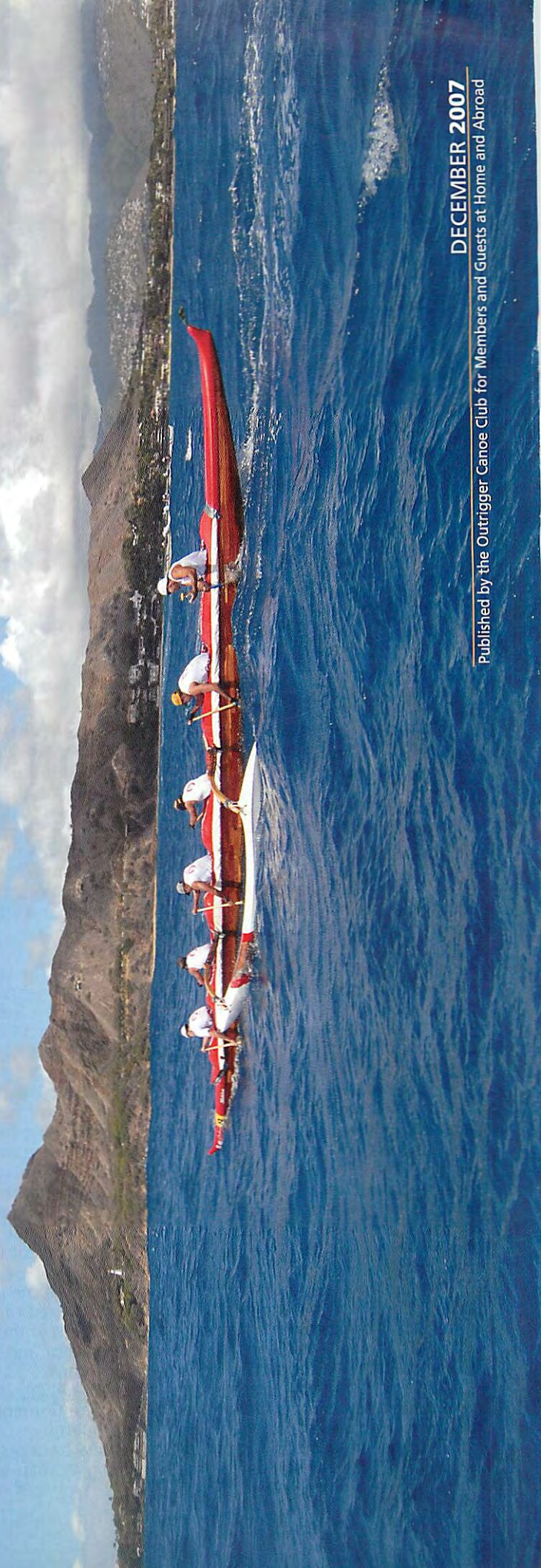


# the **Outrigger**



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# MEMBERSHIP MEETING Draws Huge Crowd



Members wait for the meeting to begin.

By Marilyn Kali

More than 200 members crowded into the Koa Lanai on October 29 to hear an update on the negotiations with the Elks Club for the ground lease for the property on which the Outrigger Canoe Club sits and decisions by the Board of Directors on long-range planning for the Club's dues structure.

President Vik Watumull welcomed members and explained that the reason that the meeting wasn't held earlier was that the negotiations were confidential and the Board of Directors wanted to wait until after the 90-day appeal period had passed before sharing information with the membership. The appeal period has now passed and the arbitration was final on October 23.

Past-President Alan Lau reviewed the history of the Lease which began on November 16, 1956 and runs for 99 years. For the first 50 years of the Lease (with the exception of a few years at the beginning of the Lease), up to November 15, 2006, the annual Lease rent for the Club's 73,804 square feet of beach front property was \$30,000, or \$2,500 per month.

Under the Lease, annual rent for the last 49 years was stipulated to be "five percent (5%) of the then market value of the demised premises as a club site (exclusive of all improvements thereon constructed by the Lessee)". As such, the Lease would only be renegotiated once during the 99-year term, Lau said.

During the last 30 years, the OCC Board of Directors has tried several times to open dialogue with the Elks regarding purchase of the property with no success. However, Lau emphasized to the membership that "under the terms of the Lease, the Elks have no obligation to sell to us."

Attempts to negotiate the remaining 49 years of the Lease began in 2006 and were unsuccessful. That impasse led to arbitration to determine the rent amount as spelled out in the Lease. OCC and the Elks each selected one arbitrator and the two arbitrators selected a third impartial arbitrator.

The arbitration took place between May 21 and 24, 2007 and included a site inspection of the premises and testimony, mostly from appraisers, on the value of the property.

In a unanimous decision announced by the arbitrators on July 25, 2007, the annual rent for the remaining 49 years of the

Lease was set at \$830,000 a year. Based on the formula set forth in the Lease, this equates to a value for the land based on its use as a club site as \$16.6 million.

OCC will pay the Elks the new rent retroactive to November 16, 2006.

"We hope that the Board of Directors will continue to seek acquisition of this site in the future," Watumull added, "as well as study acquisition of alternate sites should this site not be available in 2055. In the meantime we will continue to be good neighbors with the Elks."

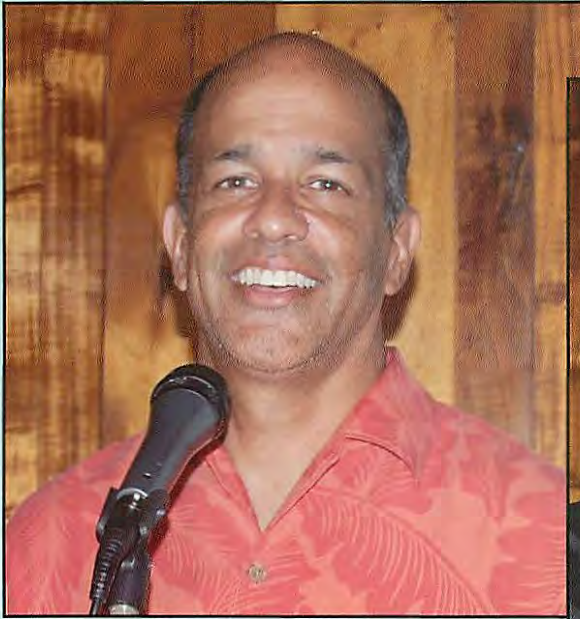
Wendell Brooks, chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee, then explained eight guiding principles that the Board of Directors adopted regarding the future of the Club.

"Perpetuity of the Outrigger Canoe Club and its purpose/mission is the absolute highest priority and guiding principle," Brooks said.

He reminded everyone that the mission of the OCC is, "A place where man may commune with sun and sand and sea, where good fellowship and aloha prevail, and where the sports of old Hawaii shall always have a home."

The principles are as follows:

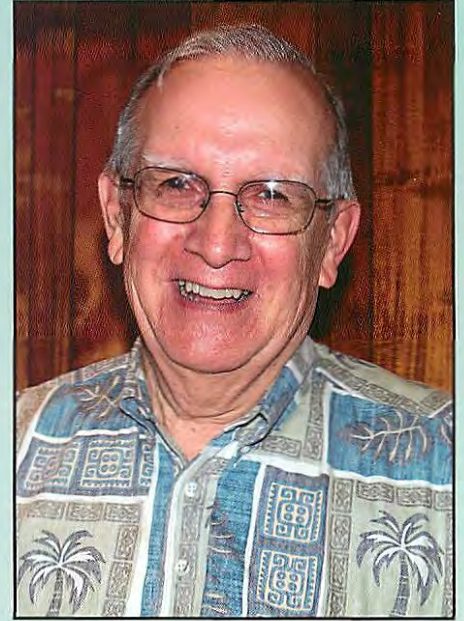
- **Financial decisions must support perpetuity of the Outrigger Canoe Club.** Brooks explained that the Club's Building Fund was appreciating at 5.5% in 2006, while land value was increasing at 7% inflation in 2007. "At this rate, at the end of the lease that would mean that the value of the property would be \$860 million, while the Building Fund value would be \$230 million," he said. "We have to prepare for this eventuality."
- **The Club will always need a location on the ocean, or in close proximity, in Waikiki.** In the past, the Board of Directors has considered a tennis club on Kalaniana'ole Highway and a site in Haleiwa for future club use but rejected them.
- **The physical plant must be maintained at a high standard.** An engineering study of the Club in 2005 indicated \$18 million in deferred maintenance, Brooks said. The Board began addressing the issue with \$3.5 million in roof and



Vik Watumull



Alan Lau



Wendell Brooks

equipment repairs which are nearing completion, and is now looking at waste lines and other plumbing issues which will be addressed in 2008. Future issues are some deterioration in the garage structure, the Women's Locker Room, and the Business Office. Redecorating and refurbishing are on-going issues.

