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Class of 1939
Lambert Wai was the sole representative of the Class of ’39 celebrating his 80th Class Reunion at the Alumni Lu’au. He was recognized as the most senior alumnus in attendance. Joining him that evening was his daughter, Francine Wai ’69, attending her 50th Class Reunion. Lambert celebrated his 98th birthday the week after Alumni Lu’au and renewed his driver’s license (for ID purposes only, not driving!). He retired 25 years ago from Mutual of Omaha. He spends his time at home, and enjoys playing cribbage, watching sports, tracking the news, reading, shopping online and chatting with friends and family by email.

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Recently, I received an email from Martin “Marty” Anderson. He wanted to thank his classmates for the many years he has appreciated their reports in the Alumni Notes section. Martin retired from his law firm, Goodsill Anderson & Quinn, in December 2006, and from active duty after 33 years in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve as a Colonel (active duty 1943 – 1946 and 1950 – 1951 in Korea, Inchon Landing and Chosin Reservoir campaigns). He and his wife, Illie, moved to a retirement home on the Stanford University campus in 2005, where he has been active in the Hoover Institution and Stanford Alumni affairs. His dear Illie passed away in September 2009, after 60 years of marriage, adventures and cattle ranching in Kenya. For 23 years, Martin operated a 2,500-square-mile ranch in Eastern Kenya from 1967 to 1990, with two Kenyan partners. “When the Kenya government stopped hunting in 1977, our hunting safari operations on the ranch were shut down. We fought a 13-year battle with Somali poachers to protect a herd of 6,000 elephants on the ranch. The ranch was finally closed down in 1990 with security problems. During this period, our game manager and several Kenyan army soldiers were killed by the Somali ivory poachers.” He wrote a book about these incredible years, “Galana: Elephant, Game Domestication and Cattle on a Kenya Ranch,” published by Stanford University Press in 2013. He still has a small ranch in Northern Kenya, with his former partner’s son, which he visits once a year. Martin also has some active business interests in Hawa’i. Martin and Illie’s daughter, Christen Anderson ’67 Docker, married her Stanford classmate, Rick Docker. They have two children, Heather Docker (Stanford University Class of 2000) and Blaine Docker (University of Colorado Class of 2003). Martin also has two great-granddaughters.

Please contact me with any updates from classmates or their families. Take care!

**Class of 1944**

Mary Day Wilson passed peacefully on June 10, 2019, in Kapa’a, Kaua’i. She was born in Honolulu, on Nov. 12, 1926, and was the granddaughter of early merchant, C.J. Day, who came to Hawai’i in 1892 on an apprenticeship. He operated a store on Fort Street from 1903 through 1943, specializing in English fancy foods. Born in Kailihi, Mary moved with her family to Manoa in 1936. She attended kindergarten at Hanahau‘oli School and then Punahou School, graduating in the Class of 1944. Mary attended the University of Oregon, where she graduated in 1948, then returned to Honolulu and went to work at First Hawaiian Bank. She met her husband, Robert F. Wilson, in 1950, and they were married in 1952. In 1961, they moved to Kaua’i, and remained married for 58 years before Robert passed away in 2010. Mary was a substitute teacher at Wilcox Elementary and Koloa Elementary schools for 22 years. She was also very active with her sons in the 4-H agricultural program raising cattle, pigs and other animals for market and home. She was an active member of All Saints’ Episcopal Church in Kapa’a, and volunteered her time to many nonprofit causes. She especially loved to cook and was very proud of her mango chutney, which was always one of the first items to sell out at various bake sales. In her later years, she was a guide, office assistant and also a trustee at Grove Farm Sugar Plantation Museum. She is survived by her daughter-in-law, Pamela, is the first items to sell out at various bake sales.

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From Betty Lou Augustine Fraser:

I’m sorry to share that Mandy Blake Bowers had the misfortune to fall and break her leg. She asked me to help her with the Class notes. The good news is that she is on the mend.

Ross Moody has been busy sorting through memorabilia from our elementary class at Lincoln School. It was fun looking at pictures and sharing memories from that time. Students from our Class scattered to many other schools, but a few of us landed together at Punahou. Ross, Mandy, Gustav “Dutch” Schuman, Mary Stacey Judd and I became part of the Punahou Class of ’47.

Bill Monahan and his wife, Pamela, are enjoying time in Lanikai, and told Mandy that they enjoy the Kailua canoe clubs.

**Editor’s note:** Mary Day Wilson was a wonderful Class correspondent and committed Reunion committee lead. We are grateful for her contributions to her Class and to Punahou. She will be missed.

**Class of 1948**

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Ibn Battuta, a Muslim scholar, touted historically as the greatest traveler of all time, traveled over 75,000 miles across the world in the 1300s. Well, we have a “Battuta” in our Class, and that is John Honl. He started traveling 20 years ago and takes several cruises every year. He returns home just to oversee his avocado farm on Hawai’i Island. He gives 5,000 pounds of avocados to the Punahou Carnival every year. Thanks, John! We love your avocados!

Another world traveler from our Class is Tom “Tobi” Dykers. Unlike John, Tom did much of his traveling underwater! Following his four years at the U.S. Naval Academy, Tom spent eight years in the Navy as a submariner, then 12 years in the Office of Naval Intelligence. After his many years of service, he retired to Seattle, where he spent his years in business and legal management. Following his retirement from civilian work, he and his wife toured the world. Now, they are happily settled in Arizona, where Tom says, “It’s warmer and drier.”

Doris “Dee” Dreller Sosin is enjoying life to its fullest. Her busy life revolves around her grandchildren and politics. A true blue Democrat, she gives much time and energy to the party to which she is totally committed. She resides in Westside Gardens, a retirement residence in Los Angeles, California, and loves it there.

Margie Church Wendt just returned from visiting her sister, Elizabeth Church ’46, King, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Margie says that she is healthy and well. It is no wonder as she takes SilverSneakers classes at 24 Hour Fitness three times a week. Good girl, Margie! Keep fit and get ready to return to Hawai’i for our 75th Reunion in 2023!

Tommy Warne lives in South Jordan, Utah. So sorry to hear of the loss of his wife, Terry, his childhood friend and love. Friends and family help to keep him busy and occupied with frequent visits, which he enjoys. His dad was the first commercial orchid grower in Hawai’i. He has kept up the tradition, not with orchids, but fruit-bearing plants such as apples, apricots, strawberries, blackberries and more. Loving what he does keeps him healthy and well.

The last issue of the Punahou Bulletin was dedicated to “A Celebration of Music.” Do you recall singing Sam Van Culin’s “The Ballad of Punahou” at our Graduation? He wrote and composed this with help from members of our
Class when he was just 17 years old. Our Class genius!

Twelve classmates gathered at Waialae Country Club to celebrate Joan Baldwin Spalding and Joy Valderrama Abbott’s June birthdays. Illnesses and injuries prevented a few from attending, but the faithful 12 gathered and had a wonderful time. Plans were made to meet in the fall, winter and spring. Please let me know by email or phone of any change in your email, telephone number or address. I’d love to be able to reach you and keep you informed.

I’m sorry to report the passing of three classmates. Elsie Emerick George passed in May 2019. When I contacted Elsie five years ago, she sounded just the same as she did in high school – happy and full of life. It is good to remember her just that way. Alicia “Lish” Lamberton Garnett also passed in May. Lish left Punahou in 1945, and spent most of her adult life on the East Coast. We also grieve with Fred Gartley ’49 because our lively, lovable Erminie Crockett Gartley passed in June. Our classmates were loved by many and will be missed by all. Aloha ‘oe.

Summer has gone, fall is upon us and winter looms ahead. Take care everyone. Keep warm, keep well and keep in touch!

Class of 1949

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All our classmates thank the Reunion committee for their hard work in putting together such wonderful, welcoming activities. We had great weather throughout. I arrived June 5, and was picked up at the airport by Eileen “Alec” McLachlan Hogue and her sister, Pat Patterson. We had lunch at Waialoi Tea Room, newly reopened as the Waialoi Kitchen & Bake Shop, where we met a group of Punahou ’54ers. This place holds memories for the Manoa group as a spot for baked treats.

On June 6, 17 classmates enjoyed the Kupuna Lu‘au at the President’s Pavilion. I had a chance to meet Waielua Davis ’86 Roster, who works in the Alumni Relations office, carefully reviews my notes and keeps me informed.

On June 7, 18 classmates gathered for our Buff ‘n Blue luncheon. This beautifully decorated and catered event provided several hours to talk, exchange pictures and share memories. Eileen and I sat with Gilbert Fernandes and his son, who could not believe that we had never heard Gilbert speak while at Punahou! Gilbert said he was too shy at the time, but is now making up for it! Gilbert remembers working on a Punahou tour bus, which launched his career as an engineer.

I had a chance to talk to Reunion committee member, Cora Char Kam, during the luncheon. She said she is still working at her late husband’s Vintage Wine Cellar on Wilder Avenue.

On June 8, Saturday, 12 classmates returned to campus for the grand Alumni Lu‘au. Returning for the first time was Willas Aeoma Sayre, known as “Willie” by classmates, accompanied by her two daughters. Willie went on to be a professor teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) and is now living in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Evelyn Lum Lim was gracious enough to share stories about her husband’s yacht, “Sweet Okole.” Evelyn’s late husband, Foo, their two sons and a Michigan sailing friend built the yacht. It is the only Hawai‘i-built yacht to have won the Transpacific Yacht Race (Transp). This yacht is a Bruce Farr designed one-tonner, and was built for Greg Gillette ’62 in 1976 to sail the Southern Ocean Racing Circuit in Florida. Subsequently sold to a member of the Richmond Yacht Club, it was the overall winner in the 1981 Transp. Now 43 years old, it is still competitive and was entered in the 2019 Transp. In past years, Evelyn’s daughter and one of her sons have crewed in the Transp. Although this year no family member was on board, Evelyn said they were at the finish to greet the “Sweet Okole!”

In mid-July, I met my sister, Barbara Blom ’52 Ward, and her husband in London to join them on a 15-day cruise up the West Coast of Norway, and then circling Iceland.

Aloha and thank all of you for sharing, Beverly Blom

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Summer has come and gone. Punahou has bid mahalo and aloha to James Scott ’70, who served as president for 25 years. His successor, Michael Latham ’86, our 17th president, has been welcomed back to campus – a campus that has undergone major changes throughout recent years. The latest addition, replacing the beloved Winne Units, is Sidney and Minnie Kosasa Community with its innovative classrooms that greeted students in grades 2 – 5 at the beginning of this school year. Those alumni who attended the Alumni Lu‘au in June may have been astonished to see the many changes, perhaps only recognizing Montague Hall, Paauhi Hall, Alexander Hall, Dillingham Hall, Castle Hall and of course, Old School Hall.

Sadly, our Class has lost more friends.

W. Patrick “Pat” O’Connor passed away on May 6, 2019. Pat loved the ocean and spent much of his younger days at the Outrigger Canoe Club playing volleyball or just hangin’ out. His passion was sailing, and he participated in several Transpacific races on the catamaran, Aikane. In later years, he continued his sailing adventures with his friends. He also loved music, enjoyed piano bars and participated in several musicals. As an attorney, he served for several years in public service as deputy prosecutor, U.S. attorney and Honolulu district judge. He is survived by his partner, My Sugane; daughters, Christi O’Connor ’83 and Carrie O’Connor ’80; sons, Danny Smythe and Connor Smith; stepsister, Delphine Chloe, and stepbrother, Warren Vilmaire. He is predeceased by brothers, Dennis O’Connor ’47, John O’Connor ’53 and stepbrother, Michael Vilmaire.

We also received word that Larie Smith, wife of our late classmate, Dick Smith, recently died of pancreatic cancer. Larie was a regular at our Reunions, as she accompanied her husband and added much to our fun and festivities. She is survived by her son, Rick Smith ’75.

To the O’Connor and Smith ‘ohana, we extend our deepest sympathy.

We tend to get forgetful at our age, so please put this in your calendar NOW – 70th Reunion for the Hot ‘n Nifty Class of 1950! Alumni Lu‘au is June 6, 2020. Registration packets will be mailed by the Alumni Relations office in March 2020. Till then, take care.

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Hi, Class:

I’m so sorry to report that we have lost two of our classmates, Wanda Au Miura and Reuben Zane.

Wanda passed away on April 18, 2019. Attending her beautiful service at O‘ahu Cemetery were Diane “Dido” Kekolani Barrett, Wanda Marino Ginden and I. Wanda was active in the Punahou aquacade and many other programs. After Punahou, she graduated from Colorado Women’s College, then returned home to get her degree in teaching. She was an active golfer with the Bay View Dames and the Honolulu Girls Club. Wanda retired from the Department of Education after many years at Kailahi Kai Elementary School. She is survived by her two daughters, Bonnie Miura ’73 Hamilton and Heather Miura ’74 Brooks; and four grandchildren. Her grandson, Taylor Hamilton ’09, is now teaching math in the Academy at Punahou.

Reuben passed away in May 2019. He played football, basketball (captain in his senior year) and baseball. We all knew him as a great person, a little shy, often sitting on Alexander Hall steps. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Shirley; his brother, Milton ’59; his daughter, Donna ’75; his two sons, Dean ’78 and Dale ’80; grandson, David ’17; his sister, Audrey; nieces, nephews and cousins.
George Yamasaki enjoyed a Class of '53 mini-reunion in Northern California with his wife, Carol, and classmate, George Yamasaki. He passed away peacefully in June. Here he is back in 2016, а fond aloha to Brother Espinda '53, who passed away unexpectedly in his sleep. The last time many of us saw him was back in 2016, at one of our Northern California mini-reunions at the Pagoda Floating Restaurant, to celebrate their 65th birthdays. In attendance were Marjorie and Kit Smith, Mike McCormack, Malcolm Ing (who had to leave early for a speaking engagement to the local medical association on “What’s NOT good about pot?” though this might not be the exact title of his talk), Molly Freeman Cherry, David and Ann Kirsch Latham, Joan Wood Fleming, Pat Fox, Alice Flanders Guild, Jane and Tom Chang, Dolly-Lue Espinda Kau, Judy and Vernom Knight, Tom and Lois Thom Mui, Barbara Moody Hudman and Bob Vieira. Regrets were received from Corinne Kong (traveling with family), Jerry Magoon, Faye Field, Lois Bruce, Maud Ching Chang, Soot Bredhoff, Walter Wong and Herbert Yee.

A fond aloha to Brother Espinda ’53, who passed away peacefully in June. Here he is back in 2016, enjoying a Class of ’53 mini-reunion in Northern California with his wife, Carol, and classmate, George Yamasaki.

Our condolences to the families of Wanda and Reuben.

Keoni Blair Cameron, son of our classmate, the late Claire Heen Cameron, passed away on March 14, 2019. So sad.

I received a note from Nikey Trump Key saying that she is enjoying herself. She is still going between Washington and California, and is waiting for our 70th Reunion.

It was good to get an email from Donald Murchie, who is also waiting for our 70th Reunion. He and his wife, Angela, are retired. They are now volunteer tutors helping elementary school students, who are challenged readers and homeless children at local shelters in the Santa Monica area of California. They have enjoyed hiking in the Julian Alps of Slovenia and Sri Lanka, Donald says, “Despite some visual challenges, I still play the piano and compose. Can’t wait for the poi and pork!” Great, Donald! We will be able to hear you in 2021!

Class! Our 70th Reunion will be in June 2021 (which is just around the corner). I hope many of you can make it. Put it on your calendar! For those on O’ahu and Neighbor Islands, we will be getting together one year from now to make plans, so think about what we need to see, do and eat!

Send me what you would like to share. Call, write or email me. Until then, a hui hou.

Take care, be healthy and see you soon.

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From Lois Thom Mui:

Members and friends of the Class of ’52 enjoyed a mini-reunion on June 28, 2019, at the Pagoda Floating Restaurant, to celebrate their 65th birthdays. In attendance were Marjorie and Kit Smith, Mike McCormack, Malcolm Ing (who had to leave early for a speaking engagement to the local medical association on “What’s NOT good about pot?” though this might not be the exact title of his talk), Molly Freeman Cherry, David and Ann Kirsch Latham, Joan Wood Fleming, Pat Fox, Alice Flanders Guild, Jane and Tom Chang, Dolly-Lue Espinda Kau, Judy and Vernom Knight, Tom and Lois Thom Mui, Barbara Moody Hudman and Bob Vieira. Regrets were received from Corinne Kong (traveling with family), Jerry Magoon, Faye Field, Lois Bruce, Maud Ching Chang, Soot Bredhoff, Walter Wong and Herbert Yee.

Alice brought copies of her new children’s book, “Kolea and the Chief’s Cloak,” and graciously autographed copies. Personally, I’d love to have seen Alice do the illustrations as I recall her artistic gifts.

Corinne and her family took a trip to Portugal that included a river cruise and a stop at the Azores, where sister, Nani Kong ’58 Ho, former Punahou alumni relations office manager, and family were stationed 50 years ago!

Vernon is recovering marvelously after a slip and fall in the parking lot of his condo a couple of months ago, resulting in great pain and surgical repair of part of his femur near his previous hip replacement, which was fortunately not adversely affected. Attending our mini-reunion was the first day he was allowed to use a cane as support.

Let’s keep on going as long as we’re able, given God’s help and His will!

This past June, stories from the 75th anniversary of D-Day filled the news just about the time Ted and Zelie Rogers Harders asked how many of us remember the celebrations at the end of the war, when Honolulu went crazy happy? And the time of Victory in Europe (V-E Day) and then V-J Day in August?

Love this reply from Mary Hartwell: “VIVID in my memory, Ted and Zelie and y’ALL standing in front of Thomas Square and the Honolulu Academy of Arts, terrified by the airplanes overhead and the crowds cheering in the parade, but a deep, deep joy… finally, it was over… OVER! Our torpedo-drilling trip on a special Matson ship in 1943, from San Francisco to Hawai’i; all the flame-throwing tanks on the bay; our friends, the tank camp soldiers and Italian prisoners of war on Portlock Road; and the brave men to whom we had given V for victory signs as they were trucked endlessly past the end of Portlock on their way around the Island. No more fear for them, our Honolulu and our country… and the verse I was given in 1942 by my grandparents was still true: ‘When I lay me down on my bed in the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall guide me… in life or death, life was with us!’”

Mahalo, Mary for sharing the “crazy happy” times at the war’s end. My mom and I were driving down Lehua Avenue in Pearl City the night of the V-J announcement. We could hardly move the car down the street for it was filled with people hugging and kissing and throwing firecrackers. When we finally pulled into our driveway, our headlights caught the whites of a lone sailor leaning up against a tree, his face buried in crook of his arm, shoulders quaking, crying.

Apologies to David Krick’s family (and Ron Mayo’s) for the mistake in the name posted with the graduation night photo of myself walking with Ron, but credited as David V. David’s sister was in the Class of ’54. She reported how much she and her brother enjoyed their two years at Punahou. David’s wife, Christa, sadly reported how life feels empty now without her best friend. Both stated they appreciated David wasn’t forgotten by his classmates.

A sad note from Dottie Zieber about her husband, Richard “Dick” Zieber: “I’m so sorry to tell you that Richard died early this morning (June 18, 2019) of pancreatic cancer. We found out only 10 days ago and things happened very quickly.” This note was such a surprise to me as I had just listened to an old voicemail from Dick as I was deleting old messages. He had been keeping me up to date on John Burmeister’s health. An informal memorial service was held at the Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial.

Carol Espinda shared the sad news that Lippy “Brother” Espinda died peacefully and unexpectedly in his sleep. The last time many of us saw him was back in 2016, at one of our Northern California mini-reunions at Marcy...
Lichter Friedman’s wonderful house in Carmichael, California. From Marta Russell Sullivan: “These announcements are always sad. I will remember Lippy’s great music, playing and singing. Aloha, Brother.”

