reach out individually to Brynne, Brett, Tahnee or myself.



*The Kagihiro sisters, Jamie '04, Jodi '06 and Jaclyn '08, are physicians fighting COVID-19. Jamie is a pulmonary critical care intensivist at Torrance Memorial Medical Center in Los Angeles; Jodi is a hematology/oncology fellow at University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus in Denver; and Jaclyn is chief medical resident at The Queen's Medical Center in Honolulu. Their father, Lance, is an internal medicine specialist at Kuakini Medical Center.*





Chris and Lauren Combs '09 Champion enjoy a walk around their neighborhood with their newborn son, Barry.



Alumni from the Class of 2008, Tobias "Tobie" Reeuwijk, Jane Galluzzi, Jamie McClafferty and Julia Sanders, enjoyed the second annual Punahou Alumni Association Southern California Carnival event in Playa Vista.

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### SUMMER/FALL

From **Travis Dos Santos-Tam:**

Amid the pandemic, some of our classmates were able to celebrate new chapters in their lives.

**J. Randall Hunt** of Kailua, and Koel Bose of Kolkata, India, were destined to meet and fall in love with each other. After graduating from Western Carolina University in North Carolina (where he was born), Randall moved to New York City, where he worked for MongoDB and then Amazon Web Services (AWS). Koel studied at Columbia University, where she earned both her B.S. and M.S. degrees in electrical engineering. Though they had a large number of mutual friends in New York, and many near run-ins with each other, Randall and Koel wouldn't meet each other until they each independently moved to Los Angeles for new jobs. By sheer coincidence, they became next door neighbors after their moves and both their roommates worked together, which led to them meeting and starting to date in 2015. Randall and Koel became engaged on June 22, 2018, right before the two went on a vacation together. They wed on Pi Day, March 14, 2020, at the iconic Millennium Biltmore Hotel in Downtown Los Angeles. In attendance were **Kelsey Choo, Travis Dos Santos-Tam, Eddie Kim, Micah Mumper, Geoffrey Murakami, Nolan Murakami, Ashley Choy '10 and Shelby Choo '11**. Although the pandemic forced them to adjust their plans multiple times, Randall and Koel hosted an elegant and memorable wedding. Overcoming these obstacles together surely



On Feb. 15, 2020, Aisha Price '09 and Harrison "Jeeter" Ishida '08 tied the knot at 'Iolani Palace. Jazzy Bostock '08 officiated the ceremony. Family and friends flew in from around the world to celebrate the pair. The bridal party included, from left: Rebecca Lau '09, Caralyn Takata '09, Jayann Gabrio '09 Laniauskas, Ciarra Sapigao '09, Megan Yee '09, Kristin Lim '09, Hannah Ishida '09, Shayna Price '10, Aisha Price '09 Ishida, Jeeter Ishida '08, Rudie Schaefer V '08, Joshua Bninski '08, Andy Workman, Tyler Workman, Zachary Kometani '08, Chris Laniauskas '01, Dylan Leong '09 and Cheyne Okawa '07.

made them a stronger couple. Randall and Koel live in Los Angeles, where he is a solutions architect at AWS and she is the manager of the communication subsystem engineering group at Boeing Defense, Space and Security.

**Lauren Combs** and husband, Chris Campion, welcomed the birth of their son, Barry Matsu, on April 9, 2020, in Concord, Massachusetts. The couple chose the name Barry to honor his

great-grandfather and also after President **Barack Obama '79**. Matsu, is a family name on Lauren's mother's, **Leslie Matsukawa '75**, side of the family. Although raising a newborn during the pandemic has given her anxiety, Lauren is grateful that she and Chris have been able to spend a lot more time at home with Barry. The Campions live in the Boston suburbs, where Lauren is an education administrator and Chris is a data scientist.





Classmates and fellow alumni celebrate Randall Hunt '09 and Koel Bose's wedding at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel in Downtown Los Angeles. From left: Travis Dos Santos-Tam '09, Shelby Choo '11, Matthew Fender, Kelsey Choo '09, Geoffrey Murakami '09, Randall, Koel, Micah Mumper '09, Ashley Choy '10, Eddie Kim '09 and Nolan Murakami '09.

how to protest without breaking quarantine, and rediscovering the therapeutic powers of knitting. Video chats and phone calls with classmates, **Arlynn Criste**, **Herena Ha**, **Keely Sarr** and **Chelsea Yin**, help to keep her sane.

Thank you to all 2010ers and alumni who have been on the front lines during this pandemic. I hope the past few months have provided you with time to connect deeply with your family, friends and loved ones. We will come out of this with a renewed spirit and gratitude for all the goodness and good people in our lives.