- **The Club accepts the premise that not everyone can afford to belong to a private club.** Long range financial planning will not be compromised by short term expediency or the desire to accommodate a minority thereby placing the perpetuity of the Club at risk.
- **Canoeing and volleyball are vital to the Club's purpose.** If the cost of dues jeopardizes canoeing and volleyball, the Club will have to find a way to meet that challenge.
- **A steady flow of new members is financially necessary and important to the vitality of the Club.** There are currently about 30 Regular member openings each year, Brooks explained. Growth of the Building Fund is partially dependent on initiation fees. "We hope to have room for new members to help grow the Building Fund," he added.
- **The members are entitled to cost-effective value consistent with desired standards.** Reducing services to lower cost is not acceptable. Currently, Brooks said, initiation fees are being used to retire the Club's unfunded pension obligation. When this is met, initiation fees will go into the Building Fund.
- **Decisions regarding the size and mix of the membership shall be guided by the capacity of the physical plant during peak period.** Mid-week mornings we have a lot of capacity, but during the summer and Christmas holidays we have intense use, Brooks added. "We don't want to overtax the facility."

Brooks went on to explain that in 2006 the Club had Operating Fund expenses of \$8.7 million. Half of the expenses were labor costs. The remaining costs were: Cost of Sales, 20%; Other Operating Costs, 14%; Utilities, 5%; Depreciation, 5%; Rent, RPT, Insurance and Income Taxes, 4%, and Athletics, 2%. "This will change dramatically in 2008 when the lease rent

goes up," he added.

Operating Fund Revenues for 2006 were \$8.7 million and divided as follows: Food and Beverage Sales, 48%; Dues, 40%; Logo Shop Sales, 7%; Locker Rentals & Other, 3%, and Investment Income, 2%.

He further explained that Initiation Fees are being used to pay the unfunded pension fund liability, and thereafter, will go to the Building Fund for potential site acquisition. Dues and income from the Logo Shop are used to break even on Clubhouse operations, ground lease rent, depreciation and capital expenditures. Food and Beverage charges are used to break even with the unspent mini-charge.

"When you look at our menu prices, please understand that there is no profit margin. Our menu prices are at cost to break even," Brooks said. "When you go to the grocery store and see how the price of food has gone up, remember that we have to pay more too."

Outrigger compares favorably with dues at other clubs. Including dues and mini charges for a member and spouse, members of Oahu Country Club pay \$453 per month; Mid-Pacific Country Club, \$206; Pacific Club, \$359; and Honolulu Club, \$189. Many of these clubs will have dues increases for 2008.

OCC dues for Regular members with an Associate Spouse and the mini charge, is \$227 per month in 2008.

Brooks explained that the Long Range Planning Committee had adopted a formula for the Dues Forecast for the next five years that takes into account a base dues increase of 5% per year, a fixed land rent fee, a Capital Expenditure contribution that increases by \$5 per year over the next four years, a fixed Building Fund Rental and interest recovery fee, and a fixed Building Fund Arbitration Cost recovery fee.

"This amounts to a forecasted increase in dues of 38.9% in 2008 to \$182 per month, a 6.4% increase in 2009 to \$193, 6.2% in 2010 to \$205, 6% in 2011 to \$217, and 3.5% in 2012 to \$225," he said.

Watumull said that many people have asked why we aren't using the Building Fund to pay the rent increase. He said that

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# MEMBERSHIP MEETING continued



The Koa Lanai was filled with members wanting information on the resolution of the Club's Lease.

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the Board had studied the issue very closely and decided it wasn't in the best interest of members to do this because it would limit our ability down the road to purchase the site in fee or move to another site.

A number of members had questions or comments.

Diana Snyder asked what would happen if the OCC were to find another site for the Club and break the Lease. Alan Lau responded that the Lease is a contract between the two clubs and although the Lease doesn't state a penalty for early termination, the Club would be liable for the rent for the remaining term of the Lease should it be broken.

Peter Nottage expressed a concern that it was unrealistic to think that the Club could afford to remain in Waikiki for the long term due to increasing costs. "It will be so expensive that no one will be able to afford to be a member," he said.

Richard Ferguson asked why we don't make the Elks Club an offer they can't afford to refuse to buy the fee now. Watumull responded that this is something the Board could consider in the future.

Liz Perry asked who the decision maker is for the Elks, their main office in Chicago or the local club. Watumull responded that they worked with the local club on the Lease extension.

Maile Ostrem expressed concern about the graying of the Club, and wanted to make sure we encourage our children to continue their memberships without pricing them out of the market. She said that many young professionals who are establishing themselves cannot afford the increased dues. Watumull responded by saying "that the Board is trying to keep the Club affordable for everyone. No one wants to pay more. The board has tried to keep it equitable and fair for all. The economic reality of a 2800% rent increase necessitates that all members share in the additional expense."

Dennis Blake congratulated the Board and the Lease negotiation team for the great job they did in the arbitration of the Lease rent. "You started out at \$450 a square foot, and wound up at \$250 a square foot. Great job!"

Jim Anderson asked when we can expect to be admitting more members in the upper categories of membership. Watumull responded that we are over quota by 20 members now. "Until the Board changes the quota amounts, we can't do anything."

Anderson also asked the status of OCC2C. Watumull replied that at this point we are not moving forward with the plans. "Future Boards may look at implementing some of these plans as the financial situation changes."

Walter Guild asked if the Board had looked at the demographics as far as age when increasing the dues, including the percentage of older members that might roll over into Senior memberships. Watumull answered that yes they had. The median age of members has remained steady at 49 years for some time.

Mazeppa Costa asked if global warming had been considered when calculating the remaining 49 years of the lease. Watumull said that this was a very important point and needed to be addressed in the future.

Mark Buck asked if it had been determined if the Elks did sell to us where the proceeds would go. Club attorney Ken Kupchak indicated that the Elks Club is a stand alone club and the land title is in their name.

Rosemary Klebahn asked if initiation fees will be increased. Watumull replied that the Admissions & Membership Committee is looking at possible revisions to the fees in all categories.

Keala Kilcoyne explained that as a young professional the dues increase is a large financial burden for her and she was considering giving up her membership. She asked about increasing the mini charge instead of raising dues. Watumull explained that the net effect would be the same; however, the mini charge helps to balance the Food and Beverage operation and would not be in the same pot of money that dues go into.

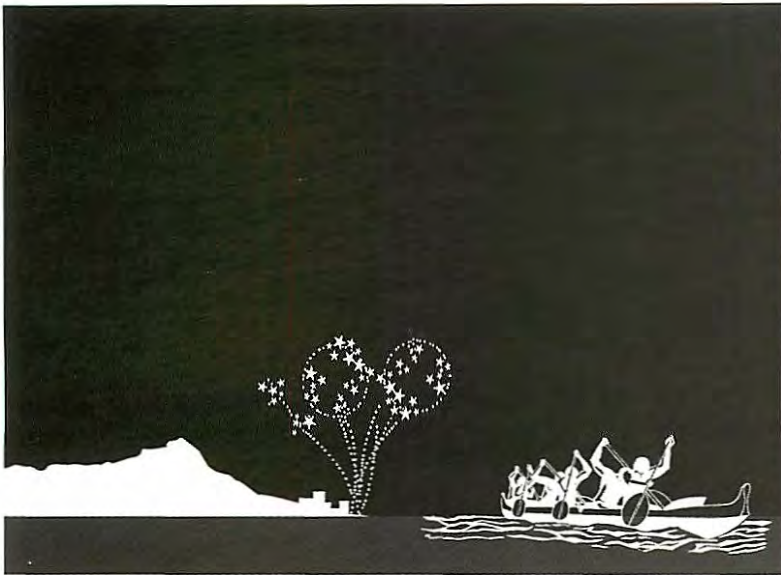
"The Board understands that it is very important to keep dues affordable," Watumull said. "It's very hard to find one group to favor over another." He then asked for a raise of hands from the audience as to who would be willing to have their dues increased to benefit another group. No hands went up.

Paul Dolan asked what the property taxes are for the Club. Gordon Smith responded that they are in the ballpark of \$89,000 a year.

John Wilbur asked if the Board had considered weighing different categories in implementing the dues increase. Watumull explained that it was discussed but it was felt that an across the board percentage increase was the fairest solution.

Jerome Bookin said he was an older member who doesn't use the athletic facilities of the Club. "I already help subsidize the members who do use the athletic facilities," he said.

The meeting was adjourned at 7 p.m. and members were invited to enjoy a stew and rice dinner.



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**New Year's Eve**  
**Monday, December 31, 2007**  
7:00 p.m. through 12:00 midnight  
Adults only (21 and over)

**Entertainment**  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Live music by the Surf Sonics  
9:00 p.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Mystical Sounds DJs—Two locations

- Midnight Fireworks
- Live feed from New York Times Square
- Rare exhibit of Club photos/memorabilia

**Food & Beverage**  
Heavy Pupu 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.  
Martinis from the "Castle Surf Slide"  
Champagne Toast at Midnight

**Attire**  
*Dress to impress in your beach formal best!*  
Prizes for best-dressed and creativity  
A Club King and Queen will be selected

**Individual Tickets:**  
**\$100 per person**  
OCC members and guests includes dinner, midnight toast and two drink tickets, open seating.

**Golden Anniversary**  
**Tables of 10: \$2,500**  
Includes dinner, table service, reserved seating, centennial memorabilia, and open premium bar.

