

Alumni Notes

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A fond aloha to Madeline Choy '38 Wong who passed away on Dec. 22, 2023 at the age of 102. She will be fondly remembered for her commitment to family and friends.

Class of 1938

Madeline Choy Wong, who was born in Honolulu to Mary and **Bung Chun Choy (1913)**, passed away on Dec. 22, 2023 at the age of 102.

As a proud graduate of Punahou, she completed her certificate of Education at the University of Hawai'i in 1951, and studied Chinese cultures and traditions at Mun Lun Chinese School. She retired as principal of John H. Wilson Elementary School in Wai'alae-Kāhala after 13 years following seven years of classroom teaching. Her assignments included acting principal at Kalihi-Kai, vice principal at Pearl Harbor Kai Elementary and briefly acting principal of Noelani Elementary. In her retirement, she enjoyed 20-plus years of Tai-chi, Chinese brush painting and guitar playing. Genealogy was her great interest, where she researched her heritage. Madeline also had a great passion for recipes and cookbooks – clippings filled her shelves. She will be fondly remembered for her commitment to family and friends.

Madeline is survived by sons, **Theodore F. K. Wong '65** (Celia) and **Stanley F. H. Wong '61** (Sandra); grandchildren, **Clifford T. Wong '89** (Amber), **Stephanie M. Wong '91** (Ian Glidden), **Lori Ann Wong '94** Ambrosewicz (**Daniel '93**), **Bryan Wong '97** (Cindy), **Gregg Wong '99** (Jodi Nagata), **William Wong '00** (Karen Chongue), **Christine Wong '02** (Michael Leung); and great-grandchildren, Ella Wong, Grace Wong, **Oliver Ambrosewicz '26**, **Madeline Ambrosewicz '29**, Edith Wong, Damian Wong, Julius Wong, Jack Glidden, Eve Wong and Kaia Wong.

Class of 1941

85th REUNION
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Earlier this year, we were advised that **Lucius "Lute" Colman Thompson**, had passed away at 102 years of age. Our thoughts go out to his family at this time. We are sharing his obituary now, and hope to have more highlights from his life from his family in an upcoming edition.

"Lute Thompson flew away to the heavens on Jan. 8, 2025, at the amazing age of 102. Our father was a kind, personable, generous and active gentlemen, but most of all a loving and exceptional father and grandfather. We say 'flew' because he was a P-38 pilot in World War II, flying 12 missions over Europe and then stationed in Bakersfield, California retraining

for the war in the Pacific. In Lute's words, 'Harry Truman dropped the bomb – ending the whole mess. I was released from active duty and here I am!'

"Lute was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, then lived in New York City with his mother, Julia Colman Thompson, until she passed, subsequently he went to live with his father, Robert O. Thompson, in Honolulu, Hawai'i. Lute attended grammar school at Punahou School and finished high school in Fountain Valley, Colorado Springs, Colorado. He attended the University of Hawai'i, University of Southern California and then later on graduated with a Bachelor of Science from Northrop Institute of Technology, California. He was an aeronautical engineer and worked for Air Research, which transferred him in 1955 to Phoenix, Arizona.

"Lute married Jackie McFaddin in 1946. He happened to see her on the corner of Hollywood and Vine, and she was kind enough to give him a lift somewhere ... into each other's hearts. He is survived by their two daughters, Deanna and Becky (Mark Smeaton); granddaughters, Lexi, Carrie and Chloe; and two great granddaughters, Emma and Madison and their father Bryan Ley. In Lute's remaining years he was blessed with two special ladies: Majie Failey of Indianapolis, Indiana until her passing, and then Patty Simmons of Phoenix, Arizona. We are eternally grateful to these ladies for sharing their lives with him. Lute's ashes are interned in Santa Maria, California joining Jackie, his wife of 55 years who passed in 2001. Celebration of his life to be held in Phoenix, Arizona. Stick & Rudder."

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Class of 1946

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In the Spring 2025 issue of Punahou Bulletin, the Class of '71 sought a successor Class Correspondent. I cannot help with that but I can provide some Class of '71 news when the

were Juniors, in 1970. Two 1970 Ka Punahou fall issues from the Moore family files report campus doings of Class of 1970 and 1971, including the football exploits of son, **Willson "Chip" Moore III '71**.

The Oct. 16, 1970, Ka Punahou featured a front-page photo of a very youthful looking Sunday Manoa trio as it performed at assembly. A headline article by **James Iams '69** reports on the Punahou math team.

An article entitled "Schwein" by **Lori Lum '71** caught my eye. "With much squealing and grunting a horde of hungry S.W.I.N.E. (Students Wildly Insane Near Edibles) descends upon the school cafeteria and snack bar daily. S.W.I.N.E., not necessarily in the way they eat, but in the way they line up for food. Good heavens, is there such a famine that the S.W.I.N.E. can't wait five minutes for lunch?" Caryn goes on to describe three kinds of lunch line cutters: "Yellerus wormus" as "teenyboppers" who cut in the line with nonstop idle chatter; "Muscleus brainus" are "muscle-bound (in head or arm) who shove in" and "Scumus comeus" who cut in line just because.

Rick Sia's '71 wide ranging column, "Clear Spirit," decries the possibly harmful use of vitamins by school athletes, tells of a Pun Mathematics meet win and various sport outcomes.

"Skool Spirit," claims lower grade over emphasis to buy and wear buff 'n blue on game days "or be marked down." She says: First grade teacher "orders, not suggests, the purchase of Punahou t-shirts." By Academy grades, this pressure she says results in mandatory pep rally attendance doing little more than "belittling opponents." In conclusion: "Isn't there a more sportsmanlike manner of expressing our pride in our school and football team?"

On the sports front, **Wayne Goto '71** reports the sad October loss by the Pun flag football team to University High despite the "tough Punahou defense" starring **Bob Higgins '72**, **Chip Moore '71** and **John Ripperton '71**.

The Nov. 6, 1970 Ka Punahou issue headlines Lori Lum's article "Burns Stumps" reporting on Gov. Burn's campaign speech to a full house in Dillingham Hall. **Laurel "Laurie" Bowers '71** Husain has a fun front page "Kangaroo Nemesis" squib: "The finest democratic tradition of justice was exemplified in the first session of the hallowed Kangaroo Court of the revered senior class." Laurie reports however that **Tim Pratt '72** "recognized the inescapable octopus arms of senior justice and pleaded guilty" and so got off lightly by having only to sport "a moustache for a day." Laurie concludes: "Perhaps the sight of two junior boys wearing spirit signs today and two other boys who acted as waiters ... will enforce in the minds of the underclassmen the determination of the seniors to protect their privileges and traditions."

Also in this November 1970 issue: **Willard Tom '70** gave post-graduation college advice and

Vernon Endo '72 had a brainy column "Policy Stated" on the Punahou Academy Students' Association student government. **Kevin Browne '71** has more sports news of the Punahou Flag Football Team in his "CC Riders" report: Kevin first describes Chip Moore and John "J.G." Ripperton as "immortals." "This season these two defensive guards have terrorized the backfield of friends and foes alike ... J.G. still anchors the tough Pun defensive line, Chip, however, has joined the offense as its new quarterback."

"The wisdom of this switch became evident in last week's Mid-Pac game. Down 6-0 in the second quarter, Puns got the ball down to the Mid-Pac 25. On third down and short yardage, Chip sent his wide receiver, Wayne Goto, out on a nifty sideline pattern and rifled the ball right into his hands. The Mid-Pac cornerback desperately grabbed at Goto but the slippery left end tore free and raced in for the touchdown. For the conversion, Chip sent his receivers wide again then blasted right through on the quarter-back draw."

Heady stuff but I have no 1971 Ka Punahou issues with which to follow up on campus exploits of our son Chip's memorable Class of 1971.

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During these trying days on the home front, as well as around the world, has anything happened to you that has made you smile or given you a lift? These classmates shared that experience to give us a lift and even a smile.

John Hinrichs Jr.: "At my son's wedding reception dinner there was music and dancing. After the groom and father of the bride finished dancing with the bride, I was called upon to do so, too. I struggled to my feet and with my cane in hand I hobbled to the dance floor. I grabbed the bride, tossed my cane to my other sons and took off across the floor in a whirl to the cheers of the onlookers. There's still life in this old Pun-alum!"

Pat Brown Faus: "I am looking forward to the fall wedding of my grandson, **Colin Giles '04**. The wedding is in Houston, Texas. By hook or by hoof, I'm going to make it - by pony or stagecoach. I'll be there!"

Peg Deschwanden Foster: "Having just read about the Bingham family, I am pleased to share the story of our own Island hero who made a difference by his act of bravery. Eighty-five years ago, the world worried over pending war. (Sound familiar?) Hiram Bingham IV was the U.S. Consul in Marseille at that time. A direct order was sent to Hiram from President

Roosevelt that he was not to issue visas to the Jewish people fleeing Nazi Germany. Hiram disregarded the order and signed over 2,000 visas. His career was ruined, but he did the righteous thing. Learning about Hiram Bingham IV made my day!"

Joan Baldwin Spalding: "I begin my days with an early morning walk. At that time of the day, I tend to stagger a bit. My neighbor takes his walks early too, and greets me with a cordial 'Good morning.' One day we were both leaving and he asked me, 'Where are you going?' I replied, 'To meet my classmates at J. Dolan's.' Not two weeks later I saw him again and he asked me the same question. I said, 'J. Dolan's.' He replied, 'I like the beer there, too.' Now, whenever he sees me he greets me with a wide grin and a wink. I think he feels he knows the reason for my staggering in the mornings. Little does he know that I haven't had a drop to drink since 1940!"

Sam Van Culin: "The most troubling and disrupting event in our global community in the last five years has been the COVID-19 pandemic. Every human life was affected. For me, it was the beginning of a more introverted life as I had to cancel all travel and most social occasions. What I have found is a deeper sense of my own spiritual life which has brought more serenity and gratitude. The experience came when I entered my 90th year. I am grateful to begin these final years with a deeper sense of joy."

Sam discovered perhaps what Albert Camus also found when he wrote: "My dear, In the midst of hate, I found there was, within me, an invincible love. In the midst of tears, I found there was, within me, an invincible smile. In the midst of chaos, I found there was, within me, an invincible calm. I realized, through it all, that ... In the midst of winter, I found there was, within me, an invincible summer. And that makes me happy. For it says that no matter how hard the world pushes against me, within me, there's something stronger - something better, pushing right back." Lessons for us all.

Aloha 'oe to our dear classmates:

Donnie Wilson passed away on June 10, 2025. She will always be remembered as that tall beauty from Australia. She endeared herself to us with her wit, charm and kindness. She will be missed by those of us who knew her at Punahou as well as her family and friends in Comox, Canada, where she lived.

The loss of our beautiful **Lois Carpenter** Nottage will be felt by everyone in our Class. There is no doubt that we are the best Class ever because of Lois and the late **Marilyn Blaisdell** Ane. They both kept us connected in the true meaning of aloha. Lois opened her home by the bay for every Reunion we had. She was our gracious leader and loved by all. There is no one who could ever replace her - not ever!



In June, Ale McLachlan '49 Hogue and Beverly Blom '49 enjoyed a few days together in Bellingham, Washington playing Spite & Malice and browsing the new local Trader Joe's.

It was sad news to learn from Sam Van Culin that **Isaac "Ike" Shapiro** passed away. For those of you who were present at our 70th Reunion, you may recall that he was our guest speaker and gave a glimpse of his life from Japan to Hawai'i to New York City and on. For a fascinating view of his life, read his autobiography, "Edokko: Growing Up a Foreigner in Wartime Japan." Also, Google "Isaac Shapiro." Punahou School is mentioned as well as Ike's lifetime accomplishments. We bid a fond, farewell to our celebrated classmate, Ike Shapiro.

Class of 1949

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I noticed in the spring Punahou Bulletin that our classmate, **Gilbert O'Gawa** had passed away in Albuquerque, New Mexico in November 2024. Gilbert joined us in the 11th grade and was a participant in all musical activities, sports and clubs. His love of music followed his career in medicine as an ophthalmologist. He was on the teaching staff at Henry Ford Hospital for 20 years after being in the service. He later moved to Petoskey, Michigan for private practice. He crafted and sold banjos. He once contacted me in Atlanta when at a banjo convention and told me his name had been changed by one of his nurses for St. Patrick's Day. She took him from Japanese to Irish with the apostrophe after

the "O." Gilbert leaves three children and seven grandchildren.

I talked with **Alice Tucker** Wathne for over an hour in Bozeman, Montana to catch up on news. Since the late **Nancy Gibson** Harlocker and I had visited her over four years ago, her husband had died. She still lives in her same condo, gets dinner nearby, enjoys the Turner classics, plays the piano "which takes a lot of emotional energy," and especially enjoys reading *The Week* and *The Guardian*. When talking about Gilbert O'Gawa, she said that he was her first date at Punahou. Alice had come in 11th grade from New York and found it hard to adapt to differences in dress and cultural expectations. Finding just the right white slacks and sandals with straps was very important! Her son, Chris, is a hospital administrator and lives nearby. He is very helpful with household repairs.

In June, **Eileen "Ale" McLachlan** Hogue stopped by to visit me in Bellingham for two days. We spent much of our time playing *Spite & Malice* and browsing the newest Trader Joe's. Ale was here visiting her granddaughter, **Amanda Hogue '08**, who now lives in nearby Mt. Vernon, Washington, and works as a land use planner in Coupeville for Island County. Her partner, Mike, who also graduated from Western Washington University, just got a job in Everett, Washington for Avtech Tyee.

A book by Punahou alumna, **Tori Brenno '79** Eldridge, "*Kaua'i Storm*," might be something to check out. The write-up was interesting and I have ordered it through interlibrary loan.

Thank you so for news about our classmates.

Aloha,
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Class of 1950

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Our 75th Class Reunion has come and gone! We were happy to celebrate the occasion with our classmates, **Bill Revere, Allen Wooddell, Paul Kobayashi, Beryl Chun, Yi-Chuan Ching, Noel Quinn, Pat Bernard Groth, Roy Warren, Bubba Makin Walker, Gainor Lloyd Bennett, Gerry Jackson Brown, Nancy Davis Pflueger** and yours truly, plus spouses and guests—21 strong. We appreciate those who accompanied our classmates so they could return to Punahou.

The Alumni Relations staff planned many activities throughout Alumni Week, but our "big, strong, hot and nifty" Class was mostly concerned with the Kūpuna Lū'au and our own luncheon that was held at the Waialae Country Club which provided a perfect setting near the beach where we were able to watch the waves rolling in. It was nice to get reacquainted with old friends whom we hadn't seen for over 10 years! A special mahalo to Nancy Pflueger for sponsoring us at the Club and to Val Kobayashi, Paul's wife, for the special favors.

There were even a few who attended the Punahou Alumni Association Awards ceremony to support "moi" as I humbly accepted the Old School Award. It was an unexpected honor!

The big Alumni Lū'au, the highlight of Alumni Week, was a huge success as always. Unfortunately, only four of our classmates were in attendance because it was a sold-out event and tickets were unavailable. The *kaukau* was delicious and plentiful and it was interesting to learn that the poi was made from taro grown on our campus. Entertainment was provided by several musical groups which included the popular Oahu College Band who played the "oldies but goodies" from our school days, and our favorite entertainer, **Henry Kapono Ka'aihue '67**, who had the younger alumni singing and dancing in the aisles.

On a sad note, while trying to contact classmates for the Reunion, we received word that some of our friends had passed away: **Jack Auerbach** passed away on Dec. 31, 2024 in Portland, Oregon; **Lindsay Faye Jr.** died on May 16, 2025 on Kaua'i; and **Douglas Warne** died on Jan. 31, 2020 in Kailua, and was pre-deceased by his wife, **Joan Weaver** Warne, in 2011.

Doug Warne was born in the Philippines and after Punahou he pursued his education at the University of California at Berkeley. He authored a Hawaiian history book, "*Humehume of Kaua'i: A Boy's Journey to America, an Ali'i's Return Home*," that was published by Kamehameha Press. It was a project that spanned over 10 years of his life, and he regarded it as one of his greatest accomplishments. He spent many hours as a volunteer at Kapi'olani and Castle Hospitals visiting patients who had few or no visitors. Doug is survived by sons, Michael and Christopher; two brothers, **Jack '47** and **Tommy '48**, and other



Lifelong buff 'n blue friends, Mary E. Friel '51 Ciacchi and Jean Matsukage '50 Eldredge, together under the big tent at Alumni Lū'au.

family members. We extend our sympathy to the 'ohana of our dearly departed friends.

Till the next time, aloha and stay well!

Class of 1951

75th REUNION
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Hi, Class!

Here's to our 75th Class Reunion! Alumni Week is June 1 – 7, 2026 with Kūpuna Lū'au on June 4, 2026 and Alumni Lū'au on June 6, 2026!

I was able to attend Alumni Lū'au with my son, **Daniel '75**, and celebrate his 50th Reunion under the big tent. The Class of 1975 was fabulous. They came in singing with the Oahu College Band and never stopped. They danced the hula to **Henry Kapono Ka'aihue '67**, danced around the tables and just enjoyed themselves. I have been to many Alumni Lū'au and this was outstanding – and the food was 'ono.

Class, think about this and save the date. The School will be hosting the Kūpuna Lū'au during Alumni Week at Dole Hall with all the 'ono food and clothed table rounds on Thursday, June 4. More information will be sent out before Christmas.

As of this writing, June 30, we don't have anyone leaving us, but in the last Bulletin there were a few that were not reported. **Alana Atkinson** McKinney, who came to Punahou in 1948 and boarded at Castle Hall, passed away on June 17, 2023. She participated in the Variety show, Baton Corp and Glee Club. She had three children and resided in the Volcano area on Hawai'i Island.

On March 3, 2021, **Bill Tunell** passed away. Although he was at Punahou for only a year, he always liked getting the Bulletin. After Punahou he went to medical school at Cornell University and became the professor of Surgery at the University of Oklahoma. Condolences to all the families. Stay safe and well.

Class of 1952

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Malcolm Ing is still board surfing. He and Audrey travel frequently visiting family and also attending various conferences and speaking engagements.

Mike McCormack remains very active and lucky for us that he makes himself available for gatherings. **Delia Wilson** Schmedding was in town for a short window and a last-minute lunch happened with Mike included. Too much chatter and we forgot to take a photo. The lunch was also a belated celebration of Mike's 91st birthday.

Bobby Vieira called to see if any of us were going to the social hour at the 2025 Alumni Lū'au as, bless him, he was geared to go!

I've exchanged notes with and even spoken with **Tom Chang**, **Maureen McDiarmid Whipple**, **Joanie Maggioros Triantafyllides**, **Jane Hughes Sims**, **Greg Seastrom**, **Don Murphy** and **Cynthia King Sorenson**. All are doing well. (Cynthia still playing pickleball!) They send their fondest aloha to each of you.

A great loss to our Class is **Soot Bredhoff**, who passed on May 31, 2025. As word spread everyone echoed, "Was there anyone who didn't like Soot?" Indeed! He was loved by all: friend to all, fun, easy going, but his greatest quality was that he was authentic and so genuine! His Celebration of Life was beautiful and inspiring! It was all about honoring Soot with love, fellowship and admiration for the man he was. Simplicity speaks volumes and that was the way Soot led his life. Without wanting to or meaning to, Soot set a very high bar, remaining ever humble, modest and ever faithful in his service to God and the 'āina. Good job, Soot. A hui hou.

Lois Bruce is thriving while flitting between her childhood home on Maui and her Kāhala home on O'ahu. Her great-grandson, **Colin Nakamura '38**, will be the fourth generation of their family to attend Punahou. In addition, his brother, Wyatt, pioneered the fifth generation to stay overnight in the Haleakalā cabins. Over the past year, Lois has hosted all six of her great-grandchildren on her Maui lawn to romp, play and climb the monkeypod tree her mother planted in the early 1940s. Life is good.

Margie Smith, wife of the late **Kit Smith**, wrote a beautiful note extolling her much loved husband of 65 years. "I loved to brag about Kit and his 57 marathons! His ninth Boston Marathon was run in 2016. And he was first in his age group in Los Angeles, Philadelphia and Kaua'i. Second and third in his age group in Boston. I brag about his marathons because – it isn't seemly to brag about what a superior human being he was. He was well known among the homeless due to the years he helped with Bible studies and lunches." Stay in touch, Margie, and take care.

A hui hou,
Corinne

Class of 1953

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Didn't we all just celebrate our 60th birthdays? I remember in our senior year, **Stuart Ho** commented how if you flipped our birth year 1935 around, it became our Class graduation year of 1953. And so, this year, if we flip 60 upside down, it all too quickly becomes 90. Send in those 90th birthday party photos!

My birthday celebration is on October 18 here at my new hale from 2 – 5 p.m., and you all are invited! **Bernadette Farden** Kidder's is also that weekend but on Maui if that is closer to you for a mini reunion.



Hau'oli lā hānau to Helie Robertson '53 who celebrated her 90th birthday creating memories with friends.

I got to catch up with **Helie Robertson** who celebrated her 90th outdoors with friends, providing lei and lots of memories. She exercises by climbing 154 stairs daily and stays in touch with **Cyrus Faryar** and **Ena Marie Sroat**. Helie's final quote from her birthday was, "Not sure these are the golden years, just olden!"

Ena's birthday was the end of July. She is still in Colorado, but no longer grows irises. She enjoys winter treks to New Mexico and like the rest of us, asks the question, "What is the next step and where?"

At this time in our lives, we now often honor those who have gone before us. **Beverly Char '50** shared that her brother, **Russell Char**, died peacefully at home on Dec. 8, 2024. Russ was at Punahou from kindergarten through graduation, except for his junior year at New Mexico Military Institute. After service in the U.S. Army, he was a graduate of San Jose State College and Hastings School of Law, now known as UC Law San Francisco.

From **John Devereux** to Beverly Char: "Russ and I were classmates at Punahou and also in the freshman class at Claremont Men's College, now known as Claremont McKenna College. Russ was an outstanding person, full of fun with an enjoyable smile and personality, and so handsome. The last time I saw Russ was many years ago at the Waialae Country Club playing volleyball ... lots of fun! Please share my thoughts with your family, as Russ was a very special person."

Bill Larsgaard and his wife, Carla, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. They were married in 1960 on the Presidio of San Francisco, in dress blues, and with crossed swords. They raised their family of three boys and still live in The City near the Golden Gate Park.



World traveler, Jack Brysson Greenwell '54 visited Banff, Canada after returning from his trip to Romania.



Classmates from '55 at the Kūpuna Lū'au to celebrate their 70th Reunion. From left: Tay Perry, Ralph Winne, Ed Jensen and Phil Sevier.

Hau'oli lā hanau!

Aloha pumehana,
Dorinda

Sadly, our classmate, Stuart Ho, passed away after these Class notes were submitted. Our Class sends their condolences to his 'ohana. Stuart will be honored in the next Class column. Aloha.

Class of 1954

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It is such a hard thing to begin a letter to my dear classmates with reporting yet again another death of ones we love.

For the first time in years, **Margie Von Schausten** Foster came to our 70th Class Reunion. She was accompanied by her daughter, Pam, and had a great time renewing friendships with her Class chums. Margie attended all the functions, had a fun time, then returned home to Texas, and passed away the next month. It was so fun to see Margie, one of our classmates reminisced that she was his first girlfriend – in elementary school!

When I wrote in the last column about **Stuart Nickerson's** book, "Glas aus Wien: Enigma in Crystal," I had not read it – but then I DID, and it was a good read.

Margaret "Peggy" Welham Altman passed away in Longwood, Florida on May 25, 2025. She was in our Class for one year, was in our Class operetta and after graduation went to Bucknell University. We send our aloha to her husband and two children on their loss.

Jack Brysson Greenwell had another great travelling experience. This time it was Banff, Canada. Jack, a great friend who lived for a



For their 70th Reunion, friends from '55 enjoyed a luncheon at the Outrigger Canoe Club. From left: Susan Carter Ayrault, Irene Wilbar Appleyard, Ralph Winnie, Loujean Cassidy Vannatta and Phil Sevier.

long while near me in Sonoma is now living on Hawai'i Island. It was wonderful in the years he spent near me. We had a great '54 Punahou group in Northern California with **Mary Richards** Yort Shattuck, **Helen Knight** Fauss in Marin, and **Eddie Rogers**, often visiting from Australia. How I miss those fun evenings together.

As I write this column, I am preparing for a return trip to Honolulu, accompanied by my three daughters, Camelin, Megan and Mele. I will share in the next column.

Aloha,
Mary Bell

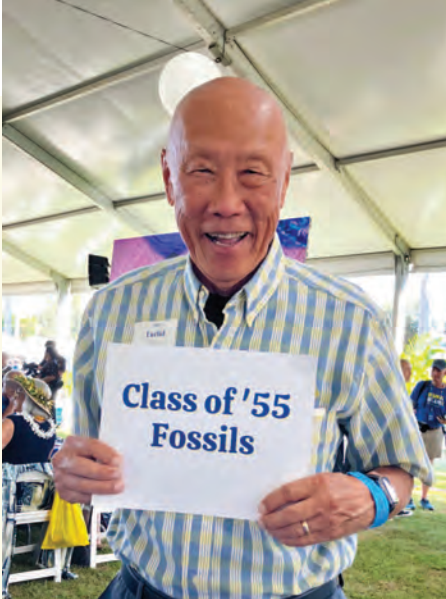
Class of 1955

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A group of classmates returned to campus for Kūpuna Lū'au to celebrate their 70th Class Reunion. In attendance were **Asa Akinaka**, **Irene Wilbar** Appleyard, **Susan Carter** Ayrault, **Gloria Blouin** DeRouen, **Dean Ho**, **Ed Jensen**, **Blake Johnson**, **Euclid Lee**, **Lynn Boerner** Nakkim, **Tay Perry**, **Phil Sevier**, **Loujean Cassidy** Vannatta and **Ralph Winnie**. 'Ono food, lively music and friendly conversation brought back wonderful memories. There was even memorabilia from our days at Punahou. The



Dean Ho '55 and Ed Jensen '55 celebrating their 70th Reunion under the big tent at Alumni Lū'au.



Euclid Lee '55 under the Alumni Lū'au tent proving that the Class of '55 has a sense of humor.

self-proclaimed "'55 Fossils" found a connection to their youth being back at Punahou. On June 5, lunch at the Outrigger Canoe Club was an opportunity to connect and reflect on their time together as a Class and remember the classmates who have gone before them. Mahalo to Cindy Mahoney and Tay Perry who coordinated the events.