Until next time, sending aloha to wherever you may be!

Caitlin

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SUMMER

From **Ke'ala Morrell**:

Aloha, Class of 2011!

Huge mahalo to all the people who volunteered for our Carnival Class shift this year at Hamburger 'Ewa! It's always so much fun to see everyone and catch up over teri burgers!

Congratulations to **Patrice Baba** and **Kamu Morita** who got married on Feb. 1, 2020. The newlyweds are living on O'ahu, where Patrice is a pharmacist. **Katherine Terada** and **Yongchan Gil** got married in February, at



Mahalo to the Class of 2009 crew, who volunteered at the Gyros booth at Carnival 2020! Front row, from left: Ciarra Sapigao, Stephanie Sekimura, Samantha Soldner, Travis Higa, Jayann Gabrio Laniauskas and Kristen Yamamoto. Back row: Chris Tucker, Nainoa Watson, Kelly Manson, Erik Horn, Aisha Price, Jessica Shimazu and Julia Harrison.

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SUMMER/FALL

Hey, Class of 2010!

First, a special thank you to our amazing Reunion committee for working so diligently on reigniting our Class spirit across social media! I think I can speak for many of us that

those throwback photos have provided a lot of laughter.

A big mahalo to **St. John Kim**, for his time in service as a Class correspondent! We are now searching for someone to fill his shoes. Please reach out to us via email if you are interested. We'd love to have you join the team!

**Natalie Thielen** Helper has been living in Brooklyn, working at a nonprofit theater in Manhattan, and volunteering for immigrant rights. (One highlight included getting arrested at a nonviolent direct action.) As of March 2020, she's been working from home, figuring out



Katherine Terada '11 and Yongchan Gil '11 on their wedding day at Sunshower Farms in Holualoa on Hawai'i Island.



Sunshower Farms in Holualoa on Hawai'i Island. Many of our classmates were able to celebrate with them! Yong is a senior global program manager at Uber Technologies, and Kat is a background designer at Disney Television Animation. Congrats, Kat and Yong!

We have a correction to make from the winter Bulletin. Unfortunately, **Michael Suiter** was missing our Class year in the printing. We wanted to make sure to publish Michael and Shannan's wedding photo with the appropriate captions.

Another huge mahalo to our classmates who are on the front lines as we battle a pandemic. Many of our classmates are health care workers, suppliers, postal workers, store owners and essential personnel. You are our heroes! We are honored to be your classmates.

Though this time of social distancing is challenging, we encourage you to remain connected to your classmates and to support each other on email, the phone, Zoom, Instagram or Facebook. This is a great time to reconnect. We always love to hear about you, Class of 2011! Please continue to send updates and pictures :)

FALL  
Hello, Class of 2011!

First, endless mahalo to our classmates on the front lines of the pandemic. Many are health care workers, suppliers, postal workers, store owners and other essential personnel. You are our heroes and we are honored to be your peers.

All across the country and abroad, members of the Class of 2011 are engaging in activism and



*Congratulations and best wishes to Michael Suiter '11 and Shannan McCready '11, who married in January 2019, on O'ahu's North Shore.*



*Mahalo to Class of 2011 Carnival crew, who cooked and wrapped ALL the burgers at Hamburger 'Ewa!*



*Emma Benjamin, Margot Chock, Brailey and Chauncey Hirose-Hulburt, Ke'ala Morrell and Ryan Saunders from the Class of 2011 at the Black Lives Matter march at the Hawai'i State Capitol on June 6, 2020.*

allyship in the Black Lives Matter movement. At home in Hawai'i, members of the Punahou 'ohana attended the Honolulu Black Lives Matter protest, including our classmates, **Emma Benjamin, Margot Chock, Brailey and Chauncey Hirose-Hulburt, Will Loomis, Ke'ala Morrell and Ryan Saunders**. On June 6, 2020, they marched together with 10,000 others, from Ala Moana Beach Park to the Hawai'i State Capitol. Emma described it as, "A powerful day ... I'm sure I'm not alone in feeling so much pride and aloha bearing witness to the demonstration from the mainland via social media."

Social distancing emphasizes the many long-distance friendships we have with classmates all over the world. We hope you're finding ways to stay connected with one another. And please, connect with us! Continue to send updates and pictures – we love hearing from you. Finally, a bit of housekeeping, please update your contact information at [punahou.edu/alumni](mailto:punahou.edu/alumni) so you don't miss a thing!