**Reservations:**  
Front Desk, 923-1585. Limited tables of 10 available—so make your reservations early.



*Hapa Folk Christmas Concert*

**Friday, December 14**  
**Ka Moi Lounge**

**6:30 p.m.**

# Athletic Calendar

## December

- 2 Canoe Rides\*
- 9 Honolulu Marathon
- 9 Canoe Rides\*
- 16 Canoe Rides\*
- 23 Canoe Rides\*
- 30 Canoe Rides\*

## January08

- 3 Kanaka Ikaika, Kailua-Flat-Molulea-Kailua Beach Park
- 6 Canoe Rides\*
- 13 Canoe Rides\*
- 20 Canoe Rides\*
- 26 Kanaka Ikaika, Makai Pier to Kailua Beach Park
- 27 Canoe Rides\*

## February08

- 2 Kanaka Ikaika, Makai Pier to Koko Marina
- 3 Canoe Rides\*
- 10 Kanaka Ikaika, Flat Island to Mokes, Castle and Flat Island
- 10 Canoe Rides\*
- 17 Canoe Rides\*
- 24 Kanaka Ikaika to Kaimana Beach
- 24 Canoe Rides\*

## March08

- 9 Kanaka Ikaika, Hawaii Kai to Magic Island
- 22 Kanaka Ikaika, Makai Pier to Kaimana
- 29 Oahu Coastal Relay, Kailua to Magic Island

## April08

- 13 Kanaka Ikaika, Oahu Championship, Makai Pier to Magic Island
- 27 Kanaka Ikaika, State Championship, Makai Pier to Sand Island

\*Canoe Rides weather permitting; call Beach Desk for information.

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# Four OCC Crews Enter the **MOLOKAI HOE**

By Erika Eberhart

Photos by Donna Glatzel, Steve Torkildson and Twain Newhart



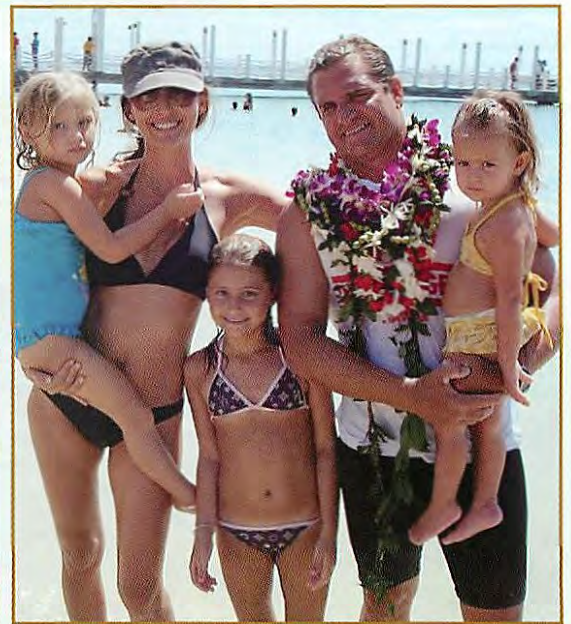
OCC Masters 40 at the finish line: Marc Haine, Todd Sandvold, Alan Pflueger, John Wacker, Andrew Glatzel, Bruce Black, Mark Sandvold and Billy Balding. Not pictured: Todd Harrison. They finished second in Masters and 25th overall with a time of 5:30:48.0, averaging 7:53 per mile.



ABOVE: Seanna Glatzel, Eva Sandvold and Nautica Balding wait patiently for their daddy's to paddle across the finish line.



TOP RIGHT: Donna, Andrew and Seanna Glatzel



Kiana, Lannette, Malia, Mark and Eva Sandvold.



BOTTOM RIGHT: Billy and Corin Balding with children Tasia, Kaimana and Nautica.

On Sunday, October 7, 36 committed, determined, and extremely fit OCC paddlers ventured across the Kaiwi Channel for the 50th Annual Molokai Hoe. This crossing was a record-breaking year with 111 crews competing across the 41-mile course, which starts at Hale O Lono Harbor on Molokai, and ends at Duke Kahanamoku Beach, Waikiki.

Hopes were high for epic conditions, but to the disappointment of all the Hawaii crews, the wind dropped and the surf was small.

These conditions are what the Tahitians are familiar with, therefore providing them with a leg up against the

competition. Shell Vaà, from Tahiti and sponsored by Shell Oil Company, won for the second year in a row, with a record-breaking time of 4:40:22.5, an average of 6:41 per mile.

The OCC crews were extremely competitive in the field of 111 crews, with all four canoes placing in the top 25%.

All in all, another successful year for the OCC men's distance paddling program. Congratulations to all of the paddlers and coaches, and big thanks go out to all of their supportive families and friends.



The Holomua crew passes in front of the Club.



ABOVE LEFT: The Koa crew of Stew Kawakami, Gunner Schull, Ryan Woodward, Kulani Jones, Jared Watumull, David Fan, Ruben Cabaniero, Alika Williams, and Anthony Hunt finished second in Koa and 33rd overall with a time of 5:41:36.5, averaging 8:08 per mile.

BOTTOM LEFT: Finishing in eighth place overall was the crew of Tapa Worthington, Jim Austin, Kapono Brown, Ikaika Harbottle, Scott Hendricks, Karel Tresnak Jr., Rob Harrison, Mark Rigg, and Mike Kane. Their time was 5:05:04.8, averaging 7:16 per mile.



ABOVE: The crew of Row 1: Scott Gamble, Evan Rhodes, Byron Ho, Simeon Ke Paloma, Kevin Allen. Row 2: Jed Gushman, Jim Beaton, Rob Solmssen, and Tom Allen finished 17th overall with a time of 5:21:35.1, averaging 7:39 per mile.

# My Post-War, Suburban Jet-Flow Christmas

By Jim Gaddis

I wrote a few letters to Santa in the late 1950s. I got a green plastic water pistol in between some thick black church socks and a bag of cat-eye marbles in my red stocking in 1959. Technically speaking, those weren't the kind of gifts a kid asks for in a Santa letter.

I had begged for a single-barrel, quick-drawn Fanner 50 gun set. It was a brown, plastic Marshall Dillon replica with an artificial leather belt that held two treasured pistols with caps included. I had to have it. The shiny barrels were real steel. I desperately needed to work on my draw for Frontier Day which shows every Thursday afternoon on the Mickey Mouse Club. I wanted to wear the holster with my cowboy outfit when I watched the Adventures of Spin and Marty.

Santa must have misplaced my letter or something because my older sister, Mary, got the same green water pistol in her sock which indicated to me that green water pistols were standard stocking-stuffers in 1959.

I got a cool red scooter in 1958 instead of the new black bicycle I wanted. I needed to upgrade from the hand-me-down, post-war Suburban Jet-Flow convertible I inherited when I was two. Wish I had that thing now!

In 1961 my parents confessed that the Los Angeles Rams uniform I craved was, in fact, given to me by them, and not Santa. I always wondered why. Since when did parents give gifts? Maybe Santa didn't like football and didn't believe in toy guns. Maybe he thought they were politically incorrect . . . or something like that.

I know that my children Courtney (Kort) and Kainoa wrote to Santa a few times in the 1990s. I mailed the letters myself. They now rest in a cedar chest. As young adults all Kort and Kai ask for now are additional Christmas Eve adventures to add to their memory bank.

Don't bother asking them to change their plans on the 24th. A Gaddis Christmas Eve cannot be duplicated. Our adventures cannot be fully anticipated. If we were allowed to choose our own repetitious Groundhog Day (a la Bill Murray), it would surely be Christmas Eve.

Our thing is our Christmas tree. It has to be real, has to be fresh and it has to be HUGE. Saint Nicholas was the Patron Saint of Generosity in Germany in 300 A.D. Children believed that the fresh cut evergreen tree decorated in their homes was the work of Jolly Old Saint Nick.

Historians suggest that parents put the trees up after their children were fast asleep. Who really knows? We put ours up a week after Thanksgiving and ceremoniously take it down after the new year.

In 1939 Irving Berlin wrote a number of songs for a movie to be called *Holiday Inn*. When a secondary tune called *White Christmas* first appeared in 1942, it was played non-stop from coast to coast, and of course, here in Hawaii. With a million Americans overseas, *White Christmas* came to represent the longing for an old-fashioned Christmas and a world at peace.

Fact is it was the song of a homesick Northerner stuck in sunny California and bummed out about spending Christmas under a palm tree. I suppose a few of us can relate to that except for the bummed-out part. *White Christmas* enjoyed an extremely rare status. It is a perennial superstar: Every year it is an automatic hit, a top seller, and is played every second of the day somewhere about the world from Thanksgiving Day to Christmas Day.

*White Christmas* does, however, rank second among the all-time Christmas classics. *Silent Night* was an accident. A cold, hungry mouse gnawed the fiber of a leather chord behind the keyboard of the St. Nicholas Church in Oberndorf, Austria, just down the road from Salzburg. The organ fell silent the day before Christmas Eve Mass in 1818. Father Mohr was stunned. His good friend, school-teacher Franz Gruber, pulled a little poem out of his pocket and



Jim Gaddis enjoys his Suburban Jet-Flow car.

suggested they turn it into a song for the youth choir. Mohr and Gruber gathered up 12 boys and girls, grabbed their guitars, and started to rehearse.