Our hearts go out to the Espinda and Zieber ‘ohana. John Burmeister’s reunion party list keeps growing. Aloha pumehana,

Dorinda

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Each event of our highly anticipated 65th Class Reunion was well planned and grew in crescendo as the days flew by.

The first gathering was at Chu-Chu Irvine McLain’s historic homestead in beautiful Lanikai. We have been hosted there by her ‘ohana for each Reunion. We dined on her traditional island meal amongst the plumeria trees, talking story and reuniting with our classmates. Anajean Altman came directly from the airport with her daughter, Karen, and granddaughter, Jessica. No jet lag for those three.

The following day was my turn. Tom and I opened our apartment overlooking Diamond Head, the Honolulu Zoo and Kuhio Beach for a beef stew supper, chatter and more kani ka pila. We ’54ers are remarkable, with energy that can be revved up when needed. We needed to gear up quickly as the momentum carried us along through Alumni Week.

We loved being at the President’s Pavilion for the Kupuna Lu’au with these classmates. As we tossed the lei into the waves of Waikiki, their names were called. It was a precious moment for our Class.

The highly anticipated Alumni Lu’au was the BIG event on Saturday. There, we mixed with 2,100 others in the mammoth tent, where we excitedly chatted with friends and siblings from other classes. We ate more fabulous Hawaiian food; listened to island music emanating from the big stage that was draped in eight-foot strands of plumeria (hung like draperies!); watched dancers; viewed video on the big screen; and listened to speeches that honored retiring Punahou President Jim Scott ’70.

Classmates gathered for the last time on Sunday for lunch at Rainbow Bay Marina at Pearl Harbor.

Thank you to the Reunion committee for planning a wonderful week. Many thanks to Susie Matsuyama Kobe, who assumed the leadership of our Reunion committee after the passing of our classmate and Reunion chair, Carol Ann Davis.

Notable “no show” was Bob Murphy, who long ago purchased his Reunion tickets, rented a house in Kahala to house himself, his wife, Maggie, and their extended family for a month. Just before our first event, he called to say that he had a terrible cold, which left him literally housebound for the entire party week, and a bit enfeebled by the time his family began arriving.

We had two classmates that came to surprise us; it was their first Class Reunion ever – Jerry Jordan and Robert Sterling Crenshaw. You two should have come a bit sooner!

We had a great time with the ’54ers who flew over for our big week. We are sorry for those who missed all the fun. Plan now for our 70th Reunion, and we should be in great shape. Prepare now for 2024! No need to get your plane tickets yet.

Pau for now. Aloha, MB

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Aloha to all our classmates! I will be planning a festive get together for all classmates who will be in Honolulu around the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. Please email me the dates you’ll be in town so we can find a common denominator. I’m looking forward to this mini-reunion!

Here is news in from Cynnie Marks Salley and Rhea Ehlers Maxwell.

Cynnie writes: “Staying home in Kona has been wonderful, made even more magnificent by the absence of the vog that polluted us for 35 years. Grandson, Max Unger, has retired from the NFL after a 10-year career with the New Orleans Saints. He certainly afforded his grandparents a most wonderful time being
football vagabonds and wandering the U.S. from game to game. Home base in New Orleans during that time was fabulous … such a unique culture and unbelievably good food. This winter I’m looking forward to rocking on the veranda with my ‘besties’ and anyone else who wants to rock with us!”

Rhea reports: “Summer is heaven here in Santa Fe. After a long, cold winter and a very wet, chilly spring and early summer, it is finally Santa Fe summer in all its gorgeousness. It was such a long winter that this little tropical maiden wasn’t sure she could do another one. So, I went back to school to get my Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) certification. I passed the test in June, and am now ready to find work somewhere warm in December, January, etc. But it is so warm and beautiful right now, I can’t even imagine winter. I learned a lot about our present-day school system, and I can only say that in retrospect, our lives at Punahou were totally charmed. We were so lucky. As Albuquerque and Santa Fe have become headquarters for Netflix and Disney, there is work (even for old ladies) as ‘background.’ I auditioned in July, to be a zombie in “Army of the Dead.” I am so in love with the idea of being one of the pretend dead before I become one of the officially dead. My daughter, Sarah Nicole, and I visited of O’ahu and Hawai‘i in September. I could think about staying if you all need a TESOL teacher … or a zombie.”

As your Class correspondent I want to ask you to consider being present at our next Reunion – June 2020 will be our 65th! (YIKES!) We will have a great time!

Aloha nui loa,
Mary

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Despite a new venue, the “Volcano Ladies” kept their yearly tradition alive. Barbara “Kui” Kong Vlachos and Sue Beck ’57 May did the research and found a charming location on the beach in La‘ie where Punahou parents, Helen Bowles, Lori Arizumi and Pat Kamakana joined Kui, Sue and Bonnie Frazier Andrew. Everyone had such a good time that the group name may need to change to “Beach Ladies!”

Bonnie Andrew, Geri Iwanaga Lambert and Patti Soule Anderson engineered a wonderful Class luncheon at the Outrigger Canoe Club in May. As usual, the mix of food and friendship was perfect. John Corboy joined the group to share his memories of our Class during the 1940s. Most impressive was the fact that 18 classmates had time together.

Anne Angen Gershon and her husband, Mike, are major contenders for the most well-traveled award. After taking pictures of penguins in Antarctica in January, they photographed lions in March while on safari in South Africa. During that trip, Anne said they survived a scary time when the windows of their Land Rover were open and seven lions surrounded their vehicle. Passover with family in Washington D.C. and North Carolina was calmer than South Africa. Anne’s quick trip back to Washington D.C. in May was almost as exciting as a circle of lions. At the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases’ annual awards dinner, she received the Maxwell Finland Award for Scientific Achievement for her work on VZV (varicella-zoster virus). Well deserved. In June, the Gershons were back on the road for medical meetings in San Diego, but they made time for an old and dear friend, Roger Cornell. Roger keeps threatening to visit Hawai‘i, but there have been no sightings.

Clear skies and calm seas graced the memorial service for Gilman Budar at Waikiki Yacht Club, on June 29, 2019. A sailing buddy of Gil’s called us to report on Punahou stories and fond memories. He also said that the views from the bight off Waikiki were perfect. Gil would have loved it.

One of the great benefits of being your scribe is hearing your voices on the phone. Guy and I are not able to travel, so your calls, texts and emails are very cheering. Keep us posted on your adventures! Come for a visit when you can!

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Kanawalu – The Big 8-0! Who-da-thunk that the major news for 2019 would be that almost all ’57ers were going to become certified makuakua? Granted, a few old relics beat us to the tape, and a few holdouts (like the four C-sons – Casey, Conger, Carr, Canty) won’t become octogenarians until next year. The first half of the year has certainly been rife with ice cream and cake.

Speaking of which, Kathleen Cloward Sattler Robertson put together a joint celebration in July, so we hope all you old fossils deigned to show up. As usual, Doug Kilpatrick stepped up to help grease the skids toward making the landmark event happen, and responses to his supplemental mailing shed light on the private lives and health of ’57ers around the girdled Earth. For instance, excerpted below:

Tim Canty: “I will not be in Hawai‘i then. If there is any way, I can help from La Jolla.”

May Nekota ’57 Moore celebrated her 80th birthday on Maui with friends and classmates. From left: Keoki Freeland, Betty Hay Wodehouse ’57 Freeland, May, Russ Taft, Amy Tonglao ’57 Chen and T.C. Chen.
Hau‘oli la hanau to Kathleen “Pudding” Burke ’57 Lassiter! Pudding celebrated her 80th birthday on Hawai‘i Island, with friends and classmates. From left: Joanne Givens, Mike Givens ’57, Pudding, Reed Fitkin ’57 and Norma Fitkin.

Shuey: "It would be difficult to get there from Georgia ... moved from Virginia to be closer to a daughter and into a house that is sustainable." Sherie Stark Broekema: “Sure wish I could fly over from hot Tucson and be with you, however, having a total knee replacement." Twig Hatlelid Morris: “Sorry that we won’t be in Hawai‘i until mid-August ... Have a great party!” Betty Hay Wodehouse Freeland: “Keoki and I will not be attending this celebration. We agree that it’s a good idea to celebrate with gratitude that we are enjoying life.”

Evan White: “I won’t be able to attend, but I will think of all of you.” Dr. Sidney Wong: “Sorry, but we will be on the mainland. May you have a happy, happy birthday.”

Laura Moon Loftus: “I will not be there for Reunion. I live in New York and am not traveling much anymore.” Mary Lamora Harrison Mackie: “Boy, would I like to be there! We are in Colorado and too busy for our ages and too broke to travel too far.”

George Pray: “This sounds like an event that I would love to attend. Unfortunately, I am still in Michigan.” Amanda Hermanson: “Already having fun just responding. Will send check tomorrow – sad to hear about Gwen Schleif Bell. Really would like to see Baduga Marciel.” Dave Marchant: “Won’t be able to make the party ... Just had a full replacement on my right knee (takeoff leg for high jump) and my mobility is quite limited.”

Dave’s response set off immediate reaction among the Class high jumpers (Kilpatrick, Mike Irwin, et al.), suggesting a geezers’ high jump competition.

Jamie Hunter submitted an article in Honolulu Civil Beat by Randy Moore: “How Much Does Hawai‘i Really Spend On Education?” The answer: depending on which and whose numbers you use, who really knows? But it’s a lot. So, are Hawai‘i’s taxpayers getting their money’s worth?

Mai poina. Unfortunately, any broad range contact of classmates of our vintage inevitably reveals loss of yet another. Gwen Kaiulani Schleif Bell passed away on April 6, 2019. She joined us in third grade and went on to Emerson College in Boston. Adult life presented her with a smorgasbord of activities and careers, including mom of two children; a decade on Guam (“Where America’s Day Begins”), and twice a kumu hula. She married David Kepa Bell in 1997, and he has been a fine addition to Class endeavors and survives Gwen – as do her children, grands and five great-grands. Mary Grenfell Colby passed on June 24, 2017. She was a 12-year ’57er with the unique distinction of being Dr. Fronk’s granddaughter. Her daughter, Susan, notes: “Punahou was very special to mom.”

Lamela Holt Battley’s husband, Jet, passed away on May 11, 2019, in hospice care. Laurel Wood Leslie mentions that, in Lammie’s absence, “Our Class group has included (her sister), Luella Holt ’63 Kurkjian, in a lot of luncheons since she retired. She is a nice addition.” And we should reach out to our siblings, who are at least a part of ourselves, if not the Class itself.

Class of 1958

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Nick Fleischmann sent in a note about his travels with wife, Sandy. “We had a wonderful time in April and May in Scotland. It made me think of the many Scottish-American dormmates I knew in Wilcox Hall. Places
visited included Edinburgh, Loch Ness and the ancient, beautiful Roslyn Chapel, which figured prominently in a novel and movie called ‘The Da Vinci Code.' We hope to see you all on many more occasions. I don’t plan to wait until the 2023 Reunion to return to Hawai‘i. May we all stay well and enjoy life!” Nick mentioned that Penguin Random House is publishing his son, Raymond’s first novel, “How Quickly She Disappears.” The book will be released in January, and Raymond is already under contract for a second novel.

Byron Bader was reminiscing about the ’57–’58 ILH football season. He wrote up a detailed report that I condensed, so here it is: “Roosevelt High School (RHS) was the ILH champion that season, and Punahou was runner-up. We lost to RHS 21-0 during the regular season. It was a heartbreaker for me being a senior, but more so, because the win for RHS was so decisive and completely determining who was the better team on the field that day. I believe the game was a sellout, with over 25,000 students, alumni, sports spectators and general public attending. It was the ultimate matchup between two football juggernauts in the ILH league in 1957. We got beat solidly by RHS coach, Ticky Vasconcellos, ‘boom’ series football. We actually were fortunate that Ticky pulled his first-string players out when the score was 21-0 and let his seniors and second-string players get some playing time in. Our loss would have been much higher had he left the first team in. We both knew who was the better team on the field after the second half. The Thanksgiving game between RHS and Punahou was more of an anti-climactic game that needed to be played. The Honolulu Stadium was sold out again. As it turned out, we battled evenly and this time, scored twice. Roosevelt, however, still won 19–12, proving again that they were the true champions for the 1957 ILH football season. The 1957 ILH Punahou senior first-string football team consisted of eight of our classmates; Bob Corboy (end), Alvin “Shige” Narimatsu (guard, team captain), Byron Bader (center), Scotty Gaffney (guard), the late Robert “Joe” Muller (end); Alex Jamile (quarterback), Nick Auyong (halfback) and David Fairbanks (halfback). Congratulations to Bob Corboy for being named “2019 Life Insurance and Financial Advisor of the Year” by the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors Hawaii.

In June, Karen Benz Scarvie and her husband, Bill, came by to show me their new red Tesla, “Rubie.” They signed up for the new Tesla Model 3 when they were first announced and waited three years for it to arrive. Having all controls on a large monitor in the center of the dashboard has been a learning experience.
Alumni Notes

Jim Scott ’70, was well attended. Visit bulletin.punahou.edu/buff-n-blue-forever/ for all of the details of this event.

Friday night kicked off our 60th Class Reunion at the Oahu Country Club. A great venue, large and airy with lots of room and a nice lanai to gather the 114 classmates who attended. A great variety of pupu were piled on our plates as we sat down to catch up with old friends. Fortunately, the Reunion committee continued their wisdom of issuing nametags to everyone. Despite several hours of milling about, few of us made all the catch-up contacts we hoped for. As always, the evening ended all too soon and everyone went their separate ways.

Saturday started on the Pauahi Hall steps for the Class photograph. It took the photographer a bit of effort to get our attention and convince us to smile for the camera. He actually got us to stand still and stop talking for a minute. Pictures taken, it was back to visiting and the Class photograph. It took the photographer several hours, but everyone went their separate ways.

Sunday was our last day as a group and our last day to visit. We remembered those who are no longer with us, and enjoyed a nice meal on the lanai of the Outrigger Canoe Club.

Before the Reunion events, some of us spent time on Maui. Lois and Karl Polifka, Ren and Jan Collins Moreno and Bridge and Art Dederick shared a very quiet house in Kula, up on the slopes of Haleakala. One night our dinner guests were Marilyn Janssen Cleghorn, Ann and Frank Young and Ann’s sister, Helen. Among other things, we took a dolphin search trip and at the end, we were overwhelmed by what almost seemed to be trained dolphins zipping around and leaping into the air.

Before the Reunion, Frank Young visited California, stopping at the home of Ren and Jan Collins Moreno for a couple of days. Two days is just too short to fully “talk story” and sightsee, but they did it, as well as having lunch with another ’59er, Bob Wilkinson (known as “Silky Wilky” to some). Joining Bob was his wife, Molly Marx ’60 Wilkinson, and Laddie Watson ’70. Again, time was way too short for all the news, stories and plans for Reunion, but they gave it the old Punahou try.

Tang the cymbals and roll the drums – we have learned of two contests on the Punahou 1959 Facebook page that was launched by Denby Fawcett. Merrill Johnston and Pattiani Graham Smith tied for the grand prize – a Punahou baseball cap, for correctly identifying people in old photos. Runners-up each won a can of Spam. Pattiani then launched a trivia contest won by Jane Williamson Thompson. The Punahou 1959 Facebook page currently has 52 members, and this number is growing by the day.

Bob and Vicky Heldreich Liljestrand hosted a preview summit on peace, global understanding and climate change at the Liljestrand House. Simon Winchester, author of The New York Times bestseller, “The Professor and the Madman,” delivered a keynote presentation on May 14, 2019, titled, “The Pacific: Where Geopolitics and Nature Intersect.” Bob and Vicky are the founders of the Liljestrand Foundation – a nonprofit whose mission is to preserve and steward the Liljestrand House and make it beneficial to the community with charitable events.

In early April, we were informed that Ann Nielsen Randle passed away in her sleep from unknown causes. She had lived in Madras, Oregon, since 1965, where she and her husband, David, raised two sons, Geoffrey and Patrick. She was heavily involved with Madras High School, where she worked for 35 years and kept up an active interest in sports.

From Cathy:
Lee Boynton Hoxie received sad news from Phyllis Burch, who lives in the Czech Republic. Her husband, Peter Mikes, passed away on March 10, 2019, of a sudden and very strong heart attack. Phyllis plans to stay in their apartment in Prague as long as possible. She and Peter had sold their chalupa (cottage) in the Highlands and their car. Lee says, “As happens with those of us who have experienced the same sudden event, big holes are left in your life as you get used to not having the support and daily companionship.” On a brighter note, Phyllis is taking art classes, started before Peter died, and has discovered that she has a
we have experienced were rafting in the Snake River Canyon and horseback riding in Grand Teton National Park with Karen Johnson ’60; riding an elephant in Thailand; visiting the Pyramids in Egypt in a large bus with only the bus driver; and touring Cyprus in a military convoy when Turks and Greeks were fighting. Switzerland has the most beautiful scenery. New Zealand has idyllic living conditions and wonderful people. My favorite area of the world to visit is the Mediterranean, particularly Italy.”

Jane Paris Nagel went with a Central Union group to Israel in May. She writes, “We followed Jesus’ path from Bethlehem to Nazareth and Galilee to Jerusalem. We had a Palestinian Christian as our guide, so we also studied present day Palestinian concerns and possible solutions to the current situation.

Other sad news: Those of you who had my mother, Marjorie Cox, as a math teacher may be interested to learn that she passed away in May 2019, at the age of 99. Although in poor health for years, she remained composure to the end. My mainland sister and I couldn’t get there on time, but she died surrounded by family. Two past and present Punahou chaplains ushered her on her way on her last day.

Happier news: Carol Morse Wilcox was fêted at “Lei of Stars” at the Halekulani in May. In 2003, Carol collaborated with Vicky Hollinger ’59, Kimo Hussey and Puakea Nogelmeier on “He Mele Aloha: A Hawaiian Songbook,” with words and ukulele chords for nearly 300 Hawaiian songs. All the proceeds from the songbook go to the Lunalilo Home. They have now been awarded the first ever literary award by the Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame. Yay, Carol! Bevin Bacon Cushnie is very lucky! Her son, Nick Cushnie ’85, works for Delta Airlines, with the benefit that Bevin and her husband, Bill ’56, get to travel free — and have they traveled! Bevin has learned to pack a very small suitcase. She says that her favorite beach is in St. John’s in the U.S. Virgin Islands. It’s even better than Lanikai, where she grew up, with white sand, no crowds and no box jellyfish or sharks. She writes, “One of my biggest adventures was riding on a donkey up the steep, winding path on the Greek Island of Santorini, topped only by opting to walk back down the narrow path, avoiding being run over by the donkeys, while stepping gingerly around their droppings.” She adds, “Some other adventures...
between Israel and Palestine.” Jane also went to Jordan and saw the ruins at Petra. “We walked on a guided tour with a zany, illiterate Bedouin who taught himself English by listening to the tourists. His spiel consisted mainly of words like ‘holy cow’ and ‘holy moly’ and ‘awesome,’ as that is what everyone says when they see these ruins.”

In particularly cheerful news, Bob ’59 and Molly Marx Wilkinson have a new Cavalier King Charles Spaniel puppy, Pohai Ke Aloha, who is being adored as an “only dog” by devoted “parents.” As it should be.

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Congratulations to Duncan MacNaughton, who was awarded the 2019 “O” in Life Award in May. Duncan, a real estate developer and a Punahou Trustee, joins classmates Woody Fern and Warren Luke as recipients of this most prestigious award for outstanding service to Punahou and the community!

In April, Sally and I (Phil Brooks) got together with Audrey and Gifford Lum in San Francisco, where Gifford had just enjoyed a reunion with his medical school class. We had not seen each other since 1962, so the visit began with conversation and reminiscing at the Lum’s timeshare apartment. We then spent a pleasant afternoon and evening together viewing the “Monet: The Late Years” exhibit at the de Young Museum and dining at the Cliff House. The evening ended with a promise to reunite at our 60th Reunion in 2022.