Class of 1956

70th REUNION
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I try to visit family and friends on O'ahu as often as possible and, fortunately, my daughter or **Scott** and **Sue Beck '57 May** are still willing to collect me from the airport. I was able to enjoy my birthday in Makiki with the Mays, and then my grandson's high school graduation in Wai'alua. It was a rare treat complete with the Wai'anae Range as backdrop for the graduates on the football stands in the late afternoon sun. Just being at Wai'alua High School made me think of **Diane Larsgaard** McFaul, whose father was the principal out there on the North Shore.

Often, I depend on the phone to keep me connected with friends. On a wonderful talk with **Barbara Burke** Nobriga, she recently shared tales of her work on her Kainaliu ranch or with the beautiful pā'ū riders in numerous yearly parades in Kona. She has been riding in those parades for ages, and she once rode a donkey in a coffee parade when she was a teenager! Now, she helps riders to find calm horses to decorate with lei and helps to arrange the riders' mu'umu'u as they ride astride in honor of Santa Claus or King Kamehameha. It is a huge amount of work, but Barb, her cousin, **Cheeta Wall** Wilson and **Judi Thurston** make a real difference in the community. Barbara also shared that she has been chosen as the Marshall of the Fourth of July parade in Makawao on Maui!

A location that keeps classmates busy and in touch is the Outrigger Canoe Club. **Ron Li** heads there on a daily basis in order to swim, and enjoyed a summer family dinner on that beautiful lanai. David and **Bonnie Frazier** Andrew invited Scott and Sue May to join them for one of the popular monthly dinners featuring our local favorite, stew and rice, and also providing an informative talk by a local expert. I can imagine flying to Honolulu for stew and rice! Bonnie will miss a number of dinners this fall while she is in Baltimore with family for an Orioles game!

I am very grateful to **Dick Cushnie** who recently shared the following news of the death of his twin, **Bill Cushnie**: "Sadly, my twin brother, Bill, passed away in April of this year. He had a health issue that required weekly blood transfusions for the last four and a half years of his life. Bill and I grew up on sugar plantations on the Big Island and Kaua'i before entering Punahou in the 10th grade as boarders in Wilcox Hall. Upon graduation, Bill attended Cal Poly. He then joined C. Brewer & Co. where he had a successful 35-year career in the sugar, macadamia nut and chemical sectors. Bill enjoyed travel, especially cruises, and he had a lifelong love of sports. He played basketball, baseball and did high jump at Punahou. He also played tennis and golf. Bill is survived by his wife, **Bevin Bacon '60** Cushnie, his two sons, five grandsons and four great-grandchildren. Our two sisters, **Patsy Cushnie '54** Donegan and **Jeannie Cushnie '64** Sakovich, predeceased Bill."

Sue May recently heard from her classmate **Margaret Low '57** Orrick that her husband **James Orrick** had died after Easter 2025. James was from Kaua'i and a boarder in 1954 - 1955. Classmates remember Jimmy as a quiet and kind friend. He worked for many years at Hawaiian Telephone, and Sue remembers his wonderful woodworking pieces that were entered in local shows.

As soon as I finish writing this column, I will start gathering information to share about our 70th Class Reunion! Can you imagine that number? Alumni Week is June 1 - 7, with Kūpuna Lū'au on Thursday, June 4, so save the dates! I hope you will keep me posted about news and travel plans. It will be a grand occasion!

Class of 1957

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It's mighty quiet out there amongst the Class of LVII! Lest ye forget, this column is for you, about you, and also reliant upon you for fodder.

Robert Newton, ASID, was pressed for a tidbit, since he suggested a survey of classmates, to wit:

1. Who is still working?
2. Who still travels, and where?
3. What is your most comical memory of the Class of '57?

Robert replies: "Yes, I am still practicing Interior Design in Saint Louis, Missouri. After living here for 50 years, I have worked for my share of 'notables,' and been published in national magazines. I still love what I do, and, like many pros, I don't want to quit. I dote on my clients (and their children, who are now clients), and am so grateful for a professional education at the University of Oregon (and Punahou, of course). Any art inspiration came from Lucile Burtis in junior school, **Dick Nelson '48** in high school, as well as



A fond aloha to Edouard "Ned" Raoul Lamb Doty II '56, who passed away on May 31, 2025 in the United Kingdom. He was born and grew up in Hawai'i, leaving to join the US Air Force, stationed all over the world, retiring and remaining in the United Kingdom until his passing. He talked with such fondness about his time at Punahou and brought Hawai'i with him his whole life.

Brownell Frazier at Oregon – who made me sit next to her during lectures on history of furniture so she could crack my knuckles with a ruler when my mind wandered. I carefully monitor my freezer supply of poi and laulau, and we have a Hawaiian restaurant in Saint Louis when I want poke or saimin. Life is good!"

Laurel Wood Leslie: "After so many of our classmates have passed, I am grateful to still be able to take care of a house, yard, dog and on top of it all, I am still allowed to drive when and where I need to go. I hear that **Juju Pang** still drives. Arlene Hiu tells me he drives her places when she needs to go.

Valerie Erwin Hetherington and **Jay Adler** celebrated their reconnection by hosting a '57 gathering at the Waikiki Yacht Club, with **Jeanne Branch** Johnston's membership, for classmates in the islands. Juju Pang, **Randy Moore**, Ronny and **Doug Kilpatrick**, Laurel Wood Leslie, Jeanne Branch Johnston, **Ginny Brodhead** La Pierre, **Kathleen Cloward** and husband, David Robertson, **Lani Neunzig** Hearn, **Frank Brandt**, and Jan Bryan, **Jon Bryan's** widow, attended. Greetings and family updates were exchanged to bring all attendees up to date, and looking forward to 2027 – our 70th Reunion! Goodies from **Pudding Burke** Lassiter and **Bobby Johnson** were happily consumed by all, especially her home-made green mango li hing mui bottled concoction. Jay and Valerie visited Ralph and **Sarah Cooper** Bunje in California before leaving on the cruise. Jay Adler fell off Pudding's sitting cow, Daisy, at her ranch in Hilo the day before. Quite amusing for all, even Daisy."

Jan Bryan has published a good memoir, "Looking Back: A Psychologist's Memoir of Life and Work," which details a life growing up with a twin sister, as a practicing psychologist, and the demands as a navy wife. Find it online.

Mai poina. Sad to say a final aloha to Emmy-nominated **Dalene Young** Carroll who died in May 2025 in Portland, Oregon. A neat wahine, always active in Punahou theatrics, she went on to a long career performing and screenwriting. Our heart goes out to her husband, Robert Carroll; daughter, Eden; and sister, **Patty Young '64** Glaser.

Class of 1958

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There was a well-attended service in April for **Alvin Narimatsu**. The overflow gathering was held at Diamond Head Memorial Park. Alvin graduated from the University of Hawai'i and worked for a few years in the airline industry before switching to the financial field, ending his career at Merrill Lynch. At Punahou he picked up the nickname "Shige" and was named captain of the football team. **Ed Oshiro** wrote, "I met Alvin when we were on the same little league baseball team in Wahiawā. We both attended Punahou in the 10th grade and



In April, friends from '57 reconnected at the Waikiki Yacht Club. Front row, from left: Valerie Erwin Hetherington and Ginny Brodhead La Pierre. Back row: Frank Brandt, Jay Adler, Laurel Wood Leslie, Ronny Kilpatrick (spouse), Jeanne Branch Johnston, Lani Neunzig Hearn, Randy Moore, Kathleen Cloward Robertson, Dave Robertson (spouse), Juju Pang, Douglas Kilpatrick III and Jan Bryan.

he has been a close friend all these years. Alvin was not the best player on the football team, but he was a very good captain and leader. He lived a good life." **Sherman Hee** added, "Shige was the first person I met whose school clothes (trousers) were custom made!" He is survived by his wife, Sharon, and son, **Landon '00**.

Paul Dahlquist and his wife, Charlene, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 14, 2025 at their home in Waikoloa and invited the Class. In actual attendance were Class siblings, **Judy Folk '64**, sister of **Susie Folk** Thain, and **Bill Sanborn '65**, brother of **Peter Sanborn**. Paul reported, "The party was great – went on way overtime, which we loved. Our son-in-law did an incredible job with the food. (Stephen is a chef and used to operate Under the Bodhi Tree at Mauna Lani and in Pahoa). Lots of nice donations were made to the foodbank. All in all, a great time."

I was corresponding with **Byron Bader** on the subject of shipping cattle from Kona to Honolulu in the days of inter-island steamers. He related that his dad was the chief mate on the Humu'ula and he was taken along on one of the voyages. I remember seeing it, but Byron had the whole experience. The cattle loading took all day with the ship departing in the evening and arriving in Honolulu the next morning. There is a very good video of the operation available on YouTube, just Google search, "Historic footage of paniolo cowboys in Hawai'i (ca. 1937)."

In June, **Karen Benz** Scarvie was pictured on the front page of the Star-Advertiser supporting more dog friendly parks. The park in her Kailua, O'ahu neighborhood does allow dogs on a leash, but she would like to have an off-leash park nearby.

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Susan Johnson Matuszak's granddaughter graduated from Davidson University in North Carolina, majoring in German. She will be teaching English in German schools as part of a Fulbright Scholarship. As an aside from **Karl Polifka**, who was stationed in Germany: "German elementary schools' function from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., then do sports, for 10 1/2 months. They become fluent in a foreign language of their choice, usually English, by the time they are eight or nine."

Over the summer, **Mark Leggett** was off to Seattle to celebrate two birthdays, a high school graduation, and Father's Day. Busy times! His daughter and family are moving to Switzerland in August – her husband is Swiss. Mark and Ellen will really miss them, as will the whole family and all in Seattle.

Here's a little story about Mother's Day. Our own **Lynn Hamilton** tracked down **Diane Devereux** Ackerson and found she had moved into The Ivy at Hawai'i Kai for the purpose of recovering from a badly broken foot. Lynn then called up **Dana Anderson** who was already living in The Ivy in retirement, having sold her beautiful home in Nu'uuanu. Diane then invited Lynn and Dana to share a table with her for the feast on Mother's Day, that included Diane's daughter who made the arrangements. "We had the best time! And the Ivy food was sensational."



Friends from '59, Diane Devereux Ackerson, Lynn Hamilton Jones and Dana Anderson, reunited at The Ivy at Hawai'i Kai for a feast on Mother's Day.



The Class of '60's Sunday picnic on June 8 at Peter Steiner's Waimānalo beachfront house was a highlight during their 65th Reunion Alumni Week. Front row, from left: Carol Morse Wilcox, Mike Marcotte, Jane Paris Nagel, Margie Kepner Durant and Likelike Davis. Middle row: Marie Flynn Bernhard, Connie Hastert, Judy Givens Huffman, Molly Marx Wilkinson, Penny Deming Dupin, Judy Sylva Waterhouse, Kim Waterhouse (Judy's husband), Nick Nagel (Jane's husband), Jimmy Haynes, Charlotte McCleery Duerksen, Byron Easley and Gaylord Wilcox. Back row: Pete Steiner, Jennifer Starr Brumbaugh and David Burr.

Denby Fawcett observed how interesting it is to see how many of those our age downsize into a space/area easier to maintain – a common and wise action. Accept and adapt to reality!

The Alumni Relations office sent all Class correspondents a coaster featuring images of Punahou. Ours was a picture of Cooke Hall, our library. In the picture there is large clock outside under the peak of the roof over the front door. **Jan Collins** Moreno and Karl Polifka do not remember a clock there. Does anyone remember a clock?

Rachel Etter Anderton, surrounded by much of her family, passed away on May 15, 2025 in Huntsville, Alabama. She was very proud of being a Punahou graduate and went on to teach at school, then cooking classes, then a TV cooking show in Portland, Oregon. Her ashes will be spread in Hawai'i, her favorite place, at a later date. **Marilyn Knox** Turner of Kailua passed away in late June 2025. Our condolences to the families.

We all went to Punahou ... often at different times in our lives. We all lived in different places and did different things throughout our lives. The structure and orientation of Punahou prepared us to handle or create complex and necessary capabilities. Almost all of us would enjoy knowing what our fellow classmates are doing now. Please stay in touch.

Class of 1960

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I'm writing this shortly after our 65th Class Reunion, which I didn't attend because of a knee replacement. Fortunately, many of you

have sent photos and news. I'm particularly grateful to **Margie Kepner** Durant, our erstwhile scribe, who laid aside well-deserved retirement to report on much of the Reunion. **Likelike Davis** also contributed a lot, and **Byron Easley**, **Wilette Wong** Thompson and **Bert Itoga** all contributed photos.

Our 65th was a huge success, thanks to all the hard work of the planning committee, chaired by **Marie Flynn** Bernhard and Likelike. Margie was also a very active member of the committee. **John Marrack** agreed to be treasurer and **Jimmy Haynes** helped raise over an astonishing \$2 million dollars for the Class Gift! **Connie Hastert** came from Hawai'i Island to several meetings and was also enormously helpful in setting up the Friday evening party at Roy's Hawai'i Kai and the Sunday picnic. **Peter Steiner** offered the use of his lovely Waimānalo oceanfront house for that picnic. A huge mahalo to all of the above!

From Margie: "Our first event of the Reunion week was the Kūpuna Lū'au at Dole Hall, eliciting memories of canteens, dances and Miss Day! To qualify as kūpuna, at least 65 years had to have passed since your Punahou graduation. As you can imagine, there was a sea of gray hair and a multitude of mobility devices. We enjoyed live Hawaiian music and President **Mike Latham's** '86 pep talk. Four large round tables were designated for '60, offering a great opportunity to reconnect. It was the only event attended by some classmates including high school buddies of Likelike Davis – **Mavis Steinwascher** Lee, **Sybil "Chubby" Burningham** Kahapea and **Zaida Camp** Akeo. **Danielle Wallace** Lightner connected with Kylee Mar, the Punahou archivist, at the Kūpuna Lū'au and arranged to turn over her collection of vintage photographs taken at



Byron Easley '60, Danielle Wallace '60 Lightner and Byron's sister, Diane Easley '61, at the Friday evening cocktail party at Roy's Hawai'i Kai.



Classmates reconnected over lunch at Stephanie Young '60 Hee's home in Nu'uuanu during Alumni Week 2025. From left: Marilyn Wong Gleysteen, Roberta Lee Christianson, Grace Wong Ching, Wilette Wong Thompson and Stephanie Young Hee with her six-year-old granddaughter, Sara Hugh '37.



Anita and Mike Marcotte '60 with Wilette Wong '60 Thompson at the Kūpuna Lū'au during Alumni Week 2025.



Morning coffee with friends from 1960 at Bert Itoga's when classmates traveled to Honolulu for Alumni Week. Front row, from left: Jerry Pang, John Marrack, Vernon Woo and Wilette Wong Thompson. Back row: Bert Itoga, Dave Burr, Likelike Davis and Molly Marx Wilkinson.



Starting the day with classmates and good food at Zippy's during Alumni Week 2025. From left: Laraine Minatoya '60 Tanabe, Carolyn Chock '60 Ng and Wilette Wong '60 Thompson.

Cotillion on the Royal Hawaiian grounds, where her father, Dan Wallace, taught countless Punahou students ballroom dancing.

"Roy's Hawai'i Kai was an awesome venue for the 1960 Friday night party with its beautiful view of Maunalua Bay. The banquet room was decked out in buff 'n blue tablecloths and lovely floral arrangements put together by our talented Likelike Davis. It was great to talk story with friends of yore in such a delightful setting. Guests of classmates included Florida resident **Byron Easley's** sister, **Diane Easley '61** of Kona; the teenage granddaughter of **Charlotte McCleery** Duerksen of Tennessee; and Judy Schmidt, a friend of Danielle Wallace Lightner, who now resides in Arizona.

"It was estimated that there were over 2,000 people at the 2025 Alumni Lū'au, a festive occasion with very loud Hawaiian music and hula followed by another loud but wonderful concert featuring **Henry Kapono Ka'aihue '67**. Having a conversation was nearly impossible so almost all our classmates cleared out soon after pigging out on the 'onolicious lū'au food. My husband, **Mike Durant '58**, our house guest, **Jennifer Starr** Brumbaugh and I stayed until the concert was pau. Jen's eldest son, Ian is an accomplished drummer living on the East Coast, so she took a special interest in Henry's impressive drummer.

"The Sunday picnic was a highlight with live Hawaiian music. **Gaylord** and **Carol Morse Wilcox** waded out into the ocean to scatter

plumerias in memory of departed classmates – as the trio played "Aloha 'Oe." Chicken skin! **David Burr** blessed our food, and **Judy Givens** Huffman, who is a lay minister in Arizona, later lead classmates in a litany. The memorial poster put together by Likelike Davis decades ago was on view at the Waimānalo picnic as well as at Roy's. Sadly, we've lost 27 classmates in the last five years!"

Margie's report and others make me sad that I was not there. I've seen photos of the decorations Likelike Davis did for various events, and they were really stunning!

Nat Norfleet's son, Alex, put on Facebook, the sad announcement of his father's death in California on June 8, 2025. Those who remember Nat could appreciate Alex's



Meymo Lemon '61 and Meredith Prock '61 spent the day together in Washington.



Bill '61 and Carol Kagawa '62 Ouchi with their family at grandson Ryan Tsai's graduation from Yale University.

comment, "He had a unique way of connecting with people, whether through kindness, mischief or a little of both." **Madeline Bristol** Huddy's longtime friends recently learned of her death in South Carolina, in 2020. And **Shirley Fujisaki** Laskey's husband, Walter, died on May 2, 2025. Our hearts go out to the families of all the deceased.

I had a nice phone chat with **Keoki Kellerman** in California in late May. His two younger sons, the Class babies, are all grown up and doing wonderful things. Kai has just got a PhD in Clinical Psychology from Rutgers, and is doing a residency and post-doctorate work at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. Ki'i is finishing up a master's in European Studies at Trinity College, Dublin. Keoki is in good health, but glaucoma has destroyed his vision, so he can no longer do email, cell phones, etc. He would love to talk on the phone with any classmate who wishes to ring him, however, and asked me to put his phone number in the column. It is: (209) 533-9083.

note for planning purposes that we will be invited to Kūpuna Lū'au, hosted by President **Mike Latham '86**, for Classes celebrating their 65th Reunion and beyond. This event will be held on Thursday, June 4, 2026, during Alumni Week. **Frank McCreary** has already offered to co-lead the fundraising part of the Reunion as long as I help him, so I agreed.

It seems like only yesterday that we celebrated our 80th birthdays and now we are welcoming our 82nd. We did it in grand style at the Kahalu'u Fishpond with nearly 50 classmates in August 2023. There is no reason not to do it again, possibly in conjunction with Alumni Week.

Bob Warren wrote that he would miss the Reunion as he and his wife will be in Europe on a cruise. He remembers fondly the 80th birthday party and would like to see it happen again as it may be the last time he will get to visit with classmates with whom he started in kindergarten.

Bill Ouchi wrote a nice update note: "Thanks for your always fun-to-read Class notes. Here is a photo of my wife, **Carol Kagawa '62** Ouchi and me with some of our family at the Yale graduation of grandson Ryan Tsai. Ryan set a family record by graduating Summa Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa. Our son, Andy, and

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Here are interesting numbers about our Class. Per Punahou's records, there were 693 of us who attended Punahou as members of the Class of 1961. Of these classmates, Punahou has contact information on 309 of us, does not have contact information on another 244, and list a total of 130 classmates who are deceased. There were 398 of us who graduated in 1961.

By the time you are reading this article, we will be less than a year away from celebrating our 65th Punahou School Reunion in June 2026. Monthly Reunion planning has begun. Please



Sharon Young '61, Barry Baer '61 and Nancy Ayres '61 Hawes caught up over lunch in San Francisco.

his wife, Ellen Sugar, lost their house in the Altadena Fire but have just bought a house in Pasadena close to the Polytechnic School that their sons Ben (9) and Henry (6) attend. It is pre-K – 12 and has some qualities similar to those of Punahou. Best wishes to all!"

In June, much to the surprise and delight of **Meredith Prock** her classmates, **Anson** and **Meymo Lemon Rego**, drove four hours from where they were visiting family in Spokane, Washington to spend the day and have dinner with her, then they drove back to Spokane the next morning. Meredith reports they had a great time visiting.

While in San Francisco for a family event with my sister, **Lynne Baer '64**; and my brother, **Les Baer '67** – Sue and I enjoyed lunch with Russel and **Sharon Young Woo** and **Nancy Ayres Hawes**. It was great to catch up!

As we reach this season of our lives, we are receiving more and more notices of the loss of our classmates, and it brings a sadness reflecting on the loss of those with whom we have known.

Suzanne Kudlich Wright wrote Meredith Prock about the loss of **Roberta "Berta" Parker '62** Smith. They were best friends since they were seven years old in 'Āina Haina. Susan wanted friends to know about this loss.

We also learned of the death of **Tom Askins** on Nov. 18, 2024. Tom attended Punahou from seventh through 10th grades. Meredith said that their families were close, so she knew him well from his small-kid days, but lost touch with him several years ago.

We really like hearing about you and what is going on in your life. Please keep those updates coming.

Aloha,
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Greetings, '62ers!

I write this from my home in Frisco, Texas in the spring, where summer started early this year and it's HOT! HOT! HOT! I look forward to traveling to Hawai'i and staying long enough to avoid the hottest part of the summer!

Sadly, the only news to report at this time is the loss of two more members of our Class – **Roberta (Berta) Parker Smith** and **Wanda Wong**.

A note from Berta's husband, Smitty, advised me that she passed suddenly and unexpectedly on April 5, 2025 while they were on vacation in Mexico. Smitty related that he was able to hold her as their kumu, Keala Ching, "chanted her passage through to the other side." (Ancient



Hau'oli lā hānau! Roger McNicoll, Linda Haynes Abbott and Alan Van Etten from the Class of '63 celebrated their 80th birthdays with classmates at the Honolulu Elks Lodge in Waikiki. Front row, from left: Mary-Thelma Olson Schlink, Rae Kong Gorman and Robby Estes. Middle row: Pixie St. Denis, Donna Rego Ede, Lizzy Cooper Lowrey and Chalsa Loo. Back row: Roger McNicoll, Linda Haynes Abbott and Alan Van Etten.

spiritual passage via the miracle of modern electronics.) Surely, all who knew Roberta will miss her warm smile and engaging laughter! A celebration of life is planned for early 2026 at their home in Kailua-Kona, followed by burial at sea at Puapua'a on the Kona coast. Sincerest sympathies to Smitty and the family!

At the time of this writing, the only information I have about Wanda's passing came from the Alumni Office and had been passed along to them from an alumna who had traveled with Wanda last year. A memorial service was held on June 23, 2025 in Honolulu. Our sympathies go out to her brother, **Lloyd Wong '64**; her sons, **Eric '88, Mike '90 and Kealoha '95**; and all family members.

I am hoping to hear from those of you who are enjoying our journey through our 80s! Take care, stay well and safe, and keep in touch! Til next time ... Aloha!

Class of 1963

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Has anyone said that old age is an adventure? Congratulations and happy birthday to everyone who is still making it along the path and celebrating milestones like our 80th this year!

Mary-Thelma Olson Schlink would like more Class news about the fun things that people are still doing like traveling to Europe or Big Sur, California. She's forever grateful to classmates in the Punahou Glee Club who made her big move back home from Los Gatos, California to Honolulu more welcoming.

Susan King Brown from New York City: "We spend a lot of weekends and much of the summer upstate, just not January to March, which is either cold and gray or very muddy. I do all the things I always did – singing, cooking and hiking. Peter and I have two granddaughters now, both very fun, but being a late bloomer makes me laugh. **Marsha Ogilvie** Erickson's first grandchildren were born when Peter and I were on our honeymoon. I sometimes drop in on **Louise Mitsuda** Hillman and we catch up a bit. She has a fabulous backyard garden with extraordinary plants everywhere. Her two grandsons are late teens now, one in college." **Carol Millard** Yamashita is "still regularly doing pottery and going to the craft fair and green market in Waimea."

David Wiig: "Spent Father's Day at the Vietnam War's moving wall exhibit at Columbia Airport. I drove a deuce and a half 6 x 6 truck during my stateside assignment at Camp Swampy, Georgia, where Beetle Bailey was stationed. This was 1968 – 1969."

Many thanks to **Donald Eastlake III** whose special image enhancement software allows us to publish the many photos that appear with our Class notes, such as the three with this issue. He is one of the most active of our classmates traveling with his wife to science fiction conferences, and whatever interesting event is going on, such as an eclipse or eruption.

Alan Van Etten and **Roger McNicoll** are still busy having fun working. But if you're like me and spend more time with books, being 80 presents new mental adventures and



David Wiig '63 reminisces driving heavy trucks at Camp Swampy, Georgia, during the Vietnam War.



This great band of brothers from the Class of '64 has been meeting in downtown Honolulu for Friday lunch at Ginger & Garlic for decades. From left: Leigh-Wai Doo, Mike Lum, Neal Okabayashi, Jeff Nishi, Wing Tek Lum, Bill Yuen and Larry Lau.

realizations. I have discovered "The World Without Us" by Alan Weisman, which many claim will become a classic. I highly recommend it along with "Combat-Ready Kitchen: How the U.S. Military Shapes the Way You Eat" by Anastacia Marx de Salcedo. And a coffee table reference in my house is "Prescription Alternatives" by Earl L. Mindell, with "hundreds of safe, natural, prescription-free remedies to restore and maintain your health."

Nadine Yoshimura Grant passed away in May, at her home in Cupertino, California. She is survived by her husband, David; son, Dari; and grandson, Atticus. Nadine graduated from UC Berkeley, and worked in Silicon Valley for several companies before starting her own consulting firm, Managing American Performance. She helped to found the Keizai Society, a networking organization for businesses in the US and Japan.

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Mark your calendars! We will be celebrating our 80th Ho'olaule'a in Sonoma Class Reunion, May 25–28, 2026, at Bishop Ranch in Healdsburg, California. This will be our 80th birthday year that we are celebrating, not our 80th Reunion! Events in the Healdsburg area have been coordinated by **John** and **Carolyn Lundquist Madison**, and **Dewey** and **Susan Budd Watson**. Over 90 classmates and spouses have signed

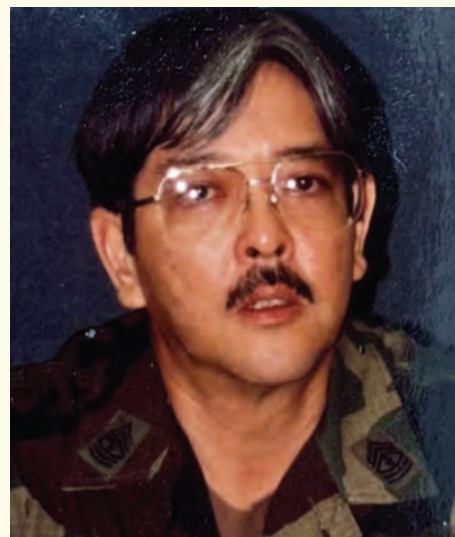
up, and lodging at the Ranch is oversubscribed, so let John Madison, johnsmadison@aol.com, know if you want him to put you on a wait list. If there are any cancellations, John will move you to the Ranch lodging in the order received on the wait list. Meanwhile, you should go ahead and reserve lodging in the Healdsburg area, as there may not be any Bishop Ranch cancellations. We sure made some great memories at our 70th in Sonoma 10 years ago, so you don't want to miss the 80th!