The church bells summoned the parishioners on that snowy, white 1918 Christmas Eve but the organ slept. *Silent Night* was sung for the first time on an eerily quiet silent night in Austria. If you go to a service that excludes music for the last few phases of *Silent Night*, you now know why. Kort, Kai and I know for a fact that Waikeola, Central Union, First Prez and Calvary-by-the-Sea all offer silent phrases near the conclusion of this amazing hymn.

The guy who repaired the Oberndorf organ five months later found the hand-written *Silent Night* poem behind the organ and asked Mohr and Gruber if he could take it with him. "We'll never use it again," they said. The song spread from town to town in Austria and later into Germany. It crossed many borders and went to sea with German emigrants.

We all enjoy receiving Christmas cards and, perhaps, enjoy sending them as well. Some years my cards and stories get out early. Other years they are dropped off at the post office in the nick of time. This year I think I'll do what the McLachlin family does and share our holiday adventures and reunions with a letter in January.

In 1883, Henry Cole was far behind in his letters to his English friends. His solution created the first Christmas card. One of his buddies was an artist. Cole commissioned his friend to design a card displaying seasonal greetings as it was December in London. Cole wanted a card that could be printed in quantity. The recent English Postal Reform had created a penny postage so Cole had 1000 cards made. The holiday season inspired Cole to greet his friends with a "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" rather than a simple hello.

I'm sure I'm not the only OCC member who noticed that Christmas items were stocked on shelves a few weeks before October ran around this year. When I was a kid we cringed if there was a suggestion of the holiday season prior to Thanksgiving Day.

In the 1970s, Christmas themes began to spread through every mall across the country for the entire month of November, especially with multi-colored fake Christmas trees. Managers did wait to fill their hidden speakers with the sound of Christmas until the day after Thanksgiving. I think that's still in effect. It is mid-October as I write this story and hints of Christmas can be seen nearly everywhere a credit card is accepted.

Welcomed or dreaded, the Christmas season is here. Now a days, there seem to be as many scrooges out there as there are Santa fans. Luckily, scrooge fans stay away from stories like this so I know I'm not stepping on any toes.

For those of us who hold Christmas close to our heart, the season comes and inspires us and proves itself true year after year. Our family recognizes and honors the birth of Jesus. We have, on occasion, celebrated the traditions of Hanukkah with friends.

Most of us embrace the holidays with great joy and excitement. We continue to think up new variations on old themes and mingle religious convictions and customs into something unique to our culture here in this island paradise.

I'll admit my first love is an October day of fly fishing in the Montana Rockies. But the coming of a big summer swell, a BBQ on the beach, my kid's birthdays, a brilliant orange sunrise or paddling my one-man canoe with a school of baby spinners is hard to beat.

If you see my kinds around the Club during the holidays, ask them what their favorite day of the year is. It's probably the same as mine . . . And it doesn't land on the 25th.

Warm wishes to you and yours.



# OUTRIGGER CANOE CLUB HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

DATE	FUNCTION	EVENT	PLACE AND TIMES
Saturday DEC 1	<b>KEIKI PARTY</b> Permanent members only. No guest or reciprocal guest members. Reservations required: Children under 12 and 2 adults per family. Additional people are \$5. We encourage the children to bring an unwrapped gift for the less privileged	Lunch - Koa Lanai, Hau Terrace Lunch - Lounge  <b>Keiki Buffet</b>  <b>Santa Claus arrives on the beach in a canoe. Photo opportunity so bring a camera.</b>	KL/HT Closed for Lunch  Lounge 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.  KL/HT 11 a.m.  12:30 p.m.
	<b>CENTENNIAL BOOK LAUNCH</b> All members welcome.	Dinner – Koa Lanai  Koa Lanai Free to all members.	No Dinner Service  6-8 p.m.
Friday DEC 7	<b>PRINCESS KAIULANI FASHION SHOW</b>	Lunch – Koa Lanai Lunch – Hau Terrace Lite Lunch – Hau Terrace Dinner – Koa Lanai Dinner – Hau Terrace Holiday Concert	KL Limited menu 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. HT 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. HT 2-5 p.m. KL 6-9 p.m. HT 5:30-9 p.m. Ka Moi Lounge 6:30-9 p.m.
Friday DEC 14	<b>HAPA FOLK CHRISTMAS CONCERT</b>	Holiday Concert	Ka Moi Lounge 6:30-9 p.m.
Monday DEC 24	<b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	Lunch - Koa Lanai Lunch - Hau Terrace  Dinner - Koa Lanai Holiday Buffet \$36  Dinner - Hau Terrace (Limited Menu)	Closed HT 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.  KL 5:30, 6, 8, 8:30 p.m. Reservations at the Koa Lanai.  HT 5:30-9:30 p.m.
Tuesday DEC 25	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>  <b>OPEN HOUSE</b> <b>For Permanent Members and their spouse or significant other only!!</b> <b>Guests, children or other family who are not members are not invited. Reciprocal and guest members are not invited.</b>	<b>FREE Open House Cocktail Party</b>  Dinner - Koa Lanai Holiday Buffet \$36  Dinner - Hau Terrace (Limited Menu)	HT 2- 5 p.m.  KL 5:30, 6, 8, and 8:30 p.m. Reservations at the Koa Lanai.  HT 5:30-9:30 p.m.
Monday DEC 31	<b>NEW YEAR'S EVE</b>  <b>NEW YEAR'S EVE CENTENNIAL BEACH BALL GALA</b>	Lunch - Hau Terrace  Koa Lanai and Hau Terrace \$100 per person, or \$2,500 for a reserved table of 10	Closed  7 p.m.-Midnight Reservations at the Koa Lanai.
Monday JAN 1	<b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b>	Lunch - Koa Lanai Lunch - Hau Terrace  Dinner - Koa Lanai Holiday Buffet \$36  Dinner - Hau Terrace (Limited Menu)	KL Closed for Lunch HT 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.  KL 6, 6:30, 8, and 8:30 p.m. Reservations at the Koa Lanai.  HT 5:30- 9:30 PM

# As the Terrace Turns

October Happy Birthdays to Nora Meijide Gentry and Gerry DeBenedetti who celebrated their same day birthdays together at Stage Restaurant. Thereafter Nora soon took off to San Francisco to run the Nike Half marathon, and Gerry was visited by her son and daughter in law Grant and Beth Senner from Hana, Maui. Gerry, Grant and Beth spent four happy days eating and swimming and sailing and having fun.

Contributions to this column are always welcome. Leave items for the Editor at the Front Desk, email to [occmag@aol.com](mailto:occmag@aol.com) or fax to (808) 833-1591. Items received by December 25 will appear in the February magazine. Items received after December 25 will appear in March.



Rici Guild Conger and her hula sisters from Wehiwehi O Leilehua enjoyed Sunday Brunch at the Club. During brunch, as Moana Andersen sang and played the ukulele, the women danced a few impromptu hulas. The halau is from Kula, Maui and on Oahu for a performance at Mamiya Theater. Front: Rici Guild Conger, Margit Tolman, Anuhea Medeiros, Joanie Rothwell Liu, Rosie Bailey, Gordean Bailey and Hank Keyes. Back: Teresa Sena, Charlotte Horstman, Konstance Palmore, Moana Andersen. Photo by Nora Meijide Gentry.

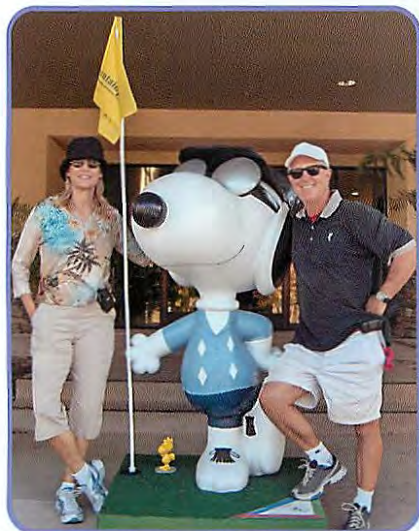
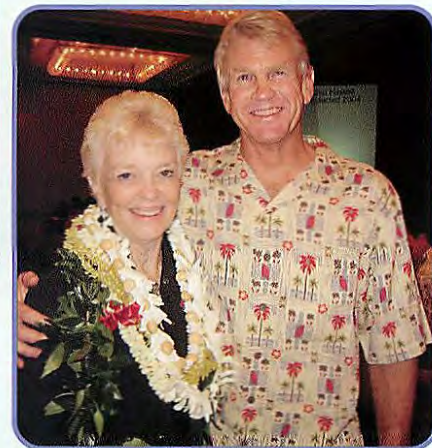


Nonresident member Gene Reed, right, and guests Paul and Kea Whatley from the Isle of Palms, South Carolina enjoy the Club. Photo by Nora Meijide Gentry.



LEFT: Helen Sheehan helped celebrate her friend Blake Johnson's 70th birthday with friend Erik. Photo by Nora Meijide Gentry.

BELOW: Scott Rolles helps his mother Jean Rolles celebrate her induction in the UH Shidler School of Business Hall of Honor. Photo by Nora Meijide Gentry.