I am sad to report that we have lost another classmate. Mike Burrill passed away on May 12, 2019, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Mike served as an architect for the U.S. Air Force for 20 years. Following his retirement, he worked for 13 years at the University of Cincinnati in the campus planning department until he retired in 2006. After retiring, he wrote, “Sustainable Transportation and Development,” a book summarizing what he learned through the years about how to plan sustainable and affordable transportation systems. He also devoted time to model railroading. Our sincerest sympathies to Mike’s wife, Marilyn; their two daughters and their families; and his brother, Richard Burrill ’65.

Until next time, stay well, and please, keep in touch! I’d love to hear from all of you!

Phil
Buck Welch ’63 and his wife, Martha Taylor, skiing the slopes of Sun Valley, Idaho.

Jay Cushnie ’63 crossed paths with classmate, Don Robertson ’63, after 50-plus years, in Luxor, Egypt.

Class of 1963

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Jay Cushnie: “My wife, Lois, and I retired after 31 years of teaching and counseling at the high school and community college level. We lived in Redding, California, until we retired then moved to Washington to be closer to our only child, Larry Cushnie, and his family. We live in a 55-and-over retirement community in Redmond, Washington, called Trilogy. It has a golf course running through the community. In our spare time, we travel. We have been to Europe, Russia, China, India, Vietnam, Cambodia and just lately, Egypt and Jordan. We have also done mentoring in local high schools, and I sing in the Trilogy Community chorus. When we had our ’70 in Seattle gathering, I discovered many classmates live in this area, and since then, we have reconnected for dinners and ‘ukulele sessions. Recently, while on a Nile River cruise, I was approached by a fellow UniWorld tour mate, who asked if I was ‘Jay Cushnie.’ I was surprised that he knew my name since we were assigned different buses and had never shared a table in the boat’s dining room. Don Robertson, my best friend during my junior and senior year at Punahou, had been on the same Nile cruise for nine days, when he recognized my name on an Egyptian security log at the Luxor airport. After Punahou Graduation, we remained friends at University of New Mexico (UNM) and had joined the same fraternity. We lost contact after we graduated from UNM. We hadn’t seen each other in 50 years.”

Susan King Brown was in Honolulu for three weeks cat-sitting for her son, Robinson, and his wife, Charlotte, who were traveling in Vietnam. She wrote: “Thank you so very much for putting me in touch with Mary-Thelma Olson Schlink regarding the Alumni Glee Club. Singing with them was just terrific fun, as well as being a real workout for my Hawaiian-starved ears. Linda Haynes Abbott took me under her wing and shared her music. There is a whole group from our year in the Glee Club. I wish I could have stayed for the Alumni Lu’au (performance) … but those rehearsals were a real high point. I’ve been in touch with Carol Millard Yamashita, who still lives in Hilo, and makes a living as a potter. She also grows and sells durian!”

Buck Welch via his wife, Martha Taylor: “We had a wonderful trip to Sun Valley, Idaho, at the end of February with Kathy Ryan Randall, Dan Gladding and his wife, Ann. The weather was stormy, but we managed to ski downhill and cross-country, snowshoe, hot tub, play a lot of mahjong and try out some of the wonderful restaurants!” Many thanks to Martha, who sent a nice skiing photo and also a picture of Terry White and his bride, Elizabeth Farnsworth White, at the June wedding celebration of their November 2018 marriage.

Dan Gladding: (Note: Dan and Ann lost their home in a California wildfire two years ago.) “Our wandering days ended a year ago when we bought an existing house in Novato, California, about 25 minutes from the Golden Gate Bridge. Our insurance company, Safeco Insurance, was very, very good to us, largely because we had the best policy that the company writes. Financially, we came out whole. My message to everyone is, get the best policy that a really good insurance company writes. We heard a lot of horror stories about people who were underinsured and bought their policies based on a low premium. Unfortunately, all of our family heirlooms were lost, including seven irreplaceable paintings by my great-great-uncle, D. Howard Hitchcock (1879). When we were at the Oahu Country Club during Reunion, we saw that they have quite a few Hitchcocks and it was nice to see Hitchcocks again.”

Back at the ranch, watching Oliver Stone’s “The Untold History of the United States” brought back fond memories of black and white documentaries in social studies classes. However, not to be missed is “The Light Beyond” on Amazon Prime and “Cowspiracy: The Sustainability Secret” on Netflix.

Send news!
Makarios Club members from the Class of ’63 reunite after more than 55 years. Seated, from left: Randall Chang, Andrew Tanabe and Garrett Goo. Standing: Rod Moriyama, Wendell Pang, Peter Lee, Harvey Takaki and Francis Wong.

Class of ’64 Reunion attendees, Chris McLachlin, Bill Sage, Betty Ann Barnett and Bill Yuen, in Class aloha wear.

Class of 1964

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And another one bites the dust. The 55th Reunion of the immortal Punahou Class of ’64 now heads to memory lane, while the classmates who were there – all 154 of us – are still feeling all warm and fuzzy thinking about the wonderful events of this past June.

After months and months of planning by a hugely capable Reunion committee, under the guidance of Cheryl Lippman Tomita and Bill Yuen, June 5 saw our 55th Reunion kickoff with a well-attended breakfast at the Waikiki Yacht Club, where we all had a chance to renew our lifelong friendships.

Thursday, June 6, saw us participating in service projects on Rocky Hill and at the Lily Pond, weeding and cultivating. That evening, we had a welcome cocktail party with heavy pupu, at the Outrigger Canoe Club, with music provided by Pal Eldredge, Pat Quilter and Henry Kapono ’67; and great grinds. I have to mention that our beautiful 50th Reunion shirts and mu’umu’u were a hit, five years later. Many of us were asked where we bought our beautiful outfits. A tip of the hat to Koby Kobayashi Berrington. Our Class was noted for a record-setting donation of over $3,250,000, which was even greater than our 50th Reunion donation of $2.6 million.

Our farewells came the next day at our traditional Sunday beach party at Kailua Beach Club in Kailua.

As many of us have noted over the past 50-plus years, there has probably never been a class like the Class of ’64. We are indeed a band of brothers and sisters that is unbreakable. Our dean, Jim Doole, once said in the Bulletin, “The Class of ’64 was really special ... the last of a breed ... peopled with kids who were unabashedly enthusiastic, filled with school spirit that charged every game, every performance.”

This Reunion, once again, underscored that special nature of our Class – camaraderie. Every day during Reunion Week, we reconnected and played catch up on our lives after Punahou. We refreshed our friendships with classmates who were coming to their first Class of ’64 Reunion. It was a time of being surrounded by the people and places that helped define so many of us. Great memories to hold close for a long time.

Earlier this year, on Feb. 5, the anniversary of his 73rd birthday, widow Mary Sutherland hosted friends and family at the Outrigger Canoe Club in celebration of the life of classmate, Jon Ross Sutherland, who passed away Nov. 29, 2018, from heart failure. Jon is remembered for his generous character, soft-spoken humility, sappy sentimentality and the sheepish twinkle in his eye.

During the week of our 55th, friends and family met to bid aloha to Lorna Russell, who passed away in April 2019, after a brave 10-year battle with cancer. Participating in the O‘ahu
Cemetery graveside service were Koby Kobayashi Berrington, Lesly Lemon, Demi Rewick, Anni Rinehart, Bill Sage and Ellen Wheeler Guest. A week later, Lauren Howell Avery, Ellen Wheeler Guest and Ellen’s sister, Anne Wheeler ’58 Noble, joined Lorna’s sister, Julie Russell ’58 Hitchcock; her daughter, Jo Ann Pavao; her three grandsons; and many friends and family for a service in Kona’s Mokuakaua Church. After the service, Lorna’s ashes were scattered off the Kona Coast.

Punahou’s Office of Alumni Relations does a great job of assisting with Class Reunions. They even provide a handbook that covers everything you need to know and do. I mention this because there are several classmates in the Washington D.C. area, who were talking about doing an East Coast Reunion sometime between now and our 60th in 2024. Not sure how that word got around so fast at Reunion, but several of us heard a great deal of interest in the idea, and I know we have a good number of classmates on the East Coast. All it takes is an email to reunion@punahou.edu to get the ball rolling. I know you’ll get a lot of assistance.

Meanwhile, on the West Coast, there is talk of resurrecting the “70 in Sonoma” Reunion we did three years ago, with a “75 in Sonoma” redux in 2021 (when most of us turn 75). We hope it happens. “70 in Sonoma” was a blast, thanks to the efforts of John and Carolyn Lundquist Madison and Dewey and Sue Budd Watson.

Classmate Norm Chow is back in the football business, having been named offensive coordinator for the XFL’s Los Angeles franchise. The new eight-team XFL League season will begin February 2020, under the overall leadership and ownership of wrestling promoter Vince McMahon. Games are scheduled to be televised on ABC, Fox, ESPN and Fox Sports. Until November 2015, Norm was the coach of the University of Hawai‘i Rainbow Warriors. Before his three-year stint there, he held various coaching positions at Brigham Young University, North Carolina State University, University of Southern California, University of California, Los Angeles, University of Utah and with the Tennessee Titans.

As our LXV members grow gracefully into our 70s, many are graduating into a new phase: Retirement. Our lives are filling up with travel, volunteer work, grandchildren, writing the great American novel and diving into hobbies we have wanted to explore for decades.

Here’s a brief synopsis of what a few classmates are up to, courtesy of Marylou Hata Foley:

Lisa Starr recently remodeled her vacation home in Tahiti, and is spending more time there, in Huahine. Her primary residence is still on Maui.

JoAnn Chun Lumsden has been busy coordinating details for her son’s recent wedding.

Beverly Gitzen Katz just completed a project at Bishop Museum, cataloging the late historian Herb Kawainui Kane’s works.

Architect Gary Yee has been helping the Waikiki Aquarium with a master plan, as well as exploring his artistic side with pottery and other creative ventures.

When he’s not traveling with his grandchildren, Fred Hemmings is sharing the aloha spirit and the legacy of Duke Kahanamoku with Duke’s...
Alumni Notes

After 45 years of teaching English at Punahou, in Honolulu. “the best!” When not traveling in Europe, she involved home stays, which she describes as She took summer courses in France, which became a teaching assistant along the way, and from University of Hawai‘i at Manoa with of classmate, Carter Evans ’94. While Cameron joined the weeklong Punahou summer program for children and grandchildren of alumni, ‘Uli‘ili Ho‘okama o Kapunahou, or Alumni Keiki Experience, Cash spent quality time with his tutu. Kitty McCorriston Petersmeyer’s three grands also attended the special summer session.

It is with sorrow that I must report the passing away on a grandparent road trip to Yellowstone, the T etons and Mount Rushmore. OK, so here’s something we can all do: Make plans to attend our 55th Reunion in 2020. The dates are June 1 – 7. It won’t be quite as huge as our 50th, but lots of fun is in the making. There will be a Friday lunch at Outrigger Canoe Club, a Class memorial service, and of course, the Saturday Alumni Lu‘au. Got ideas? Please join the Reunion committee! You do not have to be present in Honolulu to serve on the committee. Attend the meetings via phone or contribute via email.

A hui hou!

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Aloha, dearest classmates!
You are receiving this as we approach the last quarter of 2019! Can you believe it? I hope it has been a wonderful, happy and healthy year for all of you. Big hugs of appreciation to those of you who contribute to our Class notes (you have no idea).

From Oregon: Cheryl Rudin Latham sent me her latest CD that I have been enjoying. (I’m a big fan) It is so cool to listen to Cheryl in my car. She and her friend, Jim, continue to play gigs in their neighborhood. Cathy Van Orsdel Martin recently traveled to Europe. Her experience included a river cruise in France, with her husband and their Oregon neighbors. They extended their trip to Italy, where they visited their daughter, Tia, and her family. Then they took the Bernina Express through the Alps to Zurich. After returning home, their granddaughter, Sofia Evelyn, arrived unexpectedly early, but received a happy welcome from her grandparents, who had to scurry back from Rome to greet her. What a wonderful heartfelt grandparents story.

Many of us ’66ers participated in Dr. Jim Scott’s ’70 regional celebrations throughout the year. The appreciation bestowed upon Dr. Scott is well deserved – his many years of dedication and heart made a good school, better (Bill Tam’s words). In June, Myron Arakawa and his wife, Ellen, Bill Tam, Glenn Hong, Nina Reppun Carney, Susie Kometani Lafontaine, Renee Chateloup Hampton and I had a blast at Buff ’n Blue Forever: A Celebration of Punahou and President Jim Scott. It was an evening of song and dance, meeting up with old Punahou friends, and catching up with one another where we last left off. Man, these guys look absolutely the same and have lots of youthful energy. It was truly my honor to be surrounded with their youthful spirit. Later in the evening, we were treated to an intimate Henry Kapono Kaahue ’67 concert at Dillingham Hall. How lovely to be taken back to the days of our youth and be reminded of the special ties we will always have, having spent our days together at Punahou. We were left content and on a natural high after the evening came to an end – holding hands and singing, “We are FRIENDS, FRIENDS, FRIENDS, FRIENDS.”

Family Ties: It was sweet to meet Glenn’s sons at Buff ’n Blue Forever. Glenn is probably the only one of us that is still paying Punahou tuition. How proud he must be to have his amazing young son, Kawai Hong, lead the Punahou volleyball team to a victorious...
season as co-captain. Yay! Kawaii! Go Puns! Jon Tuthill ’64 was present and faithfully stopped by to say hello and remind us of his late brother, our classmate, Ed Tuthill.

I’m sorry to share sad news. On July 26, 2019, one of our dearest and most precious classmates, Renee Chanteloup Hampton, suddenly passed away. It is incomprehensible since we had just spent a fun evening on the Punahou campus together with other ’66 classmates. We have appreciative hearts to have had such a phenomenal person in our lives – most of us growing up together since the seventh grade. Renee was the leader, the responsible organizer, the one who followed through, worked hard and would do everything with finesse and class. On the outside, her beauty was obvious. More important and significant was her kindness and genuine loving care toward others. She was key in all of our Reunion planning. Her spirit was always to include, respect and embrace each person – such a rarity these days. It is no wonder that she had a successful real estate career. She loved her husband of 46 years, Ed Hampton; her son, Tyler Hampton ’94, and his wife, Patty; and two precious grandchildren, Mason and Gemma. She was a wonderful friend to so many. She loved fully and was loved back equally. I thought it poignant that at our last time together in Dillingham Hall, while listening to Kapono’s “Friends,” Renee grabbed Susie Kometani LaFontaine’s hand and my hand and held them high in the air, as if we made a promise with determination that we would forever be friends. We love you always, Renee.

Take good care, stay happy and wake up every day with love and appreciation. Hugs.

Charlot

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Hi classmates,

There is one BIG story here – it’s about classmates who found each other. It started with Marilyn Lum and Tom Reppun a long time ago. They are still so active and engaged with life and each other! About five decades after graduation, we now celebrate and have huge smiles for Liane Chang and Bob Tam – they finally jumped into a new dimension in June 2019!

Says Liane:

“We found each other and got married. As our illustrious master of ceremonies and classmate, David Lee, aptly said, ‘Welcome all to the 52nd Punahou Class of ’67 Reunion.’ It was that, and more. Pulling this off so seamlessly was truly a boundless labor of love by classmates Joe Kaakua, Laurie Randolph White, Dianne Ige, Ned Shimabukuro, Clay Masuda, Joan Nosse, Susan Matsuura Scott, Valerie Lam, Suzanne Sato, Brian Sullum, Wes Kamakawiwoole, Tommy Alejo, Bobby Kainuma, Larry Lau, Willy Tsukada, Laurie Ehrman, Jane Earle-Dabrowski, classmate extraordinaire, Gordie Hunter, and of course, their spouses too. Special thanks to Joe’s ‘ohana for their assistance in preparing the pa’ina. We couldn’t have done it without them! My heartfelt thanks to Chuck Souza, my accompanist on “Ei Nei,” my hula for Bob. Must note how wonderful to see Ginny Ching Edmunds looking well(!!!) and from afar, of towners, Diane Fisher, Les Chibana, Karen Blackfield, Lorrin Chang ’65, Laura Tam ’93, Lindsay Tam ’95 Holland and David Tam ’02. Other invaluable Punahou contributors were Tai Crouch for the oli; Bill Tam ’66 for the toast; the high school Tam camp counselors and partner teacher, Valerie Hu. Music provided by TBT with guest bass, Speedy Bailey ’70; Makalina, Punahou ninth grade girls string quartet; cellists David Tam ’02 and Chris Chorney ’02; and amazing dinner

Class of 1966 representatives at Buff ’n Blue Forever honoring Dr. Jim Scott ’70. From left: Myron Arakawa, Charlot Albao Boll, the late Renee Chanteloup Hampton, Susie Kometani LaFountaine, Glenn Hong, Nina Reppun Carney and Bill Tam.

Bob Tam and Liane Chang from the Class of 1967 were married over the summer.
There are others, way too many to go on. We thank them all! Hugs, Liane.

We were all deeply saddened by the passing of David Powlison. May he rest in peace. His obituary reads: (David) died peacefully at his home in Glenside, Pennsylvania, on June 7, 2019. Born Dec. 14, 1949, in Honolulu, Hawai’i, and attended Punahou School, Harvard University, Westminster Theological Seminary and the University of Pennsylvania. He lived out his love for Jesus and others through his work at Christian Counseling and Educational Foundation (CCEF) as a counselor, author and speaker. He is survived and deeply loved by his wife of 42 years, Nancy Gardner Powlison; his son, Peter Powlison (Keri); his daughters, Gwenyth Hale Ray (Andrew) and Hannah Powlison Belkovic (Matija); his six grandchildren; his siblings, Daniel Powlison ’69 and Diane Powlison ’73 Smith; as well as many dear friends and relatives. The Gospel Coalition wrote a touching article about David that you can read here: https://bit.ly/2LnWJKY

We are also saddened by the passing of Amelia Olsen Andrade. Here is her obituary as it was printed in the Star-Advertiser: Amelia Andrade was known and loved by many as the life of the party – a woman who could light up a room like no other. She was born on January 16, 1949, to parents, Walter “Dutchy” and Mary Olsen of Nu’uanu. One of three girls, she brought joy, compassion and kindness to her many friendships throughout her life. She graduated from Punahou School and received her undergraduate degree from Mount St. Mary’s College. Amelia had a successful career as a real estate professional and enjoyed golfing with her friends at Oahu Country Club. Most of all, she loved spending time with her daughter, two granddaughters, sister, nieces and nephews. Amelia will be forever remembered for her heartfelt generosity, competitive spirit and lifelong commitment to being a loving and caring daughter, sister, mother, aunt, grandmother and friend. She is survived by her mother, Mary Olsen; her sister, Claire Olsen ’58 Johnson and brother-in-law, Larry Johnson ’58; her daughter, Allison Andrade ’01 Gammel and son-in-law, Blake Gammel ’01; her granddaughters; and companion, Jack Flanagan. A celebration of Amelia’s life was held in August at Diamond Head Memorial Park.

Amelia and David were kind, inclusive and comforting ... blessing us with the purest form of grace. Peace to them and healing to their families.