A hui for life? Why not! Since the beginning of time, **Gordon Mau** and **Ronnie Yee** had lunch at a little hole-in-the-wall on King Street downtown, Ken Fong Restaurant. As time passed, classmates would walk by and see Gordon and Ronnie at Ken Fong and join them at their lunch table. The Chinese food was excellent, as was the conversation! Oh, what memories! In a short time, the Lunch Bunch grew to six and Ken Fong could no longer accommodate the Class of '64, so they moved to Ginger & Garlic on Smith Street, where they have been meeting each Friday ever since. (In Chinese fashion, even as the Lunch Bunch grew to ten or twelve, the tab was picked up by one individual each week after a small fight for the honor.) The Lunch Bunch now is slowly declining in number. With the passing this year of **Ronnie Yee** and **Stephen Lee**, the Bunch is back to four or five each Friday. From time to time, the Class of '64 Lunch Bunch has included **Gordon Mau**, **Ronnie Yee**, **Bill Yuen**, **Stephen Lee**, **Wing Tek Lum**, **Mike Lum**, **Leigh-Wai Doo**, **Neal Okabayashi**, **Larry Lau**, **Tyler Yajima**, **Ken Chang**, **Andy Tong** and **Jeff Nishi**. A true band of brothers, to say the least!

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First, we want to thank our 60th Reunion Committee, **Alice Takaki Aoki**, **Cathy Kasparovitch Arnold**, **Cookie Doo Ayabe**, **Chuck Braden**, **Alan Chang**, **Allan Chock**, **Susan Erdman**, **Elaine Garrett Evans**, **Marylou Hata Foley**, **Tom Foley**, **Deenie Ishida Kimura**, **Robby Ostrem**, **Daryl Sato**, **Ronald Silva**, **Lisa Starr**, **Lorna Takehara Strand** and **Malcom Tom**, for a fabulous, over the top get together! Many of



A fond aloha to **Robert Iwao Nishi '65**, who passed away on Sept. 10, 2024.



Classmates from '65 patiently learn the art of making feather lei at Cathy Kasparovitch Arnold's home on Hawai'i Island. From left: Susan Warner, Bonnie Buntain, Cathy Arnold and Susan Chang.



Lowell Angell '65, Daryl Sato '65 and Bill Sanborn '65 talking story at the Outrigger Canoe Club.

our classmates sent their reflections on our Reunion, as Liljestrand House docent, Elaine Evans wrote, "Taking time to remember our lost classmates was very meaningful in addition to seeing everyone in person." We had 91 classmates and 48 guests in attendance, and we think that might be a record for a 60th Reunion.

Sally Hodgins-Inkster shared that "small group sharing throughout the week was the most important experience for me." Daryl Sato agreed, and expressed his desire for more one-on-one time with classmates during the very busy week. "I am wishing I had more time with each classmate. I was wanting to discuss school and growing up memories. I was feeling

so connected to everyone, and wanting to share 'stories' with their mates."

Most classmates shared that reconnecting with each other after 10 long years since our 50th Reunion (remember we did not have a 55th due to COVID-19) was more meaningful and significant than they could have imagined. As we age and grow in gratitude, honoring our many departed classmates was extremely touching for all of us who were fortunate enough to attend.

Bob and Margo Abbott Rowland shared: "Due to an unexpected grand entry into **Scott Garvey's** incredible Kula home for the Maui reunion, we missed the LXV Honolulu Reunion!" They literally "fell into the party," with a missed

step sending them both falling forward – head over heels in Margo's case. Bob broke some ribs and Margo got a concussion. Fortunately, they are both healing (healed well by the time you read this).

Event and food memories: The poi mochi donuts from Liliha Bakery provided by **Paula Rath**, refueled us at the Pacific Club pickleball tournament; delicious fresh fruit, hot coffee and wonderful croissants that Marylou Foley and **Roger Ulveling** had waiting for us at their Waimānalo home where we met for an early morning beach cleanup (we never made it to the beach!); the special luncheon and hula by Cathy Ostrem and Cathy Arnold at the Natsunoya Tea House on 'Ālewa Heights; the outstanding Outrigger Canoe Club lunch and



Marylou Hata '65 Foley's Waimānalo home was the gathering place for the friends of '65 for their Reunion Breakfast and Beach Cleanup.



Congratulations to Patricia Morgan '66 on being named Kama'āina of the Year! Front row, from left: David Morgan '72, Keali'iloma King '66 Lanzilotti, Patricia Morgan '66, Ananda Ferreira and Molly Morgan. Back row: Carri Morgan, Lindsey Morgan '09 O'Neil, John Morgan '74 and Jason Morgan '01.



Friends and family together at the Hawaiian Mission Houses. Front row, from left: Patricia Morgan '66, Jan Roby '62 Loomis and Susan Roby '66 Fernandes. Back row: Bob Loomis and Frank Fernandes.

the memorial service with music provided by **Fred Hee** and his musicians, and the 'ono buffet at Duke's Waikīkī on Sunday as we brought the Reunion to a close.

Carolyn Stapleton, a Methodist minister, **Alan Cathcart** and Susan Erdman led a poignant and warm memorial for our deceased classmates. Alumni were invited to speak about individual classmates if we were moved to do so. Many participated. Paula Rath noted that "with a deft hand and a Hawaiian heart, our deceased classmate **Rob Luck** wrote a novel 'Tides of Wailuna.'" In it, he eloquently captured the spirit of 'ohana, a concept that is not simple to define. We wished that Rob had been there to join us at this Reunion. He would have loved to share the palpable sense of 'ohana evident at the memorial service and throughout our days together. I hope our many classmates who have passed on enjoyed the fragrance of the plumeria blossoms provided by **Lisa Starr** that we tossed on the ocean waters at the Outrigger Canoe Club. We were reminded of tossing of remembrance lei at our 50th Reunion at **Sydney Pietsch** Kenny's beach home in 2015.

Of course, the Alumni Lū'au where over 2,000 alumni and guests were served, was a major highlight! Interesting factoid: the third graders grew and harvested the taro, that was served as poi this year. Now that is the Punahou 'ohana which made that poi extra special!

The Reunion continued from June 8 – 11 at Cathy Arnold's home on Hawai'i Island. This is where four of our classmates, **Susan Warner**, **Bonnie Buntain** and Susan and Alan Chang, gathered for fun times that included learning how to make feather lei.

From Makiki to Maui to Hilo, LXV classmates gathered to reunite with each other and celebrate our wonderful 'ohana!

Class of 1966

60th REUNION
JUNE 1 – 7, 2026

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From **Charlot Albao Boll**:

Greetings, dearest classmates!

The cover of the 1975 Punahou Bulletin featured the Alexander Grocery Store, and in the Alumni Notes my beginning as a Class correspondent, the first connection through our Class column with all of you. This marks a 50-year anniversary as one of your Class correspondents. Thank you to those who sincerely take the time and effort to contribute to keep it going.

One of our faithful contributors who always responds without hesitation is **Ed Lohmann**. This time we asked for a few words of encouragement to those on the fence about attending our 60th Class Reunion. Ed immediately shared: "Our 50th Reunion was spectacular. It is hard to believe that 10 years have passed since then. It was a magical week of celebration, catching up with classmates and solidifying friendships. I hope that our 60th brings us more joy and creates more memories. I send everyone much aloha."

Our 60th Class Reunion chairs, **Carter Pruyn** Reynolds and **Bo Hunter** have set the activities: On Wednesday, June 3, at Ho'okupu Center is the memorial for classmates who have passed; Thursday, June 4, will be the all alumni, school-

hosted E Ho'i Mai; Friday, June 5, will be at Carter's Kāhala residence; Saturday, June 6, will be the Alumni Lū'au on campus and on Sunday we will conclude our Reunion with a picnic at Kualoa Ranch. Please save these dates.

As a gift to all of you, here is one of my favorite poems, "Live with a Dancing Spirit" by Daisaku Ikeda, named by the World Academy of Arts and Culture as World Poet Laureate.

Live with a dancing spirit
The stars in the heavens are dancing through space;
the earth never ceases to spin.

All life is dancing:
the trees with the wind,
the waves on the sea,
the birds,
the fish,
all performing their own dance of life.

Every living thing is dancing,
and you must keep dancing too,
for the rest of your life!

Can't wait to see you all soon! Let's keep dancing everybody!

From **Louise Keali'iloma King Lanzilotti**:

I was honored to attend the Hawaiian Historical Society's Annual event, which honored **Patricia Morgan** as the Kama'āina of the Year. Patricia has spent years supporting the work of the Mission Houses, the Daughters of Hawai'i, O'ahu Cemetery by helping these institutions to not only stay open in these challenging times, but to thrive. I spent a lot of my childhood at Kualoa Ranch with the Morgan family, so it was wonderful to also reunite with **David Morgan '72**, **John Morgan '74** and his wife, Carri (former Punahou faculty), **Jason Morgan '01** and wife,



Raimo Alhoke '67 at his summer home in Posio, Finland, just below the Arctic Circle in southern Lapland.

Molly, **Lindsey Morgan '09** O'Neil and Ananda Ferreira, the CEO of O'ahu Cemetery. Many others turned out to thank Patricia for her tireless and ongoing work on behalf of Hawai'i.

While **Susan Roby** Fernandes and her sister, **Jan Roby '62** Loomis, were in town for Jan's grandson's promotion to Lieutenant Commander, we caught up at the Mission Houses. Susan and Frank live in Austin, Texas, and Jan and Bob were visiting from Poway, California. The historical Mission Houses were a great location for their visit: Susan and Jan are members of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas and it was a Loomis missionary cousin who brought the first printing press to the islands, now in the Mission Houses. Susan is retired after a career with AECOM and the U.S. Business Council for Sustainable Development. She and Frank enjoy traveling, bird hunting with their dogs, and keeping up with their nieces and nephews.

Class of 1967

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Hello Classmates,

May this be greeting you with a joyful and busy beginning of fall!

Brent Berk sends his best to all classmates: "Things are going good for me. I retired from the insurance business several years ago after 45 years doing life, health and securities work. My daughter, **Andrea Berk '99** Malone, continues to do well as a vacation club guide at Aulani, A Disney Resort & Spa. My son, Brett, is also doing well. He has Down's syndrome, and does well and has a lot of support in the community. I'm very active in the Olympic movement and was President of the Hawai'i Olympians for eight years until recently."

Visiting from Texas to party in paradise and see some friends were **Madelyn Stopford** Stephens and **Naomi Nakandakari** Wilson with husband Dale who arrived in Honolulu over the summer.

From the part of Finland south of the Arctic Circle is a message from **Raimo Alhoke**: "This is fourth year that we will stay in the Posio summer home for all three summer months fishing, hiking in the wilderness, picking wild berries, hosting the next generation, and of course having a sauna almost every day! During the weekend we smoked two trout that we caught with a spoon bait. Enjoying good food with a little white wine, is one of the best moments for the day. Just now we have no guests, just Eija and me. I think one reason might be that the weather has been exceptionally cold and windy. Every morning though, at nine o'clock I will take my morning swim in the lake in refreshing 55-degree water. The midnight sun will appear in about two more weeks. Hopefully the real summer begins soon. Last year we had almost 50 days over 77 degrees, but this 'summer' only two days over 75 so far. At the same time, southern Europe is dangerously hot and dry over 100 F. No wonder we are often missing Hawaiian weather. Greetings to everybody, Eija and Raimo."

From **Brian Sullam**: "This spring I traveled to Barcelona and Zaragoza to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the founding of School Year Abroad (SYA), a program that brings U.S. high school juniors to Spain, France and Italy for an immersive language study. Thanks to Mr. Wetzel's encouragement, I applied and was admitted as one of 15 students in SYA's second year (1965 – 1966 academic year). At the reunion I caught up with two of my classmates and made acquaintances with people from subsequent classes. I also reconnected with two of the three children of the family I lived with for six months. We remarked how much we have aged since we last were together in



Steve Piper '68, granddaughter Piper Fox '21 and Patricia Obrock '62 Piper celebrating Piper's graduation from McDaniel College in May 2025.

1970 and how many children and grandchildren we had. The reunion reminded me that I was fortunate to have developed a deep sense of self-reliance living in a country half-way around the world from Hawai'i. I mastered a foreign language and was able to communicate with teachers, shopkeepers, waiters, bartenders, beggars and petty criminals. I also learned what it was like to live under an oppressive dictatorship. After returning to Punahou in the fall of 1966, I remember thinking my year in Spain prepared me well for college and the life I led afterwards."

Our classmate, **Thomas Stewart Reppun**, passed away on June 5, 2025. A celebration of life was held on Aug. 2, 2025 at Thurston Memorial Chapel. We send our aloha to his wife and classmate, **Marilyn Kanani Lum** Reppun, and the extended Reppun 'ohana including sons, **Eric '92** (Olga), **Alika '95** (Jill '96) and **Will '01** (Mahina) Reppun; grandchildren, **Henry '24**, **Parker '26**, **Anna '27** and **Jack '28** Reppun; siblings, **Martha Reppun '63** Beachy (Glenn), **Charlie '65** (Vivien), **Paul '68** (Laurie), **John '70** (Lanette), **David '72** and **Josh '76** (Cheryl) Reppun; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Be well. Be grateful. Be healthy. Smile plenty.

Class of 1968

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Kyle Metcalf posted a picture of the majorettes from the Oahuan on our Punahou Class of 1968 Facebook in May. I emailed the picture to classmates who are not on Facebook and received these humorous responses.

Rosemary Whalen Polen: "This picture brings back memories. Wow. I must say, however, I was a lousy majorette. If I threw my baton in the air, it was 50/50 that I would catch it. Gave me ulcers." **Marilyn Garvey**: "Love it. Oh, the



Mike '69 and Dayna Davis '69 Garvin enjoyed a visit with Sherwood Conant '69 and Lili Dryan-Conant at their home in Wailua, Kaua'i. From left: Sherwood Conant, Lili Dryan-Conant and Mike Garvin.



Dayna Davis '69 Garvin and Mike Garvin '69 in the tomb of Tutankhamun in Luxor, Egypt.

memories." Marilyn lives in Costa Rica and travels every six months to see her kids and grandkids in California, Florida, Mexico and Seattle. **Cora Lum Cardwell**: "OMG!"

Congratulations to **Rocky Higgins** who received Punahou's Old School Award in a ceremony with other awardees during Alumni Week in June. The award is presented to an individual who exemplifies the spirit of Punahou through outstanding service to the school. Rocky has been a long-time advocate of cleaning the Lily Pond of invasive fish and plants. Rocky joins **Steve Piper**, **Lita Thompson Blankenfeld** and **Larry Langley** as recipients of the award.

Congratulations to Daralynn and Rocky Higgins who welcomed grandbaby No. 3 when Remy Nalu Higgins was born on June 10, 2025 to Molly and **Kainoa Higgins '04** in Tacoma, Washington. Remy's older sister, Hazel, is three years old.

Tim Wong joined the grandparenthood club on May 28, 2025 with the arrival of Haloa. He is the pride and joy of Tim's son, **Alex '05**, and Makana Aipa.

Steve and Pat Obrock '62 Piper attended their granddaughter **Piper Fox's '21** graduation from McDaniel College in Westminster, Maryland at the end of May. Piper is headed to William & Mary for grad school in the fall. The Pipers headed home to Sisters, Oregon to open the 18th annual Poppy (that's what Steve's grandkids call him) Summer Camp. Granddaughter, **Bella Fox '27**, flew in from Honolulu for six weeks of camping and adventure with Poppy and Pat.

In June, **Leonard Zalopany** joined his family to see his grandson Keli'i's graduation ceremony at Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Washington.

In April, Linda and Larry Langley played tourists in New York City, visiting the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York, the unbelievable Longwood Gardens in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, Washington, D. C. and Williamsburg, Virginia. They had coffee with **Randy Bisho '70** and **Val Uyehara '73** lto in Cooperstown; dinner with **Pat Roos** and her husband, Chip, in D.C.; and dinner with **Eric Greenwood** in Williamsburg.

Linda McFaull Perry was in Honolulu in August to represent her family when her brother, **David '66**, and **Joan Rothwell** Liu's brother, **Michael '72**, were posthumously inducted into the Hawai'i Sports Hall of Fame at a ceremony at the Honolulu Country Club. The duo won a silver medal at the 1976 Summer Olympics in Montreal sailing David's tornado-class catamaran.

Marsha Greenwell's grandson, Garrett Beck, joined the newly introduced wrestlers in the WWE stable in June. Look for him on WWE telecasts on cable television.

The summer paddling regatta season brought our classmates into the 6-man outriggers in the Masters 70 half mile races. **Mary Crabb Fern** and **Lita Blankenfeld** were undefeated the first month of the season for Hui Nalu; Rocky Higgins, **Denny Fern '66** and **Mickey Walsh '66** were paddling for Hui Nalu; **Tiare Richert-Finney** came out of retirement and was coaching the Outrigger Canoe Clubs 60-65-70 women's crews and steering when needed; **Gaylord Miyata** was in Manu O Ke Kai's boat; and **Iris Mountcastle** was in Hawaiian Canoe Club's 70s boat on Maui. Maybe Mary and Lita faced off with Iris and Tiare's crews at the state championship race on August 2 in Lahaina. **Kenny Bailey** has traded his six-person canoe for a new V1 (one person) canoe.

Tiare was in Sandy Hollow, Utah with **Brant Ackerman** and friends earlier this year riding dune buggies up and over rocks and mountain climbing. She said it was terrifying, but oh so much fun.

Sorry to report that **Kimo Dowsett** passed away on June 15, 2025. He will be remembered for his love of the ocean and for sharing his passion for sailing with family and friends.

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Mike and Dayna Davis Garvin sent a photo inside the tomb of Tutankhamun in Luxor, Egypt, where they rang in the New Year. Their plans to continue on to Jordan took an unexpected turn when Dayna suffered an acute asthma attack that developed into pneumonia. Instead of exploring Jordan, she spent seven days recovering in a hospital in Aswan. "Although I hated to miss Petra and the Dead Sea in Jordan, my hospital stay in Egypt was an experience I'll never forget! The Egyptian doctors were amazing, and the nursing staff, so kind.

"Before heading to Egypt, we enjoyed a visit with Lili Dryan-Conant and **Sherwood Conant** at their home in Wailua, Kaua'i. Now both retired, Sherwood has sold his large Kilauea farm and spends his time surfing and tending his five-acre yard. A cancer survivor who lost part of his tongue, Sherwood still has a knack for storytelling – leaving everyone around him laughing."



These are students from the Class of 1969 who were in Miss Hillman's seventh grade homeroom. Are you one of them? If yes, send a memory to Vicki Sandelin '69 Reisner or Victoria Judd '69 Hill! Emails are at the top of the Class column. Mahalo to Joan Blackshear-Leech '69 for this photo.

We wanted to share this beautiful message from **John De Fries** in response to the news of **Mahi Martin Riley's** passing: "I'm grateful for the rich memories of the meaningful times shared with Mahi – memories that will continue to live on. Māhealani refers to the full moon, which graced our skies this past Wednesday and will return every 28 days. Until she shines down upon us once again ... a hui hou, Māhealani. A hui hou."

From **Joan Blackshear-Leech**: "Jim and I are doing well. We've been doing a lot of gardening lately – thanks to the steady rain we've had every afternoon here in Holualoa for the past couple of months. In fact, it's been so wet that we actually turned off our irrigation system! I really enjoy working in the garden – probably thanks to some 'early training' during the summers. My sister, **Barbara Blackshear '68** Anderson and I spent our summers with

Auntie Carrie and Auntie **Margaret Shipman (1909)** at the Reed's Island house in Hilo. We loved weeding their beautiful Victorian-style flower garden.

"We recently went to a dear friend's 80th birthday party (yes, we've reached that stage!) right here in Holualoa. There must have been over 50 people there. As I was making my way through the crowd, I turned around and found myself face-to-face with Wing and **Jim Takakuwa** – what a surprise! They both looked wonderful and equally surprised to see us! It was such a treat to run into Punahou friends.

"I've also started tackling what feels like a never-ending decluttering project. I'm reminded of something an elderly neighbor once told me when I lived in Santa Monica in the '80s: 'The first 50 years you collect, and the next 50 you get rid of!' So true!"

Joan also shared this wonderful Class photo. After a bit of sleuthing, we discovered it's Miss Hillman's 7th grade homeroom. What a terrific-looking group of students – just more proof that the Class of 1969 is truly unforgettable.

Class of 1970

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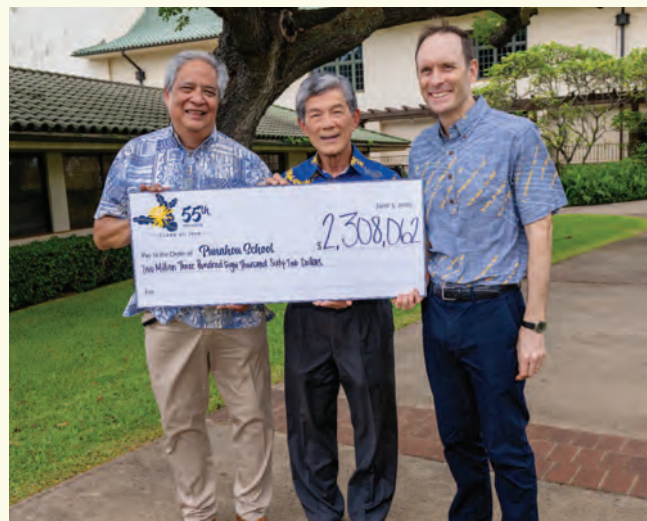
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The Class of 1970 continues to do things differently together. Our 55th Reunion celebration started with a gathering on Maui, at Napili Bay, before kicking off the more traditional Alumni Week on O'ahu.

I am thrilled by the number of classmates that attended the Reunion for the first time or for



Classmates from '70, Mike Kometani, Craig Nakamura and Steve Ching, enjoyed time together at Hale Pōhaku during Alumni Week 2025.



Mahalo to the Class of 1970 that presented a generous gift to Punahou on the celebration of their 55th Class Reunion. From left: Former Punahou President Jim Scott '70, Russell Lau '70 and President Mike Latham '86.



Three buff 'n blue water lovers at the Kaimuki-Wai'ālae YMCA pool. From left: Molly Marx '60 Wilkinson, Tom Mullen '80 and Toni Afook '70 Takata.



Classmates gathered on the beach at Hale Pōhaku to celebrate and say aloha to their '70 'ohana who have gone before them. After the service lead by Dianne Arakawa '70, classmates Doug Ostrem, John Bustard and John Mounts dropped a stone with the name of each departed classmate, beyond the break at Waimānalo Beach.

the first time in many years. It was great seeing **Keith Ingram**, **Gail Simpson** Owen, **Dana Bell** Kuyper, **Hayden Aluli**, **Janeen Clemens** McAllister, **David Suzuki**, **Marshall Loui**, **Lloyd Kobayashi**, **Dianne Arakawa**, **Valerie Nip** Micklus, **Nancy Weyand** Kuboyama, **Buster Chapman**, **Keith Ingram**, **Randy Weled** and **Dan Deacon**.

I know that being a Punahou spouse is not always easy. Lisa Morris has warned me for years, "Don't forget the spouses." For years, Peter Milstein (**Ceseli Fisher** Milstein) dreaded going to Reunions, but he has warmed in recent years and noted, "this was the best Reunion ever." Tim Owen (**Gail Simpson** Owen) joined our classmates in France and attended

his first Hawai'i Reunion and loved his new 'ohana. Steve Primiano (**Janice Johnston** Primiano) got the fever at your 51st Reunion and "will never miss another." Jerry Kuyper (**Dana Bell** Kuyper) attended his first Reunion and enjoyed the Maui introduction and was part of the gang by the time we got to Waimānalo. Steve Tait (**Wendy Alexander** Tait) has always enjoyed being around Wendy's friends, dating back to college, but since our San Diego reunion he has been a consistent Punahou Spouse. Beth Deacon (**Dan Deacon**) pledges to join Dan in the future, now that Dan is back in the rotation. Dan also owes me a trip to Texas as a payoff on a 1982 bet on an Arkansas v. North Carolina football game.

Lisa and I enjoyed our visit with Debra Davis (**Keith Davis**) and talking about Arkansas Razorback football, basketball and baseball, as Keith is now a fellow Arkansan. Julianne Veal (**Keith Ingram**) visited from Florida. Nancy Smith (**Dale Smith**) and Margaret Chapman (**Buster Chapman**) enjoyed the community of our days on Maui and were integrated fully at the Alumni Lū'au. I know I didn't get to visit with all of the spouses, but it should be known that you are all appreciated. Please reach out to me.

Congratulations to our **Connie Hee** Lau, a Punahou Trustee for 30 years, who was awarded the "O" in Life Award by the Punahou



A group of '70ers and their spouses kicked off their 55th Reunion with a gathering on Maui at Nāpili Bay before heading to Honolulu for Alumni Week 2025.



Hana hou! The evening at Hale Pōhaku closed with great musicians from the Class of '70, Gary Pacarro, Steve Emura and Gary Bagwell, with vocals by Joan Gossett (pictured), Jim Scott and Candace Johnson. Fellow '70 musicians, Mike Kometani, Max Sword and Keith Davis also helped entertain throughout the 55th Reunion celebrations.

Alumni Association. It is the most prestigious honor, given to an individual who exemplifies the ideals of service to Punahou and the community. She was honored at a luncheon in May at the President's Pavilion where fellow trustees, past "O" in Life awardees, school administrators and family members celebrated her.

An increasing number of classmates have been gathering on Maui for the past five years – headed by the tireless energy of **Gary** and **Gwen Gronau '72 Pacarro**, Laura and **Steve Emura**, **Randy Bisho**, **Val Uyehara '73** Ito and **Bub Wo**. The Mauian on Napili Bay is the perfect venue to gather. It is also perfect for the annual bocce ball tournament organized by Randy Bisho and narrated by Gary Pacarro. After a disappointing loss in the 2024 finals, **Mark Osmun** and Maureen Wilson captured this year's title, defeating Maureen's husband, **Carver Wilson** and **Mike Kometani** in the finals. Our highlight meal was cooked by Gary and the boys, Steve Emura, Bub Wo, Mike Kometani, **Max Sword**, Steve Primiano and Jerry Kuyper.