Stay safe and be well,  
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Ready, set, CHICKEN! Class of '12 Carnival volunteers and friends gather before their Chicken Plate shift. Front row: Chelsey Choy, Tama Fukuyama, Austen Matro, Emily Yoshimura, Tiffany Tee and Alyssa Chin. Back row: Jasper Chen, Michael Nishikawa, Erik Lee, Maya Suzuki-Jones, Brittney Wheatman, Tori Whalen, Noa Yee and Josh McDonough.



Class of '12 Carnival volunteers after their Chicken Plate booth shift. Front row, from left: Bryan Peralta, MichaelaTsuha, Colby Sameshina and Alannah Collat. Back row: Julian Juarez, Luke Kaumatule, Tyler Agbayani, Zachary Harris, Steven Lakalaka, Rick Nomura and Justin Ligsay.

#### SUMMER

From **Justin Ligsay**:

Aloha! The presence of COVID-19 has imposed a challenge on all of us. We are blessed to be a part of a Class that continues to remain invincible! Here are a few highlights of what our classmates have been up to.

**Austin Ayer, Scanner Cheung, Brandon Imada, Cody Lee and Andrew Miscovich** volunteered with Premier Medical Group in March, screening nearly 300 people for COVID-19 at a

roadside testing event in Kaka'ako. All five of them were on the front lines, fully decked in personal protective equipment, interacting and obtaining samples for testing.

The Carnival tradition lives on for the Class of 2012! Class representative, Justin Ligsay, coordinated our annual Class shift at Chicken Plate. Mahalo to the volunteers who came out: **Tyler Agbayani, Jasper Chen, Alyssa Chin, Chelsey Choy, Alannah Collat, Chris Fong, Tama Fukuyama, Zack Harris, Julian Juarez,**

**Luke Kaumatule, Steven Lakalaka, Erik Lee, Josh McDonough, Michael Nishikawa, Rick Nomura, Bryan Peralta, Lindsay Sagarang, Colby Sameshima, Nick Schilla, Maya Suzuki-Jones, Michaela Tsuha, Brittany Wheatman and Emily Yoshimura!**

On the second night of Carnival, the Cafeteria lit up with live entertainment by **Hi'ilani Asing!** Her trio, Ke 'Olu, captivated those enjoying their 'ono Hawaiian Plate during dinner. In March and April, Ke 'Olu went live on Instagram as a way to spread Hawaiian music and aloha during the challenging quarantine times.

In March, many of our classmates "matched!" **Brysa Kato** will train in internal medicine at the John A. Burns School of Medicine at the University of Hawai'i; **Bryston Chang** will train in pediatrics at the University of California, Irvine. **James Ha** has a spot in the University of Hawai'i Medicine Preliminary Program, then to Yale School of Medicine to train in diagnostic radiology; **Geoff Kusaka** will train in internal medicine at Cedars Sinai Medical Center; and **Noa Yee** will train in emergency medicine at the University of Southern California. Congratulations to our future doctors!

High school sweethearts, **Ka'imi Fairbairn and Rachel Inouye**, tied the knot in February! The couple hosted a beautiful sunset ceremony at the Four Seasons Resort O'ahu at Ko Olina. The newlyweds then set off to New Zealand, where they enjoyed an adventurous honeymoon together. Ka'imi also signed a four-year contract extension with the Houston Texans in March. He is the third-highest paid kicker in the NFL in terms of average annual value.

On March 18, 2020, the 49ers traded **DeForest Buckner** to the Indianapolis Colts in exchange for their first-round pick in the 2020 NFL Draft. Buckner signed a four-year, \$84-million contract extension, making him the second-highest paid defensive tackle.

At the end of 2019, **Jeanette Au, Quinci Salvador and Nick Luna** met up at Temple University in Philadelphia. The gang watched sibling, **Averi Salvador '17**, and friend, **Xeryah Salanoa '18**, compete in a college volleyball game.

A special mahalo to those on the front lines as health care workers, suppliers, postal workers, restaurant cooks/staff, grocery store owners and workers. I encourage everyone to remain connected and support each other during this time. Call your friends, join a Zoom call with your homies, take up a TikTok challenge against your friend. This is a great time to reconnect. ALOHA!