Karla and Mark Osmun pose with a Snoopy creation by the late Charles Schultz, Peanuts creator, while golfing in Sonoma County, California.

Barbara Marumoto, right, hosted two sisters-in-law from San Francisco, so she invited friends to "do" lunch at the Club. From left, Joan Shinn, Pat Okamoto, Mary Ho, Jean Yokoyama, Frances Murata, Diana Okamoto and Barbara.



# OCC Social Calendar



LEFT: Steve Torkildson and daughter Kristi enjoyed dinner at the OCC. They claim that the green flash that night was the most unusual they have seen.

BELOW: Dede, Raquel and Madison Guss surprised Raquel for her birthday by seeing the play Wicked in Boston.



ABOVE: Neal Ifversen celebrated his 95th birthday with cake and a party.

RIGHT: Mrs. Robert Sides celebrated her 89th birthday in London enjoying our reciprocal club the St. James Club.



## December

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|----|--------------------------------------|----|--|
| 1  | Outrigger Book Signing Party, 6 p.m. | 17 | Bridge, 12:30 p.m.                             |
| 1  | Keiki Christmas Party, 11 a.m.       | 21 | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.                        |
| 1  | UH Football live vs. Washington, TBD | 24 | Christmas Eve Dinner Buffet, 5:30 p.m.         |
| 3  | Bridge, 12:30 p.m.                   | 25 | Christmas Day Open House for Members, 2-5 p.m. |
| 6  | Lobster Night, 6 p.m.                | 25 | Christmas Dinner 5:30 p.m.                     |
| 7  | Princess Kaiulani Fashion Show, Noon | 28 | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.                        |
| 7  | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.              | 29 | Club BBQ, 6 p.m.                               |
| 10 | Bridge, 12:30 p.m.                   | 31 | New Year's Eve Party, 7 p.m.-Midnight          |
| 14 | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.              |    |  |

## January

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|----|----------------------------------|----|-------------------------|
| 1  | New Year's Eve Buffet, 5:30 p.m. | 18 | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m. |
| 3  | Lobster Night, 6 p.m.            | 21 | Bridge, 12:30 p.m.      |
| 4  | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.          | 25 | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m. |
| 7  | Bridge, 12:30 p.m.               | 26 | Club BBQ, 6 p.m.        |
| 11 | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.          | 28 | Bridge, 12:30 p.m.      |
| 14 | Bridge, 12:30 p.m.               | 28 | Stew & Rice, 6 p.m.     |
| 14 | Family Dinner Buffet, 6 p.m.     |    |                         |

## February

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|----|----------------------------------|----|------------------------------|
| 1  | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.          | 15 | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.      |
| 3  | Super Bowl Party, Noon           | 18 | Bridge, Noon                 |
| 4  | Bridge, 12:30 p.m.               | 18 | Family Dinner Buffet, 6 p.m. |
| 5  | Mardi Gras Party, 6 p.m.         | 22 | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.      |
| 7  | Chinese New Year Party, 6 p.m.   | 23 | Club BBQ, 6 p.m.             |
| 7  | Lobster Night, 6 p.m.            | 25 | Bridge, Noon                 |
| 8  | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.          | 25 | Annual Meeting, 5:30 p.m.    |
| 11 | Bridge, 12:30 p.m.               | 29 | Pau Hana Friday, 6 p.m.      |
| 14 | Valentine's Day Specials, 6 p.m. |    |                              |



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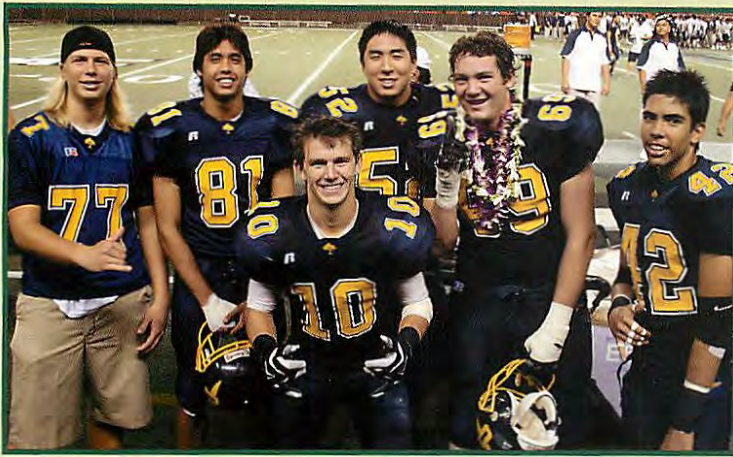
## A Christmas Message: "You are the bows..."

And a woman who held a babe against her bosom said, Speak to us of Children,  
And he said: Your children are not your children.  
They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself.  
They come through you but not from you.  
And though they are with you, they belong not to you.  
You may give them your love but not your thoughts. For they have their own thoughts.  
You may house their bodies but not their souls.  
For their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow, which you cannot visit,  
not even in your dreams.  
You may strive to be like them, but seek not to make them like you.  
For life goes not backward nor tarries with yesterday.  
You are the bows from which your children as living arrows are sent forth.  
The archer sees the mark upon the path of the infinite,  
and He bends you with His might that His arrows may go swift and far.  
Let your bending in the archer's hand be for gladness;  
For even as He loves the arrow that flies, so He loves also the bow that is stable.

-The Prophet, Kahlil Gibran

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Playing for Punahou this year were Sean McFadden, front; Back: Thurston Kino, Kainoa Gaddis, Casey Shibuya, Kaiwi Crabb and Micah Marter. Photo by Wendy Crabb.

# Gridiron Talk

By Jim Gaddis

If the San Francisco 49ers were playing on television any day or night back in the 1980s, you could bet the Ka Moi Lounge at the Outrigger Canoe Club would be jam-packed with devoted fans. They adored their future Hall of Famers: Head coach Bill Walsh and "all world" quarterback Joe Montana.

If you weren't in the lounge an hour before kickoff you'd never find a seat. Just ask Margie Howe. She was front and center for every game with sports page in hand. What happened to that gang anyway?

My guess is that half of those fans are picking the lounge these days for the University of Hawaii Warrior football games. Even with a few early lop-sided scores, it's hard to find an empty seat. The Warriors are 9-0 and ranked No. 13 as this story is written so it may be an entirely different scenario as you read this in December.

I hope there is still excitement and anticipation in the air. The big screen HD pictures makes for great viewing and it's always fun to hear in house chatter. Most of the audience is regulars. It doesn't matter whether the game is at Aloha Stadium on a Saturday night or in the morning on the road.

I've enjoyed the game with the likes of Mike Cote, Dean and Bonnie Eyre, Frank Kingery, Randy Shaw, Rick Piper, Dean

Nowack, Mark Buck, and so many others. I also see Barbara Marumoto, Richard Coons and John Wilbur at every game. There are so many other regulars I have failed to mention.

Sports are a huge part of our life here at the OCC. As much as we love our water recreation, it's a rare day that our OCC television screens aren't set to baseball, basketball, golf, tennis, and of course, football.

I can't begin to name all of the high school, college and professional football players who are current Club members. I'm sure that are truckloads. Our own John Wilbur, Bob Harrison, Dan Parker, and Levi Stanley had extended careers in pro ball. John Wacker had a taste of the pro game.

Punahou alums Fred Hemmings Jr. and Walter Guild were All-State selections. The late great Henry Ayau excelled in football as well. Jim Cavanah played ball in Santa Cruz. Other players that come to mind include Bill Kilcoyne and his son Kekoa, Alan Cambra, Jim Joy, Mike Clifford, Don Fowler, Rick Humphries, Mike Chun, Agenhart Ellis Sr. and Jr., Jimmy Kincaid, Ikaika Kincaid, Bret Chuckovich, and Scott Haneberg Sr. and Jr. Joe Moore had a nice career at Aiea High School while Dave Shoji was an all-league wide receiver in Southern California. I know there are other former gridiron players out there. Forgive me for excluding you.

OCC waterman and Denver Bronco owner Pat Bowlen regularly hosts his OCC canoe-surfing buddies at Bronco games each fall in Denver. I have long been a Bronco fan myself because the superstar out of my high school, Craig Morton, finished his long career as the starting quarterback for the Broncos in the early 1980s, taking Denver to the Super Bowl.

Currently there appear to be six varsity high school players on Oahu who are Junior members of the Club. There may be more. At least two junior varsity football players are OCC members as well.

Hard hitting J.C. Foy plays middle linebacker for Iolani's varsity squad. J.C. also played on special teams. Iolani was hoping to play in the Division II State Championship game in November.

The Punahou squad has three juniors and two sophomores playing varsity ball. With two years left to play, Sophomore Kaiwi Crabb is a starting offensive lineman for the Buff 'n Blue. Defensive backs Micah Marter (junior) and Sean McFadden (sophomore) are primary players and hard hitters for a Punahou defense that was one of the best in the State. Micah and Sean are also key special team players.

Junior Casey Shibuya started a good number of games as a sophomore in 2006 as an outside linebacker. He was moved to middle linebacker in 2007 where he proved to be a tough hitter.