James Jones and **Ricky Cassidy** hosted a special event at the Outrigger Canoe Club, with entertainment by **Henry Kaponu Ka'aihue '67** and the beautiful summer sunset.

The pickleball tournament on O'ahu was captured by Karla Osmun, giving the Osmuns a sweep of both bocce ball and pickleball tournaments, setting up a challenge by the field at the next events.

Bruce Campbell and MA Farms hosted several classmates for the Mālama 'Āina community service day in Waimānalo. Lisa and I missed

this event, but we have visited Bruce's farm in the past and he is doing wonderful work providing food for the community in a sustainable environment.

I believe that for our Class, the highlight event has become our Friday night dinner and memorial service at Hale Pōhaku in Waimānalo. Special mahalo to **Louise Ing** and Mike Sitch for offering this special place. Lisa and I kicked off our week at Hale Pōhaku with Randy Bisho and Val Ito, joining us for our traditional dinner and cocktails – looking forward to 2030. **Dianne Arakawa** led our memorial service before **Doug Ostrem**, **John Bustard** and **John Mounts** carried the precious stones with the names of our recently deceased classmates beyond the breakwater – a new blessed place for the Class of 1970. The evening closed with our talented musicians creating a high energy celebration and guest vocals by **Jim Scott**, **Candace Johnson** and **Joan Gossett**. Joan rocked the house with her powerful rock voice. **Lousie Ing**, **Dita Ramler-Reppun**, **Laola Lake Aea** and **Gwen Pacarro** graced us with a hula.

We gathered for a pre-Alumni Lū'au cocktail event at Montague Hall that was hosted by the School since COVID-19 canceled our 50th Reunion. We also marched into the Alumni Lū'au following the Class of 1975 into the big tent. Thank you to every classmate who made our Reunion events special and heart-warming and celebrated the special nature of our Class 'ohana.

Be on the lookout for Reunions in Bend, Oregon and the Bay Area.

Class of 1971

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Reminder to our Prismatic Class of '71: Save the Date as we will celebrate our 55th Reunion in June 2026! Alumni Week is June 1 – 7, with the Alumni Lū'au on Saturday, June 6.

Watch your emails for important news and dates. Update your contact info at punahou.link|update-contact or notify us at Punahou71reunion@gmail.com.

Looking forward to seeing and reconnecting with you all next year!

Oh! And take a peek at the Class of 1946's column. **Chip Moore's** father, **Willson Moore '46**, wrote a recap of two fall issues of Ka Punahou from 1970 – when we were juniors. It's a blast from the past.

Class of 1972

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Greetings, classmates!

Lots of news to share! Let me begin with an update to the spring notes in which I said that **Susie Cooling Field** is likely the youngest in our Class. It prompted this note from **Peter Rigsbee**: "I was born in April 1955, so I turned 70 this spring. I skipped a grade in early elementary school, long before Punahou, so if not the youngest in the Class, I'm close to it!" Peter



FORE! In April, '71 classmates, John Wilkinson and John King, enjoyed a day on the green in Scottsdale, Arizona.



In May, '71 classmates, Randall Chung, Buzz Wo and Percy Wong, arranged a gathering at Jade Dynasty for Men Who Munch, their answer to Ladies Who Lunch. Front row, from left: Kevin Chang, Randy Wong, Steve Chang, Steve Maruyama, Hugh Yamaguchi, Willie Lum and Howard Noh. Middle row: Buzz Wo, Randy Chung, Speedy Bailey, Nolan Ramirez, George Irion ('71 spouse), Rodwin Wong, Cary Matsushige, Byron Yoshino, Percy Wong, Paul Kuramoto, Grant Okamoto and Pat Lam. Back row: Arnold Morgado and John Yamane.



After a cruise to Antarctica last January, Peter Rigsbee '72 has now visited all seven continents.

and his wife have been living at the Mauna Lani Resort for the last 10 years and have been spending time traveling, including long-distance visits to their daughters and grandchildren in the Washington, D.C. area and in Prague, Czech Republic. After a cruise to Antarctica last January, Peter now has visited all seven continents.

It was great to hear from **Anne Fairfax** Ellett, too. She is busy with her architecture practice and related activities and maintains offices in New York City and Palm Beach. In April 2024, her firm, Fairfax & Sammons Architects,

received an Addison Mizner Award for the design of a new house in Gasparilla Island, Florida; the Shuler Award for a new house in Palm Beach; and an Urban Guild Award for the design of a new hotel, The Bennett, in Charleston, South Carolina. Anne was invited to be a juror at the Congress for New Urbanism annual Charter Awards jury in Washington, D.C., and is the co-founder of Newport Design Week, which hosts a series of design lectures and events in Newport, Rhode Island, with world-renowned speakers and design experts. This past September, at the request of her college in Oxford, UK, she put together and

moderated a panel on "The Mechanics of Beauty." While continuing to enjoy her work, Anne writes, "I am making more time for sailing on the East Coast as we base ourselves in Newport for the summer."

From Denver, Colorado, **John Stubbart** sends good wishes to everyone. Since retiring as a facility manager for a medical facility, he and his wife, Lynn, (also retired) have been focused on their family (three sons, nine grandchildren, and one great-grandson), their health and travel. "We love the mountains here and glamping in our little RV. Fly fishing is our hobby and we



Friends from the Class of '72 enjoyed Diamond Head Theatre's spring production of "Man of La Mancha," starring Buz Tennent '72 as Miguel de Cervantes/Don Quijote. From left: Jean Dillingham Abbott, Lissa Lam Schiff, Buz Tennent, Mele White Pochereva and Ethan Abbott.



John Stubbart '72 and his wife, Lynn, enjoy glamping around the country in their little RV.



Members of the Class of '73 reunited at the Punahou Alumni Association Northern California Lū'au in April. Front row, from left: Bing Heckman (spouse), Mauri Okamoto-Kearney and Jennie Pruyn Heckman. Back row: Kui Char, Ruth Stallknecht, Faithe Okinaga Liu, Elvira Muller and Alvina Nishimoto.

have now visited every state in our great country. We have been RVing for the past five years and touring out to the West Coast, the Southwest and out East. We really enjoy being on the road and exploring small towns, our national parks and nature."

Ron Wise retired in May after 18 years working as a part-time teacher and coordinator with the DOE's Hawaiian Studies Program for students in grades K–6. He and his wife, Renee, plan to spend more time working on genealogy and

family trees at the Family Search Center in Makakilo as well as visiting their children (and spoiling their grandchildren).

I hope some of you were able to see Diamond Head Theatre's (DHT) fabulous sold-out production of "Man of La Mancha" last spring, with a brilliant performance by **Buz Tennent** in the leading role of Miguel de Cervantes, aka Don Quixote. Buz told me that it is his all-time favorite role: "After moving to Hawai'i from North Carolina to attend Punahou in 1969, my



In April, Mac Silvester '73 walked the Camino Francés and took a pause in the Pyrenees foothills on the border between France and Spain.

father took me at age 16 to see the original Don Quixote, Richard Kiley, at the Blaisdell Concert Hall and I was mesmerized! I read Cervantes's iconic "Don Quixote" two years later before performing Cervantes/Don Quixote for the first time in 2002. How wonderful to have this unique opportunity to revisit an old friend, especially at this stage of my career!" I enjoyed a fifth row seat to the show thanks to **Ethan and Jean Dillingham Abbott**, who also included **Lissa Lam Schiff** and Punahou Vice President and Treasurer, Finance and Operations Sunny Donenfeld and his wife, Tereza Alexandre, in their party of six. We all agreed it was one of the best DHT shows we've seen. Bravo, Buz!



Pomai Tyler '73 Toledo celebrated her 70th birthday with loving help from her classmates. Front row, from left: Pomai Tyler Toledo and Rici Guild. Back row: Kim Heyer, Jingy Harris Anderson and Linny Morris.

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Killing it at the gym? Or just managing to stay awake past 9 p.m.? Whichever way you roll these days, let the Spirit of '73 give you a boost!

Ruth Stallknecht checks in from Northern California where she and several other classmates and 'ohana attended the 2025 Punahou Alumni Association Northern California Annual Alumni Lū'au at the Fremont Hills Country Club in Los Altos. The small but spirited (and good-looking!) group



Mahalō! These '75 classmates worked hard for the Aloha Tree Alliance. Front row, from left: Laura Ellen Marrack Harrison, Beth Williams Meshke, Laurie Uemoto Chang (Executive Director of Aloha Tree Alliance) and Darlene Leong Holston. Middle row: Andra Lisa Temple Smith, Kathy Kelley Carey, Steve Bennett, Phyllis Hironaka and Linda Okita. Back row: Gary Smith (spouse), Gil Roeder, Peter Thacker, Alan Wang, Anni Woodward Caulfield, Ira Holston (spouse) and Rob Burch. Missing are Lisa Marciel Izuta and Terrie Kalama Hartman.

included **Faithé Okinaga** Liu, **Elvira Muller**, **Alvina Nishimoto**, **Kui Char**, **Jennie Pruyn** Heckman and her husband Bing, **Mauri Okamoto-Kearney** and Ruth herself. As Ruth recounts, "We talked story while enjoying the fragrance of plumeria and an early dinner that included 'ono Hawaiian food and, of course, caramel cuts! The high point was when Mauri led the entire alumni gathering in Strawberry Shortcake." This is a good time to remind everyone to get involved with your local chapter of the Punahou Alumni Association. They put on some great events.

We heard from **Mac Silvester**, who splits his time between the grandad biz, team member duties at the local REI, and a challenging regimen of biking, hiking and swimming. In April, he completed a two-week walk on the Camino Frances from St. Jean Pied de Port in France to Burgos, Spain. This was Mac's second Camino, having walked the Portuguese Camino three years ago with wife, Diane. Building strength while nourishing the soul – well done, Mac!

Old friends are a big part of what keeps us going, don't you agree? We were happy to hear that **Pomai Tyler** Toledo, **Rici Guild**, **Kim Heyer**, **Jingy Harris** Anderson and **Linn Morris** gathered in June to celebrate Pomai's 70th birthday. Yep! Right about now we're all hitting that milestone. May we all keep going strong! So, who else has been celebrating their 70th? Don't hold out on us – send in those photos!

The truth is, at our age, we're just running on love. Keep that tank filled!

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Happy fall!

Ok, everyone! I need you to start sending items for this column! It's harder and harder to find information to write about, and I know there's someone that wants to hear how YOU are doing!

John Fink, **Shari Moore** Fink's husband, wrote in his weekly MidWeek column about the "Sands of Time" after he was on a walk on Memorial Day at Kailua Beach during low tide. He mentioned that he hadn't walked there in a long time. I loved that he also said that his "amazing wife is in better shape," and so he sat quietly while she walked farther and then back to where he was waiting on the sand. His theme, I believe, is that we have to enjoy those times that bring happiness, outside our normal days. Thank you to John, for honoring Shari in his column! We all know that Shari is special!

Congratulations to **Mark Cunningham**! He is one of the 13 inductees into the 2025 Class of the Hawai'i Swimming Hall of Fame! The Board of Directors makes the selections based on each individual's accomplishments and contributions to swimming in Hawai'i. An induction banquet will be held in October at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i.



The Class of '75 marched into the Lū'au tent as the honored alumni for their 50th Class Reunion with their Reunion co-chairs Marvi Rosehill Ching, Heaton Wrenn and Anni Woodward Caulfield at the head of the line.

A few months ago, there was a list in Pacific Business News of Family-Owned Businesses. At the top of the list, ranked by number of employees, was Kualoa Ranch Hawai'i! Congratulations to **John Morgan** and his family and all those that work there. John and his team have done such an amazing job over so many years to make great use of the property not only for fun, but for exploration and education as well. Kudos for giving people such a memorable experience when they are at Kualoa Ranch. I know I still think of how the first Sunday of our 50th Reunion week last year started at Secret Island, and it was such a peaceful way to start our week.

I'd love to have someone step up to take over, or assist me with this Class column. I've enjoyed doing it for close to 40 years! I believe I started when **Scott Metcalf** and I moved back home from Oregon, with our two little girls, and the youngest, **Ashley Metcalf '04** Lee, is now the executive assistant to Punahou's President **Mike Latham '86** – so, it's been a long time! Please consider it! Thanks everyone!

Until next time, send me information!
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Aloha all!

My mission, which I choose to accept, is to use a mere 850 words and eight photos to tell the story of our epic 50th Reunion week!

Before I get to a re-cap of our events I want to let everyone know about the helpers. **Heaton Wrenn**,



At E Ho'i Mai, the all-alumni gathering on the Academy Quad, '75 classmates posed on the steps of Cooke Hall. Front row, from left: Anne Swanson Bancroft, Jon Gould, Liane Luke, Steve Scott, Mike Ratiani, Mike Schnack, Heaton Wrenn, Stephen Chun and Karl Oberholzer. Second row: Verne Nagayama, Harry Yoshino, Linda Rigler Rasmussen, Linda Okita, Nelson Michael, Andra Lisa Temple Smith and Lisa Marciel Izuta. Third row: Bruce Fink, Laura Mayfield Fink, Sherrie Kido, Steve Mobberley, Connie Ganahl, Eric Yee, Darlene Leong Holston, Bear Henrickson, Nancy Gottschalk Roberts and Sandra Blazel. Fourth row: Leslie Matsukawa, Dane Rawlins, Erin Palmer, Cindy Warren Christnacht and Beth Tarter. Fifth row: Stephen Bennett, Rick Smith, Carin Case and Nathan Sult. Sixth row: Kathy Kephart, Beth Williams Meshke, Monica Yamada, Sally Pendleton, Audrey Morrow Davis and Carole Davison. Back row: Anni Woodward Caulfield, Allan Wang, Liane Schoen Soer, Angie Leilani Jones Wilmore, Terrie Kalama Hartmen and Danton Wong.

Anni Woodward Caulfield and **Marvi Rosehill** Ching were our "three team deal" co-chairs. I cannot say enough about the three of them being here, there and everywhere. **Sandra Blazel** made our apparel and merchandise a sure thing (not to mention all the sewing of everything!). **Wende Walker** Carroll searched for lost classmates; **Erin Palmer** was the Secretary; **Mike Ratiani** acted as staff photographer (wink); **Dayna English** was our Treasurer; **Kitty Sullivan** Wo, **Marybeth Wong** Ching, **Rick Ching**, **Rick Smith**, **Tricia Dowsett** Van Mourick helped with the Class Gift; **Camille Chun-Hoon**, **Nancy King** Holt and **Phyllis Hironaka** brought the 13-Year Club together; **Lisa Marciel** Izuta planned evening events; **Skip Hill** took charge of the golf tournament; Anni arranged for Hilltop House; **Maile Meyer** planned and hosted Kikila (White Estate); **Andrea Karkosza** Anderson made the arrangements with Camp Palehua (formerly Camp Timberline); **Eric Yee** and **Danton Wong** took charge of the Faculty Appreciation Luncheon; **Laurie Uemoto** Chang created and led the Friday Service Project; **Laura Mayfield** Fink, **Valerie Pang** Tam, **Billie Jean Kam-Takashima** made the Friday Cocktail Party happen; **Anne Swanson** Bancroft and **David Turner** led the Memorial Service. It seems half the Class planned, and half the Class attended!

Our week began on Sunday, June 1, when 80+ classmates gathered at the Case beach house at Mālaekahana Bay. Big tents for shade, 'ono bento box lunches, and one "supah-fancy" air-conditioned portable lua. I was pleased to see so many classmates bobbing and body surfing in the waves. **Steve Bennett** even went so far as to bring his own boogie board and fins with him from Colorado.

Monday offered an opportunity for golf at 360 Degrees Beach Country Club. **Carrie Nottage** Smith, the brave solo wahine player, and **John Goodsill** were the official tourney winners. The small but dedicated group had lots of fun so really everyone was a winner.

Also on Monday, dozens of classmates took a special tour of Hilltop House in Lanikai. Hilltop is literally built into the rocks above Lanikai and was the childhood home of our former Punahou teacher, **Peter Powlison '40**. This was a once in a lifetime visit for everyone who joined Anni.

Tuesday saw 65 of us trekking out to what was the site of our sixth grade week of away camp, Camp Timberline, now Camp Palehua, for re-connecting, remembering and hiking. A shout out to Heaton and Anni who rented 14-passenger vans to help get folks forth and back during the week!

Our day at Kikila, formerly called The White Estate and the site of our Senior Skip Day, was a full circle moment. Kikila has several large hala trees, a symbol of Punahou, and classmates collected and bundled the lau, to create hala (braid) for the eventual weaving of a mat for the Mary Kawena Pukui Learning Commons. Many classmates came away with a sense of purpose and a lauhala bracelet as a keepsake.

A very meaningful Faculty Appreciation luncheon was held on Thursday at the Pacific Club. It was lovely to see so many of our former teachers present. Eric gave a detailed presentation of each guest of honor. And excuse me ... do you know how funny Eric Yee is?! And **Jon Gould**'s story about his air gun and Principal Duane Yee ... hysterical!

Congratulations to our Gift Committee! Thursday night, President **Mike Latham '86** was presented a check for \$2.1 million with 36% of our Class participating. Well done and mahalo all!

Friday was busy with several opportunities for classmates to be together. Our service project with Aloha Tree Alliance had folks working at Kuli'ou'ou Ridge Trail helping with restoration, planting 80 trees and groundcover. Our 13-Year Club members met for juice and cookies and



Anne Swanson '75 Bancroft and David Turner '75 in Thurston Memorial Chapel after leading a thoughtful memorial service. The floral altar arrangement was designed by Kitty Sullivan '75 honoring each of the 49 classmates who have passed away.



Marvi Rosehill '75 Ching created the most joyous and fun hula experience for classmates. Performing at the Alumni Lū'au are Terrie Kalama Hartman, Angie Leilani Jones Wilmore, Mary Rawlins (spouse) LeAne Francisco Mactagone, Marvi Rosehill Ching, Suanne Lau Mingrone, Kathy Kelley Carey and Tricia Dowsett Van Mourick and many more.

lots of laughing in the afternoon, and the day culminated in our cocktail party at Ho'okupu Center.

Finally, Saturday, June 7 arrived. And boy were we busy! First, our Class of 1975, 50th Reunion Class photo had 150 of us present. We attended the memorial service, thoughtfully planned and presented, including the altar flowers which held so much meaning, created by Kitty. We remembered 49 classmates who are no longer with us. **Angie Jones Wilmore** led a choir of classmates, and each attendee received a special stone with a spiral painted on it representing past, present and future.

After a reception outside of Thurston Memorial Chapel, it was off to the Alumni Lū'au! Marching behind our Ho'i Hou – Together Again banner, and following the Oahu College Band, we felt so proud being cheered in as the honored guests of the evening. Marvi led a most excellent hula with dozens of our classmates participating. There was a conga line at one point and so much singing and dancing. **Daniel Ciacci's** mom, **Mary E. Friel '51** Ciacci, who has been to so many Alumni Lū'au, said she'd never seen a Class have so much fun with each other!

Pau! And mission accomplished!

A hui hou,

Carin

Aloha, friends!

Well, a few of you heard our call for contributions, and sent us news and photos! Mahalo!

A gaggle of '76ers gathered at Uahi Island Grill on the Windward side when **Patti Maehara** Eisinger came to town for a dose of sunshine in March. They munched, toasted and talked story (with a bit of gossip thrown in.) **Desi Winnie** Poteet continues to teach English and screen-writing at Windward Community College. **Frandee Lum** sells medical equipment, and she and her husband, Cary Rupert, recently bought a condo in Napa Valley where they can

enjoy getaways from the hustle and bustle of O'ahu. **Arna "Kahu Lahela" Johnson** is loving her Kahu/Cultural Practitioner work, and **Denise Wong** Haughian gratefully helps out with her grand-keiki as Tūtū Extraordinaire. Patti and her husband, Doug, still live in San Anselmo, California, but are able to come home to the islands more often in retirement.

Jeff Jaycox emailed to tell us about his retirement adventures. He and wife Karen sold their home in San Francisco in August 2023 and have been traveling the world since then. They spent most of 2024 based in Bangkok, traveling



Friends and family gathered on O'ahu for some fun in March. From left: Doug Eisinger, Rick Haughian, Denise Wong '76 Haughian, Patti Maehara '76 Eisinger, Desi Winnie '76 Poteet, Arna "Kahu Lahela" Johnson '76, Frandee Lum '76 and Cary Rupert.

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Jeff Jaycox '76 and his wife, Karen, have been traveling the world. Here they are at Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe.



Oh, the people you meet at a Seattle Safeway gas station! In July, Gary Tucker '76 was filling up his tank, when the folks in the car behind him noticed his Punahou license plate frame and vanity plates. Howzits were exchanged, and that's how Gary met Paula Kurata '82 Kuespert and her family. Close encounters of the best buff 'n blue kind!

throughout Asia, including Japan, Malaysia and Indonesia, and as far west as India and southern Africa. They moved on to cruise across the South Pacific visiting Polynesia and then on to Panama. From there they plan to move on to South America. They expect to return to the U.S. in the spring, likely settling in Southern California. Jeff said he's looking forward to seeing everyone at our 50th Reunion.

We also heard from **Frank Barth**, who told us he and his wife Beth are hoping to attend our Reunion in June. The Barths were married at Thurston Memorial Chapel, and their oldest son was born in Hawai'i. They are planning to visit next year, bringing the entire family (two sons, two daughters-in-law and three mo'opuna), to celebrate their 45th anniversary. They are thoroughly enjoying retirement in San

Antonio, Texas, keeping busy with traveling and volunteering.

Not everyone is retired, though: In June, **Terry George** was named chief executive officer and president of the Hawai'i Community Foundation. He's been at the Harold K. L. Castle Foundation since 2003 and, according to the Honolulu Star-Advertiser, he "oversaw initiatives in public education, coral reef



Marcia McCrea '77 Braden joined Dana Kokubun '77 and her husband, David Hudson, for the second time in San Vigilio di Marebbe, a tiny village in the Dolomites of Northern Italy, for a week of hiking.



Buff 'n blue adventurers on their Haleakalā expedition in May 2025, celebrated Colin Nakamura '38 as the fifth consecutive generation of family to hike and camp in Haleakalā. Front row, from left: Randy Kam '76, Colin Nakamura '38 and Arlen Kam '05. Back row: Kathy Kelley Carey '75 and Lesley Brey '77.



Friends from '77 gathered on the Academy quad for E Ho'i Mai, the all-alumni event during Alumni Week 2025. From left: Diane Nogami Shigeta, Ronda Ching Day, Jaime Nishimoto Yamane, Miyuki Nakahara Lau (spouse) and Girard Lau.



Congratulations to Stephanie Ohr '78 who married Dr. Tae-Eog Lee in June 2025 in Seoul, Korea.

restoration, fisheries and climate resilience on Windward O'ahu."

Our 50th Reunion committee, under the co-leadership of Desi Poteet and **Randy Kam**, continues to meet regularly and plans are coming together: Mark your calendars for June 1 – 7, 2026! There'll be opportunities to meet in big groups and small; a memorial service in Thurston Memorial Chapel organized by Arna, **Cammy Spencer**, **Mark Goto** and **Eric Jonsson**; a service project; the Friday night cocktail party; the Saturday Alumni Lū'au; and a Class picnic. You'll start hearing from Punahou soon with detailed information about the schedule, ordering our official '76 aloha wear, and more. We hope to see you there!

One last note: If you haven't seen the email and signed in already, check your spam filter for info on logging in to Ka 'Ohana Punahou, the private online site for Class chats, Reunion updates and news. Visit ohana.punahou.edu/s/class-of-1976 for updates or to sign up.

Warmest aloha,
Dede and Gary

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Aloha, Friendmates:

It is early July, and I recently returned from my Summer 2025 tour with the regular stops in Seattle, Honolulu, and new this year, my first ever concert at Red Rocks, Colorado! And the summer season has just begun! Lazy days in the boat on the lake in July and August and winding up a hot summer by visiting friends in Austin, Texas and celebrating my oldest daughter's wedding in late September in southern Illinois.

Our 50th Reunion co-chairs thought this would be a good time to share an update

on our planning efforts. **Ross Sasamura**, **Lisa Crosby-Torres** and I meet monthly to discuss developments. Keeping in mind that some people love Reunions (like us), while some stay away (you know who you are), if we make it to our 50th, we truly will have something to celebrate. We hope to create a memorable and joyous time for everyone! Lisa reports that the Theme, Art and Merchandise Committee ("TAM") has spent the past two years diligently researching, collaborating and participating in enthusiastic yet thoughtful discussion. As a result, JAMS World (Surf Line) has been selected as our official 50th Reunion aloha



This buff 'n blue gang reunited in early summer. From left: Melissa and Ken Corum '78, Tony Wong '78, Vanya de Jung, Chris Worrall '78, Lori Lloyd '78, Bill Leary '72 and Terri Vitousek '78.



In April 2025, Stephanie Ohr '78 completed her third Boston Marathon.

wear vendor. The committee carefully explored every reasonable option to ensure classmates would have access to a wide variety of high-quality clothing and accessories at a fair price. Classmates will be able to order with confidence, knowing that returns and refunds are available, and items can be shipped or picked up on-island when the time comes. A big mahalo goes to **Lori Lloyd** for her exceptional organization, dedication and heart. Her leadership kept the committee informed and on track throughout the process. Gratitude also goes to committee members **Duke Powers**, **Herman Pi'ikea Clark** and **Laurie Wong Ihara**, along with treasurer liaisons **Jordan Graham** and **Mark Chun**. For the next phase of the project, **Shannon Anderson** Beaty will be our point of contact and begin executing on all the great ideas coming our way for wearables! Shannon recently retired from an incredible career with the City of Seattle. The "Exhilarating Class of 1978" continues to be in good hands, and garans to show up with style in 2028!

Monica Allerstorfer Ciletti hosted this year's summer pā'ina in June at her incredible Kailua home. It was wonderful to visit with **Boogie Black**, **Clay Searl**, Lisa Crosby-Torres, **Michele McArdle** Baginski and **Sue Callahan** Kang. Our surprise classmate this year was **Paul Rezens** who was home to visit family. Paul and Clay found themselves at the Alumni Lū'au, apparently doing a little recon and pre-gaming in preparation of our 50th (that's their story, anyway!)