#### FALL

From **Chelsey Choy**:

Aloha! While the presence of the coronavirus continues to challenge us to grow, adapt and thrive in what is our "new normal," we are inspired by our fellow classmates and members of the greater community who are developing ways to support one another during these





*Class of 2012 sweethearts, Rachel Inouye and Ka'imi Fairbairn, tied the knot in February 2020, at the Four Seasons Resort O'ahu at Ko Olina.*



*Although it was just the two of them, Jess Conner '13 and her husband, Cole Wright '12, held a magical wedding in Montana, in May 2020.*



*Maddie Willson '13 and Shamar Drake were absolutely stunning on their wedding day, Aug. 7, 2019.*

unprecedented times. For example, this spring, **Connor Yim**, **Becky Yim '15** and **Kaity Yim '10** held a food drive at Windward Pediatrics, owned and operated by their father, **Greg Yim '80**, to support those impacted by the coronavirus. Many Punahou alumni came out to volunteer, including members of the Class of 2012, **Justin Ligsay** and **Tyler Agbayani**. Mahalo to all who participated in this food drive.

Classmates, please continue to share your stories with us by contacting any one of your class correspondents at their email address provided above or by emailing your message to [classof2012alumninotes@gmail.com](mailto:classof2012alumninotes@gmail.com). If you would like to update your contact information, please go to [punahou.edu/alumni](http://punahou.edu/alumni).

Stay safe and healthy.

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## SUMMER

Hello, 2013ers!

Turner here, writing from my lanai because that's the farthest I can venture outside ... Despite the lifestyle changes we have all had to make, I have grown more grateful for FaceTime, Zoom, Facebook Messenger and Google Hangouts – you get the point. Thank goodness for technology allowing us to stay connected to each other. I think many can relate to the notion that social distancing has pushed us to reconnect with friends and family and deepen our relationships. To put it plainly, we've become "closer" while staying farther apart. What a concept!

A couple of days ago, I Zoomed with my Reserve Room Crew! **Nikki Carter**, **Koji Clark**, **Taylor Dayton**, **Carly Kan**, **Kelci Keeno**, **Kat Lee**, **Erin Ichinotsubo** and I spent two hours laughing and chatting. The last time we were all together was a Google+ Hangout during college. Earlier in the week, I video-chatted with my old Fantasy Basketball group: **Lance Chee**, **Nelson Huynh**, **Ali Kamikawa**, **Johnson Lam**, **Evan Lin**, **Nick Muneno**, **Alec Nakamura** and **Jon Ueki**.



*This Class of 2013 Carnival crew lit up the Hamburger 'Ewa booth for the last shift on Saturday. For the volunteers it was all about wrapping and reconnecting! Front row: Emily Bustard, Lauren Day, Taylor Higgins, Nai'a Turner, Kelly Pang, Spencer Hagerman and Turner Wong. Back Row: William Morrison, David Torigoe, Gus Soderholm, Carly Kan, Kiko Whiteley, Lance Chee and L.J. Remillard. Not pictured, but definitely there were Taetafe Faatea, Nick Muneno, Kyle Obana and Josh Smith.*





*Baby bliss! Oriana Naki '13 Lulu and her husband, Fa'afetai, welcomed a darling baby boy, Talatu'u.*

Speaking of Ali, she shared her experiences working on the front lines as a nurse in New York in a Punahou podcast. Thank you, Ali, for your courage and diligent work. Mahalo also to **Matt Agsalud**, who is an ER scribe at Adventist Health Castle; **Kylie Popovich**, who is an ER scribe at a New York hospital; and **Jack Thibault**, who is an ER tech at Adventist Health Castle. To everyone who is involved with the fight, we thank you for your selfless commitment to helping others!

**Shantanu Sharma** and his friend launched **@paailaorg** on Instagram as a community service as a support for mental health and wellness. Check it out!

Let's not forget about Carnival! Once again, the Class of 2013 lit up the Hamburger 'Ewa booth during the last shift on Saturday. Our enthusiasm boosted the spirits of the student and booth chairs as we were absolutely slammed the entire four hours. On average, a shift will sell about 800-900 hamburgers, but we sold 1,200 burgers. Yes, you read that right. The line was constant, and we had to turn away so many people when we finally sold out. I had so much fun that night wrapping burgers and reconnecting with classmates. Safe to say that after two years, I know that I'm meant to wrap burgers, and **Nai'a Turner** is the blotter. And to all of you who I ran into at Carnival and didn't work ... we better see you next year!

I encourage everyone to follow **@PunahouSchool** on Instagram and our Class Facebook page for updates and unique stories about our community and Class.

Last thing: My sister, **Taylor Wong '05**, got married in March. As her maid of honor, I walked down the aisle with the best man ... **Mr. Cullen Pang '97**! Yes, Mr. Pang. The chemistry teacher.

Good times. Sending positive vibes and love to everyone!

Talk to you all soon,  
Turner

FALL  
Hi, 2013ers!

As I'm writing this, it is the end of June and there are still many unknowns due to the pandemic. However, as always, our classmates have still found ways to thrive despite these extraordinary circumstances.