Otherwise, it seems you all are busily happy! As for me, I am relishing “retirement” from my law practice and nurturing my little farm in Pauoa Valley – growing many fruits and vegetables, doing landscaping, yoga, golf and gym work ... and just doing nothing. Most serendipitously, Kristin Bellanca ’98 Pauker (my daughter, Mary Tam’s, classmate) was doing research on racism and Hawai’i for an essay in The New York Times (NYT) and needed photos of assorted “poi dogs,” so she asked if I would pose for a photo. NYT sent a photographer, but I did not make the cut for inclusion in the essay. You can read her piece here: https://nyti.ms/2YiQQSf

From Suzanne Sato:

Not content to reunite every five years, close to 80 classmates gathered during Carnival weekend 2019 to celebrate our collective 70th birthday. Volunteers planned a Hawaiian plate gathering in Dole Cafeteria on Carnival Friday; dining and dancing at the Elks Club on Saturday; and informal gatherings on Sunday. Our Hawai’i Island classmates rolled out the red carpet earlier in the week with three days of outdoor activities and delicious homemade meals at Kilaeua Military Camp, in Kealakekua and Kailua-Kona. Mahalo to all the classmates who worked tirelessly and with aloha to make this celebration a memorable success.

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Mark your calendars for our next mini-reunion potluck BYOB party starting at 5 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 6, 2020, at Lita Thompson Blankenfeld’s Ni’u Valley home. This is the evening before our Carnival shift on Feb. 7, 2020, serving Hawaiian Plate in the Dole Cafeteria from 1:45 to 4:45 p.m.

Spring and summer had the Class of 1968 on the move. Brenda and Pat Easterling sailed from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in April, to Ribeira Grande in Spain, before embarking on sightseeing tours in Madrid, Rome, Venice, Macao and Hong Kong for five weeks. Sharon and John Moore spent time away from the golf course for a three-week vacation in Southern Spain in May. Patti Mikasa Purnell was in Honolulu for Reunion week, attending some of her brother’s, Mike Mikasa’s ’74, 45th Reunion events. Patti said Mike was her personal paparazzo at our 50th Reunion last year, so she returned the favor this year. Daralynn and Rocky Higgins stayed in a castle in Beynac-et-Cazenac, France, in June. Gene and Vonnie Brenno Cameron spent a week in February, at Hotel Mousai in Puerto Vallarta, kayaking and snorkeling with friends. Pam Rickard Fern was in Italy for two weeks in May with Steve Marcuccilli, her daughter, Brooke ’96, and her brother, Jon Rickard ’63, and his wife, Miki.
(Jon attended Punahou, then graduated from Kamehameha School, Class of ‘63.)

Steve Wilcox flew in from Hawai‘i Island and David Black from Santa Barbara to join the fun at Gary Ostrem’s 70th birthday party at Outrigger Canoe Club in April. Dale Bordner Kamisugi, Carmel Davis Tosaki, Margot Witten Johnson, Becky King, John Moore, Kimo Lyman and videographer Kyle Metcalf were also at Gary’s party.

Lynette and Gerald Tom celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary with family in Dallas, Texas, in March. They have two sons, Jeffrey ’94 and Tyler ’97, and four grandchildren, two of them attending Punahou, Aria ’30 and Matthew ’32.

Deborah Karr sends her aloha from Los Alamos, New Mexico, and hopes to see everyone at our 55th Reunion in June 2023.

Dallas, Oregon residents Margot Witten Johnson and husband, Mark, were in Honolulu the first six months of the year, staying at their daughter, Starr Johnson’s ’98, apartment while she was on sabbatical from Punahou. Margot enjoyed sipping wine with Robin Midkiff, Jayne Montz, Pam Fern, Marti Wiese Rounds, Becky King, Jeanne Botts Herbert and Mary Crabb Fern at their monthly book club gatherings. The Johnsons enjoyed the Hawaiian music stylings of Ledward Kaapana on Sundays at Honey’s at the Ko‘olau Golf Club with Mary and Denny Fern ’66 and Bill ’64 and Wendy Brandt Johnson.

Bob and Nancy Nishijima Cronin bought a retirement home in Lake Tahoe, which enables them to cross-country ski in the winter and mountain bike and do water activities the rest of the year. Living in Santa Cruz and going to Lake Tahoe keeps Nance close to the water, which she loves.

Steve Piper’s granddaughter, Bella Fox ’27, wowed the crowd at the Kalama Heritage Festival, in Kalama, Washington, with her hula to “Ka Uluwehi O Ke Kai,” performed by Bobby Moderow of Maunalua. Moderow, Daniel Ho, Jerome Koko and Melvene Leed headlined the bill, with John Saito, Julian Monsarrat, Larry Langley, Anne Ashford ’67, Karen Moss ’85 Guenther and her parents, Art and Nancy Moss, enjoying the performance.

Congratulations to Peter Fitzgerald, who retired the end of June after a long career in special education that began in 1972, and included public and private schools teaching K-12 in Oregon and at the University of Oregon. He ended his career as a technical assistant provider for the university with the Youth Transition Program (YTP). YTP is a statewide program in Oregon with 66 sites that prepares students with disabilities for employment, career-related post-secondary education or training through the provision of a comprehensive array of pre-employment transition services and support.

Rap Reiplinger’s widow, Leesa Clark Stone, has written, “Paradise to Paradise: The Rap Reiplinger Story.” Rap was a comedic genius breaking out in our Variety Show, which led to his creativity working with James Grant Benton and Ed Ka‘ahea in Booga Booga and solo gigs until his untimely death in 1984. His days with Booga Booga, TV special, “Rap’s Hawaii” and albums, like “Poi Dog,” still bring laughter to everyone. Leesa acknowledged Rap’s best friend, Mark Shklov, when he entered Punahou in ninth grade along with Marcy Greenwell, Kay Simpson Ebert, Nani Hoogs Christensen, Keith Sherman, Bruce Marnie and Rocky Higgins in chapter two of the book.

Cheryl and Mark Shklov enjoyed exploring Tokyo, Singapore and Laos in April. Mark went back into retirement mode in July, after being the interim executive director of ‘Iolani Palace for six months before longtime newscaster Paula Akana was selected to take on the job. Congratulations to their son, Robbie ’05, who was selected in May to be the new boys
Lounging at Sky Waikiki during the 50th Reunion Friday evening party for the Class of ’69 are classmates, Lani Oberholzer Twomey, Barbara Conger Wood, Robin Lee Gyorgyfalvy, Brenda Lam, Dede Reiplinger Sutherland, Leila Camp Sauer and Kathy Gardiner Jech.

varsity basketball head coach at Mid-Pacific Institute in Honolulu.

Sara and Joe Van Orsdel are trying out condo retirement living in the Northern California’s wine country in Napa after selling their house in the East Bay city of Alameda. They want to see how a smaller place works for them, fix it up and then look for more longterm housing in the area.

Siddy Peacock retired from a long nursing career in Honolulu, and moved to Sisters, Oregon.

Congratulations to Barbara Blackshear Andersen, whose Hawaiian Granola Company’s macadamia granola with ginger won first place in the 2019 International Flavor Awards competition for small-to-mid-size food producers in May. Her coconut macadamia granola took second place.

Condolences to Patty Wyatt Robinson, whose husband, Bruce, died suddenly in mid-June.

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In June, 182 classmates from the Class of 1969 converged in Hawai‘i to celebrate our 50th Reunion. It was a fun-filled odyssey of reconnection, camaraderie and remembrance.

Our odyssey began with a Neighbor Island experience. The first event was on Saturday in Hilo – an evening welcome reception with cocktails and pupu on the veranda of the Grand Naniloa Hotel. Hilo overlooking Hilo Bay. Our large, plastic encased, name tags complete with our senior picture on lanyards were easy to grasp and view when confronted with occasional, faltering recognition skills.

Sunday morning we caravanned to the Shipman beach property, Ha‘ena, a gorgeous “Fantasy Island” meets “Shangri-la” spread of jungle, lawn, coconut trees, fish pond and beach. We were hosted by our own Joan Blackshear-Leech and her sister, Barbara Blackshear ’68 Andersen, who gave us a brief history of Ha‘ena. After some play time, we gathered by the huge fish pond for an impressive chant by Dede Reiplinger Sutherland’s husband, James Sutherland ’71. We held hands in a big circle and were led in prayer by Beverly Lum-Chow, then Rev. Ha’aheo Lou Ann Guanson performed a mahalo chant. Lunch followed – bentos and “broke da mout” lilikoi bars baked by Joan.

In the evening, we headed to the ‘Imiloa Astronomy Center for a planetarium show, dinner and a provocative lecture by renowned astronomer, Dr. Doug Simon, who presented intriguing parallels between the ancient Hawaiian understanding of the universe and the current state of cosmological knowledge.

Monday’s daytime activities centered on Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park. In the evening, we had a delicious dinner at the Hilo Yacht Club followed by a special presentation by our own Manono Beamer about her great-grandmother, the legendary Helen Desha Beamer, who was a composer, singer, musician and kumu hula.

Back in Honolulu, more Reunion activities awaited us. On Tuesday evening, Mary Ann Alexander Lentz hosted an event at the Hawaiian Mission Houses, which started with a dim sum dinner followed by a dramatic performance centered around four pivotal people in Hawaiian history. On Wednesday was the Powlison Hilltop House tour – a look at the inspired, organic, and somewhat rocky solution to housing in 1931 Lanikai by Dan Powlison’s grandparents. On Thursday, about 40 classmates participated in a beautiful Talus hike. Friday night Leighton Mau bestowed the entire luxurious Sky Waikiki venue to us for a “party in the sky,” which included onolicious food, panoramic views of Waikiki and a retrospective slide show by Edgy Lee and June Mist Sullivan.

On the day of the Alumni Lu‘au we had a very cool surprise upon arriving on the campus - the Buff ‘n Blue ’69 was back up on Rocky Hill! Credit goes to John Myers. As each name was read, their picture appeared on the screen and a designated classmate placed a yellow plumeria lei on the altar … very touching. John closed the service by expounding on the importance of aloha in our lives and the world – amen to that!

We then walked up the hill to the President’s Pavilion before the Alumni Lu‘au. Wesley Young ’69 and Dean Yamaguchi ’69 celebrating their 50th Reunion at the President’s Pavilion before the Alumni Lu‘au.
Gathering for dinner and Manono Beamer’s presentation about her great-grandmother, Helen Desha Beamer, at the Hilo Yacht Club are ’69ers Anne Arakaki-Lock, Kathy Gardiner Jech, Lani Oberholzer Twomey, Margie Zane Landreth, Alan Zane, Ha’aheo Lou Ann Guanson, Bev Lum-Chow and Dave Svetz.

Now it was Alumni Lu’au time! As we walked down and entered the enormous tent, we were greeted by a loud, cheering, friendly gauntlet of mainly younger Punahou-ites. It was as if we were the victors successfully thriving after overcoming 50 years of challenges to our post-Punahou lives. It felt awesome to get such a rousing reception! The Class gift amounts were announced, and ours was an impressive $2,848,608! Thank you for your generosity! Henry Kapono Kaaihue ’67 provided excellent musical entertainment! The Alumni Lu’au concluded with the “Strawberry Shortcake” cheer led by our own Class cheerleaders.

Sunday started with a breakfast at the Waialae Country Club, where 27 “lifers” showed up and had fun reminiscing about their lengthy Punahou experience.

The final event of our Reunion odyssey was a picnic at the Pietsch beach house at Malaekahana. It was a picture-perfect day in an idyllic beach setting – an opportune time to relax and talk story as our 50th Reunion celebration came to its inevitable end.

We all have since returned to our “normal lives,” but with a new infusion of pleasant memories and a rekindling of the Punahou ‘ohana spirit.

We have lost yet another classmate. Curtis Kamida passed away on June 24, 2019. He was brave to the end of his ordeal. Curtis was a fellow of the American College of Radiology and a brilliant physician. He is survived by his brothers, Clifford and Clayton; his wife, Susan Reinwald ’73 Kamida; his sons, Michael ’04 and Robert ’07; and his daughter, Katie ’10. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

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From Will Morris:
As the countdown to our 50th Class Reunion advances, I am reminded that friendships are neither static nor frozen in time. Friendships built on connections of the heart are evolutionary – born out of curiosity and a common connection – transfigured into a collection of life experiences of our wisdom years. Engagements of 1967 should be viewed
as introductions to enlightened relationships at the age of 67 and beyond. Let’s encourage our classmates, who have built their family lives in other parts of the world to revisit and share their stories and wisdom with all of us in 2020.

I was “home” in June with two clear objectives. First, to attend the celebration of Jim Scott’s retirement, joined by over 2,000 alumni and friends under the big tent on Middle Field. It seemed like the perfect bookend to his term as president, as I had also flown to Hawai‘i with Jim when he moved into the “big house.” Secondly, to join Gary Pacarro, Mike Kometani, Susan Abe Oi and Randy Bisho as “shadows,” following the Class of 1969 through their Saturday Reunion events and Alumni Lu‘au. The interaction with old friends from the Class of 1969 and watching their joy of being together reinforced the evolutionary nature of friendship – and the unique opportunity of a 50th Reunion at Punahou.

Walking out of the Class of ’69’s memorial service I spotted Helen Cox and Susie Goodbody ’69 Murphy. Helen has been the chancellor at Kaua‘i Community College for 11 years. After her distinguished career in education, a vision of retirement is on the horizon. I texted a picture of the three of us to Maryann Ferguson, who quickly replied, “Ohhhh, I am SO wishing that I was there!” I believe that should be another theme and mantra of each of our classmates.

On Sunday, I captured a morning visit with Bill Saunders at Coffee Talk in Kaimuki. Although Bill has always been among my most admired classmates, to my continued dismay, we had not enjoyed a one-on-one conversation for decades. We discovered that just a couple of text messages can cure that problem instantly. Bill is semi-retired from his law practice, but super busy taking care of family business – still surfing, making music and traveling in search of the perfect wave. Then, just a few days ago Bill sent a text from Europe, where he was enjoying a very special trip through seven countries with two of his children. Bill promises pictures for our next set of Class notes.

Friends since the age of three, Rosalyn Loomis Meyer and Shelley Midkiff have bridged 5,000 geographical miles with Shelley’s annual visits to Maui. In June, Rosalyn spent time with Shelley in Boston, after attending her college reunion at Dartmouth. Rosalyn was among the first women to graduate from Dartmouth after it became coed in 1972. Over the years, Rosalyn introduced Shelley to her best friend from college, and with the magic of aloha and friendship, her best friend from Punahou and best friend from Dartmouth, have become close friends in Boston.
Joanne Fahrenwald is still living in Idaho, and after 30 years in IT, retired from HP in 2012. The joy of her retirement is highlighted by water aerobics, tap dancing, bicycling and traveling. She is getting extended pleasure volunteering at a local Boise nonprofit called Family Advocates. In addition to serving as Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for the Idaho Fourth Judicial District, Family Advocates also offers a family strengthening program. Joanne has transformed her professional experience by aiding with fundraising and IT related activities. She also enjoys spending time with her sister’s kids and her great-niece.

Sandy Stinemates La Rue has been recovered from our lost list. Sandy recently retired as a school psychologist and is now enjoying her five grandchildren and traveling the world – including a recent trip to Australia. Let’s encourage Sandy and George to travel through Hawai‘i in June 2020.

Another small world story. While reviewing the list of lost classmates during my recent visit to Honolulu, a few classmates challenged me to find Malia Crosby Baker. I started the search during my layover in LAX and was amazed to find Malia living in Texas just 30 minutes from my home. We have had a couple of great visits over the phone, with lunch on the calendar in a couple of weeks. Malia owns a successful real estate agency in Southlake, Texas – and has June 2020 marked on her calendar.

However, still on the lost list are Karma Ah Nee Oropesa and Randall Swatek. Another dozen classmates that I don’t recall seeing in recent years; Tom Abbott, Gary Bagwell, Robyn Chun, Heather Darrow, Dara Love Duncan, Anne Iredale, Cheryl Lytle, Carver Wilson, Kim Payton, Ricky Reppun, Kurt Steinwascher and Steve Wong.

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Hey gang, how was your summer? Saw lots of classmates at Jim Scott’s ‘70 farewell bash held in June on Middle Field (also known as Rice Field). Saw Shelley Pang, Susie Shim, Gary and Laura Ing Baker, Pauline Lo Bailey, Vicky Chiu-Irion, Pat Garvey, Barbara Uphouse Wong and Dave Sonoda taking photos of everyone. Jim Lotz and Speedy Bailey were there with their group onstage doing what they do so well. I was able to FaceTime a bit with Pam Kress Kearney and Betsy Goss Stilwell, so they could share in the fun and say “hi” to a few classmates, including Jim. It was a wonderful send off and mahalo to Jim ... Heard from Jay Dowsett. He and wife, Sue, who retired as Honolulu Assistant Police Chief in 2014, set their sights on traveling and “touching” every continent. They just completed that quest this year with a trip to Antarctica. As Jay says, “We are hiking every mountain, trail and shoreline presented to us and immersing ourselves in seeing, touching and tasting our travel destinations.” In recent years, he and Sue have trekked to India, Nepal and Bhutan, Cuba, Norway, Iceland, Greenland, Argentina (Patagonia), Australia, New Zealand, Alaska, as well as Africa. Jay sold his canoe business in 2017, but started a paddle business just to keep busy. A note about their son, Michael, who survived a plane crash in Hilo in 2015. He graduated from college and joined the Hawai‘i Air National Guard with the intent of becoming an F-22 fighter pilot. He is on track and focused on that goal … Trina Brodsky and husband, Steve, have lived in Portland, Oregon, for about 20 years. She’s planning to retire at the end of this year after 30 years of practicing obstetrics and gynecology. They have three adult sons; one lives in the Bay Area and works in private equity in Palo Alto; one is an engineer at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore; and one has returned to school and is applying to medical school ... Janis Ewing Adams has been in Dana Point, California, for almost 30 years. Her home care services company, CareAssist Services, is 10 years old this year and primarily helps the elderly “age in place” in Orange County. ... Peggy Dillingham Hannan has been living in San Rafael, California, for 30-plus years. She keeps in touch with Betsy Anderson Clark and Lauralee Butler Reinke. Both are living in the area. Peggy’s kids have all flown the coop for different parts of the world – one in Boston, one in San Francisco and one in Australia. Peggy says Betsy is still swimming and trying to get back for the Waikiki Roughwater Swim each September. Last year, she designed their very cool event T-shirt ... Saw Speedy Bailey on TV during the 46th annual National EMS Week. He did a great job of representing the industry. Where would we
be without our emergency medical services – the paramedics and technicians – that we all hope to never need, but are so thankful if we do? ... And that’s all I have this time. My email is right there at the top of our Class notes.

Please email me with a bit of an update. Would love to hear from everyone before we all meet in 2021 for our 50th.

A hui hou!

Helping to bid Jim Scott ’70 aloha at Buff ’n Blue Forever on June 5, 2019, were ’71ers Barbara Uphouse Wong, KC Collins, Susie Shim, Shelley Pang, Liane Chong Takara and Susie’s son, Ka’eo Vasconcellos ’96, who teaches in the Academy.

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Greetings, classmates:

Loved hearing from a couple of folks in recent months.

Ana Armitage Char wrote with the news that she retired July 1 from Edward Jones after spending the last 10 years as an administrator for the company. At press time she was planning a cruise to Alaska with her 16-year-old granddaughter. Ana ran into our former Junior School principal, Duane Yee, at Waialae Country Club in May, and passed along his greetings to our Class. He has retired three times from various jobs, but is still working! Ana also caught up with Gloria Jones Hum over dinner, when she was in town for vacation at her family’s Malaekahana beach house. Gloria lives in Santa Cruz, and works in the neonatal intensive care unit at a local hospital. She has plans to retire in two years. Swimming, cycling and gardening keep her busy in her free time.

Also on the retirement track is Judi Wiens Hahnel, who plans to retire at the end of this year and move to her new home in Palm Desert. That will be a big change of scenery – and weather – from Woodinville, Washington, where she has been living and working as senior product manager with Premera Blue Cross. She and Gratia McCallin Huxley, who also lives in the Seattle area, have kept in touch. For all you Rotarians, Judi is planning to attend the International Rotary convention in Honolulu next June.