Stephanie Young-Jou Ohr has had a year! She completed her third Boston Marathon in April



A fond aloha to Julie Johnson '79, who passed away on May 25, 2025 in Washington state, where she lived for the past 35 years. Julie always considered Hawai'i as her home, and was the subject of much of her artwork.

of this year! She shared that she has been running full marathons since 2001, recording multiple race finishes in Chicago and the Marine Corps marathons, as well as completing 10 Seoul marathons! (I'm feeling pathetic right about now, how about you?) Two weeks later, Stephanie married Dr. Tae-Eog Lee (a Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology professor in Industrial Engineering) and honeymooned in Waikiki. We missed seeing them at the summer pā'ina; however, Stephanie shared that she was able to spend time visiting with **Richard Ing**, **Amori Ogata** and Sue Kang while home. Congratulations, Stephanie on a year of super fun and exciting life events! I'm sure there is more to come!

Sadly, **Paul Manaut** passed away in late May after a five-year battle with Frontotemporal Dementia (FTD), a rare and incurable neurodegenerative disease that causes profound changes in behavior, personality, language and movement. Paul's wife, Jani, and daughters, send their gratitude to those who supported them. Jani said that the money raised through the GoFundMe campaign allowed them to give Paul the level of end-of-life care he deserved. Rest in love, dear friend.

Until next time, give a hug, receive many.
Andrea

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Heaven gained another angel. **Lori Johnson '81** Peter reached out and wrote, "**Julie Johnson** passed away on May 25, 2025, in Washington after a courageous five-month battle with sepsis. She moved to Washington in 1990, where she lived for the past 35 years. Julie was a talented color pencil artist specializing mainly in pet portraits for people. Even though she lived in Washington for many years and had many enjoyable hobbies, such as crystal and agate hunting, Julie always considered Hawai'i as her home, which was the subject of much of her artworks. Her bright smile and positive personality will always shine down on us." legcy.co/40FfjTV

Hawai'i Public Radio's Classical Pacific host ShareneTaba discusses **John Kolivas'** musical journey from Punahou School to New York and beyond, bit.ly/HPR20250527.

Several classmates listed as "lost" attended Punahou briefly, some for only one year, making searches difficult. **Dana Field** attended in 1972 and has worked for the State of Oregon as a natural resource specialist. **Vicki Franklin Wolfe** is a retired teacher in Anchorage, Alaska. It looks like **Patricia Hansen DeMasi** left Nevada and now lives in Astoria, Oregon. **Lisa Goring** Sterner makes her home in Bend, Oregon. **Mark Delisle** was last living in Kailua. **John D'Angelo** is a senior energy consultant at PES Solar in Valrico, Florida.

Has anyone been in touch with **Leimamo Fukino**, who attended in 1972?

Sadly, I learned that **Taylor Fox**, who attended in 1970, passed away in February 2024, bit.ly/TaylorFox.

Phillip Greig is a physician at Upstate Maternal-Fetal Medicine in Greenville, South Carolina, bit.ly/PGreig. **Liesbeth Gerritsen** is a crisis intervention training consultant at the Portland Police Bureau in Oregon, bit.ly/LiesbethG. **Bernel Goldberg** is general counsel at the Seattle Symphony, bit.ly/BernelG.

Joella Edwards-Green, **Kaulana Fraser** and **Bernice Glenn** Kissinger, Punahou has you listed as "lost" classmates.

If you moved and have not updated your address recently, update your contact information at punahou.link/update-contact or email alumni@punahou.edu.

I will continue the search with a new batch of "lost" classmates in the next issue.

I have a correction and an apology to make. In the summer column, I mis-gendered **Dale Bushnell** and I'm sorry for that error. The sentence should have been, "When I mentioned her several years ago, Dale was a speech pathologist in San Diego."

Until next time, be well!
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Aloha to my fellow Bamboosters!

Wow! What an amazing display of 'ohana time you all provided during our 45th Reunion! Being our first since our 35th, as COVID-19 blew up our 40th, it was one for the record books.

I wish to thank the 45th Reunion Committee for their tireless pursuit of a chance to reconnect. Back on Sept. 12, 2024, your committee held its first meeting up at the Alumni House. These meetings continued every second Thursday of the month until May 8, 2025. All 13 members of your committee assisted from near and far to vet locations, plan events, look at menus, design logos, build swag offerings, organize financial goals, develop budgets and offer suggestions. Those on island gathered in person at Punahou; when not on island our fearless members participated virtually. The Committee relentlessly continued deliberations toward the common goal of enjoyment for all. Thanks to their efforts and your participation it was a huge success.

One theme continued to ring true – all that was truly needed was time together to reconnect, rejuvenate old memories, launch new ones and develop that Bambooster camaraderie. We may bend, but we will never break.

As plans solidified, we began to focus on our lost 'ohana and it hit all of us in a deeply moving way. It became apparent that time was the precious event that we missed. Each of our experiences at Punahou are part of our soul, moving us forward as we are away from Punahou and bringing us back for more.

Some of the highlights for me included learning about the Judiciary of Hawai'i and its connections to our past which have brought us where we are today, along with hearing of a hole in one that was enjoyed at the golf tournament. The outpouring of food, fellowship and fun at the Thursday after-golf party continued to the lighting of the imu on Friday morning. It brought back a memory from our 24th Reunion of being awakened by the sprinkler system as I slept in my truck at the imu because I parked in a bad spot. Next was our ho'okupu project, each one being made with love and memories for our classmates who are no longer with us. That evening we met up at the Pacific Club for a fabulous meal and more connecting along with the reenactment of our 1980 Class Photo at the pool. I am still amazed that no one ended up in the pool! While we showed great restraint, some could not help crashing the



The Class of '80 spent Sunday of Alumni Week 2025 at Lanikai Beach to reflect on those classmates who have passed. They paddled out and remembered each classmate with a ho'okupu. The Bambooster celebration continued with a picnic and live music.



The Class of 1980's 45th Class Reunion started with this buff 'n blue committee. From left: Wendy May, Brian Ching, Lee Bell, Corinne Ching, Kelly Hutchinson McMahon, Anne Pyun Saunders, Jill Suzuki Haworth, Ray Hironaka and Bennett Wo. On-screen: Alan Low, Betty Kam and Clifton Luke.



The '80 Bambooster 13+ Year Club at the Sunday picnic. Front row, from left: Wendy May, Emelie Anderson Pletcher, Ray Hironaka, Mary Franco Witthans, Donna Ching, Betty Kam, Corinne Ching, Suzanne Koga and Allison Yee. Back row: Brian Ching, Roy Hardy, John Fordham, Bennett Wo and Dan Materman.

Kamehameha School's party next door for live music and dancing.

On Saturday we gathered for our Class photo and hit the Alumni Lū'au with our Dean "Tiger" Tom Metcalf in tow, followed by dancing the night away with **Henry Kaponu Ka'aihue '67** and band. What a great evening!

On Sunday, we assembled on Lanikai Beach for a moment to reflect on those who have passed. Reading the list was a moment in time as the winds blew lightly on the beach. Then a paddle out with each classmate remembered with a ho'okupu. We took them to 'A'alapapa Reef, where so many have gone before. We also were able to honor each of the Emeritus Imu crew that have passed and others that have moved on with their own ho'okupu. Gone but never forgotten. To further celebrate our time together we closed with a picnic in the park and live music.

In closing, I would like to thank the Class of 1980 for allowing me the privilege and honor to lead this Reunion and the committee through its steps. All of you made this what it was, a very special moment in time. To you, the Scientists, the Musicians, the Dancers, the Athletes, the Theatricals, the Artists, the Readers, the Philosophers, the Doctors, the Business Folks, the Motivators, the Quiet Ones, The Loud Ones, the Thespians, the Readers, the Litigators, the Cheerleaders, the Aunties, the Uncles, the Parents and the Grandparents – we all held true holds true to our hearts as the time was had together at Punahou pushed us to be the best that we can be and more.

Looking forward to our 50th Reunion, let us take the blinders off and look around to see what else we can do! Please do not be shy if you wish to be involved with the process of these Reunions. Meanwhile, continue to live in the light of love, enjoy your time – and remember ... Bamboosters for life! We bend, but we never break!

Mālama pono,

John K. "Lee" Bell



Mahalo to the Class of '80 for their Class Gift to Punahou. From left: Kim Jones Nelson, Lauren Vannatta Saboff, Wendy May, Lee Bell, Lynne Wooddell, Corinne Ching, Betty Kam, Jill Suzuki Haworth and President Mike Latham '86.



Cheers to "Tiger" Tom Metcalf who at 100 years old was celebrated by the Class of 1980 at their 45th Class Reunion. Front row, from left: Lee Bell, "Tiger" Tom Metcalf, Bennet Wo and Betty Kam. Back row: Clifton Luke, Lynne Wooddell, Brian Ching, Ray Hironaka, Jill Suzuki Haworth, Alan Low and Wendy May.

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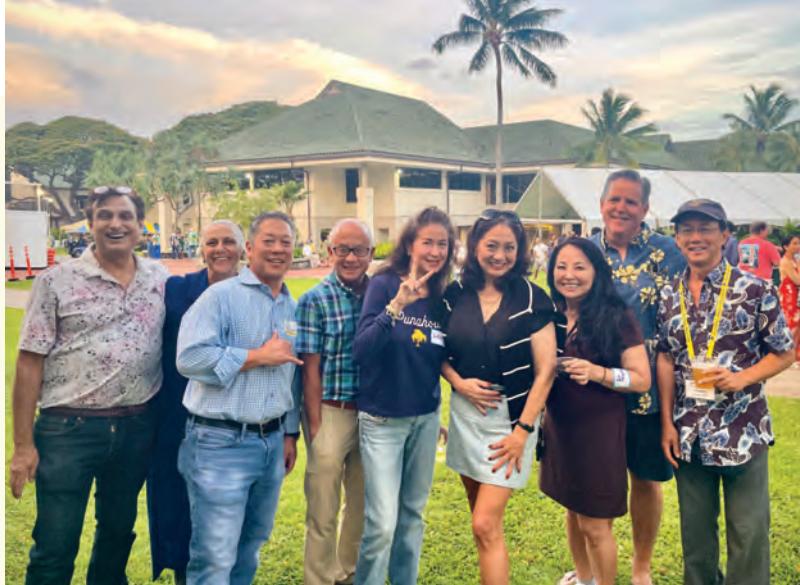
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From **Judy Miller**:

Lori Johnson Peter reports that she took a trip to Puerto Peñasco, Mexico in early December 2024 with her siblings, **Julie Johnson '79** and **Fred Johnson '84** to celebrate Lori's retirement after 26 years as a registered nurse. "Lots of



FORE! On Thursday of Alumni Week, the '80 Bamboosters hit the green at Bayview Golf Course in Kāne'ohe. Front row, from left: Lance Livingston, Tracy Wong, Ray Hironaka, Carleton Burch, Caroline Leong Dang, Scott Kitaoka, Guy Amimoto and Lissa d'Arcambal Stark. Back row: Reid Fukumoto, Brian Ching, Patrick Keough, Jim Cassi, John Morris, John Fordham, Marc Akina, Tom Mullen (who made a hole-in-one that day!), Dale Zane, Greg Yim, Bennett Wo, Jeff Yeoh and Paul O' Sullivan.



These alumni enjoyed the annual all-Class event, *E Ho'i Mai*, on the Academy quad during Alumni Week 2025. From left: Andrew Ghali '82, Kikilia Fordham '82, Wyeth Matsubara '90, Russell Pang '82, Lisa Hutchinson '82, Kalei Hirahara '83 Damon, Nora Cobb '83 Keller, Blair Thorndike '82 and Chris Chung '80.



Betsy Case '81 and her family celebrated the graduations of her daughters, Maile Marguleas '21 and Melia Marguleas '19. From left: Brad Case '81, Caroline Case, Betsy Case '81, Maile Marguleas, Melia Marguleas, Suzanne Case '74 and Kay Case.

good food, beach walks, laughter and sibling bonding took place on this trip." Sadly, since that trip, Julie has passed away, on May 25, 2025, after a five-month battle with sepsis. Lori reminds us, "Always make time for the ones you love and don't put it off. Do it now as life is unpredictable."

Susann Bartley Edmond's son got married to the love of his life, over Memorial Day weekend in Friday Harbor, Washington. "It was a perfect weekend, complete with friends, family and awesome weather. My last baby is a married person!"

Betsy Case and her family celebrated the graduation of both her daughters from college: **Maile Marguleas '21** from Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts; and **Melia Marguleas '19** from Wesleyan University in Connecticut. Betsy's twin brother, **Brad Case**, came up from Washington, D. C. to join the festivities.

Save the date, classmates! Our 45th Reunion is June 2026 and Punahou is also celebrating 100 years of the Alumni Lū'au! Alumni Week is June 1 – 7, 2026, with Alumni Lū'au on June 6. Let us know if you'd like to be on the Class Reunion Committee!

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On Good Friday, I met up with **Shelby Denman** Wold and **Joanne Kouchi** at the AC/DC concert at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California. It was an amazing two-and-a-half-hour show featuring 25 hit songs that we all grew up with.

Shelby has been living in Southern California since '86 (after college at Southern Methodist University in Dallas). She worked in the



Don and Susann Bartley '81 Edmond (in blue) celebrated the marriage of their son, Michael, to the love of his life, Ali, over Memorial Day weekend in Friday Harbor, Washington. From left: Robbie Fields (son-in-law), Sarah Fields (daughter), Ali Edmond (new daughter-in-law), Michael Edmond, Susann Bartley '81 Edmond and Don Edmond.



Lori Johnson '81 Peter, Fred Johnson '84 and the late Julie Johnson '79 together at Puerto Peñasco, Mexico in December 2024.



Power Up! Joanne Kouchi '82, Blair Thorndike '82 and Shelby Denman '82 at the AC/DC concert at the Rose Bowl in April 2025.

technology sector for almost 35 years. Shelby met her husband, Jim, while they were both working at Conner Peripherals. She recently retired from her position as senior director of engineering and traded in her lab coat for golf clubs and cowboy boots. When Shelby isn't golfing, line dancing or playing Mahjong – she is visiting with her seven grandchildren, from her five children.

After graduating from New York University in 1987, Joanne Kouchi began her career in New York City working for fashion designer Judy Hornby as an assistant production manager. In 1991, she moved to Los Angeles and spent more than a decade bartending at the iconic Hollywood nightclub and concert venue, The Palace (now Avalon). In 2003, she welcomed her daughter, Gabby, with her partner, Scott Young, a general contractor. She now lives in La Crescenta, and Gabby is entering her final year of nursing school at Sonoma State University. These days, she stays busy managing her Airbnb in Altadena and working with Scott on plans to rebuild one of their rental properties lost in the Eaton Fires.

In late June, **Maggie Anderson** Sheedy hosted a dinner at Outrigger Canoe Club to remember the life of our late classmate, **Lynn Allison** Unflat, who passed in 2020. After casting flowers off the break wall, dinner was enjoyed with **Colleen Kelley** Heyer, **Crissy Akaka** and **Kim Di Mauro** Tappa. Maggie spent her career at leading investment banks, and has over 25 years of experience in fundraising, leadership, strategic planning, development, finance and marketing for arts organizations, schools and nonprofits. She and her husband, Tom, live in Washington, D. C. and have two adult children, Katherine and William. These days, Maggie handles finance and operations for The Lilley Line, a women-founded, women-led brand specializing in handwoven bags that provide skilled weavers with improved livelihoods and meaningful opportunities.

Meanwhile, Kim lives in Columbia, South Carolina. She has been a geologist with the South Carolina Department of the Environment for the last 32 years. Her husband, Eric, is an

oceanographic researcher with the University of South Carolina. Son, Lucas, and is a lawyer in Richmond, Virginia, and her daughter, Nai'a, and lives in Austin, Texas. Kim still loves tap dancing. Her parents still live on O'ahu.

Finally, in keeping with Alumni Week tradition, we attended E Ho'i Mai – the annual, all-alumni on-campus celebration and we saw classmates **Kikilia Fordham**, **Andrew Ghali**, **Russell Pang**, **Christine Ho** and **Julia Fujioka**. We've only got two years 'til our 45th, gang, so gear-up and start clearing your calendars and making those Reunion arrangements! And don't forget to send me those Peanut Butter Class Alumni Notes!

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Aloha from **Kim Alness** in the Northwest:

I have a few notes of people gathering and celebrating the year we turn 60!

Alden Zecha was in Taiwan and caught up with **James Kung** at the National Concert Hall.

Chaplain Heidel turned 88 and our own **Kevin Heidel** reached out for us to all be able to wish him birthday greetings and love!

Tooni Milici spent some wonderful time on the islands lots of amazing hikes and beach walks. She attended **Matt Kresser's** celebration of life at the Outrigger Canoe Club. I'm sure he was looking down and smiling.



Birthday girl Kathy Kim '83 Peters celebrated her 60th in Kona with a little help from her friends. From left: Michele Sunahara '83 Loudermilk, Emily Weaver '83 Santiago, Dan Hale '81, Kathy Kim Peters, Chaika Hale and TK Keanini.



A rocking birthday for Jonny Steiner '83 who celebrated his 60th with his classmates at Moanalua Gardens. From left: Nora Cobb Keller, Ted Barnett, Susie Granborg, Debbie Matsunaga Ramirez, Kalei Hirahara Damon, Maile Larson Mulligan, Sam Perry '82, Mark Elijahshof, Debbie Lui-Anderson, Jonny Steiner, Peter Anderson and Jordan Chouljian.



Christi O'Connor '83 brought furry friend, Henry, to his new home in Puyallup, Washington with the help of Ilima Chaize, daughter of Juliana Fanning-Grigg '83 Chaize.



The Class of '85 gathered on Friday night of Alumni Week 2025 at Pearl at Kaluaao for 'ono food and good times.



Kaui Chun '85 DeMarzo with Peter Summersgill '85 at his new home on Mount Tamalpais in Marin County.

Duane Eldredge and his wife, Sue, enjoyed an amazing anniversary trip to celebrate 36 years! Greece was one of their amazing stops!

Kathy Kim Peters witnessed the power of Madame Pele with the Kilauea eruption.

Maui Meyers' son, Nathaniel, graduated from the University of Washington! My favorite Meyers family tradition is of 100 \$1 origami cranes presented in a koa bowl.

Over the summer, **Mary Moss** Kniskern lead a workshop at the Kentucky Rejuvenation Retreat in Natural Bridge.

Aloha from **Debbie Matsunaga** Ramirez and our island home:

Many of us celebrated our children's high school and college graduations. Our Punahou traditions continue with the Class of '25 graduates. **Alissa Brownrigg Small's** daughter, **Colby Small '25**, and **Steven Uchida's** daughter, **Lia Uchida '25**. Congratulations to **Mandy Loui** Ponce's daughter, Kalea, for graduating from Cornell University and **Karie Fukumoto** Izuo's daughter, Kristen, for graduating from law school and passing both the Hawai'i and Texas Bar. I know I've missed some of our children's amazing achievements, please share.

Happy 60th birthday to us! Kathy Kim Peters had a lovely celebration of this milestone in Kona. In attendance were **Michele Sunahara** Loudermilk, **Emily Weaver**, **Dan Hale '81** with his wife, Chaika. It's always so heartwarming to see lifelong friendships.

In June, **Jonny Steiner** had a rock 'n roll garden party at Moanalua Gardens. It was an epic evening celebrating years of friendship, rock music, delicious food and libations. In attendance were **Nora Cobb Keller**, **Ted Barnett**, **Susan Granborg**, **Debbie Matsunaga** Ramirez, **Kalei Hirahara** Damon, **Maile Larson** Mulligan, **Sam Perry '82**, **Mark Eliashof**, **Debbie Lui-Anderson**, **Peter Anderson** and **Jordan Chouljian**. We danced as we were all treated to Jonny on the bass with his band jamming classic rock.

I would love to see how you're celebrating our milestone birthday! **Mandy Loui** Ponce, **Lani Loui '87** Oberdorfer and I went to see The Rose, a Korean indie rock band. We spent the week experiencing the best Chicago has to offer: Chicago-style pizza at Lou Malnati's, an urban picnic barbeque at Green Street Meats, and exploring The River Walk in a pontoon boat. Fun times!

Christi O'Connor and **Juliana Fanning-Grigg** Chaize's daughter, Ilima, recently delivered Henry, Christi's new fur baby, to her family in Puyallup, Washington. Henry was yet another love connection/rescue from Aloha 'Ilio Rescue, an organization that Kathy Kim has dedicated years of opening her home and heart to. Kathy and Aloha 'Ilio Rescue have connected many of us piquant peeps, **Lois Yonezawa**, our family, **Tony Cook** and **Malia Diamond** Lee finding new homes for the rescues in Kona. Please support Aloha 'Ilio Rescue, they're making a huge difference in the lives of so many abandoned pets on Hawai'i Island.

Once again, **Keith Amemiya** was recognized by Hawai'i Governor Josh Green for his support of youth sports. This was the inaugural year for girls flag football and Punahou launched its first-ever team, Buffanblu, with 24 talented buff 'n blue athletes, and five wins out of six games. Congratulations to the Campbell High School Lady Sabers state champions. Thanks, Keith, for all that you do for the keiki of Hawai'i.

We'd love to hear from you all!

Sending much aloha from,

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Aloha!

Our 40th Reunion was nothing short of unforgettable. With a great turnout at our Friday night Class gathering, the Saturday Alumni Lū'au and the Sunday family brunch, old friends reunited with warm embraces, laughter and stories that spanned the decades. What made it even more special was how the passage of time softened old lines and blurred the boundaries of former cliques. What once divided us – sports, band, theater, honor roll –

now felt like distant memories, replaced by shared stories and mutual respect. Longtime friends picked up where they left off, and people who barely spoke in high school found common ground over careers, family and life experiences. Laughter flowed easily, barriers melted and what began as a gathering of familiar faces turned into a celebration of connection, growth, nostalgia and gratitude for how special our place at Punahou as the synergistic Class of 1985 is.

Thursday we presented a Class Gift to President **Mike Latham '86**. Congratulations to **Brian Flood** for spearheading the Gifts committee. Friday we gathered at Pearl at Kalauao for yummy food! Thank you to general manager, **Eddie Kageyama!** Shout out to

Chris Bisho and **David Fan** for the 'ono menu, and to **April Coloretti** for taking care of the vegan angle! Saturday was the Alumni Lū'au and our fantastic afterparty at **Kristi Koga's** house. An entire team of stalwarts made sure that the lanyards were done, the swag was distributed, and the endless pot of Portuguese bean soup plus all the other ono goodies were seamlessly available to us. Chris Bisho was a hero, getting all the tables and chairs little by little in the weeks prior. **Mia Matsubara Grant**, **Jill Takatsuka Yoshimoto**, **Jodie Mori**, **Tracy Mabe Ide** and so many more made our after party so fun. **Leslie Opulauoho**, our Class archivist, took zillions of pictures which will be curated for our next Class poster in 2030. And the entire crazy pile of us was led by the inimitable



The Class of '85 supported Pā'ina Paniolo: A Country Carnival by flipping burgers, serving saimin and also sugaring malasadas AND selling scrip! Front row, from left: Leslie Opulauoho, Kate Janczyk Bowman, April Coloretti, Jill Takatsuka Yoshimoto, Rona Suzuki, Tracy Mabe Ide, Colleen Maeda Bird and Darin Hisanaga. Middle row: Gail Campbell O'Connor, Jerold Kouchi, Kendra Porter Epstein, Susan Tom-Nellis, Kristi Koga, Mark Miyashiro and Kevin Imanaka. Back row: Ed Lau, Mark Chadwick, Brian Schick, Chris Bisho, Brian Flood, Andrew Lockwood and Keoki Kerr.



Mahalo to the Class of '85 for their Class Gift to Punahou in celebration of their 40th Reunion. Front row, from left: Kevin Imanaka, Susan Tom-Nellis, Leslie Opulauoho, April Coloretti, Colleen Maeda Bird and Kaui Chun DeMarzo. Back row: Chris Young, Andrew Lockwood, Brian Flood, Bill Loose, Katrina Li Wilson and Stan McCrea.



Friends from '85 together at the Outrigger Canoe Club. From left: Colleen Maeda Bird, Baron Ah Moo, Gina Ah Moo (spouse), Keoki Kerr, Katrina Li Wilson and Naomi Takayesu Totty.



Buff 'n blue friends lunched at the Ferry Building in San Francisco when Royce Shimamoto '85 visited the Bay Area. Mahalo to Russell Lee '84 for organizing this gathering. From left: Russell Lee, Royce Shimamoto, Wendy Shimamoto (spouse), Kiley Nomura '23, Kaui Chun '85 DeMarzo, Jason Peacock '85 and Peter Wong '85.

Colleen Maeda Bird and her wingwoman, April Coloretti. Join me in sending out aloha to everyone who made such an amazing Reunion weekend possible. Already looking forward to the next one!

Reunioning continued with a wine pairing night at the Pearl at Kalauao with Eddie Kageyama and his wife, Maggie; **Darin Hisanaga** and his wife, Ann; and **Kevin Imanaka** and his wife, Yvette. The three couples enjoyed five courses plus dessert paired with selections from the Prisoner Wine Company.

Back here in the Bay Area, I was able to catch up with some folks we missed at Reunion, like **Peter Summersgill**, **Peter Wong**, **Jason Peacock** and **Royce Shimamoto**. Peter S. has moved into a beautiful home on Mount Tamalpais with an amazing view. Royce was in town for a family thing and **Russ Lee '84** organized a lunch for all of us at the Ferry Building in San Francisco. It was wonderful to enjoy lunch together and catch up.

In March, the Punahou Alumni Association Northern California held the Buff 'n Blue Pā'ina at the Stanford Faculty Club. It was a wonderful chance for Bay Area alumni to connect with the School, hear President **Mike Latham's '86** vision for the future, and catch up with each other. I got to see Peter Wong, **Dana Lung**, **Peter Ho '83** and **Marie Mo'okini '74**. That weekend, Punahou Trustees and administrators had an opportunity to hear from an alumni panel working in emerging technologies. Alumni panelists included **Andrew Bassford '00** (Meta), **Avery Ching '98** (Aptos) and **Corey Lynch '06** (Figure).

On a sad note, **Christopher Kahikina Taufa'asau**, passed away on June 10, 2025. He is mourned

by his family and our Punahou family, including his brother, **Tim Taufa'asau '82**, **John Stricklin**, **Sean Hall**, **Kim Cundiff McDougall**, **Jennifer Noble Feuerstein**, April Coloretti and so many more of us. Several classmates flew to Los Angeles for his memorial.

I love hearing any and all updates from you – stories of travel, grandchildren, retirement, career changes and everyday joys. This column is a place for us to connect. I am looking forward to gathering more of your news, photos and reflections for next time!

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Aloha to all:

Time is flying by! I can't believe that by the time you read this, 2025 will be winding down! One thing is for sure, '86 made good use of its summer ...