In May, **Keith Dowsett** graduated from Georgia Institute of Technology. He held a cute backyard graduation ceremony. Although there was no stage for him to step onto, he did just fine with a step stool! Keith has always had a knack for entertainment. Congrats!

For those of us who are students, I'm sure we can all agree that navigating online school was less than ideal. Fortunately, **Christian Doles**, **Nicole Kim**, **Ariel McKenzie**, **Maya VanDrunen**, **Marissa Yuen** and I successfully finished our first year at the University of Hawai'i William S. Richardson School of Law. Congratulations are also in order to **Casey Matsumoto**, who completed her J.D. at The George Washington University Law School!

**Nikki Carter**, after graduating from Pacific University with her doctorate in physical therapy, is now Dr. Carter, DPT. **Piueti Maka** completed the grueling 'Imi Ho'ola Post-Baccalaureate program at the John A. Burns School of Medicine. Piueti and **Jack Thibault** will begin their medical school journey together in July.

While the pandemic forced **Jessica Conner** to cancel her wedding, it didn't stop her from marrying her high school sweetheart, **Cole Wright '12**. They wrote and conducted the entire ceremony themselves. In the roaring Montana wind, they read their vows to each other and had a sweet dinner together after the ceremony. Although this wasn't exactly what Jess had in mind, the day was still magical and beautiful. They hope to celebrate with all of their friends and family next year.

Happy first wedding anniversary to **Maddie Willson Drake** and her husband, Shamar! The pair got married on Aug. 7, 2019, at Lanikuhonua, Ko Olina. Maddie and Shamar met as freshman dorm neighbors at the



*Nick Muneno '13 and Kiko Whiteley '13 held it down unpacking and grilling the hamburgers!*



*Surprise! After much cajoling from Turner Wong '13, Taetafe Faatea '13 joined his Class at Hamburger 'Ewa and jokingly reprimanded Turner after she showed up three minutes late. Good job, Taetafe!*



*Class of 2014 Carnival crew were cooking, wrapping and slinging burgers at Hamburger Waikiki! From left: Leigh Omizu, Ellen Ashford and Anna Duarte.*





The Class of 2014 were well represented at the Punahou Alumni Association New York Carnival. Front row, from left: Alyssa Poentis and Sharilyn Uyehara. Middle row: Jon Costales, Henry Engel, Helena Schaefer, Kelley Heyer and Julie Williamson. Back row: George Corpuz, Donovan Sabog, Kevin Kwock, Alex Chai and Linus Liu.



The Class of 2014 had a great turnout for Hamburger Waikiki!

University of Alabama. After college, they relocated to Durham, North Carolina, where they currently reside. **Halsey Smythe** was one of Maddie's bridesmaids. Stunning!

Baby bliss! **Oriana Naki** Lulu and her husband, Fa'afetai, welcomed a darling baby boy, Talatu'u. Ori was honorably discharged from the army and has adjusted well to mom life. What a beautiful family.!

I'm so grateful to be a Class correspondent. I just love keeping up with everyone's busy lives. Please feel free to share what you and your friends are up to.

Stay safe and talk soon!  
Turner

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### SUMMER

**Chad Young** here, coming to you from San Luis Obispo! I hope you are doing well during these tough times. Like many of you, **Alika Philpotts** and I have been sheltering in our home and curling our 25-pound bag of rice to stay healthy and strong!

Although we are quarantined, many of our 2014 brothers and sisters have taken this time to pursue new passions. Volleyball phenom **Larry Tuileta** has pursued his love for baking cookies! He credits home economics with Ms. Yap for his newfound passion in the kitchen. I

cannot wait to try some cookies from the Kuki Man himself!

The ever interesting **Walker Bolan** was working as a snowboard instructor at Mount Hood Meadows in Oregon, when the virus shut down the resort. He had just dialed in sending his backflip and was sad to see his playground close its doors. He has spent quarantine perfecting his slackline backflip instead. 10/10 would rush!

Math genius **Tyler Mar** has taken his passion for surfing to his backyard ... literally! The art of jack stance tarp riding is catching on, and Tyler is riding that glorious wave every day. Can't wait to come home and get barreled in a tarp.

Local comedian, **Tumua Tuinei**, has been keeping me healthy with the medicine of laughter. His Instagram videos about the widespread toilet paper shortage are hysterical, and he has invented the "new Popeye's chicken sandwich!" If you don't know what I'm talking about, go to **@tumua\_!**

I am sure many of you are finding new endeavors during quarantine as well, and I'd love to hear from all of you. Call me maybe? Even if you are busy with law school ... this means you, **Ellen Ashford**! If there is one thing I can do ... it's talk. Even during math with Ms. Bender <3. Miss you all lots.