Ann Armitage ’72 Char ran into former Punahou Junior School principal, Duane Yee, at Waialae Country Club.
Great to be updated by Ruth Stallknecht about the fun, fabulous Punahou Alumni Association Northern California’s third annual May Day Lu’au in Danville, California, at the Crow Canyon Country Club. Our Class was well represented with Ruth, Mauri Okamoto-Kearney, Peter Mills, Faithe Liu, Elvira Mueller, Jenji Harris and Peter’s wife, Mary.

You go, Mauri! So glad the Bay Area ’73ers are still active in alumni events. If you are in the Bay Area, please call one of the members, and they will greet you with open arms!

Kirby Wright is still going strong, traveling all over for his book tour with his lovely wife, Darcy. He was in Honolulu, May 2019, at Kona Brewing Company. Classmates Glen Kobayashi, Karen Leong Lee, Meade Wildrick and Carol Al May were in attendance. On Nov. 2, he will be in Eugene, Oregon, at McMenamins High Street Brewery & Café, signing his book, “The Queen of Moloka’i.” The book is based on the life and times of his hapa-haole grandmother, and traces her “wild teen years in roaring twenties Waikiki,” (can you imagine) then on to the west end of Moloka’i, where she “pursues marriage with a noncommittal paniolo!”

Join our 164 classmates on the Class of 1973 Facebook page! Keep up to date with Class events! If you are visiting and want to see classmates, this is a great way to let them know you are in town. Catching up is fun!

Always remember to be grateful for every second of every day. Appreciate what you have. Share smiles and remember to always share ALOHA. We are all entering our golden years, time to enjoy it! A hui hou!

Congratulations! Alumni from ’73, Tim Smith and Mac Sylvester, congratulate their Punahou classmate, Patti Clift Palomar, on receiving her doctorate in occupational therapy from St. Augustine University in Florida.

Yours truly is NOT on the retirement track. I’m still enjoying my work (most of the time) as a public relations consultant, paddling outrigger canoes three mornings a week and serving as president of my paddling club. I would love to hear from more of you!

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Aloha mai kakou, ’73ers:

We had a very hot summer, and hopefully we are now enjoying the cooler fall weather.

Congratulations to Patricia Clift Palomar, who received her doctorate in occupational therapy in April, from University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences in Florida. Classmates Tim Smith and Mac Sylvester were in attendance. You are a hero to so many of us! Cheers and hats off to you!

Mac Sylvester is our fearless adventurous biker. One of his rides was the Face of America Gettysburg from Arlington, Virginia, to Frederick, Maryland, then off to Gettysburg. Weather forced the last 25 miles to be cut. Awesome achievement, Mac, and your efforts to help veterans are so inspiring. What an amazing ride – Semper Fortis. Non sibi, sed patriae. Always Courageous. Not for self, but for country. The riders raised over $460,000 to support the Wounded Warriors and Disabled Veteran Riders. Mac rode with Bike Navy, which raised nearly $12,000 and received an award for one of the highest totals per team member! Way to go Mac, congratulations and best wishes on your future endeavors!

Want to say aloha and offer best wishes to Jim Scott ’70, who retired in June. Punahou welcomes our 17th president of Punahou School, Mike Latham ’86, who has vast experience as an administrator and educator. Aloha to both of these fine men.
The Class of ’74 was invited to Secret Island at Kualoa Ranch as guests of John ’74 and Carri Morgan for fun in the sun during Alumni Week.

While there, she spends time going through the archives in the Cooke Learning Commons and doing “Living Treasure” interviews to hear and document their experiences, and honor their energy and connection with Punahou.

On Thursday, a few us participated in our Class golf tournament at Mililani Golf Club. We were a small group, but we had fun! Those participating were Derek Nakakura, James Kaimikaua, Ken Sumida, Ann Martin, Leslie Slaughter Magno, William McKillop, Ken Herkes and Alvin Cabrinha. Thursday evening was a wine tasting event held at Park Lane, a lovely condo built on top of Ala Moana Center. We were grateful to be hosted by Cynthia Proskefelas Dell. Lisa Yamaguchi Bowden and Babs Miyano-Young led the planning of this event. Wine was donated by Bill Price, Warren Loui, Alton Komori, Lynne Vuilemet Bosch and Catherine Tompkinson. A huge mahalo goes out to them! Some wine was donated to Friday night’s event as well, with David Parker being an additional donor that night.

During the week, there were also a variety of hikes escorted by Bruce Ashford, which were popular. Also, Lynne Gariley Meyer did Punahou campus tours, which were well attended.

Friday night was our gala at Oahu Country Club. With over 130 people, it was a grand time to reconnect and enjoy a great buffet dinner. The chair of the event was Renee Ahuna Cabrinha. She was assisted by Shannon Crowell DeMaster, who handled entertainment, and Yuriko Wellington, who handled the silent and live auctions. Renee’s volunteers for check-in and drink ticket sales included Alvin Cabrinha and Solomon Kaulukukui. Before dinner, a memorial tribute organized by Cathy Kam-Ho and Mary-Jane Markoskie was held for the 36 classmates we have lost since graduation. Each attendee was invited to bring lei to the event, which were draped in a basket. Alvin read the names of each classmate we have lost. After that simple, but moving, tribute, dinner was served. Jud Haskins played guitar and sang during the evening. For the first time ever, a silent auction was held with a goal to raise $10,000 for our Class of 1974 scholarship fund. Yuriko did an incredible job with all the details of the auction. Many more items than expected were donated by our classmates, making it a truly fun auction. A few items were sold by live auction with auctioneers Jay Higgins and Charles Loomis. We sold 99% of the items donated that night, leading us to meet the $10,000 goal! We also had a photo booth, which was fun and entertaining.

On Saturday, all classmates were invited to participate in our Class photo. We met at Pauali Hall and lined up on the steps. The Alumni Lu’au followed, and our tables were near the front of the stage (an advantage of our 45th Reunion!). We cheered as the 50th Reunion Class, with many from out of town joining events throughout the week. Sunday was a picnic at Secret Island beach at Kualoa Ranch, thanks to John Morgan. During a break in the festivities, another memorial was held for our classmates no longer with us – flowers and leis were scattered in the ocean.

I am running out of my allotted words for this column, and I’m sorry I can’t mention everyone that I saw and talked to! Please go to the Punahou 74 blog for more detailed information on all the events! I have to mention Linda Sutton Torres, as she works with Reunion Classes every year as part of her job at Punahou. She must have a lot of patience!

Thank you to all of you, whether you attended an event or not, for being a part of the Class of 1974!

Take care and keep in touch!
Aloha, classmates:

There is sweet and somber news to share this time around.

Bruce Fink thinks life is pretty sweet these days. At the end of March, he retired from the Army AND his civil service job. The life of a double retiree! I know there is a lot of golf in his future.

You may have already noticed it. Hard not to. Yes, our Class notes photo. That is our own Steve Scott posing with his wife, Linda, (Steve is the one in the dress!) after appearing as the character “George Peach” in a production of the farcical comedy, “The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen’s Guild Dramatic Society’s Production of MacBeth.” Try to say that quickly, will ya? Steve is a martial arts instructor in Bloomington, Indiana, and acts during his off time. He tells me he picked up a passion for both activities while at Punahou. Steve and Linda are planning on attending our 45th Reunion in 2020. You’ll want to be there to receive through the day as she reached out. The silence is painful. She knew me better than anyone, and I miss her so much.”

On May 20, 2019, Lauren Chesne Faulkner’s mother, Carol Jeanne Chesne, left us. I remember Mrs. Chesne from my girlhood. She was a lovely lady with many friends and a talented painter. Carol was a wife, mother and nana to five grandchildren. Lauren says, “My father and I were holding her hands when she left us. My brothers have come and gone. Now it’s just me, my father and the memories that come with sorting through her things … the stories of the time she spent here with us. I miss the sound of the text alerts I would receive through the day as she reached out. It’s all right that I’ve shared them. I know we can all relate to your loss, and we send our best wishes to you; your father, Dr. Edward Chesne; your brothers, Chris Chesne ’78 and Greig Chesne ’84, and Carol’s grandchildren.

Rick Smith’s mother passed away on the morning of June 4, after a brief illness. Marion “Larie” Larimore Elliott Smith is remembered by a family member as a champion diver in her youth, a graduate of University of California, Los Angeles and a down-to-earth, practical, skeptical woman … an overall wonderful person! I know she was a loving wife of 60 years to Rick’s late father, Richard ’50. Rick posted the most beautiful rendition of Kui Lee’s “I’ll Remember You,” sung by Connie Francis, upon his mother’s passing, and it brought tears. I am happy to know more about your mother, Rick, and I know the Class sends best thoughts to you and Camille; your brother, Doug; your sister, Angela and their families.

That’s about it. Don’t forget that our 45th Reunion is fast approaching – June 2020. Bruce tells me that a large Rotary International convention is scheduled for the same time, and 25,000 people are expected. So make your plans now. Our perpetually smiling and upbeat classmate, Barbara Bingham Bartee, says she’s coming to our 45th, so you’ll want to be there too!

Remember to call, write or email with your news!
The Mills family gathered on Whidbey Island, Washington, in May 2019 to celebrate matriarch Patsy Mills’ 92nd birthday. From left: Sue Mills ’78 Suttich, Carol Mills ’76, Betsy Mills ’70 Skevington, Patsy Mills, Jay Mills ’72, Malia Mills ’85 and Peter Mills ’73.

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wandering – Eastern Europe last summer and Colombia/Peru just this winter. We’re looking forward to lots of travel ahead and especially returning to our upcoming Class Reunions. Karen and I make our home in San Francisco, where we have taken up the urban life – and no car (except cable cars).” Jeff and Karen were back on O’ahu, in December 2018, to see Jeff’s parents, who live in Kailua (and both turn 90 this year!). Jeff’s dad hosted a table at the Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum fundraising gala, and they were joined by Dean “Tiger Tom” Metcalf. It sounds like they all had a wonderful time.

Here’s a paragraph from Gary (aka, a “Garygraph”): “In mid-May, I was delighted to get a call from Carol Mills, who was coming to Seattle with sister, Malia Mills ’85, for a trunk show of their acclaimed Malia Mills swimwear. (Vogue calls Malia ‘nothing short of a modern-day savior: When she began her swimwear company, she started a veritable body image revolution.’) Carol, Malia and I got together for an early morning coffee klatch, joined by the other Mills sisters, Betsy Mills ’70 Skevington and Sue Mills ’78 Suttich, who were gathering in the Pacific Northwest for their mom’s birthday celebration. It was great to visit with all of them!”

Points to Jeff and Carol for getting in touch with us. How about the rest of you? We’d love news from classmates we haven’t heard from in a while. Where are you? What’s new? I’m hoping a lot of you will make it home for our 45th Reunion two years from now.

A hui hou kakou,

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Friends from the Class of ’77, Susy Chillingworth Ruddle, Jimmy and Laurie Simpson Bugbee, at Merrie Monarch Festival in Hilo.

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Punahou’s Athletic Hall of Fame honored 13 individuals this year, including Boy Eldredge. The induction committee wrote: “A natural talent, Eldredge racked up the awards at Punahou. He was named Most Inspirational Player for football and basketball twice, and once for baseball. He earned ILH First-Team honors in all three sports. In baseball, Eldredge was named to the All-State team twice, and was a high school All-American his senior year.” Congratulations! bit.ly/30AuAEg

Mahalo to our 40th Reunion planning committee: activity chairs Boy Eldredge and Robert Clancey; gift chairs Gina Mauliola Marting and Ross Uchimura; and committee members Lorie Ebisui Campbell, Joan Caccarelli-Meister, Jay Higa, Cynthia Kim Moffatt, Anne McCrea Orndahl and Lee Scruton made this our best Reunion ever. Mahalo to Lori Kwock Tolentino for taking pictures throughout the festivities, and Robert for graciously hosting the Sunday picnic at his

The Towill family celebrated the appointment of Crystal Rose as trustee for Kamehameha Schools. From left: Mark Towill ’07, Rick Towill ’77, Crystal (Kamehameha ’75) and Ian Towill ’10.
home. We broke the Alumni Lu’au attendance record for a 40th Class Reunion with 183 classmates and guests. The Class of ’79 still shines!

Classmates came from near and far. Annabelle Okada flew in from Japan. She is a uveitis expert, professor of ophthalmology and director of both the Ocular Inflammation Service and the Macular Disease Service at Kyorin Eye Center of Kyorin University Hospital in Tokyo. bit.ly/2SsSCHS

Bret Costin, Joy Hungerford Popp, Cheryl Lister, Mark Solomons, John Takami and Christine Wu Jacobson were some of the first-time attendees. Cheryl said, “It was super fun! I feel very positively connected to our ’79ers, and am so glad I could attend after all these years.” Cheryl is a private practice fertility journey coach in Virginia Beach, where she is raising two daughters, Sofia (10) and Michelle (7). Mark said, “I wish I had more time, but had to leave a bit early and missed the Sunday festivities. I am definitely glad I made it out for my first-ever Reunion. It was so much fun. I’ll certainly be back for the next one.” Cruise enthusiasts should seek out Seattleite John. He’s a longtime group cruise specialist with Holland America. bit.ly/2LFdtxJ

I wasn’t able to catch up with Chris at the Reunion, but reminisced with her over dinner in Boston a few weeks later. Previously at Reebok and later at Adidas, Chris has overseen pro athlete and event apparel at New Balance for the last seven years.

Anthony Chan may have been a first-timer, too. I haven’t seen him since he anchored the gymnastics team, while I was trying not to fall off the pommel horse!

Elliott Mandel was in from Arlington, Virginia, where he’s an associate vice president at AECOM, an American multinational engineering firm.

If you visit the emergency department in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, you might be in the good hands of Dr. David Hale.

It was great to see veterinary radiologist Jon Shiroma (bit.ly/2LywQd) and his wife, Lisa. Jon is among classmates Sylvia Chinn-Levy, Ronald Loui, Tammy MacDonald and Jonathan Selinger, who call Ohio home.

Bruce Arinaga and his wife, Victoria, split time between Coral Gables, Florida and Honolulu.

Attorney Ken Dillingham lives in San Diego; he has worked with homeowners associations since 1986. bit.ly/2SubGMv

Jim Davidson and Dan Blitman are enjoying retirement. Dan is a retired Idaho fourth-grade teacher. Engineer Jim retired from General Dynamics.
Multitalented Tori Brenno Eldridge can add novelist to her accomplishments. “The Ninja Daughter,” described as “Kill Bill” meets “The Joy Luck Club,” is an action-packed debut thriller about a woman, who must fight the Los Angeles Ukrainian mob, sex traffickers and her own family. It will be released on Nov. 5, 2019. More at Tori’s website, torieldridge.com.

Patty and Bill Stoner live in the Dallas area. Bill jets around for American Airlines, so check the cockpit when you board your next flight. Patty is the managing broker at Premier Realty Group. bit.ly/2SDCYA9

With her kids, Andy and Lexi, in high school, Teri Linn Anderson provides luxury real estate expertise in Hawai‘i and California.

A sense of peacefulness spreads over you after spending time with Allison and Darin Maurer. They ministered with Campus Crusade for Christ for 24 years. The past six years, Darin has ministered to businessmen in Houston as the founder and executive director of Logos Leaders Outreach ministry. bit.ly/2LyT0dz

Donne Dawson, Hawai‘i state film commissioner, reports: “Hawai‘i’s two flagship TV shows celebrated the start of new seasons with blessings by Kamehameha Schools’ Kahu Kordell Kekoa. ‘Magnum P.I.’ started its second season and ‘Hawaii Five-0’ began its 10th! Both CBS shows contribute more than $150 million each year into the state’s economy and hundreds of local jobs. In other news, the Historic Hawai‘i Foundation will honor my mom, Beadie Kanahele ‘47 Dawson, as the 2019 Kama‘aina of the Year on Oct. 19, 2019, at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel. Mom is being honored for her community activism and lifelong contributions to Hawai‘i’s historical legacy, which includes the restoration of ‘Iolani Palace as part of the Junior League of Honolulu. I am co-chairing the event with my brother, Christopher Dawson ’82, and Wendy Rice Peterson. Honpa Hongwanji named mom a Living Treasure of Hawai‘i in 2017. She is also mom to Victoria Lani Dawson ’75 Arena and Kathryn Malia Dawson ’76 Song. A beautiful short film on ‘Living Ho‘oponopono’ is on Historic Hawai‘i’s website, bit.ly/2StMMwi.”

John Kolivas writes: “I was visiting my wife’s family during the time of our Class Reunion. Deanna and I left Locations for One Pacific Realty. I’ve been busy with the Honolulu Jazz Quartet (HJQ).” bit.ly/2SsmmLr Earlier in the spring, the HJQ put a creative spin on George Gershwin at Medici’s in Manoa, playing new arrangements for several of the classics. HJQ will be back at Medici’s on Nov. 22, 2019. bit.ly/2SyNcS7

Aileen Yoshida reports: “After previous financial advisory jobs at Dean Witter, Morgan Stanley and elsewhere, I opened my own firm last year, Wealth By Design, ...
A fond aloha to Harrison Togiai ‘80, who passed away in July 2019, in Culver City, California. He was remembered by his classmates for his love of family and friends at a gathering in Kane‘ohe.


Congratulations, Mr. Aloha! With his classmates there to support him, Ray Hironaka ’80 accepted the Old School Award for his dedication and service to Punahou School. He is the “great connector,” bringing together classmates through being a Class correspondent, Class party planner, Reunion committee member and head of the Class Carnival shift. Mahalo, Ray! Front row, from left: Laurie Lee, Cathy Lee Chong, Ray’s wife Patty ’84, Ray Hironaka, Kauai Napoleon-Copp Alan Low and Jeff Yeah. Middle row: Allison Yee, former Dean Tom Metcalf; Wendy May, Tracy Wong, Dr. Greg Yim, Lynne Wooddel Neher and Dr. Jim Scott ’70. Back row: Brian Ching, Hugh Damon, Lee Bell and John Kamana. (Kelly Hutchinson McMahon is hiding behind Lynne.)
Now that Punahou Alumni Week 2019 is complete, the Class that “bends but never breaks” is kicking off its 40th Reunion planning. Everyone is welcome to come out for the Reunion committee meetings. Please contact Kelly or me so we can get the fun started!

Aloha, Ray

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To the surprise and delight of her longtime friends and birthday gal pals – Melvea Hardy eloped with Curtis Popa in February. Helena Fordham Ishida, Lorie Mann Granger, Kikilia Fordham ’82 and I mercilessly decry her stealth in sharing an entire meal with us, just days after the elopement, without so much as a peep about her very joyous news! We love our dear friend, Mel, and want you all to share in this happy news!

Lots of graduations! Kiki’s daughter, Janie Schaefer ’15, graduated from Ithaca College, and is living in New York. Lorie’s son, Scott Granger ’11, graduated from Creighton University’s dental school, and is now a dentist. Blaine Granger ’13, Lorie’s younger son, graduated from University of Miami with an advanced degree and is working at a hospital outside of Philadelphia. Rex Santos and I celebrated the graduation of our daughter, Kulani Santos ’19, along with the children of classmates and friends, including Rich ’82 and Rhoda Fong ’82 Asato (Lauren and Jake), Kenwei Chong ’86 and Florence Chong (Alexa) and Debbie Berger ’82 and Bill Reeves (Eliana). Congratulations to the 2019 graduates of alumni families!

Special shoutout to Uncle Layton Pang ’82, who retrieved Kulani’s big ‘ol sign from Rex’s van at University of Hawai‘i, and carried it out to the baseball field at Commencement. We are lucky to have such loving and thoughtful uncles like Layt in the family.

Sending aloha to all! Take care, and be well!