In June, **Lori Fairbanks** Feldman, **Annette Sherry** Robison, **Hallie Park** Haley, **Lexie Newbill** Birmelin, **Pam Cox** Rhoads and **Taryn Holland** Sutton traveled across the pond to visit **Jean Muir** Wall at her home in Maillane, France. As described by Jean: "We spent the week exploring Provence, drinking lots of rosé, reminiscing about old times, and laughing A LOT. **Heidi Emerson** Altree was unable to attend but she was definitely there in spirit. The majority of us were able to spend a couple of days in Paris together with some of our daughters, including **Caroline Feldman '19**, **Betsy Robison** and **Lucie Wall**. Lexie couldn't come to Paris because she met her husband,

Art, in Germany and they enjoyed a Viking Cruise on the Danube! We are all so lucky to have each other and look forward to seeing everyone again for our 40th Reunion!" (We're looking forward to seeing you all, too!)

Also crossing international borders in June was **David Hsu**, who headed to Africa with wife Christensen Hsu and their three children for a Kenyan Safari. David kindly provided the following update: "My wife and I have settled in Oceanside, California for now, but we still have our house in Kāne'ohe. We both retired from the Army after 20+ years of service. My wife started her private oral surgery practice, and I help out with that. I've been the head endurance coach for the Navy SEAL and SWCC Preparation Course in Coronado, California for the past four years and have seen some of my Punahou classmates come through the program! Our oldest, **Ping '21** graduated from NYU last May and will stay in New York City as an artist. Our middle, **Meilani '24** is a freshman at UCSD, and our youngest will start eighth grade in the fall."

Dean Harada left Hawai'i in early July for a month-long artist residency at Arteles Creative Center, in Hameenkyro, Finland, with Lo'ihi records. Dean reported that he was working on a "double-quartet inspired by soundscape ecologist Bernie Krause's Acoustic Niche Hypothesis" (you all constantly remind me I'm nowhere near cool as you ...), and facing the impending challenges of life without cell phone or internet service ... or night! On the plus side, Dean was looking forward to meditation, hiking, lake swims and the traditional Finnish sauna. Dean, please give us the update on how it all went (so we can live "cool" vicariously!)



Over the summer, **Shera Chee '86** Mercer and **Mike Malterre '86** reconnected at the 2025 Scuba Show in Long Beach, California.



In June, these '86ers gathered to welcome **Joyce** and **Ted Lee '86**, who were visiting from Hong Kong, with a pau hana in Honolulu. From left: Dawn Sanderson, Kahiwa Jhung, Carol Lockwood, Cass Nakasone, Alvin Sato, Ted Lee and Ben Meyers.



When Jena Muir '86 Wall moved to her new home in Maillane, her buff 'n blue pals booked a trip to France. From left: Lexie Newbill Birmelin, Annette Sherry Robison, Jean Muir Wall, Taryn Holland Sutton, Hallie Park Haley, Lori Fairbanks Feldman and Pam Cox Rhoads.

On the move domestically, **Pam Lowe** Dolan achieved a lifelong dream in late June when she moved into a new home in Dunnigan, California (in "Yolo" County – how fitting!), with enough land for basic homesteading but still close enough to work for a reasonable commute. The property contains a "sweet old farmhouse," mature fruit trees and raised garden beds, a spacious area for chickens, maybe (hopefully!) goats, and beautiful old oak trees. Pam was enjoying homegrown apricots, tomatoes and squash within days of moving in.

In early summer, **Shera Chee** Mercer brought her 'Alohi Kai jewelry to a scuba show in Long Beach, California. Shera had heard great things about Stream2Sea sunscreen, which is not just reef-safe but actively helps coral reefs, and was interested in a possible cross-promotion, given 'Alohi Kai's pro-marine conservation stance. Seeking out Stream2Sea's representative at the show, Shera was surprised to discover he was classmate **Mike Malterre**! Mike is executive vice president of Stream2Sea and understandably proud of their innovative Coral Care sunscreen, which contains coral nourishment properties that caused a 50% increase in the growth of some coral species in an 18-week study!

Summer being peak travel time, we were also blessed with a variety of visiting '86ers. **Dawn Sanderson, Kahiwa Hung, Cass Nakasone, Alvin Sato, Ben Meyers** and yours truly joined **Ted Lee** and wife, Joyce, (visiting from Hong Kong) for happy hour in mid-June. A few days later, Shera arranged a Kaimana Beach gathering for Ted, Joyce and **Jarret Yoshida**. Although Jarret didn't make it, Shera, Dawn,

Ted and Joyce with their three children; Shera's husband, Joe; **Malia Nemechek '87** Baron and I enjoyed a beautiful sunset pau hana together.

Finally, Dawn, Kahiwa, Alvin, **Nana Nakano** Howell, and yours truly made up an '86 delegation at **Ann Kameyo Yamauchi** Tanabe's Celebration of Life at Punahou's Thurston Memorial Chapel in mid-June. It was a beautiful service and Nana reports that Ann's husband, Brett, was delighted to see Ann's classmates in attendance.

Speaking of precious time with classmates: please start making plans NOW for our 40th Reunion! Alumni Week is June 1 – 7, 2026, with Alumni Lū'au on June 6. Also, your Reunion Committee is hard at work – and the more the merrier, so reach out to me at clockwood@schlackito.com, if you'd like to participate!

Fondly, until next time,
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From **Brent Uyeno**:

In March 2025, my wife, Kristin and I traveled to Europe to visit our youngest, **Megan '23**,

who was doing her study abroad in Rome. We thought "She can't have all the fun!" This was the first "Uyeno European Vacation."

We met Megan in France, then went to Salzburg, Austria where we did a Sound of Music tour. We had a sing-along on the bus and saw the places the movie was filmed. We then spent the last week in Rome where Megan took us to some of her favorite restaurants and gelato shops. So many gelato shops! The whole trip was amazing! All the things I only read about, now I was seeing with my own "legally blind without my glasses" eyes. We went to the Louvre Museum, and of course saw the Mona Lisa. We saw the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral, the lake where the movie Von Trapp kids fell off the boat, the Vatican, the Colosseum. And the food! Croissants, baguettes, escargot, schnitzel, strudels, gelato, pasta, pizza, gelato and more gelato!

Rome was a little crowded and I told Megan when we first arrived, "I bet we'll see somebody we know before we leave." Then, on our last full day in Rome, we were in the Campo de' Fiori market looking for omiyage to take home, Kristin says "Hey, that looks like Luke and Lauren." There, thousands of miles from Hawai'i, we ran into **Lauren Chang '01** Williams, her husband Luke Williams (Kamehameha '01), and their son, **Eames '31**, and Lauren's parents, Sandra and Melvin Chang. That was a fun trip!

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Aloha!

Starting off with sad news. We lost two dear classmates recently. Both **Josh Welch** and **Danny Beck** passed away in May and while this news is incredibly sad, the imprints left by these two classmates are powerful. On our Class Facebook page, I couldn't help but feel the love and smile with the amazing sentiments that were shared.

Memories of Josh: **Amy Rice** shared the memory of Josh's Butter Mochi Ono Pops as being one of her son's favorite treats as well as Josh's love and nurturing way towards his wife and family. **Taylor Kurosaki** shared, "Josh seemed so mature – it was like going to school with Bono or Morrissey in the flesh." From **Belinda Johnson**, "Confident and boisterous and defiant in high school, and fascinating, kind and so interesting to talk to as an adult. He marched to the beat of his own drum unapologetically, and I LOVE that."

Sentiments about Danny from **Trisha Lum**, "You blessed us with your kindness and aloha



In keeping with an amazing tradition, Kim Greenwell '82 Evans and Lisa Greenwell '88 Hummel had the honor of pā'ū riding in the 2025 King Kamehameha Day Parade in Kona.



In May, Malia Hunt '89 Kakos, Wana'ao Watson '89 Eldridge and Leslie Yim '87 Clark were honored by their sons during a memorable Mother's Day tribute by the University of San Diego's chapter of Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji) fraternity. From left: Gabriel Eldridge '22, Wana'ao Watson Eldridge, Charley Kakos '24, Malia Hunt Kakos, Will Kakos '24, Leslie Yim Clark and Noa Clark '22.

spirit. You will be missed." From **Rob Izumi**, "I am picturing Danny frolicking in heaven and having a blast on two good legs. Know we miss you, Danny Boy!" From **Karen Elizaga**, "I so appreciated your joy and curiosity and kindness." Condolences from the Class of '88 to the loved ones of these two gentlemen that were so adored. Rest in love, you two.

In keeping with an amazing tradition, my sister, **Kim Greenwell '82 Evans** and I had the honor of being pā'ū riders in the 2025 King Kamehameha Day Parade in Kona. We rode with five women representing the seven founding members of the Daughters of Hawai'i, which is always a huge honor.

Daryl Muromoto, the proprietor at Clubhouse Lounge in Wahiawā, has had many classmates stop in for a visit and libations including **Ulalia Woodside Lee**, **Aulii Silva**, **Matthew Uiagalelei**, **Chris Robbins** and **Jenn Lia**.

Kathy Wurdeman-Thurston recently retired from Kamehameha Schools as Head of Learning and Teaching. Her retirement lasted a Honolulu minute ... she is now Dean of Faculty Support and Evaluation in the Punahou Case Middle School. Talk about full circle! Kathy will continue to make a positive impact for teachers and students alike!

I know that there is a lot going on out there, please keep in touch.

Amicably yours,
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In this fall Class column, we're thinking of all our classmates who keep things steady for others, especially those raising kids of their own. Back at Punahou in the late '80s, we learned how to show up for early paddling practices, late games, teachers who didn't let us off easy, and friends who made it so much fun. All these years later, many of us are still showing up in ways that reach far beyond our own families.

Tammy Morioka-Shimazu has spent the last 32 years teaching first graders at Washington Elementary in San Gabriel, California. She guides her students through good days, hard days and everything in between. She shared that she's now teaching the children of former students, and jokes she'll finally retire when someone tells her she taught their grandparent! At home, Tammy raised two daughters – one just finished her master's in Family Marriage Therapy at Appalachian State, and the other is working on a master's in structural/civil engineering at University of Southern California. She's also been flying home to Hawai'i often to help her dad.

Liana Bond Cosgrove just wrapped up her 31st year teaching kindergarten; three years in Wai'anāe and 28 in Boston public schools. Next



In April, friends from '89 met up for lunch at the Packing House in Anaheim, California. From left: Paul Bunda '89 with his spouse, Laura, Tammy Morioka-Shimazu '89, Jenny Wang (Mike's spouse), Mike Chien '89 and Todd Matsumoto '89.



Alexis Skigen '92 Rago stopped in Denver, Colorado to visit Scott Gould '89 and his wife, Kathy, for a few days of hiking and catching up.

year will be exciting as Liana switches gears to a Pre-K to first grade art teacher. She lives just south of Boston with her husband and two daughters and has served as an elected Town Representative for three years. She's grateful to spend time with **Somerset Adams** Buchanan, **Dian Parker** Quinn, **Jennifer Samproni** and other alumni passing through Massachusetts.

Kawehi Kala'au Apo is still in the air with Hawaiian Airlines and serves on the board of the non-profit Daughters of Hawai'i, which cares for Hānaiakamalama, the Queen Emma Summer Palace in Nu'uano and Hulihe'e Palace in Kona. She also makes time for her grandsons and good friends.

Scott Gould is a pilot for Frontier Airlines, getting passengers where they need to go, whatever the skies bring. He and his wife, Kathy, an actor and screenwriter, are now empty nesters and traded the Colorado suburbs for a 35th-floor condo downtown with floor-to-ceiling views of the Rockies. Their son Gabe (23) graduated last year with a degree in Game Design and Interactive Media and is job hunting; Owen (20) is a junior at University of Colorado Boulder majoring in Engineering Physics. They love being close to theaters, clubs and the mountains for hiking, biking and snowboarding.

These classmates and so many of you remind us that showing up for others, and doing it well, will always matter. Here's to them, and here's to you too. Drop me a line and let me know what you're up to! I'd love to share in the next column.

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Mighty '90 Reunion Committee at the Committee Mahalo with their Class Gift for their 35th Reunion. From left: Sandy Ng Niebling, Dana Shimoda-Fraiola, Alikea Alexander Piper, Julie Chang, Wyeth Matsubara, Heather Zeigler Palling and President Mike Latham '86.



Friends from the Class of '90, Willow Chang, George Burmeister, David Wilson, Wyeth Matsubara, Alex Ugelow, Dana Shimoda-Fraiola, Rick Humphreys and others shared heartfelt memories of classmates who have passed away over the years.



The Class of '90 got into the groove at the Friday night mixer at La Mariana. From left: Sandy Ng Niebling, Wyeth Matsubara, Heather Zeigler Palling, Heather Williams, Shelley Soga, Dana Shimoda-Fraiola, Mari Okimoto Konishi and Butch Reddy.



Aloha Beer Company was the scene for more good times for Mighty '90 as they celebrated with an after-lū'au party! Front row: Koko Jennings DeRyke, Dana Shimoda-Fraiola, Heather Zeigler Palling, Heather Williams, Kwan Lynne Ching Mooney, Courtney Ching and Chance Tom. Back row: Rick Humphreys, Allen Murabayashi, Charle Fern, Tina Pierce, Paul Bennett and Butch Reddy.

Hi, Mighty '90:

It was great to see classmates who traveled from near and far to attend Alumni Week activities, especially those classmates who attended a Reunion for the first time. Yay!

(Unfortunately, **Kim Tsuchiya** and **Nedra Dwyer** Manson were hoping to make it but at the last moment were unable to attend.) If you haven't yet attended a Reunion or didn't attend our 35th Reunion, please join us for our 40th. It was a good time but would be even better if you came!

Thank you to the Reunion Committee for their year long efforts to plan the Reunion events: **Alika Alexander** Piper, **Suzanne Szyper** Yen, **Wyeth Matsubara**, **Butch Reddy**, **Derek Hiyane**, **Shelley Soga**, **Heather Williams**, **Julie Chang**, **Heather Zeigler Palling**, **Mari Okimoto** Konishi, **Dana Shimoda-Fraiola**, **Derek Lau** and **Sandy Ng** Niebling.

Our Alumni Week kicked off on Thursday connecting with the 'āina at Ho'okua'āina, where we enjoyed hands-on learning, Hawaiian values and lessons while volunteering in a traditional lo'i kalo. In the afternoon, the committee presented President **Mike Latham '86** with our Class Gift of \$139,111. Thank you to all who contributed for your generosity!

The Friday night mixer was held at La Mariana, fabulously planned by Heather Williams and Heather Palling. The evening kicked off with a warm welcome and lei for all attendees. It was especially nice to see classmates that had traveled over the ocean to make it here –

Ann Pottier Matthews, **Susan Warner** Mann, **Kirin Palmer**, **Jennifer Jay** Oakes, **Priscilla Tuan**, **Julia Murton**, **Laura Soggin** Abila, **Tina Pierce**, **Allen Murabayashi**, **Ed Center**, **Charle Fern**, **Sharyn Funamura**, **Rimi Kobayashi** Miyasaki, **Derrick Kidani**, **Chris Hamilton** and **Malia Richmond** Hirschmann. (My sincere apologies if I missed anyone.) Over 80 people enjoyed cocktails and pūpū as we caught up on each other's lives.

On Saturday, after taking our Class photo, a memorial service was held to remember our classmates who have passed away: **George Pellegrin**, **Stephen Nii**, **Mu Tagoi**, **Mindy Starn**, **Casey Covault**, **Kenneth Hipp**, **Christopher Ako**, **Mike Taylor** and **Ben Fischlowitz**. Special memories of the departed were shared by Dana Shimoda-Fraiola, Ed Center, **Harland Ah You**, **George Burmeister** and **Willow Chang**. Harland asked everyone to hug and support each other. Tears were shed and those in attendance reflected on how precious life is.

On Sunday, classmates came together at Ala Moana Beach Park to feast on yummy barbecue provided by **Toma Turner**'s This Lil Piggy; catch up on the weekends' events and go for a swim. **Julie Chang**, **Kerri Ting** Wong, Priscilla Tuan, **Tina Young** Spencer and **Ryan Matsumoto** brought their families. **David Hijirida** and **Laurie Fujiyama** swam a few miles in preparation for their First North Shore Swim. (At time of this writing, David and Laurie finished the swim – Congratulations to them both!)

Classmates such as **Jennifer Oakes**, Priscilla Tuan and **Rosalyn Won** brought their families to Hawai'i for an extended vacation after enjoying the Alumni Lū'au. Jennifer and her family spent some time on Kaua'i, while Rosalyn and her family went to Japan and China after visiting family on O'ahu.

It was a fun weekend discussing life updates. Classmates celebrated their children's high school graduations, including **Ken Nakasone**,



Mighty '90 family and friends headed to the Windward side to get down in the lo'i at Ho'okua'āina. Front row: Friend, Liam Kippen, Erin Peyton '90 Kippen, Katie Kippen, Suzanne Szyper '90 Yen, Priscilla Tuan '90, Mahealani Yen, Jenn Ah You, Kerri Ting '90 Wong, Julia Murton '90 and Alex Ugelow '90. Back row: Kazu Akiona-Bannan, Jennifer Metz '90 Kane, Janna Robinson '90 Wiseman, Harlan Ah You '90, Alison Edwards '90 Lee, Nathan Tan '90, Jennifer Jay '90 Oakes and Wynne Oakes.



Classmates from '90 gathered at Ala Moana Beach Park for a yummy time with food from This Lil Piggy and lots of catch up! Front: Maya Piper '20. Middle row: Alika Alexander Piper, Laura Soggin Abila and Suzanne Szyper Yen. Back row: Julie Chang, Julia Murton, Erin Peyton Kippen and Janna Robinson Wiseman.

Misa Okada Umemoto, **Christopher Zane**, David Hijirida, **Vanessa Kawamura** Yanagawa, **Cee Cee Sheehan** Simmons and Dana Shimoda-Fraiola. Many also celebrated their children's graduations from college, including **Kim Dang** Funasaki and Heather Williams. Kim's daughter graduated from UCLA and Heather's son graduated from University of Washington. Welcome to the empty nester club for those that have made it!

Other joyous celebrations included the wedding of **Alika Piper**'s son, **Noah '17**, on Feb. 2, 2025. By the time this column prints, Alika will also be newly married and her daughter, **Maya '20**, was her maid of honor for the wedding on Aug. 2, 2025. Please send her your congratulations!

Along with the many happy occasions shared at Reunion, such as addition of grandchildren, unfortunately, many classmates also experienced loss this year. **Jon Emura**, **Rondee Lum** Kobayashi, **Michael Torres**, **Michael Wong**, Dana Shimoda-Fraiola, Chris Hamilton and **Kwan Lynne Ching** Mooney have experienced the passing of a parent over the past year. Please keep them, as well as classmates caring for a loved one, in your thoughts.

At Reunion, Mari, Dana and I discussed moving our Class shift at Taco Salad on Saturday 4:45 – 7:45 p.m. to the Malasadas on Friday night at 7:45 – 10:45 p.m. so that more classmates can participate. Unfortunately, with the size of the Taco Salad shift we can only accept 14 classmates – whereas we can open more spots for others to participate with the move. The time change will also likely work out better for people's schedules. Please let

us know your thoughts. We were thinking that this would be one way for us to stay connected not only with each other but also with Punahou.

Let's all keep connected using our Class of 1990 Facebook and Instagram page. There is also our Ka 'Ohana Punahou page as well. As we grow older, our differences shift, and we all start to share more common ground. Let's be that source of peace and strength for each other.

Much love and aloha,
Sandy

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Hey, all!

You know, sometimes when you have had an exhausting couple of weeks and have already pushed the submission deadline to its final limit, and your eyes can barely stay open at 11 p.m. but you realize your 52-year-old body can no longer properly metabolize NoDoz or Vivarin with Red Bull, you come up with a plan to put a marketing spin on bare bones content just so 1991 won't be that sad Class with a blank space after its name. That plan, my friends, is called Sesquicentennial Shorts. Yes, just the facts, ma'am. Sesquicentennial Shorts will give you the news without the

superfluous details or unsolicited commentary. Sesquicentennial Shorts will allow you, our beloved classmate and reader, to exercise your brain. You are encouraged to read the short, then invoke your creativity and imagine everything else under the sun that might have happened with that short, along with everything else we might have said about it, including how many times we might have used the word "amazing," "awesome" or "congrats" or ended our sentences with an exclamation point or two. So, with that introduction, the next time you see Sesquicentennial Shorts, you'll immediately



Lisa Jackson '91 Gruen attended Alumni Lū'au with her father, Bill Jackson '65, to celebrate his 60th Class Reunion.



Buff 'n blue at a Boston College game! Robin Ann Lee '91 Zovich and Andrew Dudgeon '91 ran into each other at a BC football game!



Ho'omaika'i to Denise Eldredge Sagapolutele '91 and the Eldredge 'ohana on the graduation of Judd Eldredge Sagapolutele '25. Front row, from left: Ka'imipono Mineshima-Eldredge '32, Waileia Mineshima-Eldredge '94, Jayde Eldredge '27 and Pal Eldredge '64. Denise Eldredge Sagapolutele '91, Michele Mancuso, Judd Eldredge Sagapolutele '25 and Jordyn Eldredge Sagapolutele '23.

recognize and embrace the creative exercise (or just realize that we didn't have time to build out engaging content in full paragraphs with smooth transitions and haven't yet figured out how to get ChatGPT to assist). Please enjoy the Fall 2025 Sesquicentennial Shorts:

- A lot of '91 parents of Punahou seniors were spotted at the 2025 commencement, including, but not limited to, **Denise Eldredge Sagapolutele**, **Josh Feldman**, **Barbie Ho**, **Kiana Kaiser-Hennington**, **Michelle Kondo Ho**, **Stef Loo Jefts**, **Lisa Loo Baldemor**, **Jen Kunishima Sarsuelo**, **Stanton Oishi**, **Corday Sakamaki-Paragas**, **Danielle Seo Mizuta** and **Lara Wong Dao**.

- Lisa Jackson Gruen** attended the Alumni Lū'au with her dad, **Bill Jackson '65**, while **Raydeen Kimura Graffam** attended with her mom, **Richardeen "Deenie" Ishida '65 Kimura**. **Mayu Hara Dao**, **Vanessa Higa Kau** and **Ali Takeshita Van Orman** checked them in at the wristband tent. Also assisting with wristband check-ins were **Stef Loo Jefts**, **Jill Murakami Baldemor**, **Cathy Nguyen**, **Wendy Hara**, **Mike Watanabe** and **Cade Roster**.

- Melanie Behm Devereaux** attended the Alumni Lū'au with her reunioning husband, **Tom Devereaux '90**.

- A uniformed **Scott Sato** was our HPD personal security detail at the Alumni Lū'au Info Tent, where we also chatted with **Nolan Terayama**, Barbie Ho and Punahou's vice president for Institutional Advancement, **Noe Lyons Archambault**.

- Denise Zane Ishikawa** and **Leilani Ahina-Dawson** met up in Denise's city of residence, Yokohama, Japan.

- Brooke Wilmeth** met up with **Gannon Sugimura** in Maine.

- Keli Sato Amann** spotted **Matt Corboy** on the Netflix pilot of "Running Point."

- Jill Murakami Baldemor's** daughter, **Megan '22**, who just finished her junior year at Santa Clara University, was a recipient of the Goldwater Scholarship, one of the most prestigious undergraduate awards in science, mathematics and engineering.

- Ali Takeshita Van Orman** went to SoCal over spring break and walked the Manhattan Beach Pier, where she spotted **Stein Metzger** and **Sean Scott's** names on the beach volleyball championship plaques embedded in the concrete pier.

- Robin Lee Zovich** randomly ran into **Andrew Dudgeon** at Boston College's Family Weekend football game last fall, where they

happened to be sitting in the same section. Both Robin's daughter, Malia, and Andrew's son, **Alex '24**, were BC freshmen last year.

- Our 35th Reunion planning starts now! Robin is already looking forward to planning a pickleball tournament to add to the usual festivities. Alumni Week is June 1 – 7 with Alumni Lū'au on June 6! Save the date!

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Jennifer Li '92 Dotson, Colbey Chang '92 Harris, Alexis Skigen '92 Rao and Eddie Yoon '92 enjoyed an 'ono potluck with their families in Chicago.



Derek Tom '92 and Billy Kobayashi's '92 families enjoyed a Dodgers vs. Angels baseball game over spring break.



Courtnee Chun '92, Jenna Wilson '92 Duran, Jennifer Almquist '92 Lehman and Aaron Carter '92 got together for a visit in Denver.

Aloha, Class of '92!

As we head into fall, the spirit of the buff 'n blue continues to shine bright through the incredible stories and milestones you share from every corner of the globe. Whether it's making waves in your community, sailing the high seas, or creating core memories with your 'ohana, we love hearing how you're living out the values we all carried from Punahou into the world. Here's what some of our classmates have been up to:

Keli'i Opulauoho is manager of Organizational Development and Learning at Hawaiian Electric. He was recognized as an Outstanding Community Volunteer for his incredible leadership and advocacy supporting marginalized communities and selected Hawai'i Health and Harm Reduction Center's Kua'ana Project – a lifeline for individuals in crisis – to receive a \$1,000 grant to support transgender rights. Mahalo, Keli'i, for uplifting others with so much heart and aloha!

Ginia Loo celebrated the release of her book, "How to B," with an author talk and signing in Kaimukī at da Shop: books + curiosities. Based on her personal journey to become a single mom, she shared messages about being brave, being kind and being yourself. Its universal message and playful charm have certainly resonated with readers of all ages. Congrats, Ginia!

Stephanie Chang and **Jen Tanabe** each received a Pele Award from the American Advertising Federation Hawai'i. Stephanie's design firm, Stephanie Chang Design Ink, was honored for Hawai'i Kāhuli, a stunning website that tells the story of native Hawaiian land snails – those that "once grew like grapes on trees" in our

mauka forests. Meanwhile, Jen Tanabe, director of marketing and communications at ALTRES, was recognized for a clever direct marketing piece: the "Vendor Survival Toolkit." What a dynamic duo! Congratulations!

Jennifer Almquist Lehman checked in from Colorado, where she just started her 27th year of teaching second grade at Superior Valley Elementary School. Her children are keeping her on her toes: Abbie and Ben (Monarch High, '26) are joined by Max, now a freshman, and Marek (Maz's son), who's a sophomore. With just a few more years until retirement, Jennifer is already dreaming of something fun and part-time in her next chapter. We're excited to see what's next!