Kainoa Gaddis (junior) is a back up wide receiver for the Punahou varsity team and is known to be a tough down-field blocker.

McFadden and Gaddis were the primary receivers and often co-captains for Punahou's JV team in 2006.

Thurston Kino and Noah Hammond hope to join Crabb, Marter, McFadden, Shibuya and Gaddis on Punahou's varsity squad in 2008. Kino opens huge holes as a starting offensive lineman for the Punahou JV team and will most likely line up with his buddy Kaiwi on the varsity offensive line next year.

Hammond swapped positions in 2007 moving from receiver to defensive back just as McFadden did. Hammond has proved to be a solid hitter and looks forward to varsity action in 2008.

Apologies to those who feel they may have been left out of this story. Our committee does need your help in suggesting stories and offering information so that we may highlight our exceptional Junior OCC members.

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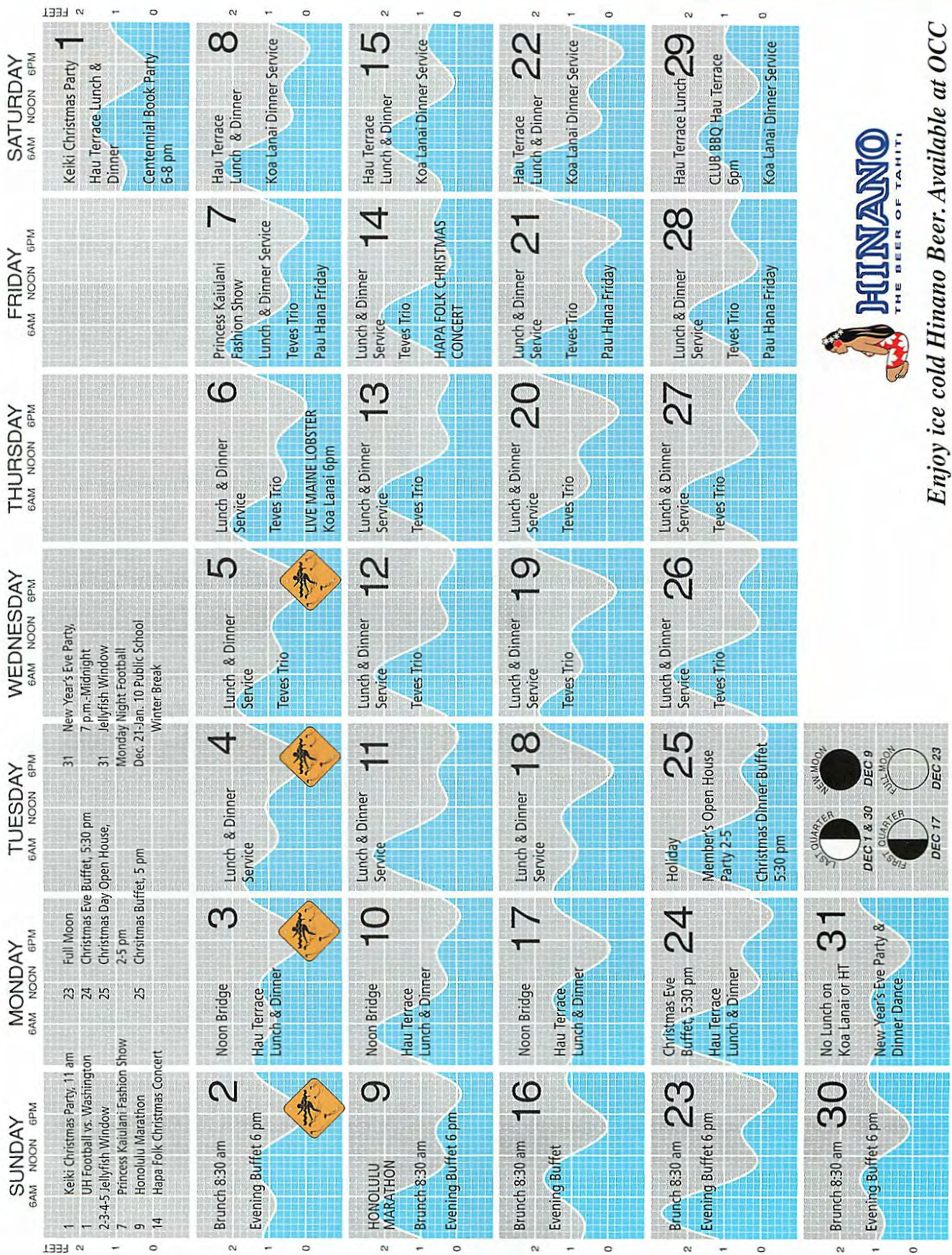
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1-2-3 Jellyfish Window Happy New Year Buffet 14 Family Dinner Buffet 21 HOLIDAY - MLK 22 Full Moon	28 Historical Stew & Rice 30, 31 Jellyfish Window Monday Night Football	1 Lunch & Dinner Service New Year's Buffet, 6 p.m.	2 Lunch & Dinner Service Teves Trio	3 Lunch & Dinner Service Teves Trio LIVE MAINE LOBSTER Koa Lanai 6 pm	4 Lunch & Dinner Service Teves Trio Pau Hana Friday	5 Hau Terrace Lunch & Dinner Koa Lanai Dinner Service
6 BRUNCH 8:30 am Evening Buffet 6 pm	7 Noon Bridge Hau Terrace Lunch & Dinner	8 Lunch & Dinner Service Teves Trio	9 Lunch & Dinner Service Teves Trio	10 Lunch & Dinner Service Teves Trio Pau Hana Friday	11 Lunch & Dinner Service Teves Trio Pau Hana Friday	12 Hau Terrace Lunch & Dinner Koa Lanai Dinner Service
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# Candes Gentry Competes in Japanese Half Marathon

By Candes Meijide Gentry



ABOVE: Candes Meijide Gentry and Tesh Teshima at the awards ceremony after the Ichinoseki International Half Marathon



RIGHT: Candes steers and serenades guests on a boat ride down the Geigi Gorge in Iwate, Japan.

I recently returned home from an amazing trip to Japan where I was one of two Hawaii athletes representing Hawaii and the United States in the Ichinoseki International Half Marathon, in Iwate-ken.

Three events were held on September 23 with a combined 1,500 athletes competing in the 5K, 10K and Half-Marathon (13.1 miles).

Shelley Grisbrook, the other Hawaii representative, and I were treated like royalty as honored guests of Mayor Tobei Assai of Ichinoseki. Every year, the champion of the event wins a sponsored trip and entry to the Honolulu Marathon. Tesh Teshima, a Hawaii resident, photographer and coach of Hawaii Schools for 30 plus years organizes the annual trip and has been taking athletes to compete in the event for more than 20 years.

Shelley and I participated in the Half Marathon. Shelley finished ninth in the female over 30 year's category with a time of 1:29:55 and I finished 23rd in the female over 30 category with a personal record time of 1:36:32.

As part of the five day trip, we were able to experience some of Japan's incredible culture and hospitality. Some of the trip's highlights included a two hour ride on the Bullet Train and a visit to the Sensoji Temple in Asakusa. I really enjoyed a ride down the Geigi Gorge where I got to practice my steering skills on the tour boat while serenading the passengers.

We also went on morning runs around the Imperial Palace, and on a visit to the top of the Tokyo Tower, which stands 333 meters high and boasts incredible views of the Rainbow Bridge and the entire City of Tokyo.

In Ichinoseki we visited a Sake Brewery and a Kimono Factory where they dressed us up like dolls in a traditional hand made Kimono. It was a trip to remember!

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ABOVE: From left to right on the court for OCC are: Kysa Ludviksen, Malia Shimmelfennig, Courtney Chun, Lauren Wood, and Malia Patterson

LEFT: Front row left to right: Courtney Chun, Riana Lum, Malia Patterson, Brianna Lovett. Back row left to right: Nedra Manson, Malia Schimmelfennig, Kysa Ludviksen, Kelly Manson, Lauren Wood, Ashley Feria, Shayla Hixson, and Danny McInerny

## Girls 16s Have a Fun and Successful Season

By Nedra Manson

For the first time in a very long time, Outrigger Canoe Club fielded a Girls 16 volleyball team. Many thought it could not be done but 11 dedicated volleyball players showed their Outrigger pride. The girls left their volleyball clubs, to make a 16s team for Outrigger. The team was made up of girls from various schools including Kaiser, Punahou, La Pietra and Hawaii Baptist Academy.

After months of practice and playing in Aloha Region tournaments, 10 of the girls traveled to Austin, Texas for the Mizuno 3rd Coast Tournament. In a field of 37 teams the girls made it to the finals of the silver division and came home with second place. Many of the girls were seasoned team travelers but all were left saying that this was the best team trip ever and they all wanted to do it again next year.

Club volleyball season is soon approaching. Coach


Danny McInerny will return as head coach and the team is excited to learn that Tony McInerny will be joining Danny in coaching the girls to another successful season.

Coach Tony has been a starting setter for many teams, including a professional European team. With the addition of another experienced coach the level of play among the girls will continue to be at its highest.