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Summer Reunion season came and went. Being our 37th anniversary year, most of the gatherings were unofficial – except for one – Buff’n Blue Forever: A Celebration of Punahou and President Jim Scott ’70, held on June 5. With more than 1,500 alumni in attendance, it was a little hard to herd everyone from our Class for a picture. However, I can say that a great time was had by all with endless food, beverage, entertainment (Kikilila Fordham danced a beautiful hula), and of course, a chicken-skin farewell speech delivered by Dr. Scott. Amongst the throng, under the gargantuan tent on Rice Field, Lisa Hutchinson and I spotted the following from the Peanut Butter Class of ’82: Kathy Duhaylongsod, Gail Sakamaki Grief, Lianne Sakoda Poppinga, Andrew Ghali, Rich Asato, Rick Derrickson and Andy Solomons.

On a somber note: On May 11, we lost yet another classmate, Michael Keli‘i Bush, respected member of the Buff’n Blue football defensive backfield and all-around proud Native Hawaiian, succumbed after a long battle with cancer and diabetes. Lisa and I attended his services at Diamond Head. On the other side.

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In from Debbie:

Oh my goodness! What a week of Reunion treats and events! Given the pre-event advertised awesomeness of our Reunion events, it won’t surprise you to read that nearly 150 classmates and spouses attended. Many traveled from long distances to be there. Aulani Mulford wins the 35th Reunion Intrepid Alumni Award by traveling back from Gloucestershire, England – and I suspect there are no direct flights from there to Honolulu.

The Alumni Lu’au celebrity clearly was the ageless Dean Tom Metcalf, as seemingly all of ’84 jostled to take selfies. Who cares if past Alumni Lu’au attendee, Sigourney Weaver, and dream Reunion-er, President Barack Obama (you know, Barry ’79), did not attend this year – we had TigerTom!

Those of us fortunate enough to attend the Alumni Lu’au were treated to the heartfelt sentiments that Mike Smith shared as we gathered at the Lily Pond to reminisce about the late Mark Sandvold and Mike Crawford. We classmates were together for many years,

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Happy fall to all!

I enjoyed my Facebook connections over the summer, viewing proud family photos of graduates ... high school, college, junior high and military! Michele Sunahara Loudermilk’s daughter had the difficult task of graduating from online high school. We all know what kind of self-discipline that takes, wow! Malie Larson Mulligan’s daughter, Malia Mulligan ’19, graduated with an academic award for physics ... smarty pants! Malia Diamond Lee’s daughter, Lucy, is also a 2019 high school graduate. Such beautiful lei and family photos! One more senior shoutout to Meghan Dsembou-Connors’ beautiful daughter, Maya Debouk ’19. Loved seeing the Punahou traditions, old and new.

Jon Steiner’s son, Nikolaus ’20, competed in his first Moloka’i Hoe, paddling in the junior division with the Outrigger Canoe Club. His crew came in first in their division! Congratulations! I have so many fond memories of paddling ... for Lanikai, of course! Jon recently organized a mini-reunion at Aloha Beer Company ...
through the Academy and perhaps going back to Bishop Hall, Castle Hall, Winne Units and even Wilcox Hall. As Mike said, “Cherish the friendships that we have in our Class; with these people, who have shared so many experiences with us.” (Am I the only one hearing murmurs about a Class 55th birthday celebration?)

On behalf of the Punahou Bulletin, thanks goes to Krissy Izumi-Nitao, who has earned herself a finder’s fee for securing the latest addition to our Class correspondent ranks: Russell Lee! Yes, classmates, we can look forward to reading his unique voice in these pages in the near future. You have been forewarned as he has been brainstorming some crazy, destined-to-be-heavily-redacted creative column concepts that will keep our Class notes editor on her toes! (Krissy: You can expect that gift in the mail after we see Russell’s first column make it through the editing process.)

At the Sunday beach party, Len Materman was modeling a circa 1983 T-shirt that was created in honor of his chairmanship of the White Elephant booth back in the day. (We are throwing down the gauntlet and challenging his co-chair, Colleen Cushing Burns, to see if she can bust hers out, too.) As you can imagine, in that vintage apparel, Len was just about the coolest guy at the beach … until he looked right at me and asked, “Who are our Class correspondents?”

At that moment, everyone around Len – who may or may not have included Gail Stringer, Melissa Wheeless and Cara Davis, as it gets fuzzy for me at this juncture – faded and blurred, as happens in the movies when the character experiences something traumatic.
Lesley Barrett Koch, Roma Yuen Cadinha, Harlan Cadinha and Kari Allen Greenwell.

Friends from the Class of ‘85 met up in Salt Lake City, Utah, with their families during spring break. From left: Lesley Barrett Koch, Roma Yuen Cadinha, Harlan Cadinha and Kari Allen Greenwell.

It was clearly a Reunion for the memory books thanks to 35th Reunion activity chairs, Malia May Lageman and Holly Hadsell-El Hajj; and gift chairs, Ivy Nip Asano and Camille Okata Masutomi. The Fantastic Four led a committee that included Dawn Gonzalez Bridgman, Krissy Izumi-Nitao, Sarah Spohr Jenny, Patti Horii Oshiro, Lisa Tokumaru Rapp, Eric Wong and Chad Yim.

The unsung hero of every ’84 event, of course, is our Class photographer, Phil Suh. One day, we may have lost our memories, but thanks to Phil and his 10 pounds of expensive camera equipment, we will have the photographic evidence of terrific times!

And mahalo to 29% of the classmates, who donated over $137,000 as the Class gift. Thanks goes to everyone who gave, no matter how big or small the donation, in gratitude for Punahou and to help make our alma mater an even better institution in the future.

Let’s also acknowledge our two nonmonetary Class gifts to Punahou … at the Office of Alumni Relations: Doug Rigg and Patti Horii Oshiro. These two played critical roles at the Alumni Lu’au itself to ensure that all alumni and their families enjoyed the celebration, which – from what I could see – basically meant that neither of them could actually party hearty with their own classmates. We missed and appreciate you!

Of course, the Reunion committee always hopes that 400-plus of us will attend the events, which is not likely, of course. Tommy Leong had an excuse for not attending that beats us all as wife, Susan, gave birth to their sixth (!) child less than one month after our Reunion! In life, there are lottery winners, and Tommy is certainly the luckiest of all members of the Class of ‘84. As they say, go big or go home: shortly before little Matthew’s birth, Tommy thought it was a good idea to also start a new job, and move the entire Leong crew to a new city – Greenville, South Carolina. Just to put all those major life transitions into one small timeframe. Go for it, Tommy!

If you have other news to share (good, bad or ridiculous), please drop Karin, Russell or me a note. Speaking for myself, I am especially interested in unsubstantiated tidbits about Len Materman; as we know he is too busy to read anything about Len in pages of the Class notes in the Punahou Bulletin, and he will never know :).

Another perk of living in Hawai‘i is hopping a flight to the Neighbor Islands for a girls’ weekend. Over the summer, Jennifer Lee Wagner Czerwinski, Allison Hirose Melanson and I (Erin) found ourselves “here today, gone to Maui,” where we met up with Eleykaa Tully. She is an artist who lives in Kula, and shows her work in Makawao and Lahaina galleries. Good friends, good food and “only good times” (and naturally, what happens in Ka’anapali, stays in Ka’anapali).

We adore sharing your stories about adventures of bumping into one another at the most random places. We thought we needed in on that game … just because we live in Hawai‘i and work three blocks away from each other, doesn’t mean we are joined at the hip! It’s a Wednesday night. One of your correspondents has arrived at Uncle Bo’s in Kapahulu (owned by a Punahou alum, of course) following an evening meeting. She sidles up to the bar and takes a seat with her pal, Dawn Sanderson ’86. And Dawn says, “I think April just walked by!” And sure enough, there she is, heading into the back room. Texting happens. “Uh, are you at Uncle Bo’s?” And like magic, your correspondents marvel at the coincidence. OK, yeah, we know. Uncle Bo’s. Not that much of a coincidence. But, we’re going with it!
contributing to the festivities were Ed Kenney, who aided by daughter, Celia ’16, and son, Duke ’20, served a delicious paella from his restaurant Mud Hen Water; and David Tanabe, pumping out the School spirit as sousaphonist with the Oahu College Band. There were, of course, many classmates in attendance, but I confess I failed to make a list (sorry …).

While we’re on the subject of Ed Kenney – Congratulations, Ed, on being named Honolulu Magazine’s 2019 Hale ‘Aina Restauranteur of the Year for your Kaimuki Superette, Mahina & Sun’s, Mud Hen Water and Town restaurants! Your continued success makes us all proud!

Mike wasn’t our only classmate celebrating a homecoming this summer. In June, with slightly less fanfare, but no less joy, we welcomed Nana Nakano Howell, husband, Dan and daughter, Sophia, back to Hawai’i! Sophia ’26 will enter Case Middle School as a sixth-grader this fall. It’s so great to have you back, Nana!

Kazumi Ogawa responded to my plea for updates by asking me to remind you all that she’s still in Nairobi with UN-Habitat, the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, and eager for classmates visits! Thus far, Kazumi has welcomed Pamela Lowe Dolan and her mother, Stacey Kaneshiro and family, and Laura Lee ’87 Zacharia to Nairobi. She and Vanessa Adams ’88 hope for more Punahou visitors in the future. Kazumi and daughter, Leah, returned to Hawai’i for a vacation and the Punahou Alumni Keiki Experience in late summer. More on that next time.

Editor’s Note: As of September, Kazumi Ogawa has relocated to Paris, France, where she will take on a new assignment with UNESCO.

Jon Magnussen, a critically acclaimed composer and associate professor of music at...
University of Hawaiʻi West Oʻahu, played an important role in the recent Hawaiian Oboe Legacy Project, which involved the handcrafting of an oboe from 300-year-old kaula wood from Kauaʻi. Jon composed an oboe piece entitled, “Na Kau ʻElua | The Two Seasons” specifically to showcase this unique instrument. His composition premiered in May at the Paliku Theatre, with oboist J. Scott Janusch and the Galliard String Quartet. A full, symphonic version will premiere with the Hawai‘i Symphony Orchestra in fall 2019.

Michael Tenby wrote in from Las Vegas, where he lives with wife, Jennifer, daughter, Eva, and son, Aaron. Michael is a pediatrician and sports enthusiast who attended a Golden Knights hockey game with visiting classmates, Michael Shurley and Greg Thielen. As I write, Michael and family are enjoying an Alaskan cruise on the Norwegian Bliss, complete with glacier tours, dog-sledding and a hovercraft eco-tour.

Andy Bunn and Paul Chattergy report that a team of our classmates have started a committee to work with the Punahou Advancement Team to create a fund that supports the activities of Punahou President Mike Latham. The fund will provide additional resources for ad hoc projects that Mike may come across that are supportive of the Punahou mission and community in general. Expect to hear more from our classmates about the Mike E. Latham Endurance Fund, aka the “MELE Fund.”

That’s it for now. A hui hou,
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Hey, Class of ’87!

By the time you get this Bulletin, I’m pretty sure we will all have passed the half-century mark. Happy 50th to each and every one of you! Let’s hope the next half-century continues to be filled with adventure, laughter, friendships and celebration!

Couple things in the pipeline to celebrate for sure! Congratulations to Celeste Magnani on being recognized by KHON2 as one of their Inspirational People of the Week! Celeste has been very candid about her battle with breast cancer. She has taken us along, via social
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Captain Lia Reynolds ’87, JAG extraordinaire, with classmates and friends at her change of command ceremony. From left: Celeste Magnani ’87, Malia Denis ’87, David Hsu ’86, Lia, Charli Borja ’87 Hitesman, Chris Dias ’87, Billy Nagel ’87 and Laura Lee ’87 Zacharia.

That’s it for me this season. Keep up with the gang by visiting our Facebook page, Punahou Class of 1987!

Lyla, out!

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In from Stacy Humes Porteus:

Aloha, Team ’88:

It’s hard to believe that over a year has passed since our 30th Reunion!

Now it’s time to celebrate a new milestone for many of us – turning 50. I just celebrated my half-century voyage around the sun and have to say that it wasn’t as scary as many of you may think – especially when you connect with dear friends over a copious amount of adult beverages.

Lisa, Karen and I can always count on Ralph Winnie to keep our news feed replenished. Mahalo, Ralph! Most recently, he was featured on a Croatian TV interview regarding
At the Punahou Alumni Awards, Trisha Kajimura ’89 accepted the Charles S. Judd, Jr. Humanitarian award for her outstanding contributions to society in Hawai’i, serving the most vulnerable populations for more than 20 years. Mahalo, Trisha! Front row, from left: Todd Funasaki ’89, Jim Takatsuka ’82, Tracie Chang ’89 Co, Laurie Hayashi ’89 Nakamoto, Tara Nakagawa ’89 Takatsuka, Trisha, Kirk Hendricks, Sarah Sugimoto ’99 and Natascha Ching ’89. Back Row: Andy Downes, Bryan Nakamoto ’89 and Gary Co ’89.

Over the summer, siblings Ingrid ’88, Mark ’90 and Stefan ’91 Schroffner, along with their children (eight in total) and spouses, convened at the Kampgrounds of America in Mystic, Connecticut, for a family reunion in honor of their parents’ respective 80th and 75th birthdays. Ingrid and family traveled in from Boston; Mark and family from New York City; Stefan and family from Eugene, Oregon; and their parents flew in from Hawai’i. Front row, from left: Annika Goodman, Kellie Schroffner, Gina Schroffner, Jake Goodman, Ari Goodman, Wailea Schroffner and Bleecker, the dog. Middle row: Lucia Elmaleh (Donna’s mom), Donna Schroffner (Mark’s wife), Moana Schroffner, Aileen and Werner Schroffner and Mark. Back row: Josh Goodman (Ingrid’s husband), Ingrid, Tricia Schroffner (Stefan’s wife), Stefan Schroffner Jr. and Stefan.

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Congratulations to Trisha Kajimura, the 2019 Punahou Alumni Association Award Charles S. Judd, Jr. Humanitarian awardee. This award recognizes alumni who have made outstanding contributions in the fields of public service, humanitarian or charitable efforts, arts, letters or sciences, in Hawai’i. Trisha is an advocate for social justice, and her work to promote mental wellness is changing the stigma associated with seeking support and treatment.

A big mahalo to our 30th Reunion planning committee and to everyone who attended the events. It was such a special opportunity to reconnect, reminisce and have fun together. We are looking forward to the next one! There is a limited supply of 30th Reunion T-shirts and water bottles available. If you are interested, please email Shannon Bradley Yates at shannon@nb2.net.
Thank you to Sarah Lowrey Razee for sharing Robert “Robby” Paris’ obituary. Robby passed away a week before our Reunion. Rest in love, Robby.

Robert “Robby” Lewers Paris passed away at home in Englewood, Colorado, May 31, 2019, at the age of 47 after a 17-month fight against glioblastoma, an aggressive brain cancer. He was supported and prayed over by family and friends throughout his battle and during his hospice care. He was preceded in death by his mother, Susan J. Paris, and is survived by wife, Kendis; daughters, Maile and Alia; father, Robert W. Paris ’63; grandmother, Helen Paris; sister, Catherine Carr (Benjamin); and brother, Charles “Chad” Paris ’94.

Rob was born on Oct. 10, 1971, in Honolulu, and grew up in Kailua. Rob’s childhood was spent playing on Pony League baseball and AYSO soccer teams, on the fields and courts of Enchanted Lake Elementary School, where he attended through the fifth grade. In the sixth grade, he transferred to Punahou School, where he graduated in 1989.

He had a competitive streak when playing board/card games. His mother gave him a handicap at Boggle until she soon discovered that she herself needed the handicap. He continued to be competitive throughout his life. Even after removal of a tomato-sized tumor from his brain, he could still beat everyone at most games – most of the time, including his father at cribbage.

In childhood, Rob attended Keolumana Methodist Church with the family. In junior high, he became fast friends with a youth group based in Hawai’i Kai that happened to go on many outdoor trips, bodyboarding at the beach, hiking to waterfalls or jumping from cliffs. That youth group morphed into a group based in Kailua at Faith Baptist Church. He started attending at Faith and gradually pulled his family there from Keolumana.

It was at a summertime ministry, Josiah Project, where Rob decided he wanted to go into ministry. After graduating from Punahou, he attended the University of Hawai’i, just so he could continue to lead the youth group at Faith Baptist, which became known as Faith Crew. In 1991, Rob transferred to Wheaton College in Illinois, where he graduated in 1994 with a double major in Christian education and history. Two mission trips to Zimbabwe, during and after college, had a profound influence on his education.

After graduating from Wheaton, Rob returned to Faith Baptist Church as their youth and young adults leader. It was at one of the young adults events where he met Kendis. They married in December 1997.

In 1999, Rob set his sights beyond youth groups and young adult ministry, deciding to go back to school to get his Masters of Divinity at Denver Seminary in Colorado. After graduating from seminary, Rob formed a ministry with Rev. Billy Waters. Together, they...
established Wellspring Church (Anglican). A number of years later, after helping Wellspring move from the rented basement of a church to its own sanctuary, Rob felt called to plant a church of his own. With a few brave souls and the support and blessing of Wellspring, Church of the Advent (Anglican) was planted in the Baker neighborhood of Denver in 2011. After renting space for five years, in 2016, they bought a beautiful sanctuary to hold worship.

Rob and Kendis were blessed with two beautiful and talented daughters. Maile, who was born in 2003, is a gifted musician, composer and singer. Alia was born in 2005, and is a talented artist in many mediums, including animation and hosts a YouTube channel.

Airpor aloha! These '90 alumni ran into each other at LAX. From left: Heather Williams, Harland Ah You, Rachael Wong, Tina Pierce and Heather Zeigler Palling.

My wife, Jeferen Oyama '94, had her 25th Reunion this year, so I crashed the Punahou Alumni Lu'au in June. I ran into both Allen Murabayashi and James Djunaidy. I couldn’t decide who was thinner or more handsome. I guess there is no wrong answer. James was vacationing from Washington, D.C. with his wife, Heather, and was so excited for our upcoming Reunion, he decided to pre-party a year early. Speaking of our 30th Reunion (How is. This. Possible.), save the date and make your travel plans for Alumni Lu’au, on June 6, 2020. Start logging in those Peloton workouts, and we’ll see you all in less than a year!

While walking around campus at the beginning of May, I (Ali) was pleasantly surprised to run into Barbie Ho, who said that she and Malia Oshima Paul were hard at work decorating the gym in loving parental support of their Junior School May Day court kids. Jack Ho ’23 and Mehana Paul ’23 were paired up as kahili bearer and princess for the Island of Maui. When I attended the grommet (K-2) May Day

performance later that week, I also noted Denise Eldredge Sagapolutele’s daughter, Judd Eldredge Sagapolutele ’25, as princess of Moloka‘i. It was really fun to see so many other of our ‘91 “mini-mes” at the performance.

Congratulations to the Class of 2019, including Scott and Kim Osada Sato’s son, Tyler Sato ’19, and Josh and Lori Fairbanks ’86 Feldman’s daughter, Caroline Feldman ’19. It seems like just yesterday that we donned those sport coats and ties and holoku and tabi. Ok, maybe not yesterday ... but certainly not 28 years ago!

Tiffany Farrell moved back home in June with her husband, John, and son, Makana Moorefield ’26, after over five years living in Tokyo. Welcome back! We hope to see you at Hot Noodles in February!

Speaking of Hot Noodles, our post-Carnival “late-night gang” (we stay out until at least 10 p.m.) has been dwindling over the years and was, dare we say, very “sad trombone-ish” this year. Thank you to Mike Watanabe and Darin Goo for helping keep the tradition alive. In fact, Mike is so committed to it he met us at Mud Hen Water, even though he couldn’t make it to our Carnival shift! Now that’s dedication, folks.