Keep it fresh, keep it clean and stay healthy 2014!

Aloha,  
Chad

**George Corpuz**, a student at Weill Cornell Medicine of Cornell University, and **Ellie Sampson '21**, had the opportunity, on behalf of their mentor, Jacintha Knapp, to have a private discussion with former U.S. Attorney General

Eric Holder and former U.S. Secretary of Labor and current Democratic National Committee Chair Tom Perez. In that meeting, George asked about government accountability, which has been shown to be missing amidst current manifestations of racism, and Ellie inquired about how she could work to get more Hawai'i residents involved in the political process. These alumni were inspired by this interaction, and hope to instigate change through their passion for policy.

### FALL

Aloha, 2014!

I hope you all had a sweet summer. I've been seeing many Instagram stories of pretty solid surf on the South Shore. Hawai'i looks beautiful, as always!

If you haven't seen **Pierce Watumull's** surf video, "High Off Life," you should check it out. The video includes stunning footage of Pierce surfing, but also carries an important anti-drug message. The creators spliced video from Pierce's eighth grade anti-drug project into an epic montage of Pierce getting barreled at Pipe. It even features a cameo by **Geoffrey "Oliver" Lewis**. **Ellen Ashford** told me she skipped all the surfing bits and enjoyed the old footage of Pierce and Oliver when they were tweens.

**Karl Reis**, where have you been? The answer is ... Tanzania! And now Belgium? I can't keep up. Long story short, (mostly because he never replies to my texts) Karl is starting medical school in August. Because of the pandemic, medical school is online, so he will be in Hawai'i for the time being. If you're lucky, you might catch him somewhere in Kailua getting effortless A's on all his exams.

If you need a new shirt, look no further than 2014's favorite glass blower, **Tate Newfield**.



Although he is an absolute glass blowing phenomenon, Tate has more than just one talent. He also designs absolute bangers of shirts. I recently picked up one of his shirts that featured a bunch of strawberries. So great! So cool! So fashion! Keep up the good work, Tate! Someday I'll have to get an original Tate Newfield glass piece.

If you've noticed nature a little polluted, do something about it. **Charles "Wyatt" Hulick** started a sustainability project with his newfound passion for sewing. Although he specializes in designing women's clothes, he decided to use his abilities "with the goal of keeping this planet a tiny bit cleaner." Enter **BAG 4 A BAG**. Post a story of you picking up a bag of trash somewhere in nature and tag him in it. In return, Wyatt will sew you a steezy organic canvas tote and ship it to you for FREE. Can't wait to get my bag, should go well with my strawberry shirt.

Update your info at [punahou.edu/alumni](http://punahou.edu/alumni) so you can always be in the loop!

Much love, 2014. Take care till next time. Keep in touch and help each other out.

Aloha,  
Chad

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### SUMMER

Thank you to alumni parent, Mila Lietzke, for sending in this update.

**Teresa "Teri" Brady and Kevin Yoshimoto** graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy (USAFA) in April. Punahou alumni parent, Mila Lietzke, was the lead on the USAFA Hawai'i parent club. Her son, **Zach Lietzke '18**, is a freshman there. The Lietzkes made ti leaf lei for all 10 Hawai'i cadets graduating, and **Dillyn Lietzke '20** made a lei po'o for Teri and another cadet, who helped distribute lei and masks to the seniors. Their graduation, which was rescheduled from May to April, was livestreamed with no parents or outside audience allowed, but The Thunderbirds did fly over.



*Cousins at the Ueoka family mochitsuki at Pa'ia Mantokuji on Maui. From left: Evan Uyeno '16, Megan Uyeno '23, Riley Takayama, Allison Johnston '18, Arthur Johnston '16, Sean Uyeno, '19 and Keeley Takayama. Evan is studying mechanical engineering at the University of Oklahoma. Allison is studying chemical engineering and is pre-med at Tufts University. Arthur is studying arts, technology and business of innovation at the University of Southern California. Sean is studying chemical engineering at Oklahoma State University.*

### FALL

Congratulations to everybody who has completed the milestone that is college! Regardless of where you went to school – we all had Zoom University and the slides/video to show for it right? Although this may not be the way we imagined our senior year, I trust everyone was able to make the best of this challenging situation. Commencement ceremonies over Zoom, classes with the mic/camera off and sweatpants as a lifestyle were certainly new, but as a Class we were able to meet those challenges.

Any and all conception of normal and plans for the future have been dramatically altered. But I have faith that we as a Class will get through it together because #2016takescare.