The team started practice last month. The goal for this 17s team is to qualify for Junior Olympics this year. If you are interested in joining this fun dynamic team for the upcoming season and have the playing experience to play in the 17s division please contact Nedra Manson at nedkailua@aol.com.

Come out and support your Club and take advantage of the benefits of being an Outrigger member by playing volleyball for Outrigger Canoe Club.


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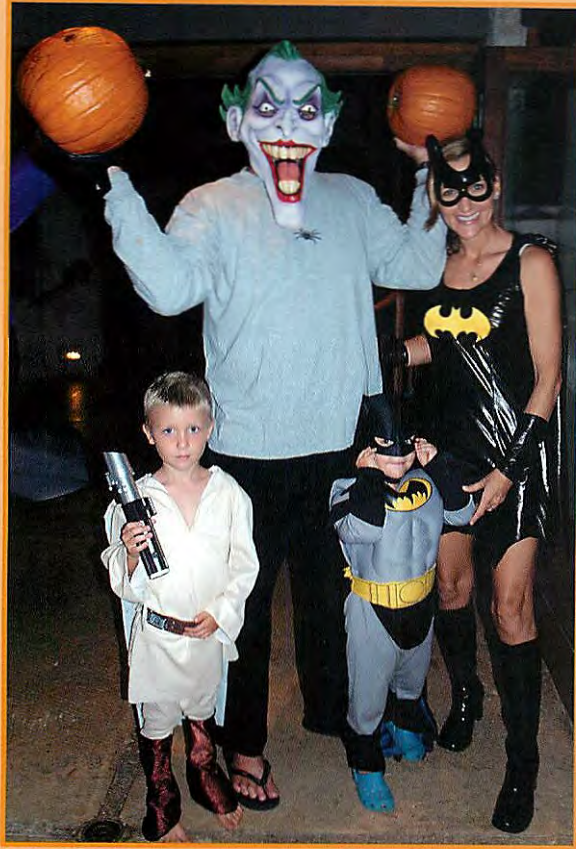
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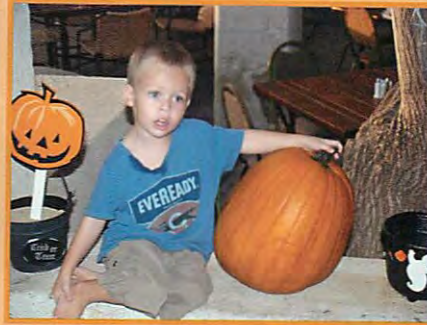
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# Koa Lanai Haunted for Keiki Halloween Party

Photos by Marilyn Kali



ABOVE: The Bat Family Marc, Kim and Riley Haine, attended the party with Obe 1 Kenobe Noa Haine.



TOP LEFT: Stitch Spottswood and his pumpkin.

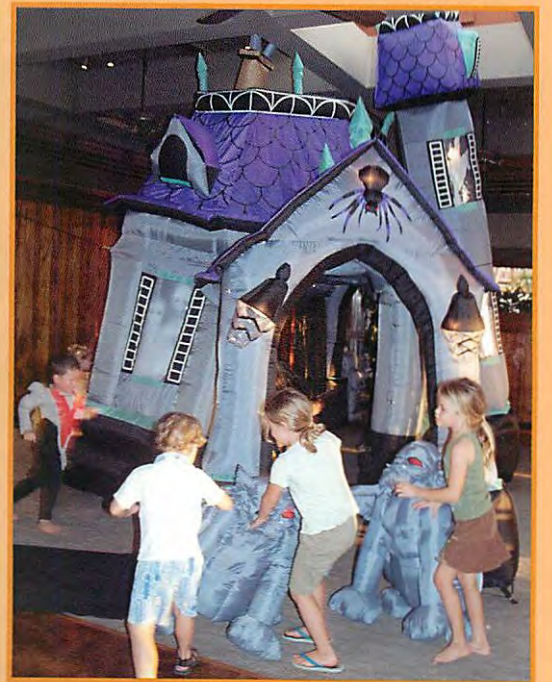
TOP RIGHT: Kelley Heyer, Rachel Frank, Karl Heyer V and Allie Whiting.



MIDDLE LEFT: Aukina Hunt and Paris, Maxx and Quinn Sellers were ready for action.

BOTTOM LEFT: Yael Van Delden

BOTTOM RIGHT: Keiki enter the Haunted Castle.



ABOVE: A pumpkin carving contest and tricks or treats were enjoyed by nearly 100 keiki and their families.

RIGHT: Alexa Wacker

FAR RIGHT: Aidan Durkin selected a black balloon.

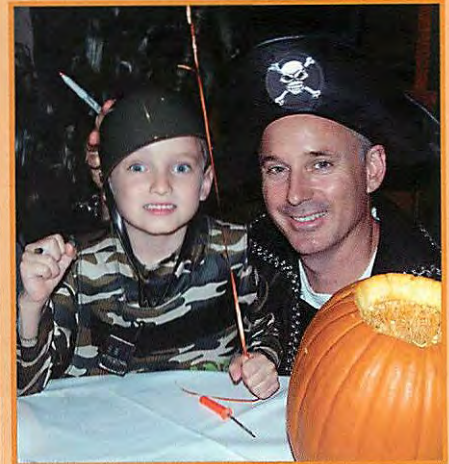
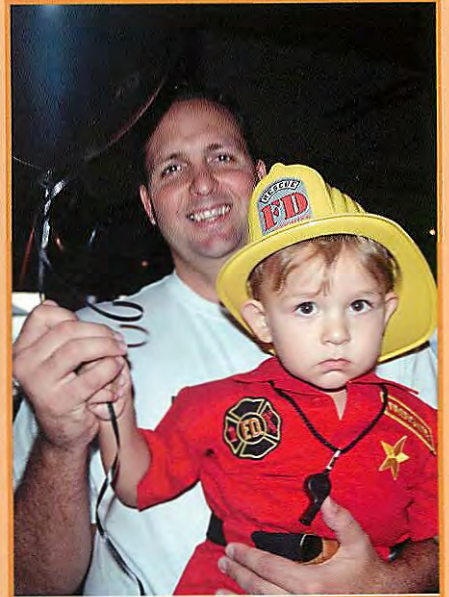




LEFT: Teana Bryan

BELOW: Anna Hunt

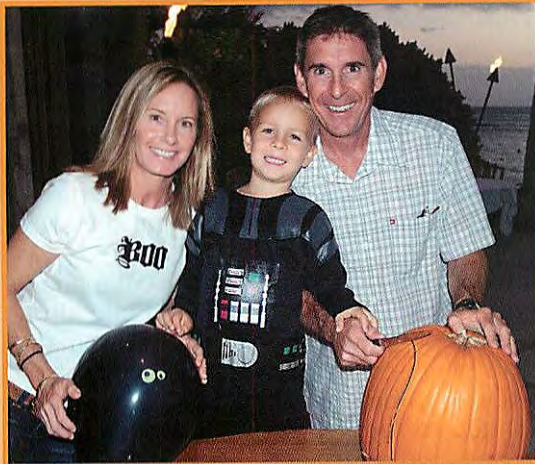
RIGHT: Erik and Connor Deryke



ABOVE: Beau and Brian Miller

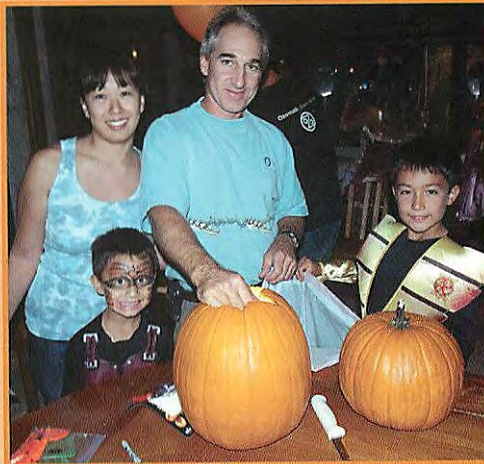
LEFT: Evan, Allison, Thomas and Cameron Daniel work on their pumpkins.

BELOW: Celia and Duke Kenney



ABOVE: Carving their pumpkin were Carolyn, Hobey and Greg Moss.

RIGHT: Bella and Stewart Yerton





TOP: Alika Williams hits against the double block of Ryan Woodward and Ryan Go.

BOTTOM: Spencer McLachlin goes up against Alika Williams.

TOP: Erik Shoji gets a kill on championship point.

LEFT: Maddison McKibbin hits against the double block of Trevor Crabb and Rick Humphreys.

## "Dad" Would Be Glad

Story and photos by Brad Lawson

Good things come in pairs, especially for Marc Haine, the winner of the 12th annual "Daddy" Haine four-man beach volleyball tournament. This year's event witnessed the second straight time that Marc has clinched the championship, a big achievement for the son of Tom "Daddy" Haine, the man for whom the tournament is held.

Led by Stanford freshman Spencer McLachlin and high school standout Erik Shoji, Marc Haine's team also featured two up-and-coming players in Iolani freshman Logan Nowack and Punahou sophomore Taylor Crabb.

Going into the tournament as the \$330 favorites, Marc's team managed to recover from a loss against the team of Brad Lawson, Jordan Inafuku, Patrick O'Neil, and Jay Anderson to advance to the finals.