Josh ’91 and Lori Fairbanks ’86 Feldman and family celebrate Caroline Feldman’s ’19 graduation from Punahou at Stan Sheriff Center. From left: Former Trustee David Fairbanks ’58, Sharon Cook ’37 Fairbanks, Josh, Alex Feldman ’25, Lori, Caroline and June Feldman.
By the way, am I the only one who seems to spot Mike on his bike everywhere? I can’t even tell you how many times I’ve either driven past him, or he’s pedaled past me in varying locations – mostly around Kaimuki, but also on King Street and even once on Ward Avenue. Maybe we can set up a webpage at mikeonabike.com (mikeonabike.com is already taken) to document and map sightings of Mike on a bike. At any rate, mad props to him for staying in shape, reducing his carbon footprint and perhaps most importantly, utilizing that King Street bike lane.

As always, take care, and please let us know what you have been up to so we don’t have to bust out the sad trombone for our Bulletin notes, too!

Until next time,

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Aloha to the Accomplished Class of 1992,
The stork made another visit to Chris Chee and wife, Angela, in Los Angeles, delivering a second bundle of joy. Baby boy, Nathan, was born in October 2018, and joins big brother, Nicholas (3). Congratulations to the Chee family!

Adam Haleck reports that he is enjoying mountain living in Salt Lake City, Utah. He and wife, Kim, welcomed their third child, Sloane Ryan, in March 2019, and celebrated 20 years of marriage in July 2019. As president and chief financial officer for Northpoint Asset Management, he quickly calculated that when Baby Sloane graduates, he will be a spry 63 year old! Adam says he really misses his Punahou family, and reads the Class of ‘92 updates in every Bulletin. He also misses plate lunches, the smell of sea spray and mauka showers. The Carnival pictures are the ultimate face-rub for him. He can barely stand to look at them because working our Class shift at the Malasada ‘Ewa booth has always been on his bucket list. On his next visit to Hawai‘i, he wants to arrange a flash meet-up at Zippy’s on Kapahulu, then have everyone head over to Leonard’s Bakery, then Lappert’s Ice Cream and end with a bodysurf session at Sandy Beach. Sounds like an excellent plan, Adam!

Nicole Richard sent an update after she moved back to San Diego in February 2019, following a 16-month-stay in the Bay Area working as an attorney at Berry Appelman & Leiden LLP. She is now senior associate at Tafapolsky Smith Mehlman LLP, continuing to represent companies in obtaining work visas, permanent residence and citizenship for their employees. Her daughter, Angelica, recently turned 21, and is an aspiring photographer and artist attending San Francisco State University.

Royce Take Tomson shared an adorable story when his son, Kaimana, along with Greg Mau and his son, Andrew, joined Brandon Suzuki to play tourist aboard the Atlantis Submarine. They said it was very difficult to tell who had more fun looking at the fish – the two small boys or the three big ones. Whatever the correct answer, it sure sounds like we have more future fishermen joining our group!

Ann Teranishi, executive vice president of operations at American Savings Bank, was spotted in the June 2019 edition of Pacific Business News, where she was selected as one of 15 emerging Hawai‘i leaders for the seventh cohort of The Omidyar Fellows program. This is a leadership development program which supports midcareer leaders for future success and is funded by the Omidyar Group, which is a philanthropic organization founded by Pierre Omidyar ‘84, founder of eBay, Honolulu Civil Beat and the Ulupono Initiative.

Jennifer Almquist Lehman and her family have been hitting the road in a travel trailer, checking out all kinds of fun sites in Colorado and beyond. Jen, who continues to be an all-star teacher in Boulder County, Colorado, welcomed a new addition to the family – Hoku, a beautiful yellow labrador retriever. And yes, if you’re wondering, Hoku goes everywhere the Lehman pack goes!

A big MAHALO to everyone who wrote in with news to share. We always enjoy hearing about your families, careers, travels and wonderful accomplishments!

Sincerely,

Jen, Maz and J!
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equips midcareer leaders. Coincidentally, Ian Hunt’s wife, Lia, who is president and CEO of Goldwings Supply Service, was also selected for cohort seven. Way to go, Gooch and Lia!

And there’s more moving and shaking by the Class of 1993—this time in Portland, Oregon, where Dr. Liane O’Banion has accepted the position of Title IX Director of the Portland Public School system. In this crucial position “Dr. O’Banion will take the lead in assuring that the district complies with Title IX, the federal law that prohibits gender discrimination in schools that receive federal funding.” What a hugely important role in today’s America! Congratulations Liane, keep fighting the good fight!

Finally, the next time you see Aubrey Morgan Yee about town don’t forget to give her a high-five for getting her Ph.D. in political science. Her dissertation titled, “Life Formed: Evolutionary Design and the Futures of a Political Biology,” grapples with the ethical and political issues surrounding humanity’s capability to design and engineer lifeforms with technology. A little light reading for your next plane ride, anyone? Rock on, Dr. Morgan Yee!

Friends from the Class of ’92 met up during spring break with their families for a fun day at the Honolulu Zoo. Front row, from left: Jasper Dotson, Jade Dotson, Kahan Schults, Tristan Schults and Luciana Gelber ’30. Back row: Jennifer Li ’92 Dotson, Justin Dotson, Lea Werbel ’92, Chris Schults, Gina Gelber, Robert Gelber ’92 and Max Gelber.
It has been wonderful to see that joy and love abound in the personal lives of our classmates, especially for those who’ve waited a little longer than the majority to settle down. For instance, at a recent gathering at Nicci Lee ’90 Mowat’s house, where I expected to see no one from our Class, I ran into Crocker Clark and his new wife, who paint the perfect picture of newlywed bliss. (Nicci’s sister, Monique “Moni” Lee lives in Boston with her husband and four kids.) No less than five minutes later, Brian Sabate’s new son, Crew, who joins big half brother, Keenan ’31, caught my eye with his chunky baby legs and Michelin Man arms. I gladly took the opportunity to give Crew’s mom, Holly, a little break, and enjoyed every second of holding a six-month-old baby again (even if it was 105 degrees that night). Congratulations, Crocker and BJ – domestic life looks great on you two!

That’s all I’ve got for this edition. If you have news, please email one of us, and we’ll make sure to share your updates in future columns. That’s all I’ve got for this edition. If you have news, please email one of us, and we’ll make sure to share your updates in future columns.

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In from Jeri Tokumoto:

I sit here writing these notes after a fabulous 25th Reunion Week. It’s always great to reconnect with classmates and just have a fun time. This Reunion was the culmination of a three-year process, starting with our Alumni Lu’au shadow year, then hosting the event, and finally being an honored Class.

The week started off with a service project at the Hawai‘i Nature Center, which didn’t end without a little drama. Glad that Scott Osborn survived his tumble and was able to make it to the center ready for their summer programs that started the next day. There were several after-parties in Waikiki. None that I know of ended with anyone being arrested, getting into a fight or kicked out of anywhere. Laying low on a couch in the lobby of The Laylow hotel didn’t count. A 4:15 p.m. call time for the Class picture brought us together at the Alumni Lu’au. Typical ’94, we set ourselves up half in the shade, and the photographer tried to get us all to move and in the end, ended up moving his equipment to accommodate us when he saw no one budging. Jennifer Shim passed out framed names of the classmates that had passed so they were included in our picture as well.

Springer Fyberg Kaye brought over a cooler full of sweet, Big Island lychee for everyone to enjoy at the Saturday after-party. Thanks to Kent Kasaoka and Scott Osborn for planning the after-party; Dawn Sugihara for helping with set up and ensuring we were all fed and not thirsty; and Scott Oshiro for the coolers of water and chilling the wine.

Other memorable Reunion moments: According to Koalani Lagareta, Mr. Georgi called us the “evil” Class of 1994! Far from evil, Grant Kubota was recently named to Forbes Magazine’s 2019 List of America’s Best-in-State Wealth advisers. That’s the kind of list our Class loves to be associated with! Not the kind of list that comes with reward money.

Dora the Explorer’s backpack ain’t got nothing before Graduation – Tony Talbert and Katie Strauss Iammartino.

We were missing Thad Laird, Jon Jaffe and Tim Andrade, who signed up to do the hula. Where were you guys?

The Friday party at the Surfjack Hotel & Swim Club was where the “fun” really started. The outdoor setting on a humid night made the pool look very inviting. Jenai Sumida did say that if you jump in, you will get kicked out. Not wanting a sophomore Lu’au replay we all behaved and stayed around the pool, and no one got in it, although different groups of classmates did get kicked out of the bar area at various times during the night. Apparently Brandon Kikuchi, Taylor Tom, Dean Oshiro, Jennifer Murata Ueki, Evan Beachy, Ross Inouye and I were too loud for the tourists that were eating dinner. (Me too loud???) While on a quest for some air conditioning, Jenny Harrison de la Mare, Shannon Ball, Toni Dechario and Alison Franta Rainey were also asked to “go back to your area.” Loan Nguyen played the role of historian. She took pictures and videos, which were posted to our Facebook page within minutes.

I had planned to have one great question to ask classmates so we could print it in this Bulletin. That idea went out the door once I had a few IPAs in me. It was very nice to see many classmates that had never attended a Reunion before or not one for a while: Terry Yuen Shin, Stephanie Goto, Evan Yamasaki, Marcus Young, Kai and Jodi Harada Kawasugi, Allison Briscoe-Smith, Scott Dumas, Jon Jaffe and many others, as well as some that moved to the after-party; Toni Osborn for planning the after-party; Dawn Sugihara for helping with set up and ensuring we were all fed and not thirsty; and Scott Oshiro for the coolers of water and chilling the wine.

Kelly Wong Miyamura and Gwynne “Loke” Staton Lees did an awesome job choreographing, corralling and recruiting dancers to do the 25th Reunion hula (which really is a thing). We met for several practices in May, and were practicing right up until the performance at the Alumni Lu’au. Even Malia Reeber Blake’s broken toes didn’t stop her from performing!

The Class of 1995 Alumni Lu’au Committee Chairs were recognized at the Punahou Alumni Awards ceremony. From left: Kasumi Hara, Pamela Fong Joe, Alika Respuns and Joanne Luke Teruya.
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Donny Utu’s backpack! Donn Nakamura sure enjoyed the contents of that bag. Ben Dias even left a family party in order to come to the after-party and hang out.

And finally, Daniel Brandt, this is your personal shoutout to come work at Carnival 2020!

Check out the Class Facebook page for all the pictures that were posted. I am sorry I couldn’t list everyone that attended. Thank you to the Reunion committee for planning and putting everything together. Can’t wait for our 30th in 2024! (I vote that the Friday night event have air conditioning!)

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Thank you to everyone who volunteered for the 2019 Alumni Lu’au. Between our Class and the Class of 1996, we had 180 volunteers. Our excellent Class set new benchmarks in completing Alumni Lu’au tasks in record time!

Mahalo nui loa to our committee chairs, Kasumi Hara, Alika Reppun, Joanne Luke Teruya and Pamela Fong Joe. They worked so hard over the past year and made sure everything ran smoothly. Mahalo nui loa to Leiliehua Phillips Utu and her team, who did such a beautiful job decorating the tent with thousands of flowers and greenery. Volunteer check-in went smoothly thanks to Caroline Li Soga, Jennifer Tan Kurian, Kyra Nishimoto Len, Jill Misawa Axelson and Cathy Yamamoto Ross.

Kamuela Judd and Ward Kashiuwa oversaw all the imu preparations over several days, and Donny Utu, Cameron Black, Andrew Starn, Joe Welch, Darin Leong, Chris Hirota, Jacob Heffernan, Jason Okomoto, Curtis Kamiya, Chris Yamada, Brandon Tomita, Darin Lum, Kimo Kealoha and so many others assisted with prepping, cooking and removing 1,600 lbs. of pork out of the imu!

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The bar was expertly run by Karl Higa, Ryan Nomura and Brandon Tomita and staffed by Christi Kudo Chock, Jen Kawamoto, Karolynn Bayaca Roome, Brandon Yokota and Kellie Arakaki Kodama. Dane Teryua and Tyler Umemoto headed up transportation; Darin Leong and Micah Pavich ran student services; and Chad Zane and Lorena Yamamoto were in charge of designing our cool volunteer T-shirts.

Steffany Ho Wong, Cara Nakamura and Christine Lau Suehiro were in charge of main tent hosts, and Amber Strong Makaiau and Kristen Lee Watumull planned our Class’ rocking Alumni Lu’au after-party. April Jenkins Parker, Erynn Thornton Fernandez and I were on the communications committee; and volunteer support was headed up by Tricia Saito Weaver, Jocelyn Kaibara Kuniyoshi and Taryn Ogawa Higa.

Donna Mabe Kido, Marla Choy Takamori, Kristen Hino Connors and Candace Rea Beale all did an excellent job on the food preparation committee, and the script booth was well run under the watchful eyes of Audrey Ida Nakamura, Kimmie Lum Straube and Kara Kitazaki-Chun.

Over the summer, a few classmates returned to Honolulu with their families for a visit. Shaun Young and family were visiting from Ohio. A fun afternoon was spent by the pool catching up with the families of Audrey Ida Nakamura, Shanelle Kaneshiro Yamamoto and Aaron Bischoff. Cyne Namuo and his family were visiting from Arizona. He had a chance to catch up with Karl Higa at Travis Morita’s Nocturna Lounge while he was home.

We hope to see you all next year at our 25th Reunion! June 2020!

### Class of 1996

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Is it just me, or did summer fly by really fast? Perhaps it was the super quick weekend trip I took in June to Honolulu, because Erin Matsuo Sim convinced me to join her, Jill Tamashiro, Tyler Kawamura and Kelli Nakamura to shadow the ’95ers at the volunteer check-in table at the Alumni Lu’au. I apologize in advance that I’m not going to be able to mention everyone since I was only there for half the day, and there’s not enough space for all of you. Here are a few highlights:

Our Class of ’96 Reunion chairs were Sam Chillingworth, Kelly Ikeda Ellis, Jennifer Okabe La’a, Jason Mau and Jill Higuchi Reppun. Jason and Sam devoted over a week’s worth of manual labor and worked with the Imu Emeritus crew with support from Jason Abdul, Jason Lee, Lehua Alo Williams, Megan Kau, Traci Rei Morita and Akemi Ueda Jensen’s husband, Kasper. Christine Muller Tang served as the decorations chair, beautifying the tent for all the alumni attending. Tracy Tom Park flew in from Southern California to help out. It was so fun to see so many ’96ers in one place. The best part was catching up with folks at food prep. For instance, the deep conversation I had with Trenton Lum and Shea Nakamura about where we are in our careers and shifting priorities (all while wearing hairnets and food prep gloves!).

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Jessica Chaloupka was an active duty Navy helicopter pilot until 2010, when she changed to the Reserves. Upon her return from the Middle East in 2017, after being reactivated for a year, she decided to start flying again and even reached out to Travis Ferrara for advice, who was of great help! Jessica began her training at SkyWest Airlines in October 2018, in their first female RTP (rotor transition program). She completed her training in January 2019, and is now a pilot (ERJ First Officer) for SkyWest Airlines, based in Denver. Jessica still serves in the Reserves as a Navy O-5/Commander and completed 18 years of service in May 2019.

Nick Dvonch is a Lieutenant Colonel in the Army. Last April, he had the tremendous privilege of taking command of 1-82 Field Artillery. 1-82 FA is a M109A6 Paladin (self-propelled howitzer) Battalion and a part of the first Brigade Combat Team, first Calvary Division. There are 668 soldiers in his formation, who provide fire support for the brigade for all operations. Nick and his wife, Erin, live in Fort Hood, Texas, with their three children.

Paul Kikuta has been working at Board of Water Supply since 2003 as their network administrator. He and wife, Stacie, got
married on March 18, 2018, and enjoyed their honeymoon in Bora Bora and Japan. They are looking forward to traveling to Florida and Nevada this year.

Tyler Kurashige is the chief programs officer at Big Brothers Big Sisters, where he has been working for 13 years. Tyler and his wife, Emma, who also does nonprofit social work, have a 4-year-old daughter, Kate. Tyler recently started running and participated in his first half-marathon, the Hapalua, in April. He’s now training for the Honolulu Marathon.

Sadly, our classmate Keawe Thurston passed away in June. Keawe will always be remembered as a generous, sensitive person, who loved the ocean, travel, theater and the arts. His good nature and kind heart will truly be missed.

Congratulations to Reid Mizue ’98, who was honored as one of Pacific Business News’ 40 Under 40. An afterparty was organized by Class of ’98 associates of Reid’s firm, Omizu Architecture: Kyle Cheng, Josh Ka’akua, Alapa’i Andrews, Mark Pang, Blake La Benz, Micah Tanaka, Ari Wong, Scott Aoki, Mike Kainuma, Ken Koseki, Ryan Tripton, Troy Tadlock and John Morioka.

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Hi, everyone!

Jarin here, taking a break between earthquakes in Southern California, to bring you a quick update.

First of all, the Class of ‘98 would like to thank President Jim Scott ’70 for his service to Punahou and wish him the best in his well-deserved retirement!

Congratulations to Bibi Fell, who is continuing her streak of accolades and accomplishments by being officially inducted into the American Board of Trial Advocates, an organization of the nation’s finest trial lawyers dedicated to elevating the standards of integrity, honor and courtesy in the courtroom.

Further congratulations to Reid Mizue, who made it into the Pacific Business News “40 Under 40” with under a year to go! His company, Omizu Architecture, is growing.
rapidly, and he’s also volunteering tirelessly with The American Institute of Architects (AIA) to improve architectural practices throughout Hawai’i.

Finally, Kristin Bellanca Pauker’s landmark research on race and ethnicity in Hawai’i, conducted at the Intergroup Social Perception Lab (ISP Lab) at the University of Hawai’i at Manoa, made it into a widely acclaimed opinion piece in The New York Times titled, “Want to Be Less Racist? Move to Hawaii.” I highly recommend giving it a read; it’s excellent. And if you don’t believe me, take the word of Barack Obama ‘79, who retweeted and praised it on Twitter! The aloha spirit is going viral!

A hui hou kakou!

Classmates, Tommy Brown, Kim Schwing, J.J. Lee and Dale Nil, sign each other’s Class of ’99 “year bags” at Kaimana Beach during Alumni Week.

Members of the 1999 Reunion Committee presented their Class Gift to Dr. Scott ’70 at a special event at the President’s Home. From left: Lacey Kazama Shimabukuro, Jennifer Tsou Woo, Richelle Nakata Cardwell, Carly Wong Teruya, Chris Abbott, Taryn Yano Kabei, Ryan Ng, Cheryl Cambra Prather and Matthew Pennaz.

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From the 20th Reunion Committee:

Our 20th Reunion was a whirlwind of events, good food and great company! It was so wonderful seeing all of our classmates and celebrating Dr. Jim Scott’s ’70 farewell, as he retired after 25 years of being president of Punahou. Alumni Week was the culmination of all that is Punahou: From fond memories, friendships and shared experiences, to networking, storytelling and ‘ohana. Punahou is such a big part of our lives. This was evident in the great turnout at events and heartfelt commemoration of our classmates.

Talk about a pau hana! Our Class closed down the joint at Nocturna Lounge at Restaurant Row. It was a beautiful evening of reminiscing, karaoke and lots of laughs. The entire place broke out into song (and dance!) when “Build Me Up Buttercup” was played over the karaoke system. We were even able to pull off a photo booth!

Alumni Lu’au was amazing! The ambiance was filled with joy and laughter. We couldn’t have asked for a more perfect evening.

Sunday morning ended our Reunion week with fun in the sun! It was great meeting everyone’s families at Kaimana Beach. How time has flown. It was so nice to see the next generation having fun together.

We are so grateful to the 154 classmates who contributed to our Class gift during our Reunion year. We raised more than $140,000 to support Punahou and future generations of students. Well done, ’99ers!
These enthusiastic ’99 alumnae were ready to welcome their classmates to the Friday night pau hana at Nocturna Lounge during Alumni Week. From left: Cheryl Cambra Prather, Richelle Nakata Cardwell, Lacey Kazama Shimabukuro and Carly Wong Teruya.