Mahalo,

Kekoa

Aloha to alumni parent, Christy Nathan for sending this. Congratulations to **Alexanna Nathan**, who graduated from the University of Hawai'i with a bachelor's degree in biology and will be headed to the University of California San Diego School of Medicine in the fall.

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### SUMMER

Many of us are learning to continue our strides toward our college and career goals as the nation and our respective universities come to a halt. While finding new strides, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) swimmer, **Lia Foster**, is learning to run. Without a pool to

train in she says that training has been a huge adjustment and now includes running and ocean swimming. She states that "not having a pool has been a definite change of routine since I haven't gone without practice for longer than a week basically my whole life!" While back in Hawai'i, she is still working to keep up with school, training and provide content for the PAC-12 network. At home or away she is a part of the UCLA swim team, and through her college career, she is known to be a "Difference Maker" in that community, [bit.ly/36b19hv](https://bit.ly/36b19hv). Training is difficult for this student athlete, but for this leader, being apart from her team is a tragedy.

Unlike Lia, most of us who have returned home are getting more swimming in than ever! However, like Lia, we are missing the communities that we have built up over these last three years. I reached out to Lia to hear about what it's like to be a student athlete in the middle of this pandemic, and she responded with a relatable story. We are thankfully getting a lot more time with our families, and at the same time we get the opportunity to miss and reflect on the families and homes that we have made for ourselves. Thank you, Lia, for being a leader in your community, and I hope that you get the opportunity to train with your team soon!

### FALL

**Jolie Fujita, Mia Yoshioka and Nicole Baptist '16**, teamed up with four other college students to start an ecommerce company, Lokahi Local Made, to help local businesses innovate. This team partnered up with local businesses, such as Kona Chips, Diamond Bakery, Jade Foods and Menehune Mac, and had them prototype new products exclusively for Lokahi Local Made. Many of these businesses were previously targeting tourists or did not have an





*Lokahi Local Made, an ecommerce company, was founded during the pandemic to support local businesses. Front row, from left: Evonne Chan (Mid-Pacific '17) and Jolie Fujita '17. Back row: Trisha Zukeran ('Iolani '18), Taelyn Tyau ('Iolani '16), Arren Leung (Waiakea '18), Nicole Baptist '16 and Mia Yoshioka '17.*



*A few 2018 alumni attended the University of Hawai'i (UH) vs. Harvard University men's volleyball game in January 2020, to support their classmates on both sides of the net. Buddy Scott and Ryan Hong played for Harvard, and Alaka'i Todd played for UH. Front row, from left: Kelsey Wong, Kalia Kamehiro and Kealoha Scullion. Back row: Ryan Hong, Ryan Nishi, Buddy Scott and Alaka'i Todd.*

online presence, so Lokahi Local Made helped them to market their brand! In addition to this, 10% of proceeds are going to the Susannah Wesley Community Center. Good work!

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### SUMMER/FALL

Over the summer, **Ian Linville** and **Hank Creedon** were interns in the Hawai'i office of Swinerton Builders. They were part of the Swinerton team that participated in CANstruction, an annual canned-food design competition that benefits the Hawaii Foodbank. The 2020 event, though



*Hank Creedon '18 and Ian Linville '18 at the CANstruction event that benefits the Hawaii Foodbank.*

scaled back significantly from past years due to the pandemic, was organized by AIA Honolulu for construction industry professionals – architects, engineers and builders – to showcase their talents, while providing critically needed canned food to local families. Swinerton, headed locally by **Aaron Yamasaki '07**, gives generously to the community with its time, talents and funds.

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### SUMMER

Hey, Class of 2019!

First off, I hope everyone has been staying safe and healthy during the COVID-19 outbreak. Whether you're near or far, I would like to extend best wishes to you all.

Shout out to **Eden Chun** and her brother, **Bennet Chun '15**, for starting Sew Together, [bit.ly/2WUDXOR](http://bit.ly/2WUDXOR). They sew masks and other handmade items to donate to hospitals in Hawai'i and the mainland to support the public and first-responders dealing with COVID-19. Way to go, Eden!

Since graduation, it feels as if time has flown by so quickly. The summer after graduation took us all over the world! From Japan to Indonesia, it was great to see that our classmates were still taking care of each other outside of Punahou. Over the course of our first semester, many of our classmates were able to meet up during Thanksgiving break as well. Let's continue to support each other as the years go on. Please keep in touch! Send me your updates and pictures!