Alexis Skigen Rago unplugged from work to enjoy a tech-free Scouting America sailing adventure with her son, Cole, in the turquoise blue waters of the Bahamas. Cue the playlist that has "Come Sail Away" by Styx on repeat! When she's not on the water, Alexis is helping entrepreneurs find their voice through her work at Marketing Mana LLC, where she has a global small business community. Her online course, Unforgettable Introductions: Attract Your Dream Clients and Network Fearlessly, is tailored for small business owners ready to grow with clarity and courage.

As always, if you've got a story to share, big or small, career news or personal milestone, we want to hear it! You are what really makes this column come alive!

Until next time, buff 'n blue!

With aloha,

Jen, Maz and J!

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From **Dave Ciano**:

Hey, Class of '93!

From cigar smoke-soaked math papers and outrunning Mr. Gross to U-Dub, Bütigroove and clowning at Variety Show, I had a hilarious catch-up conversation with **BJ Sabate**. I hope this interview has you laughing.

Dave Ciano: Where have you been since graduating from college?

BJ Sabate: I moved home to work for the family print shop, Maui Bay Shirt Co., from 1999 – 2020 and had Bütigroove / HiLife retail store from 2008 – 2018. Currently, I'm doing dental sales for Dentsply Sirona, focusing on endodontists, implants, ortho and lab. My territory is all of Hawai'i. Fun fact is that two of my college roommates are successful dentists – **Derek Takai** and **Todd Asato**.

D: Tell us something about you that we couldn't find on social.

BJ: In 2007, I went to Super Bowl XLI to watch my friend and Chicago Bear, Olin Kreutz, play the Colts. A bucket list moment that I never even dreamed would happen.

D: If you could go back to high school and give your high school self advice, what would it be?

BJ: Take a business or economics class.



Amber Strong '95 Makaiau, Carl Larsen '95, Breeze Giannasio '95, Jovanna Giannasio-Fern '98 and Carrie Ching '95 gathered for an evening of poetry organized by the Merwin Conservancy at Breeze's home in Honolulu.



Classmates from '95 at the Friday Pau Hana at the Ambassador Hotel of Waikiki. From left: Kasi Hara, Brad Reeber, Lori Takahashi Fenstermaker, Andrea Fujii Johnson, Kamuela Judd, Hannah Viernes, Kealoha Wong, Jenny Des Jarlais, Ryan Lau, Dean Kaneshiro, Micah Pavich and Lopa Shah.

D: What is one thing that Punahou taught you?

BJ: Be a better person every day and surround yourself with good people.

D: Most influential teacher/coach at Punahou and why?

BJ: Mrs. Witchey because she got straight to the point and she smoked cigars!

D: If your time at Punahou was a cafeteria food item, what food item would it be and why?

BJ: PBJ sandwich cuz it was always satisfying.

D: Fave Chapel song?

BJ: "May the Road Rise to Meet You." Crocker Clark has a remix on YouTube. Just search "Mayjah Sea." It will change your world!

D: What's on your playlist?

BJ: 90s hip hop, reggae, Hui Ohana, Gabby Pahinui and Earth Wind & Fire!

D: What's the first thing you'd do if you could go to Punahou Carnival?

BJ: Tell my kids to get script from their "aunties."

D: Best Punahou Carnival memory?

BJ: During our senior year, jumping on stage at the end of our last Variety Show with **Mike Yu**. I think **Sheree Nitta Stewart** and **Karisse Hayashi Sakahara** told us to get off stage. LOL!

D: What are you reading right now?

BJ: Nothing.

D: Seriously, what are you really reading?

BJ: Really, nothing.

D: One of your most memorable moments?

BJ: When Colt Brennan was quarterback for the University of Hawai'i, we made bootleg UH

shirts for every home game. The first was BUCK FOISE. We sold it for \$10 just so we could see our friends and fans wearing them on TV. The cameramen couldn't avoid showing that shirt. It was classic!

D: Where do you see life taking you in the future?

BJ: Hopefully I'll be in the same house I grew up in, that's my dream.

D: What do you miss most about being in school or miss about your classmates?

BJ: Walking the campus and seeing all your friends just cruising, debating to leave campus for Andy's or Meong's ... and if anyone saw Mr. Gross running around. The Class of '93 has been a blessing. Most of my best friends are still my best friends today. I still hang out with **Perry Lam**, and I've known him since I was five. Ours is a special Class for sure, so many great memories. I'm very thankful.

Hope you enjoyed reconnecting with BJ! Any suggestions feel free to reach out to us, and above all, "May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back."

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From **Jeri Tokumoto**:

Graduation season has come and gone, and our classmates continue to send off their own graduates of Punahou. This year **Dawn Sugihara**,

Jon Yee, **Karin Tran McCauley**, **Wendi Nishikawa Kidani**, **Alia Yap Pan**, **Taylor Tom** and **Brieshen McKee** all celebrated their 2025 graduates in the various traditions that we all were lucky to partake in a "few" years ago. Congratulations to **Carson Beard '25**, **Derek Yee '25**, **Asa McCauley '25**, **Cade Kidani '25**, **KG Pan '25**, **Logan Tom '25** and **Haskel McKee-Seegal '25**.

Congratulations go out to both **Liz Yee** and **Celeste Connors**. Liz was appointed as a Punahou Trustee and Celeste was appointed as the head of the East-West Center taking over for former Punahou President **James K. Scott '70** who was interim president during the transitional period as they searched for a new leader. Two members of our "transitional" Class doing great things! I guess the memory of Sea Life Park has finally faded from the pages of Punahou history.

Tina Marie Jacks Myers was watching, "The Four Seasons" on Netflix and our very own **Eric Elizaga** popped up! It's always a great surprise to see someone we know onscreen when watching shows or movies.

Please don't forget to send any updates to me and Michelle! Since Liz is now a trustee she is ending her nearly 30 years as a correspondent. So, if anyone wants to join us in creating this Class column, let us know.

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From **Stef Park**:

Reunion was a whirlwind of familiar and familiar-ish faces. Huge thank you to **Kasi Hara**



These friends from '95 enjoyed Punahou campus during Alumni Lū'au. From left: Chad Zane, David Tuan, Audrey Ida Nakamura, Steffany Ho Wong, Shanelle Kaneshiro Yamamoto, Julie Matsumoto, Stef Park and Karl Higa.



Class of 1995 volunteers helped to clean out He'eia fishpond in Kāne'ohe. One of their own, Hi'ilei Kawelo '95, is the executive director of Paepae o He'eia, the organization established to mālama this fishpond.



Class of '95 friends back on campus to celebrate their 30th Reunion. From left: Candes Meijide Gentry, Rachelle Dang, Kim Tice, Nicole Williams Bonning and Annmarie Goldsmith Primorac.



Classmates from '95 gathered outside Old School Hall at their 30th Reunion. From left: Jessica Spondike Combs, Kristin Lee Watumull, Jessica Langley Laird, Katy Stock Pinter, Morgan Thompkins Kennedy, Brooke Wilson, Candes Meijide Gentry, Carrie Ching and Becki Sugihara Stinson.

and the Reunion committee for planning all the Alumni Week events. The Alumni Lū'au was preceded by a memorial service that was officiated by **Dean Kaneshiro** and commemorated by **Kealoha Wong**.

It seemed like the years melted away against the backdrop of the Academy, but there is so much that our Class has accomplished. **Katy Stock Pinter** is doing healthcare consulting. **Jessica Spondike Combs** is in education. **Toni Matsuo** is living in France where she and her husband are adjusting to life as empty nesters. **Vanessa Van Gorder** Djisato is a tutor on O'ahu. **Lianne Hirano** is practicing internal medicine in Seattle. **Sunny Lee** and **Casey Haines** both

brought their infants to join in the celebration. **Taryn Ogawa Higa** is a nurse at Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women & Children.

Mike Wong enjoyed a brief retirement and is now the CFO of the University of California Berkeley, Haas School of Business. **Andrew Ho** teaches in the College of Education at Harvard University and is living in Boston. He says that **Rachel Carmody** is also at Harvard doing cool research about the gut microbiome. **Darren Lum** is working at the naval shipyards and doing volunteer work, helping to organize Special Olympics events. **Kevin Chang** is living in Beijing. Also had a chance to briefly catch up with **Kamuela Judd**, **Kuakini Hind**, **Becki Sugihara Stinson**, **Lori Takahashi** Fenstermaker,

Marla Choy Takamori, **Candace Rea** Beale, **Lori Hokyo** Misaka, **Donna Mabe** Kido and **Kellie Char** Pecoraro.

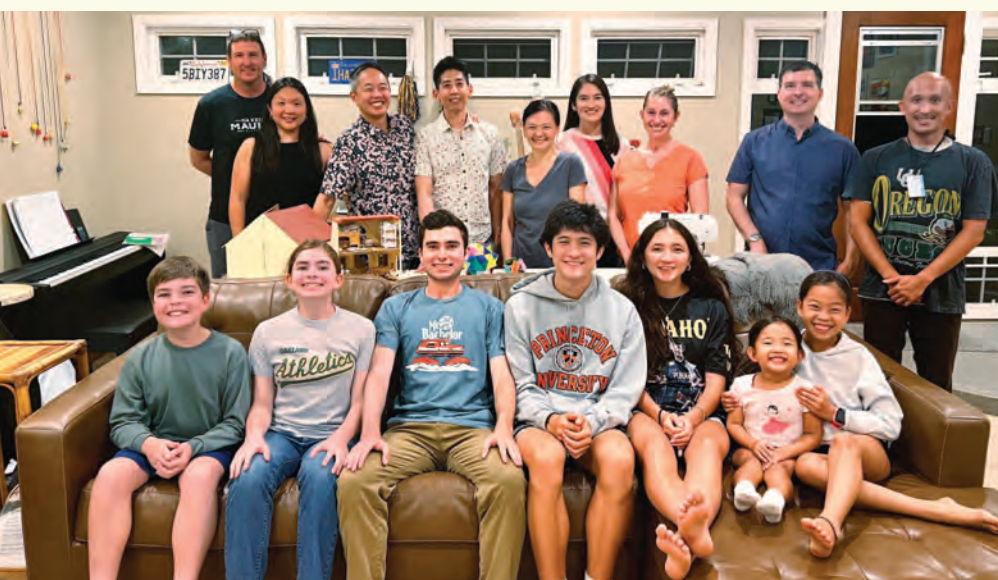
Shortly after the Reunion, **David Tuan** came home to visit with his family. **Reid Yamamoto's** sons were back on island visiting for a baseball tournament over the summer. Timing in life is everything, and 30 years later, the friendships that we have built during our formative years are still going strong. What an incredible event to reconnect with the excellent Class of 1995!

From **Annmarie Goldsmith** Primorac

Carrie Ching, **Amber Strong** Makaiau, **Carl Larsen**, **Breeze Giannasio** and **Jovanna Giannasio-Fern '98**,



Alumni Lū'au brought these friends from '95 back to campus for their 30th Reunion. Front row, from left: Michelle Tsuda Yun, Marla Choy Takamori and Donna Mabe Kido. Back row: Bonnie Kealoa Navarro, Kristen Hino Connors, Candace Rea Beale, Lori Hokyo Misaka, Kellie Char Pecoraro and Lori Kohara.



Over the summer, friends from '96 and their families gathered when Kaipo Matsumura '96 visited from California. Front row, from left: Benjamin Schoen '32, Laurel Schoen '30, Daniel Schoen '26, Johnny King '28, Meilani King '30, Luna Lum and Eden Lum '34. Back row: John King, Angela Yip '96 King, Trenton Lum '96, Kaipo Matsumura, Jaime Lum, Nikki Love '96 Kingman, Michelle Comeau '96, Will Schoen and RJ Yumol '96.

gathered for an evening of poetry organized by the Merwin Conservancy at Breeze's home in Honolulu. The guest speaker was Kevin Young, poetry editor of The New Yorker and the former director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture.

Our 30th Reunion was a hit! So many people came into town to attend! There was a golf

outing at Royal Kunia on Friday, where Annmarie Primorac, **Kamuela Judd**, **Brandon Yokota**, **Alika Reppun** and **Micah Pavich** all played quite well for the day. Later that evening we held our pau hana at the Ambassador in Waikiki.

Here are the Reunion updates! **Kohl Christensen** is living the good life out on the North Shore and big wave surfing. **Chris Chinn** is still

living in Paris with family, where he practices international law as an attorney. **Kevin Chang** is living in China where he is the UFC's senior vice president and head of Asia. **Rachelle Dang** is an independent New York City-based artist who teaches at the Yale School of Art and Hunter College. **Yoji Eguchi** is an architect living in Honolulu. **Kim Tice** and **Jessica Langley** Laird flew in from Portland for the Reunion. **Sarah Shaw** Farrar is living in Santa Barbara with her two teenagers and her husband, Graham. **Brooke Wilson** flew in from Colorado, where she is a successful real estate agent.

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The countdown for our 30th Reunion has started save the date, June 1 – 7, with the Alumni Lū'au on Saturday, June 6. We are lucky to have some super Punahou leaders in our Class like **Siana Austin** Hunt and Punahou Trustee **John Leong**. They discussed options for our Class party when John spoke at the ALTRES Leadership Academy this summer. Siana's news is that she won an Emmy for her role as director in a live production of the Moloka'i Hoe Broadcast on KHON! She had a great time celebrating at the NorCal Emmy awards gala in June during the same weekend that her son, **Aukina Hunt '20**, graduated with his master's degree in agriculture business from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Siana's daughter, **Ariana Hunt '21**, has also graduated with a degree in business management and marketing from Texas Christian University.

Speaking of graduations, there were a number of classmates at the Punahou graduation. **Mike Pietsch** celebrated with his son, **Aka Pietsch '25**, and **Tracy Tom** Park shared that she flew in from California to celebrate the graduation of her niece, **Logan Tom '25**. **Christopher Small** was there to congratulate his niece, **Colby Small '25**.

Celebrating a graduation in Olympia, Washington was **Wendy Weaver** Taylor whose son, Liam, graduated from high school and will study at Webb Institute in Glen Cove, New York in the fall. Her daughter, Annika, will be a sophomore in high school this year and Wendy is keeping busy as a kindergarten teacher and fitness instructor living a very active life of outdoor adventures in the Pacific Northwest. Over the summer, Wendy and her husband, Stephen, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a family trip to Europe.

My summer adventure was escaping the stress of living in Los Angeles for a bit to spend a month back on O'ahu. My son, Anthony, wanted to try Punahou summer school. While catching up with **Christina Bae**, I found out that her



And the Emmy goes to ... Siana Austin '96 Hunt for her role as director in a live production of the Moloka'i Hoe NaWahine O Ke Kai broadcast on KHON2! From left: Ikaika Rogerson, Siana Austin Hunt, Kristina Lockwood and Jenn Boneza on the red carpet at the NorCal Emmy Awards.



Ho'omaika'i! Mike Pietsch '96 and son Aka Pietsch '26 at Punahou commencement in June.



Jeff Kent '99 moved to Hawai'i over the summer with his wife, Tina, and children, Alice and Dorothy.

husband, **Terence Young '99**, who is an associate principal at Rider Levett Bucknall, a construction consulting firm, is on the board of directors for Re-use Hawai'i with **Casey Ching**, who is the vice president of real estate and asset management at Servco Pacific. I reached out to Casey to share the connection and reminisce about the rock-hard scones that Tina, Casey, **Mike Vierra** and I made for an English class project in our Bishop Hall days. He shared that he surfs once a week with **Kai Yamamoto** and got together with **Shayne Kano**, **Palani Tulewa-Gibbs** and **Ed Byon**, who just moved back from New York. Kai is a residential loan officer at Bank of Hawai'i, Palani is an enterprise architect at Kamehameha Schools, and Shayne is at Kano Trucking.

I'm sure many of you saw my desperate plea for news on our Class of 1996 Facebook page when my attempt to get responses by emailing photos of things that people wrote in the 1991 Bishop Hall Memory Book failed (you can still reply if you got one of these emails!). A huge thanks to Siana and **Angela Yip King** who responded and shared the photo that was taken when **Kaipo Matsumura** visited from Los Angeles this summer.

Bryan and I really cannot do this without your help. As we move toward Reunion, we will be reaching out more so if you get an email or DM from us, please take a minute to reply. Also, to make sure that you are getting all of the news and updates from Punahou, update your contact information by going to punahou.link/update-contact.

Mahalo and hope to see you all at our 30th Reunion in June 2026!

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Congratulations are in order to **Sean Kern** for his induction into the UCLA Athletic Hall of Fame, a well-deserved recognition of his illustrious career with the legendary UCLA water polo program. Sean led the Bruins to National Championships in 1999 and 2000 and was the first UCLA player ever to earn All-MPSF honors all four years and the second Bruin ever to win All-American honors all four years. He was also National Player of the Year twice over, and competed in the 2000 Olympic Games for Team USA. Sean was joined in Westwood by his entire family, and also by beloved Punahou water polo coach, Ken Smith, and former Punahou and UCLA teammate, **Brandon Brooks '99**. If you ever find yourself on the UCLA campus, be sure to visit the Athletic Hall of Fame to see Sean forever captured in a Speedo and to read more about his accomplishments.

On a more somber note, as many of you may have heard, we sadly lost another classmate

with the passing of **David Hekili Kenui Bell** in June. David worked as assistant superintendent at the Kona Airport, and his voice greets everyone over the speakers upon arrival there. David gained national fame over the last decade or so as a recurring figure alongside **Blake La Benz '98** in a series of memorable Kona Brewing commercials. Then David made his big screen debut in Disney's live-action "Lilo & Stitch" as the iconic shave ice guy. He was so excited that his acting career was expanding and was thrilled to take his family to see the movie's opening night debut. The world lost a larger-than-life talent and David, a hui hou. You will be missed for sure.

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These classmates from '00 were all smiles at their 25th Reunion. From left: Eric Morishita, Adrienne Ma Kassel, Kelsi Takabayashi Nishida, Luka Siliga Pule and Lucas Morgan.



Classmates from '00, Jady Ikeda, Victoria Divis McDonald and Tracey Turk Erker, reminisced about the unforgettable memories they made 25 years ago.



Juliet Johnson-Moore '00, Stephanie Lee '00 Goldstein, Heather Okano '00 Otani and Jann Kadowaki-Okabe '00 lit up the night at the Honolulu Elks Lodge for their 25th Reunion!



Classmates from '00 paused for a photo under the Alumni Lū'au tent. From left: Brie Lau-Amii, Dana Akasaki-Kenney, Kavita Jain, Dacia Ann Miyake-Caballero, Ava Liang Zhao, Lauren Yamasaki and Kristen Hay.

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From **Brie Lau-Amii** and **Tracey Turk Erker**, your Reunion Activity co-chairs:

Aloha, Class of 2000!

Wow! What a weekend! Our 25th Reunion was a total blast, and it filled our hearts to reconnect, reminisce and laugh like we were still hanging out on the Quad. Big mahalo to **Liane Onaga** Hoole for setting up our picture drive and earlier social media posts! Don't forget to check out **Mikey Campbell's** awesome



The Class of '00 took Sunday fun day seriously with little family friendly competition full of old school field games at Ala Moana Beach Park.



Many '00 classmates flew in to celebrate this unforgettable 25th Reunion. From left: Leo Weitzenhoff, Lisa Hill Benshea, Katie Baker, Christine Carmody and Victoria Divis McDonald.



The Class of 2001 imu crew poses before the imu is loaded with lū'au pork for the Alumni Lū'au.

Reunion posts on our socials, listed in the column header.

And once again, **Shelly Suzuki** Smith brought the swag – literally – designing our amazing Class of 2000 gear for the second year in a row!

We're thrilled to share that as of last total, we raised \$487,271 (yup, you read that right!) with 25% participation! Huge mahalo to our Gift gurus: **Megan Strand** and **Noel Pietsch** Shaw.

Feeling that Reunion FOMO? Well guess what ... it's never too early to jump on the 30th Reunion committee! Perks include monthly caramel cuts, free dinners from the cafeteria, and quality time with old friends (the best part, obviously).

We can't thank this amazing team enough: Tracey Turk Erker, our fearless chair and Friday night Elks/merch mastermind with **Maggie Engebretson**; **Lindsey Kawena Mechler** Opunui and our graceful hula dancers; **Billy Wong** for the perfect chill afterparty; and **Todd Pang**, who brought the hype with his epic field game tourney. Also, the behind-the-scenes stars:

Mavis Li (treasurer), **Leslie Lauren Yuen** Gouveia (secretary), **Talia Wong** Tanaka, **Orian Lee**, **Francine Beppu**, **Cici Fong** and to anyone we missed, we love you too!

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From **Nick Kawakami**:

Howzit everyone!

Let out a big WHEW! What a whirlwind these past few months have been, first gearing up and planning for this year's Alumni Lū'au, then putting on a successful event for over 2,500 alumni and their guests! Too many people to thank and give credit amongst our classmates,



Congratulations to Stephen Chun '01 who received the American College of Radiation Oncology 2025 Social Media award for establishing and hosting the first podcast ever by a National Cancer Institute Cooperative Oncology group.



Casey Nagle '01 with her longtime mentor and friend, Meredith Ward, after Casey received her Master's degree.

but the largest thanks need to go to **Kellie James** Schmidtke, **Christina Chun** Utoafili and **Lauren Hiramoto** Smith, who were the overall chairs! Their leadership trickled down to all of us who chaired committees and volunteered, and I can personally vouch for a good time had by our Class and all those who attended. HUGE "thank you" to all of you who volunteered in so many different capacities! It was a huge honor

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Howzit, Class of Heart!

I may be wildly overestimating my free time now that I've survived the emotional and logistical rollercoaster of planning my wedding, but here I am – your brand-new Class Correspondent! I'm kicking things off with two promises: One, you'll never open the Punahou Bulletin and feel disappointed by the absence of a Class of '02 update when I'm on duty. And two, I'm doing this to highlight YOUR lives, not mine. This will probably be the last time hearing about me.

Now that we've established that, I want you all to know that I recently got married in Austin, Texas where an incredible 20 of our classmates attended. It meant the world to me to see so many lifelong friendships from my time at Punahou come together for my special day.

I bumped into **Troy Nakamatsu** at my wedding. It was great to see him since he's one of my best friends. He opened his Sawtelle Sake brewery in downtown L.A. Troy learned traditional sake-making in Japan from some of the world's best masters and launched his biz in 2019. His mission: Expand the sake market in the US, introduce it to new audiences, and reimagine how we drink it. You can find his sake products online and in select stores and restaurants around Los Angeles. I can personally attest, through drinking many free samples, that his sake is the best and will be a game changer.

In May 2024, **Derek Turbin** was elected as chair of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i. As chair, he joins the ranks of other Punahou alumni like Councilman **Tyler Dos Santos-Tam '06** and Senator **Brian Schatz '90**. Also, Derek gave an all-time amazing speech at my wedding.

Brian Sanders shared with me about how he's building a health community in Austin, Texas. A few years ago, he opened up a health club and event space, Sapien Center. Brian hosts one of the top nutrition podcasts, Peak Human and, if that weren't enough, he's amassed a pretty serious health and nutrition social media following, especially on IG @Food.Lies. Also, be sure to check out the trailer for the six-part docuseries he's making with me called "Food Lies."

In other news not about me, our Class Alumni Lū'au chair, **Todd Iacovelli**, wants you to know that we need all hands-on deck for Lū'au next



The Class of 2001, ready to put on an incredible Alumni Lū'au for the 0s and 5s!



An Austin, Texas after-party that celebrated the wedding of Catalina and Jay Hanamura '02, with a strong turnout from the Class of 2002. Front row, from left: Kawika Fiddler, Kynan Pang, Catalina and Jay Hanamura, and Ross Isokane. Middle row: Ian Clagstone, Chris Shiramizu '04, Brian Sanders, Derek Turbin, Ryen Shimizu, Peter Lee, Jason Ching, Troy Nakamatsu, Koa Robinson, Pono Nu'uhiwa, Steven Funasaki and Peter Estermann. Back row: Alex Fergus, David Marsh, Jake Fergus '06, Ray Hong, Sean Jobe, David Dowsett and Todd Iacovelli.

to work alongside and catch up with you over that week! Next year, it's our turn to be celebrated as one of the featured Classes, so save the date for Alumni Week 2026, June 1 – 7, with Alumni Lū'au on June 6!

Our annual golf day was a huge success again this year! 'Ewa Beach Golf Club hosted us for a second year in a row, while providing a fun but challenging afternoon. Among this year's players were **Chris Yim, Hiro Takei, EZ Smith, Michael Koga, Daniel Han, Chris Laniauskas, Adam Dornbush, Kea Kometani, Eric Ching, Darren Lee, Kale Kealoha** and **Ikaika Jobe**. Congratulations to Chris Yim for shooting the lowest gross score and Michael Koga for winning the grand prize of the afternoon. If you'd like to play next year, let me know, since it's always a good time on the course!

Outside of the Reunion festivities: **Stephen Chun** received the American College of Radiation Oncology 2025 Social Media Award! He established and hosted the first podcast ever by a National Cancer Institute Cooperative Oncology group. Congratulations, Stephen!

Casey Nagle's dad wrote in to let **Matt Dvovich** know that Casey just received her master's degree in social work from Westfield State University! Congratulations, Casey!

Lots of good news and great memories over the past few months! Keep the updates coming and we're happy to celebrate everything you've done!

Aloha for now!



Volunteers from '02 at the Alumni Lū'au. From left: Briana Ackerman, Stacy Ma, Daya Mau Akina, Julia Matsunaga, Megan Abbott Joswick and Lizzie Lee Fujino.

year on 6/6/26! If you were not involved this year and can help us in 2026, please email toddiacono@gmail.com. There are lots of different jobs so we can find something fun for everyone.

Lastly, I bumped into **Ian Clagstone** (we work out together two to three times a week), and he brought up a good memory from last year when **Kawika Fiddler** and **Chris Shiramizu '04** challenged us to a winner-take-all golf outing in Wailea, Maui. Everyone had a great time and as expected Ian and I won. The highly anticipated rematch is set for later this year. Stay tuned.

Well that's it for my first update. Glad I stuck to my two rules. If you've got news that's not about me, or about me, just shoot me an email.

[Hands-making-heart emoji]

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Aloha Class of 2003!

Congratulations to **Krystle Hara Cook** for starting a new position as a recruiter for the State of Hawai'i! She previously served as the administrative services officer for the State and is excited to continue serving the local community in her new role.

As always, please feel free to update us with your latest news. We love hearing from you!

Until next time,
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From **Myca Ferrer**, the 2005 Reunion MVP and branding extraordinaire:

Our Class made history at our 20th Reunion, setting records and celebrating like only '05 can! With 219 classmates giving back, we achieved an impressive 54% participation rate and raised an astounding \$300,351 for our Class Gift, setting a new school record for both total dollars and participation at a 20th Reunion.