Thank you so much for participating in Alumni Week and creating more great memories as a Class. It was great seeing everyone. Let’s do it again in four years when we are the Alumni Lu’au hosts as the 24th Reunion Class!

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Happy fall, everyone! As you’re reading this in October, the new Sidney and Minnie Kosasa Community for Grades 2 – 5 has opened where Winne Units used to be. The campus is incredible, and I hope you have a chance to see it!

Heperi Mita has been traveling to promote his film, “Merata: How Mum Decolonised the Screen,” about his mother’s influence on filmmaking in New Zealand. The film was included in the Hawaii International Film Festival this spring.

Aleks Pevec returned to Diamond Head Theatre in April to perform in “Something Rotten!” as Shakespeare, a role he portrayed on Broadway. The show was great, and Aleks was extremely entertaining.

Annie Hiller Valentin was featured on the cover of MidWeek in May for her work with her nonprofit, Project Vision Hawai‘i, which provides vision services in underserved communities.

There’s still an opening for another notes contributor! Feel free to contact me by email or Facebook if you have questions, and, as always, with any updates.

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Aloha, Class of 2000!

The next time you are in Tokyo, make your way to Aloha Whisky to try over 300 types of whiskey hand-picked by the owner, David Tsujimoto.

In a few short months, it will be 2020, 20 years after we graduated, and the year of our 20th Reunion. Mark your calendars for the first weekend in June, buy that plane ticket home to catch up and reminisce with fellow classmates for this very important event.

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Matt Lee ’03 married Chio Yokose in October 2018. Many of Matt’s classmates were in attendance.
neurological disorders in acute care. She is also emerging as a skin-based herbalist and natural cosmetics formulator after discovering her passion for plants and plant healing. Her business is called ROMI Apothecary. Eighty percent of the herbs used in her products come from Minnesota – either from organic farms operated by women or sustainably foraged from the wild. ROMI Apothecary manufactures all herbs in-house and handcrafts plant potions in small batches. Its mission is to cultivate beauty via plant medicine and heal the skin from the inside out!

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Classmates from ’04, Kelly Akamine and Shon Morishige, tied the knot in May, and celebrated their marriage with many Punahou alumni in attendance. Front row, from left: John Morris IV ’04, Billy Brady ’04, Shon, Kelly, Lisa Nakamura ’04, Kari Akamine ’01 and Blake Leong ’01. Middle row: Nick Wachi ’03, Stephanie Chun ’03 Lee, Reyn Wicklund ’04, Alyssa Ching ’04 Tercino, Lisa Lerud ’04, Kelly Kalapa ’04, Kelli Shimabukuro ’04 Nitta, Kelli Okubo ’04, Jeffrey Onaga ’10, Meredith Tanaka ’04 Fonts, Jackie Yatsushiro ’04 Sivongxay, Michele Serikaku ’04 and Chad Okada ’06. Back row: Stephen Kugisaki ’04, Joshua Balete ’04, Greg Moore ’04, Makana Ciotti ’04, Alex Chock ’04, Andrew Yeh ’04, Koa Duncan ’04, Chris Shiramizu ’04, Nainoa Fiddler ’05, Adam Morris ’07 and Chris Takemoto-Gentile ’04.

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Hi, everyone!

Many of us kicked off the summer by reconnecting over cheap beers and horribly played hands of blackjack at our 15th year Reunion celebration at the Pagoda Floating Restaurant. Thank you to everyone who served on the Reunion committee to help plan the weekend’s events. Special thanks to our committee chairs, Christina Marzo and Arik Look! Returning home for me was, yet again, a beautiful reminder that despite the distance or silence between us, we are always able to pick back up right where we left off when we last were together!

Here are some updates: Patrick Sullivan got married in November 2018 to his partner from medical school, Katherine Ransohoff. They are both completing their residencies at Stanford. In his free time, Patrick sees Will Jacobson, James Schulmeister, Chris Chapman and Greg Kuwaye in the Bay Area.

Naomi Ng lives in Cincinnati with husband, Caleb, and works at Kroger’s corporate office.

Sally Torkildson Roberts and husband, Johnny, welcomed their second daughter, Jocelyn, into the world on July 1, 2019.

Romina Takimoto works as an occupational therapist in Minnesota treating patients with neurological disorders in acute care. She is also emerging as a skin-based herbalist and natural cosmetics formulator after discovering her passion for plants and plant healing. Her business is called ROMI Apothecary. Eighty percent of the herbs used in her products come from Minnesota – either from organic farms operated by women or sustainably foraged from the wild. ROMI Apothecary manufactures all herbs in-house and handcrafts plant potions in small batches. Its mission is to cultivate beauty via plant medicine and heal the skin from the inside out! www.romiapothecary.com

Our Island updates include a special one from Kelly Akamine and Shon Morishige, who tied the knot in May! They celebrated with many of our classmates, holding their ceremony at Central Union Church and reception at the Hyatt Regency Waikiki. Congratulations!

Jessica Brooks Grover is enjoying life as a stay-at-home mom with her two sons, Brooks and Bradley. Before having Bradley, Jessica was the general manager of Chuck’s Steak House in Waikiki. She celebrated her ninth wedding anniversary with husband, Brian, and reunites often with Tarah Maruyama Fudge, Kristine Macdonald Barker, Jenn Andrews and Maria Burke!

Adam Doo currently works as a legislative aid for Honolulu City Council, District 6.

Chris Harris works in the gaming industry, after achieving the No. 1 rank in the world in Madden NFL. Chris hosts and promotes gaming events in Honolulu. He’ll also be starting a livestreaming show in the near future and wants to use his gaming success to help the local community create fun events for youth.

Tommy Gill recently moved back home after finishing his emergency medicine residency in Boston. Tommy is working at the Queen’s Medical Center emergency room, living in Palehua and doing native tree reforestation, when not at the hospital. Finally, we should all check out his new pup, Hoku. Follow Hoku on Instagram at @hokuthegolden for updates in pidgin on the “best of boys.”

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Many Punahou alumni and friends attended the Hawai‘i wedding of Nikki Miyasato ’06 and Gavin Fukada ’97. Front row, from left: Fernando Liquido ’06, Toshi Takahashi ’06, Adric Yonashiro ’07 Takamura, Sharlyn Shibata ’06 Inuma, Becky Dang ’06 Tang, Debbie Chow ’06 Lee, Michelle Tsou ’06 Graham, Coreen Muraoka ’06, Kelli Furuya ’06, Erin Nakamura ’06 and Adrienne Chuck ’06. Back row: David Loo ’06, Mitsuko Takahashi ’99, Andrew Kim ’06, Christine Loui ’06, Kara Miyasato ’03, Daniel Chow ’08, Brooke Yokoyama ’08 Miyasato, Michael Miyasato ’08, Nikki, Gavin, Kelsey Ho ’05, Brandon Chock ’97, Phil Kimi ’97, Tommy Shih ’97, Cathy Ogawa ’97, Noah King ’97, Jana Fukada ’00 Itagaki, Chris Ma ’97 and Erin Suzuki ’97 Shon.

Love is in the air! Robert Siko married his law school sweetheart, Stephanie Lind, in December 2018. In May 2019, Emi Suzuki married Dan Sutton in Kennebunkport, Maine. Lorraine Jonemann, Catherine Lau and Julie Moody Rosenberg were in the wedding party. On July 3, 2019, Brandon Cheong married Susan Tan. Similarly, on July 7, 2019, Miles Endo celebrated his marriage to Kayla Woo. Congratulations and best wishes to all!

For our graduates – congratulations to Erin Horiiuchi, who recently graduated from the MBA program at Santa Clara University in June 2019. Not to be outdone, in June 2019, Francis Sapigao graduated from the John A. Burns School of Medicine.

A big congratulations goes out to Becky Dang Tang and her husband, Byron, who welcomed their newborn son, Logan, into the world.

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Congratulations to Leslie Ching, who graduated in May from Johns Hopkins University with a Master of Science in environmental sciences and policy. She is currently working for the State of Hawai‘i Department of Defense in the environmental office.

Congratulations and best wishes to our newly married classmates. Chantelle Takata married Hong Lee in March 2019. Jessica Pong was married to Kevin Lam on Sept. 8, 2018, at The Modern Honolulu. Classmate, Lauren Scherr, was a bridesmaid and Jess’s sister, Christine Pong ’99 Shim, was the matron of honor.

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Alumnae from ’08, Michelle Yoshida, Rachel Cote Gaul and Juliana Brown, dominated the Outrigger Canoe Club’s 1.2-mile invitational swim on May 25, 2019.

Friends from the Class of ’08, Jeeter Ishida, Gabby Holt and Riley Fujisaki, celebrate classmate Jazzy Bostock’s ordination to the priesthood in December 2018.

Jessica Pong ’07 was married to Kevin Lam on Sept. 8, 2018, at The Modern Honolulu.

Peter Gottlieb ’07 and his wife, Anna, welcomed their daughter, Esther “Essie” Henrietta Gottlieb, on June 18, 2019. Peter, Anna and Essie live in Seattle, where Peter works for the Oculus Research branch of Facebook.
Cady Ching ’08, shown here congratulating a member of her Class of 2019 as she led their graduation ceremony, recently ended her time as a high school assistant principal. Cady will now serve as the director of human resources for the Summit Public Schools Charter Network, which includes 11 schools across Washington State and California.

Classmates and friends from the Class of ’09 enjoyed a sunset cruise off the coast of Waikiki on the Makani as part of their Alumni Week celebrations. Mahalo to Travis Higa, who organized the cruise, and Happy Fujita for the ‘ono food.

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In from Ciarra Sapigao:

Aloha and happy fall, Class of 2009!

It’s hard to believe that just a few months ago, many of us returned back to campus for our 10-year Reunion! It was great catching up with dozens of our classmates. Travis and I would like to share the following notes that we gathered:

Back in Dec. 16, 2018, Laura Terada-Byrne wed Brendan Byrne in Kane’ohe. The couple were joined by family and friends, including fellow ’09ers Lindsey Morgan O’Neil, Matthew Aoyama, Whitney Robinson, Travis Higa, Taylor Maruyama, Theresa Austin and Veronica “Roni” Glen Crass. Laura and Brendan currently live in Virginia Beach, where Laura is in graduate school to become a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA), and Brendan serves in the U.S. Navy.

In more wedding news, Rawlin Sasamura married Cathy Park on June 1, 2019. They met...
in 2013, in Virginia, when Rawlin was attending Army Officer Candidate School. They continued a long-distance relationship while Rawlin was stationed at Schofield Barracks, and later deployed to Kuwait and Iraq. With the help of Hunter Hunt, Rawlin proposed to Cathy in January 2017, on Hawai‘i Island. Cathy and Rawlin had a traditional Western wedding incorporating Korean traditions in Cathy’s hometown of Centreville, Virginia. Tyler Young and Hunter were groomsmen. The newlyweds currently live in Fayetteville, North Carolina, where Rawlin is stationed at Fort Bragg as a maintenance company commander in an infantry brigade of the 82nd Airborne Division, and Cathy is a nurse at Cape Fear Hospital. Congratulations go out to Will Lee and Lauren Ing on their recent graduation from the John A. Burns School of Medicine (JABSOM) at the University of Hawai‘i. Will recently moved to Los Angeles, where he began his residency program for general surgery at Cedars Sinai Medical Center, and Lauren began her residency program for obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Hawai‘i.

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Malia Teske and Leilani Doktor graduated together from Harvard University. Malia received her degree from the Harvard Graduate School of Design, and Leilani received her Juris Doctor from Harvard Law School.

Lenora Lewis graduated from Creighton University School of Medicine. She recently moved to Chicago with George Goldner, and is attending the University of Chicago for her residency in radiology. George is now a first officer at SkyWest Airlines, flying out of Chicago’s O’Hare International Airport.

If you would like to share a photo or update for the next issue of the Punahou Bulletin, please email us at punahoubulletin2010@gmail.com.

We hope to hear from you soon and wish you all the best!

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Hey, Class of 2011!

Hope you all had a great summer!

Mackenzie Lau took a break from his studies at Georgia Institute of Technology, where he is completing a Ph.D. in aerospace engineering, to run in the 123rd Boston Marathon. He finished with a time of 3:08! Friends and family

Leilani Doktor ’10 and Malia Teske ’10 graduated from Harvard University last spring.
Friends from the Class of ’11 gathered in Keystone, Colorado for a “Moooch Weekend” to honor Marcus Yoshii’s one-year memorial. From left: Matt Tonokawa, Reid Nomura, Rolenn Himuro, Steven Sakamoto and Soo Bin Kang.

Members of the Class of ’11 gathered at Buff ’n Blue Forever to say, “Mahalo, Dr. Scott ’70!” From left: Kayla Shimoda, Reid Nomura, Erin Wong, Courtney Asato, Kayla Chee, Colby Yamamoto, Matt Murakami, Micah Yoshino, Leni Nakao-Yamada, Evan Yamamoto, Brisan Kunioka and Cody Ishizuka.

were there to cheer him on, and he also had a chance to connect with a number of Hawai’i runners before the race. Way to go!

Congratulations to Kim Vieira, who is living in New York City, and working in real estate. Over the summer, she completed her first $1,000,000 sale of a studio overlooking the Statue of Liberty. Her travel plans for the fall include cruising up the New England coast, then flying home to Hawai’i for a break from the East Coast winter.

To honor Marcus Yoshii’s one-year memorial, on April 20, some of his best friends flew to Keystone, Colorado, for a “Moooch Weekend.” Matt Tonokawa, Steven Sakamoto and Soo Bin Kang flew in from San Francisco; Rolenn Himuro flew in from Seattle; and Reid Nomura met them from Hawai’i.

We want to thank Dr. Jim Scott ’70 for 25 great years of service! Some classmates attended his going away celebration and got to say mahalo!

This year is flying by too fast, so enjoy the rest of 2019!!
The annual ASHRAE golf tournament, coordinated by Joshua McDonough ’12, on May 3, 2019, at the Pearl Country Club, raised funds for scholarships promoting the HVAC/R industry in Hawai’i. Punahou alumni in attendance were Pono Paahao ’97, Grant Yamane ’99, Tara Lum ’02, Elton Wong ’04 and Cameron Grant ’05.

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Joshua McDonough ’12 coordinated the 2019 annual American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) golf tournament that raised funds for scholarships promoting the heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration (HVAC/R) industry in Hawai’i. Joshua is a mechanical engineer with WSP USA Buildings, Inc., a multidisciplinary engineering consulting firm specializing in building systems, transportation and infrastructure. Additionally, he serves as research and promotion chair for the Hawai’i chapter of ASHRAE, a position he has held for the past two years. With the money raised, the ASHRAE Hawai’i chapter established the Kokua Scholarship Fund that provides financial aid to eligible students with ties to Hawai’i pursuing a career in the heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration industry.

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Hello, 2013ers!

Our classmates have been making moves!

In June, I ventured to Brisbane, Australia to visit Kat Lee. We enjoyed catching up, and I was amused by the slight Australian accent she’s picked up!

Just the other day, there was an impromptu 2013 reunion when I ran into Kylie Chun, Jake Fujimoto, Ian Matsukawa, Delton Oki and Chaz Shizumura at Kaimana Beach.

If you live in Hawai’i and watch the news, chances are you’ve seen Lauren Day! In Lauren’s words: “I moved back home with my fiance, Kyle Nakazaki, in May. After graduating from University of Southern California (USC), I spent the last two years reporting and anchoring for NBC Palm Springs. I couldn’t be happier to be home and working with the KHON2 team! My goal is to make this world a better place by informing people and sharing their stories. I also anchor the 7 p.m. newscast on KHI and 10 p.m. newscast on KHON. My passion for storytelling and journalism all started at Punahou with the Visual Production Department. I truly would not be where I am, without the media opportunities I was given during my time at Punahou.”

If you live in New York or are stopping by, there’s a bunch of ’13ers who live there! A group recently got together to celebrate Kory Johnson’s birthday: Leona Motomochi, Sandra Kohn, Kelly Lin, Zach Puetz, Avi Finn, Dylan Takamori and Ian Liebling.

Kisa Matlin completed her two years of teaching with Teach For America (TFA) in Dallas, Texas, and recently moved home. Eric
Takiguchi graduated from USC with his master’s in public health, and is now working for University of California, Los Angeles Health. Zhengyuan Ma graduated with his masters in China studies at Yenching Academy of Peking University.

Finally, Matt Perez, a computer science and engineering (CSE) Ph.D. student at the University of Michigan, was selected for a 2019 National Science Foundation graduate research fellowship. Matt describes his research:

“My work is centered at the intersection of health care and artificial intelligence, creating smarter systems that can help doctors, medical assistants and patients in assessing and monitoring various diseases. The long-term vision is remote health monitoring, where patients aren’t required to come into the hospital or clinic to give updates, and take tests to analyze disease progression. My research focuses on the approach of analyzing the human speech signal. Speech is a signal that’s noninvasive, easy-to-collect and from an analytical perspective, a very rich signal. I’m interested to see if we can extract meaningful biomarkers from speech that can be used to detect specific diseases, and to what degree these diseases manifest themselves in an individual. The challenge is that there isn’t a lot of data collected. This severely limits

Sisters Turner ’13 and Taylor ’05 Wong were lucky to snap a picture with the beautiful bride, Eden Te’o ’13, who married Lutena Falatea on June 29, 2019. The wedding reception was full of love and laughter. The couple will be moving to Logan, Utah, but they will always call Hawai’i home. Congratulations and best wishes!”

Congratulations to ’13 classmates, Beau and Sydney Forsyth Sylvester, who tied the knot on May 27, 2019. The high school sweethearts also attended University of Southern California together. Many ’13ers were in the wedding party and in attendance to celebrate with the happy couple, including Kevin Kinzler, Enoa Stueber, Claire Feeley, Emily Hamocon, Rachel Suppa, Alexa Ito and Paulina Reyes.
the techniques that can be used for this application. Data is the backbone for training traditional machine learning models. Therefore, the collaboration of computer scientists and medical professionals is really important because the development of intelligent, robust systems requires a strong medical background to be infused into these models.

The award I received was for a research publication on identifying Huntington’s disease, using speech processing and machine learning. Huntington’s disease is a rare, but progressive, neurodegenerative disease, which causes motor dysfunction. These motor symptoms affect the vocal system, thus making speech analysis an attractive approach for identifying Huntington’s disease. Additionally, the extracted features seemed to scale with disease stage, making speech a promising signal for disease progression monitoring.”

Aloha,

Turner

Editor’s Note: Welcome to new Class correspondent, Leona Motomochi! Send her your birthday, mini-reunion, wedding, on the move, new job happy-goings-on news!

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Christina Hill sends her classmates congratulations on graduating from college. She recently graduated from Columbia University and spent the summer in Almaty, Kazakhstan, working for the U.S. Department of State. She plans on staying in Kazakhstan to learn more Russian, and to study the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons as a Princeton In Asia fellow.

Chascity Sarmiento and Kealohilani Myers-Rosa graduated from Pacific University (PU), on May 18, 2019. They served in a variety of leadership positions throughout college. This included being instructors for the Na Haumana o Hawai‘i lu‘au. After meeting at Punahou in high school, their friendship still continues after college.
Classmates from 2015, Chascity Sarmiento and Kealohilani Myers-Rosa, graduated from Pacific University in Oregon, on May 18, 2019.

Jake Dohrn ’15 graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. Jake is pictured being sworn into the Army by his father, Ret. LTC Bryan Dohrn (USMA ’81).

Joanna Fleming, who taught the cello at Punahou for over 50 years and was a member of the Honolulu Symphony, passed away on June 29, 2019. Her service was held at the Punahou Chapel in July 2019. She will be missed by her daughters, Marga Koennecke ’79 and Lori Koennecke ’83.

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