Stay safe. Best wishes to you all!  
Sun-Hee

### FALL

We hope everyone has been staying safe and healthy during these crazy times. There is so much going on in the world right now. Please know that your classmates are here to support you if you need anything. Safe travels to those going back to school in the fall and best wishes for those staying home for the year! Send us updates and pictures to share your story in the next Bulletin. Lots of love and blessings to everyone!

## Class of 2020

Aloha to our newest alumni!

Do you want to be the buff 'n blue glue for your classmates?

Please email [notes@punahou.edu](mailto:notes@punahou.edu) to be the correspondent for your inspiring Class.

## Faculty

The Coconut Caper: The Back Story by John P. Richardson, former faculty

"The Coconut Caper" is the tale of a goofy idea to cheer up a sick friend. Win Healy, a Williams classmate and fellow new teacher with me at Punahou School in 1960, had become seriously ill with cancer in fall 2012. His daughter, **Lissa Healy '00**, kept concerned friends and members of the family updated with reports of Win's treatment, the results of which were confirmed as unsuccessful by February 2013. Lissa said that Win welcomed messages, preferably on the lighthearted side, from well-wishers even if he could not respond directly.





*Classmates from 2019, Nick Caseria, Parker Mooney, Kamryn Sonson, Connor Skorge and Jake Asato, met up in New York City over Thanksgiving break.*



*While studying abroad in London, Maddie Niebling '19 was able to meet up with Gabby Biersach '19, who was studying abroad in Paris, and Malia Brooks '19 over Thanksgiving break.*



*Classmates from 2019, Daralyn Wen, Maddie Niebling, Chloe McCreery, Trevor Powell, Remy Fung, Veronica Will, Alli Li, Chloe Loughridge and Korben Wong, got together at Manoa Poke Shop in Somerville, Massachusetts.*

During one of several conversations with Stew Smith, another Williams classmate, about what we might do to cheer Win up, the idea came to me to reenact a caper originally carried out by another Punahou teacher, **Bill Greenwell '30**. Bill, now deceased, was a great prankster and had a nephew at Harvard. He had told me the story of having sent his nephew a coconut in the husk with the following address: "Name of nephew, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts." Affixing proper postage, Bill

launched the coconut into the mail, and it arrived in due course. I was charmed with this idea and suggested to Stew that a group of Williams friends, who had lived in the back of the Kappa Alpha fraternity house our senior year, jointly send Win a coconut. Stew would contact the surviving members of the Back of the House Gang, and I would find the coconut. We identified Charles Cutler, Pete Muhlhausen and Bill Polk, all of whom signed on when Stew reached them.

My immediate problem was where to find a coconut in the husk in the Washington, D.C. area. The obvious answer: Call Congress and ask a Hawai'i Representative to help out. My call to the recently elected Rep. Colleen Hanabusa hit pay dirt. Her office gave me the email address of Teal Takayama, a legislative aide, to whom I sent a message explaining what we needed. Teal answered right back, suggesting trying one of the Asian food markets in Northern Virginia. She also recommended contacting Gary Lam, the Postmaster in Ho'olehua, Moloka'i, who was known to mail coconuts for patrons, and gave me his contact information. I called Gary and explained the situation, saying that Win had been principal of Punahou Academy for many years, and that we thought a coconut would be just what he needed. Gary was sympathetic and helpful, saying that he mails from 2,000–3,000 coconuts per year, many decorated. He confirmed that with proper postage, a coconut can be mailed as is, and said he would get back to me once I sent him an email with the specifics.

Gary emailed me, saying that he had contacted a local artist friend, **Taryn "Teri" Waros '77**, who had warm memories of Win and would be delighted to decorate our coconut. The final version, which we saw in photos, was in glorious Technicolor and featured a hala tree, recognizable by all Punahou family members as being part of the symbol of the School. The postage alone was colorful, appearing to include many pictures of Hawaiian flora and fauna. Judy Healy later confirmed that when she saw the hala tree on the coconut, she suspected a Punahou connection. Lissa Healy reported a chuckle from Win when the coconut arrived. For the concoctors of The Coconut Caper, that was exactly what we wanted to hear.



*These 2020 graduates gathered to open the time capsules that they created 13 years ago in Mr. Jonathan Yorck's "Global Keiki" kindergarten class. First row, from left: Kyla Lau, Cady Komori, SiSi Kehrwieler, Ashley Kato, Maya Matsubara and Christine Mau. Second row: Asia Yamada, Jacie Shimamoto, Samantha Francisco, Ethan Wacker, Dylan Cole and Jared Wong. Back row: Matt Nishimura, Kainoa Jim, Alex Grossman, Sky Shimabukuro, Zac Parrish, Jonas Leiato and Chase Fukuda.*