Throughout our Alumni Week celebration, classmates reunited at several exciting events: our inaugural 2005 Pop-up Market (108 attendees), Golf Day (24), Cocktail Party (166), and Family Beach Day (103). Each event brought the spirit of Punahou to life. The Pop-up Market, hosted at **Andrew Mau's ISLAND-BOY** shop, showcased Class entrepreneurs, including **Whitney Bosel**, **Jason Chow**, **Makena Hunt Rockstroh**, **Matthew Kwock**,



A few of '05's talented classmates showcased their work at a private pop-up at Andrew Mau's '05 ISLAND-BOY shop in Kaimukī as part of their 20th Reunion festivities. Front row, from left: Whitney Bosel, Pōhai Nu'uhiwa Campbell, Paige Markham Yang and Jason Chow. Back row: Makena Hunt Rockstroh, Andrew Mau and Matthew Kwock.

Paige Markham Yang, **Pōhai Nu'uhiwa Campbell**, **Kate Ryan** and **Lynn Yee**.

A special thanks to **Arlen Kam** and **Claire Schiff Thompson** for their steadfast planning leadership, which led to a truly remarkable lineup of activities that brought classmates together for a memorable celebration.

Kelli Ishii Yamashita and **Kacie Yano** Inaba boldly and persistently led the Gift charge and broke two school records, as only they could.

We also expanded our reach online with a suite of digital activations, including our new Class website, puns2005.com that is perfect for submitting future Punahou Bulletin notes, and achieved over 511K Instagram Reel views on our platform, featuring four viral videos, one garnering 175,000 views. Class merchandise sales were robust, and our Reunion branding team introduced a comprehensive identity system, complete with custom GIPHY stickers, a Spotify channel and a detailed brand manual.

This effort was powered by a 26-member committee whose creativity, dedication and generosity made this milestone unforgettable. Mahalo to every classmate who showed up, gave back and made it legendary. We are officially the most successful 20th Reunion in Punahou history!



108 classmates enjoyed the pop-up at Andrew Mau's '05 ISLAND-BOY shop as the first event in a fun-filled Alumni Week of 20th Reunion festivities. It was a great turnout, and the shop was such a great intimate space for everyone to catch up.



The night before Alumni Lū'au, '05 Reunion committee members, Kacie Yano Inaba, Myca Ferrer and Kelli Ishii Yamashita, continued to hustle for more participation towards Class Gift during the Class cocktail party at Roboto Jinya. Their persistence led to the Class of 2005 setting new records for both gift amount and participation for a 20th Reunion Class!

From Lauren Okada:

The incredible success of our 20th Reunion showcased just what we can achieve together! With record-breaking attendance and fundraising, we've proven that our spirit and connection remain strong, even after two decades. Let's harness this momentum and work together to make our next Reunion even more unforgettable!

This past year, everyone brought their special talents and personalities to our meetings,

making it an entertaining and productive place to create a fantastic Reunion.

After our Class events and the Alumni Lū'au, we learned that 20 years is too long to wait to catch up with one another. Our next opportunity is in three short years to help host 2004's 25th Reunion and then our own 25th Reunion the following year. Joining the Reunion Committee is your chance to help foster those connections and create memories that last a lifetime. Your creativity and enthusiasm can help us engage even more classmates, ensuring everyone

feels included and inspired to support our endeavors.

Myca Ferrer's puns2005.com website is terrific and will continue to serve as a central hub of information. Please continue to use it to provide updates. Without tools like this, I wouldn't be able to share that while they couldn't make it to the Alumni Lū'au, **Ashley Hepburn** moved with her family, including her two young children, to Traverse City, Michigan!

Until we meet again (hopefully sooner this time), please reach out with any updates!

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From Christine Loui:

Many of our classmates have moved home in the last few years, and it's been great seeing so many familiar faces around town.

Scott Seki is living and working in Philadelphia with his wife, Lydia, and their child, Mariko, who they welcomed last year. Like many of us living on the continent, he's interested in reconnecting – feel free to reach out and say hello!

I visited with **Grace Son** in San Francisco while she was on her way back to Denver from Asia. Grace continues to work in fashion,



In 2024, Scott Seki '06 and his wife, Lydia, welcomed their first child, Mariko. The three are living happily and healthily in Philadelphia with their grumpy senior dog, Mugen, who is also sometimes happy and healthy.

where she remains my personal go-to for any questions about what I should wear, as well as professionally as director of Global Merchandising at The North Face.

On a recent visit home, I ran into **Justin Udom** at an event for his business, Pop Culture Artisan Pops. Justin returned to campus earlier this spring to talk about entrepreneurship, where he saw **Jenn Akiyoshi, Tyler Fujita** and **Adam Kam** who attended the event.

I also caught up with **Mark Lum** and **Michelle Tsou**, who work at Kaiser Permanente in Honolulu in radiology and podiatry, respectively, along with a number of fellow '06ers in medicine who they see regularly: **Cristen Aona** Lehan, **Yuree Nam** Lin, **Neil Onizuka** and **Jon Wong**. I still remember doing group projects with Mark, Michelle and Neil in ninth-grade bio. It must be so fun to work together again as adults.

Speaking of memories from 20+ years ago, our 20th Reunion is coming up next year! Alumni Week is June 1 – 7, with Alumni Lū'au on Saturday, June 6. Planning begins in the fall, and we're looking forward to reuniting. You can continue to follow our class IG @Punahou2006 (thanks, Carly!) or get in touch with Maile, Suz, Spencer or me (Christine). Aloha!

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The Class of 2010's Friday night celebration was held at Beer Lab HI.



These '10 classmates paused for a picture during Alumni Lū'au. From left: Erin Lloyd, Nicole Ikeda, Taryn Loo Char, Ashley-Anne Feria Makāula and Casey Ching Gaddis.

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From **Noelle Grace**:

Aloha, Class of 2010!

Wow! What a fantastic time we had celebrating our 15th Reunion at the Alumni Lū'au in June. It was so good to see so many of you and meet your loved ones. We are grateful to the extraordinary Reunion Committee for their work on our fun Class events. Special thank yous to **Dori Leong, Melody Yim, Anita Goo** Palmer, **Tiffany Tran, Alaka'i Aglipay, James Dowsett**



A White Coat moment! Kaity Yim '10 returned to Honolulu and opened her dermatology practice, DermSpace Hawaii.



Congratulations to Alina Ching '11 Feeley and Matt Feeley '11 who welcomed their son, Parker Kawaikui Feeley, on June 3, 2025!



Congratulations and best wishes to Patrick O'Neill '11 and wife Britney on their marriage!



Buff 'n blue friends traveled to Taormina, Sicily to celebrate Patrick O'Neill '11 and his wife, Britney. Alumni in attendance were Karen Maurins '11 Calabrese, Lizzy Carlson '06 Parrish, Matt Parrish '11, Daley King '11, Alex Chang '11 and Jeremy Lee '11.

and Rie Chun Shutter as well as everyone who worked hard to make our Reunion such a memorable time together!

We were excited to hear that many of our classmates are moving home to Hawai'i.

Kaity Yim opened a dermatology practice, DermSpace Hawaii, at Kapi'olani Medical Center, offering an array of medical and cosmetic dermatology services for all ages.

After practicing in Los Angeles for two years, she is excited to be back to serve her home community!

Nikita Sang visited **Kathryn Lau** in Seattle in August 2025. They enjoyed visiting Olympic National Park and doing low-key arts and crafts together. They also hung out with **Megan Lau '14**, and took Kathryn and Megan's dog, Nico, on some outdoor expeditions.

I (Noelle Grace) gave birth earlier this year and I was lucky enough to have two familiar Punahou alumni on my hospital team. I'm forever grateful for their excellent care!

If you would like to be featured in the next issue of the Punahou Bulletin, please send in photos or updates to our Class correspondents at punahoubulletin2010@gmail.com or contact any of our Class correspondents directly. Enjoy the rest of 2025 and hope you all have a great start to 2026!

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Matt and **Alina Ching Feeley** welcomed their son, Parker Kawaikui Feeley, on June 3, 2025! They are settling into their new routine with baby, dog Frankie, and home ownership in Kailua.

Patrick O'Neill and wife Britney welcomed family and friends from afar to celebrate their wedding week in Taormina, Sicily. Buff 'n blue friends in attendance were: **Karen Maurins Calabrese**, **Lizzy Carlson '06 Parrish**, **Matt Parrish**, **Daley King**, **Alex Chang** and **Jeremy Lee**. The newlyweds live in New York City with their Dalmatian, Willow.

Save the date for our 15th Reunion! Alumni Week is June 1 - 7, 2026, with Alumni Lū'au on June 6. Monthly Reunion planning meetings will begin in September 2025.



Congratulations and best wishes! Class of 2012 alumni, along with their spouses and fellow Punahou alumni, reunited in Pūpūkea to celebrate Michelle Tong '12 and Ryan Yoshida's '12 wedding.



Friends from the Class of 2013 celebrating marriage of Liana Lau '13 and Mike Oishi! Front row, from left: Alys Wagatsuma, Jenna Nishida and Kylie Chun. Middle row: Kylee Kunimura, Kika Masunga, Mike Oishi, Liana Lau Oishi, Taryn Kawamura, Kayla Nanbu and Whitney Sia. Back row: Lance Chee, Chaz Shizumura, Michelle San Luis Fujimoto, Jake Fujimoto and Delton Oki.

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Aloha, everyone!

In late 2024, high school sweethearts, **Ryan Yoshida** and **Michelle Tong** got married in Pūpūkea surrounded by classmates and

friends. Class of 2012 in attendance included: **Gordon Lai, Elliott Lei, Jade Lum, Darin Chun, Max Bergmanis, Cuyler Hirata, Jonathan Yau, Kelly Ann Lee, Andrea Lee, Melody Kaohu, Brysa Kato, Zara Rabinko, Jazlyn Akaka and Joey Ching.** Other Punahou alumni in attendance included: **Chris Dovermann '07, Alexander Pang '11 and Nicholas Kawasaki '11.** Warmest congratulations, Michelle and Ryan!

Hope you are all doing well and taking care. If you have pictures or news that you would like included in a future issue, please send them to classof2012alumninotes@gmail.com or reach out to the Class correspondents directly.



Congratulations! Friends celebrating the marriage of Arjuna Heim '13 and Sofia Luczak. From left: Eva Remillard, Lauren DeSordi, Sofia Luczak, Kaimana Rosso '13, Arjuna Heim '13 and L.J. Remillard '13.

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Aloha, 2013ers!

Happy fall! Hope your summer was fun! It's been a busy year so far for many of our classmates! This is a Bulletin record of five weddings!

On March 3, 2025, **Leigh Yonemoto** and her husband, Gary Liu, eloped in Kamakura, Japan (a small beach town near Tokyo) with close family. Leigh said they chose that town because "it's one of my favorite places to vacation from when I was growing up. When we got back to Seattle, we held a small courthouse ceremony with close friends to make it official. Gary and I met in Seattle through our mutual friend, **Leona Motomochi**, and became instant best friends. About a year later, we started dating just before COVID-19 hit, which meant spending lots of time together early on. Gary always jokes that our Seattle crew is all from Punahou." I also want to shoutout Gary because when he came with Leigh to our 10th Reunion, Gary happily wore our PE uniform to an event! He's definitely a keeper!

On May 15, 2025, **Kelly Mok** married Jacky Fang under the backdrop of the Ko'olau Mountains in a ceremony on the 10th tee of a venue she once practiced at while on the Punahou golf team!



Congratulations! Kelly Mok '13 and Jacky Fang were all smiles after tying the knot on May 15, 2025.



Congratulations and best wishes to Karrie Honnaka '15 Fukushima and Drake Fukushima on their beautiful wedding! Their celebration was filled with love and joy, bringing together friends and family to mark the beginning of this new chapter in their lives.

Among the guests were **Alec Nakamura** and several parents of Punahou alumni. Kelly and Jacky met in 2018 while he was attending Columbia University after serving in the Marines, and she was working in Manhattan. The couple has since made New York City their home and recently celebrated another milestone – purchasing their first home together!

Congrats also to **Arjuna Heim** who married Sofia Luczak. Sofia is born and raised on O'ahu and was a high school softball star! The couple



In May, Megan Dalmacio '15 married Brandon Chew in a beautiful ceremony at St. Augustine by the Sea. From left: Jessica Gum '15, Talia Rabinko '15, Megan Dalmacio, Brandon Chew, Alex Ashimine '15 and Odelia Moon '15.

met in University of Hawai'i graduate school while studying urban and regional planning. They were married in Arjuna's parents' backyard surrounded by friends and family. Arjuna and Sofia live on O'ahu with their two dogs, Mahina and Linus.

Liana Lau married Mike Oishi in a beautiful wedding with many 2013ers in attendance. Liana wrote that "getting married has been a dream, but what made it extra special was having the friends I met at Punahou there to celebrate with us. We've kept in touch over the years and celebrated many life events. I'm so grateful to still have those friendships in my life."

On June 14, 2025, **Sammy Hedrick** married David Nicholson at Lanikūhonua. Sammy said one of her favorite parts of the night was the music! **Henry Kapono Ka'aihue '67** played the reception music and her brother, **Noah '16**, was the DJ at the after-party! Sammy and her family also hosted a welcome lū'au at her family's house in Hawai'i Kai that included fire dancers. Other 2013ers that attended her wedding were **Amber Troske, Eryn Nakashima, Katie Hamm, Gracie Kimura, Kelly Pang** Tang and **Ali Kamikawa**.

Congratulations to our newlyweds! We are so happy to expand our 2013 'ohana!

Talk soon!

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Congratulations and best wishes! In January 2025, Shannon Hennessey '15 and Bryce O'Connor Motu were married at Te Uri o Hina Marae in Pukepoto, Aotearoa.

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Aloha, Class of 2015!

It's hard to believe it's been 10 years since we crossed the stage at graduation, and yet here we are – celebrating marriages, careers and creative passions all over the world. Whether you're planting roots or spreading wings, we love seeing where life has taken our classmates.

Here's what a few of our fellow alums have been up to:

On Jan. 4, 2025, **Shannon Hennessey** and Bryce O'Connor Motu were married at Te Uri o Hina Marae in Pukepoto, Aotearoa (New Zealand), a sacred place woven into the daily rhythms and ancestral heartbeat of Bryce's whānau. In this place, where Shannon was first welcomed by her own ancestors, and where generations of Bryce's family have celebrated, mourned and loved – their two families became one.

In May, **Megan Dalmacio** married Brandon Chew in a beautiful, traditional Filipino-Catholic ceremony at St. Augustine by the Sea. Surrounded by the love of family and friends, the couple celebrated the start of their new life together in a day full of warmth and aloha. True to the spirit of lifelong Punahou bonds, Megan was joined by her



The 2015 Reunion committee proudly presented their Class Gift to Punahou at the Committee Mahalo during Alumni Week 2025. From left: Randyn Sugai, Troy Enoka, Alex Kidani, Victoria Mak, Kylie Swider, Rachel Paresa, Vory Lum and President Mike Latham '86.



Mahalo to the 2015 Reunion committee for planning a great 10th Reunion! From left: Alex Kidani, Rachel Paresa, Devon Saturnia, Justin Smith, Meleana Coito, Kylie Swider, Jackson Sayama, Victoria Mak and Troy Enoka.



Classmates from 2015 gathered at the Secret Spot at The Laylow for their Friday night pau hana during Alumni Week 2025.

fellow 2015 alumnae, **Jessica Gum**, **Odelia Moon**, **Talia Rabinko** and **Alex Ashimine** as her "Something Blue Crew" and **David Kim**, who was a groomsman. Their friendship made the day all the more meaningful, a sweet reminder that some of life's most cherished connections are made on campus and lovingly carried through life.

Victoria Mak is involved in cancer epidemiology research and community service initiatives at the University of Hawai'i Cancer Center. Currently, she is working on a study focused on whether changes in dietary habits and physical activity can affect the amount of fat stored in your abdomen and the rest of the body to reduce disease risk.

On the creative front, **Rachel Paresa** teaches ceramic classes at fishcake in Kaka'ako, bringing her artistic talents to new learners and continuing her journey in the local arts community.

Meanwhile, in Los Angeles, **Cody Martinson** is pursuing his MBA at UCLA and spent the summer interning in healthcare consulting, an exciting step forward in his professional path.

Mahalo nui loa to our incredible Reunion Committee of **Troy Enoka**, **Alex Kidani**, **Victoria Mak**, **Cody Martinson**, **Rachel Paresa**, **Jackson Sayama**, **Devon Saturnia**, **Justin Smith**, **Randyn Sugai**, **Meleana Coito**, **Vory Lum** and **Kylie Swider** for their dedication and hard work in helping bring our Class together and making our 10th Reunion such a memorable celebration. We appreciate you!

We'd love to hear from you! Whether you're celebrating a milestone or just want to share an update, please reach out to be featured in future Bulletins!

With aloha,
Gabby & Kelli



Classmates from '15 at fishcake, a women-owned business in Kaka'ako, Honolulu, where Rachel teaches pottery. From left: Jorden Prussing, Rachel Paresa and Kaitlyn Yonamine.



High school sweethearts tie the knot! On April 19, 2025, Ward Weldon '16 and Kelly Fricke '15 got married on O'ahu. Congratulations and best wishes!



Star Dahl-Thurston '16 hosts a podcast, "Between You + Me," that she launched in October 2023. Give it a listen for content guided by curiosity, honesty and connection.

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Star Dahl-Thurston hosts a podcast! It started with a simple idea: what if there were a space where we could talk about the things we're usually quiet about – identity, culture, healing, and the messy in-between of everyday life?

That idea became "Between You & Me," a podcast Star launched in October 2023. Rooted in Hawai'i and grounded in real talk, the show holds space for the kinds of conversations that often live behind closed doors. Listeners have shared that they love how the episodes are thoughtful and honest, but still fun and easy to listen to. Some go deep. Others stay light. But all of them are guided by curiosity, connection, and truth. There's laughter, tears and plenty of "nah, I feel that" moments along the way.

More than just a podcast, her goal is to build a community – one that values authenticity, cultural reconnection, and healing across generations ... and appreciates the power of a good laugh (and maybe a cocktail) along the way. She is always looking for support and sponsors, so if you or anyone you know wants to support a fellow alumna on her journey, please reach out to her at dahlthurstonstar@gmail.com. Go give her a listen!!

We are starting to get excited for our 10th Reunion next year! Time is flying! Mark your

calendars: Alumni Week will be June 1 – 7, 2026, with Alumni Lū'au on June 6. Monthly Reunion planning meetings began in September of this year. Thank you to everyone who is helping out. Hope to see you all next summer!!

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Aloha!

Hey, Class of 2017!

Whether you've been trying something new, settling into ongoing adventures, or just taking things one day at a time – we'd love to hear from you!

Your stories, updates, milestones and even just fun moments with classmates, are what keep our Class community connected. Reach out to us anytime with news or updates about yourself or friends. We can't wait to share what everyone's been up to!

Me ke aloha,
Sydney & Karli

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Congratulations to Kallie and Alaka'i Todd '18 on the arrival of their beautiful baby boy, Kekoali'i Todd, who was born on Feb. 25, 2025.



An international reunion! In May 2025, Shane Toma '18, Leo Chan '18, Gradon Wong '18 and Ian Chang '18 met up in Japan for an incredible trip!



These 2018ers celebrated their dancing queen, Tiana Hamamoto '18 Contreras, on Santa Catalina Island before she eloped under the Grecian sun. From left: Haley Poppinga, Lianne Park, Tiana Hamamoto Contreras and Emily Kim.



Audrey Nguyen '20, Maya Piper '20 and Madison Yim '20 under the big tent at the Alumni Lū'au for their 5th Class Reunion.



In spring, friends from '20, Dysten Fujimoto, Natalie Collat and Kaelyn Sakai, enjoyed a trip together to Japan's Tokyo Disneyland.



Reyn Kawasaki '20, Zane Yamamoto '20 and Dylan Yokotake '20 at the Waialae Country Club anticipating the camaraderie at their 5th Class Reunion.

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Aloha, Class of 2020!

We hope you had an amazing Reunion weekend!

Here are some classmate updates:

Natalie Collat is working in New York as an office production assistant for the CBS show, "FBI." A highlight from this past year was filming a short film at Camp Palehua (formerly Camp Timberline) with **Lauren Luke '21**. She had the privilege of working with industry professionals from the live-action "Lilo & Stitch," "Moana" and "Rescue HI Surf," who volunteered their time to the project. Natalie also went to Japan in May 2025 with **Kaelyn Sakai** and **Dysten Fujimoto**.

Dysten Fujimoto organized Alumni Week with **Zane Yamamoto**. He said "Planning the events never felt like work because it was for people and a place that I cared and lived with for so many years. It was also a great opportunity to work with people I didn't know as well." He recommends that more people volunteer because the planning process with classmates is rewarding.

Audrey Nguyen recalls, "Going to our 5th Reunion was a lot of fun! It was so nice to reconnect with classmates I haven't seen or talked to in years. It felt like time had never passed, especially with seeing everyone in the same room again. I found it sweet that a lot of



Alexi Townsend '20 in Egypt at the Great Sphinx and the Great Pyramid of Giza.

friend groups are still intact and those connections are strong."

Dylan Yokotake mentioned how the weekend was filled with fun, especially on Friday night when our Class had the chance to reunite. "It was great to catch up with a lot of our classmates and party with Three Plus. I hope we get to do more events like that in the future."

Mona Hirose was nervous going into Reunion weekend, but recounts, "As soon as I walked in, everyone was smiling and saying 'Hi,' left and right. I think it's exciting that all of us have unique paths. Some of us are working full time now while others are continuing their education. Whatever it is, I think it's worth celebrating because it's been a long time since we graduated high school and we've come so far." Mona currently works as a counselor at an elementary school, providing individual/group counseling, teaching guidance lessons, and working with both families and faculty members to support students. She hopes to become more involved in supporting kids and their mental health.

Carson Akai wasn't able to make it to the Alumni Reunion since he is working at GE Vernova as a traveling controls engineer. He is currently in Houston, but will then travel around the country fixing and maintaining



Buff 'n blue classmates from '21 in Austin, Texas! Seychelle Brainard and Liam Lynch are working at Aurora Energy Research, where they are analysts in the Energy Intelligence sector.

power plants. Carson said, "A highlight was our first team building exercise. We built a Lego set, and my group came in first place, beating the record by six minutes."

A big mahalo to our classmates for sharing their updates and photos. If you have anything you want to share, please don't hesitate to reach out!

Remember to live aloha and stay safe,
Anela & Cassidy

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Congratulations to **James Lyon** and **Philip Sing**, who celebrated their graduation from the United States Naval Academy and were commissioned as officers in the United States Navy on May 23, 2025. Ensign Lyon will be a surface warfare officer (SWO), stationed in Japan, following Basic Divisional Officer Course at the Mariner Skills Training Center Pacific in San Diego. Ensign Sing will be assigned to a submarine upon completing Nuclear Power School, Nuclear Prototype training, and Submarine Officer Basic Course on the East Coast.

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Congratulations to James Lyon '21 and Philip Sing '21 who celebrated their graduation from the United States Naval Academy in May 2025!

Seychelle Brainard and **Liam Lynch** are working together at Aurora Energy Research's Austin Office as analysts in the Energy Intelligence sector.

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Make Punahou your first stop on winter break! Mark your calendars for College Previews and Mingle & Jingle on Monday, Dec. 22, 2025. You'll have the opportunity to share your college experience with current juniors and seniors, then reconnect with classmates and alumni pals at the President's Pavilion. Update your contact info on Ka 'Ohana Punahou to be sure you get the email invitation.

Class of 2023

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These buff 'n blue alumni brought their aloha to the Notre Dame Lū'au in South Bend, Indiana. From left: Ikaika Van Dyke '21, Jolie Murashige '21, Jaynie Fu '23, Emma Ching '22 and Cassidy Kawashima '23.



Celebrating connection and tradition: The Class of 2025's first Alumni Lū'au under the big tent in June 2025. A special evening to honor their roots, reconnect with old friends, and carry our shared aloha forward. From left: Parker Muench, Riyo Williams, Kainalu Spear, Anna Sophia Dao and Kyle Hu. Ho'omaika'i!

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It has been an extremely special time of the year for the Class of 2025. We officially graduated and celebrated our first Alumni Lū'au, and marked the end of our high school careers. Our graduation day was a day to remember. Our Class walked across the stage, each step representing years of community, hard work and growth. We were surrounded by family, friends and staff as we sang together, making the celebration memorable.

After our ceremony, we continued to celebrate with our first-ever Alumni Lū'au. Although this tradition has been part of the Punahou community for years, it marked a new chapter of our lives. The evening was filled with music, delicious food and the warmth of being together. It was the perfect beginning of our journey as alumni.

Of course, our fun doesn't stop there! Graduation parties sprang up across the island the day after Commencement. Each celebration was a reflection of our unique selves and friendships within the Class of 2025. The connections we've made at Punahou will stay with us forever and these graduation parties are a beautiful reminder of the bonds that will continue long after graduation.

As the Class of 2025 embarks on its next chapter, we are excited to see where each of us will continue to grow and thrive in the world. Whether it's college, starting a new job, or exploring the world – we know that your future is bright. As we set off on our next adventure, we remember that our Punahou community will always be there to support us. We can't wait to see what the future holds for the incredible Class of 2025.

Anna & Troy

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Faculty and Staff

On July 11, 2025, former faculty and friends, Sylvia Wilmeth, and Hugh and **Melissa Kim '70** Mosher, left an orchid memorial for former Punahou librarian **Carol Ohta '58**, a Wellesley College alumna, in Houghton Chapel at Wellesley College. "Not to be ministered unto but to minister," is inscribed above an archway. This memorializes Carol's living spirit.

We thank everyone who helped to make the memorial possible. The orchid plants are from S & W Orchids of Wai'anāe and the ceramic container was created by Melissa and Hugh Mosher.

Aloha,

Sylvia, Melissa and Hugh



On July 11, 2025, former Punahou teacher, Sylvia Wilmeth, Punahou art faculty, Hugh Mosher and Melissa Kim '70 Mosher placed an orchid memorial for former Bishop Learning Center librarian and Wellesley College alumna, Carol Ohta '58, in the Houghton Chapel at Wellesley College.



Former and current Punahou faculty members joined Teachers Across Borders - Southern Africa (TABSA) director Yunus Peer at the close of the TABSA workshop which brought together 220 teachers to East London, South Africa to share knowledge and strengthen classroom practices. From left: Laurie Lee '80, Joseph Manfre, Zoe Namba '12, Yunus Peer, Samantha Berman, Brad Uy '99 and Brittney Mujica.