However, Lawson's team was once again standing in their way. Seeking revenge for their earlier loss, McLachlin's team played a fantastic game. Utilizing their steady passing game and consistent hitting, Spencer's team managed to squeeze past Jordan, Patrick, Brad, and Jay and onto the podium.

As in years past, the sportsmanship and quality of play was outstanding. This year's tournament included 12 talented teams that battled through the day in hopes of clinching the title. Fittingly, Marc was the last one standing at his father's tournament, a testament to the exceptional volleyball skills that run in the Haine family.

A big mahalo goes out to the Club for offering their facilities and food, Danny Alvarez for organizing and mandating, and all the players and fans that offered their time to honor the great "Daddy" Haine. I hope to see you all next year!



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# Members Enjoy Oktoberfest

Photos by Stephen Riede



LEFT: Brewmaster Jeff Lyles pours a beer for Jack Pennington.

TOP: Jim and Sean Foytich pose with Denise from Gordon Biersch.

BELOW: Joanne and Bob Allin enjoyed the Oktoberfest feast.



ABOVE: Wendy Fendrick, Rita Brooks and Marlene and John Michalski toast to Oktoberfest.

BELOW: German salads filled the buffet table.



Entertaining Oktoberfesters were Scott Villiger and Wallen Ellingson.



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# Backward Glances

By Moana McGlaughlin-Tregaskis

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The December issue of the *Outrigger* reported on the 24th annual women's Na Wahine O Ke Kai canoe race, held on September 29. The 41-mile race from Hale O Lono Harbor, Molokai, to Duke Kahanamoku Beach, Waikiki, is regarded and hailed as the women's world championship of long-distance outrigger canoe racing.

Outrigger entered a single crew, finished fourth overall, and won the Koa Division in a time of 6:01:20. They paddled the *Kakina* which OCC women used to win the same race in 1981. While renovated and not the same as before, the *Kakina* has lost none of its beauty nor revered spiritual connection to the Club and its past. The crew dedicated its effort to Henry Ayau and honored the memory of Tom Haine.

Two weeks later the OCC men won the Koa and Masters 35 Divisions in the Molokai Hoe. The masters paddled the *Helumoa* finishing in 5:34:50, and the *Kakina* finishing in 5:51:29.

The athletic calendar for December begins with the Castle Swim on December 1. December usually is especially active; also on schedule are the Princess Kaiulani Fashion Show, the Keiki Christmas lunch, and the Honolulu Marathon. The traditional Christmas Eve dinner buffet was held on December 24, members' open house on Christmas Day, and the Club's New Year's Eve party on December 31.

There have been no results to the search instigated to find the two black velvet paintings by Bill Irwin of Duke Kahanamoku and Dad Center. Painted and donated to the Club by the artist in the 1950s, old timers know of the portraits and no one knows what has become of them.

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# For the Record



Swimming in the Waikiki Roughwater Swim were Steve Torkildson, Katherine Nichols, unidentified swimmer and Kristi Torkildson.

Also swimming in the Roughwater were Bob Momsen, Steve Torkildson, Walter Guild, Ernie Leskovitz, and unidentified swimmer.



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**Employee  
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MONTH**

Urai Sam Gamiao

By Sarah Field

For 30 years, Employee of the Month Urai Sam Gamiao has been a committed member of the kitchen crew at the Outrigger. Sam is a reliable, experienced, dedicated fixture in the Outrigger kitchen. Sam began working at the Club in 1977 and 30 years later, she is still going strong.

As a daytime kitchen employee, Sam says her favorite things to cook are the soups and lunch sauces. And what does she like best about working at the Outrigger? "Everything. I like it all. It's an all around great place."

Sam's positive attitude, cheerful smile and genuine excitement about her job are contagious and her fellow coworkers pick up on her cooperative and caring manner.

Sam moved to Hawaii from Thailand in 1970. She has two daughters and two grandsons. One of her daughters lives in Hawaii and the other lives in Oregon. Sam is always on the go; working at the Outrigger, spending time with friends and running errands. Although Sam is always busy, she has endless energy and enthusiasm.

The fate of her award money is still undetermined, but when mentioning the monetary award, the smile on Sam's face hints that maybe, just maybe, she'll treat herself to something special.

**In Memoriam**

**Stanley D. Tabor**  
Deceased: January 12, 2007  
Member: 30 Years

**Velda Inez Arruda**  
Deceased: October 8, 2007  
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**Alfred Franco Jr.**  
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# BOARD BRIEFS

Board Briefs is taken from the minutes of the Board of Director's meeting on October 25, 2007.

**Membership Count:** The membership count was 4,857 as of September 30, 2007.

**Building Fund Investments:** The Board approved the Finance Committee's recommendation to task the Finance Committee with determining the proper investment allocation for Building Fund investments. In addition, the Board also approved a revision in BOD Policy 5.1.1 which explains the purpose of the Building Fund. The revision should include the purposes (the fee purchase of the land, extension of the lease or the purchase of an alternate site close to Waikiki). Steve Torkildson will draft the language.

**Automatic Reinvestment of Dividends and Capital Gains:** Currently, mutual fund dividends and capital gains are automatically reinvested. The Finance Committee recommended that this practice stop and the Board approved. Instead the dividends and capital gains would be received in cash and then placed in a money market fund pending reinvestment. This will enable the Club to use the dividends and capital gains to rebalance the portfolio without having to sell shares and incur the related tax. There are no costs or fees associated with this change.

**Honorary Membership:** The Board approved the Historical Committee's recommendation to admit Marie L. Riede as an Honorary member. Ms. Riede served the Outrigger Canoe Club in a distinguished manner as an employee since October 1966. She has served in many capacities during her employment. She retired as a Human Resources Specialist on March 31, 2007 after completing 40 years of service.

**Plaque of Appreciation:** The Board approved the Historical Committee's candidate to receive a Plaque of Appreciation.

**Life Membership Nominee:** The Board approved the Historical Committee's candidate be nominated as a candidate for Life membership to be approved by the membership at the 2008 Annual Meeting.

**Nominating Committee:** The Board approved the following members to serve on the Nominating Committee: Karl Heyer IV (Chair), Walter Guild, Chris Kincaid and Alan Lau.

**Treasurer:** The 2008 Budget was distributed for review. This budget will be approved at the November Board meeting.

**ODKF:** ODKF 2008 Athletic Grants awarded to the Outrigger Canoe Club include \$7,500 for the Walter J. Macfarlane Memorial Canoe Race; \$1,500 for the Dad Center Long Distance Canoe Race (women) and \$1,500 for the Cline Mann Memorial Paddleboard Race.

**Manager's Report:** For September, there was a net loss of (\$32,182) which is \$53,118 better than budget. Year to date, there is income of \$218,079 which is \$143,579 better than budget. Year to date, there is a Building Fund loss of \$596,911 including \$1,259,316 of costs related to the increase in rent and arbitration costs which will be repaid by the operating fund over the next 10 years. There was \$60,900 in initiation fees deposited in the Capital Improvement Fund.

**Food and Beverage Summary:** There was combined food and beverage net profit (with the mini-charge) of (\$53,220) which is \$780 better than budget.

#### Projects in Progress:

- Phase II of the roof repair project is on schedule. At this point, the kitchen will be up and running by Friday, November 2. Budgeted at \$2 million, cost to date is \$702,726.
- Regarding the plumbing retrofit design, Okahara & Associates has been on site several times to review the existing plumbing.
- Upgrades to the Executive Office, Business Office and F & B Office are budgeted for \$31,035; cost to date is \$3,819. Replacing the carpet and drapes in the Executive Office remains to be done. In the Business Office, plans are to replace the carpet and ceiling tiles when the roof project is done. Space allocation in this area is being reviewed to see if there is a way to better utilize the space to include the F & B Office which is in very bad shape.
- Ann Kutaka from In+Form Design, Inc. conducted a brainstorming

session with interested members. The major request made during this session was to turn the girl's locker room into a family locker room.

- Regarding the handicap ramp design plans, Vik Watumull will follow through and contact ARC members to determine whether the design meets their approval. If so, the project can move forward with the money to come from the Thomas Fund.
- The Board approved \$5,000 for attorney fees in order to determine the governmental requirements and fines (if any) to receive a shoreline certification permit which is required by the State of Hawaii in order to move forward with the wave deflector project.

**Public Relations Report:** The Board would consider a proposal to increase advertising rates for the magazine, but would like to know review a pricing comparison on advertising rates.

**Historical Report:** There was a delay in publication of the centennial publication. As a result, some of the books will be air-freighted to Hawaii in time for the reception on December 1, 2007. The cost is \$3,500. It is believed that the cost will be made back when the books are available for sale in the Logo Shop.

**Centennial Celebration/Entertainment Report:** Jackie Guild (member of this committee) briefed the Board on the Centennial Beach Ball New Year's Eve party. Ticket cost, entertainment, food & beverage, attire (dress to impress in your beach formal best) and layout were covered. Board members were encouraged to make their reservations soon. It was suggested that a one-page flyer be given to each Director so they could share this information with their respective committee members.



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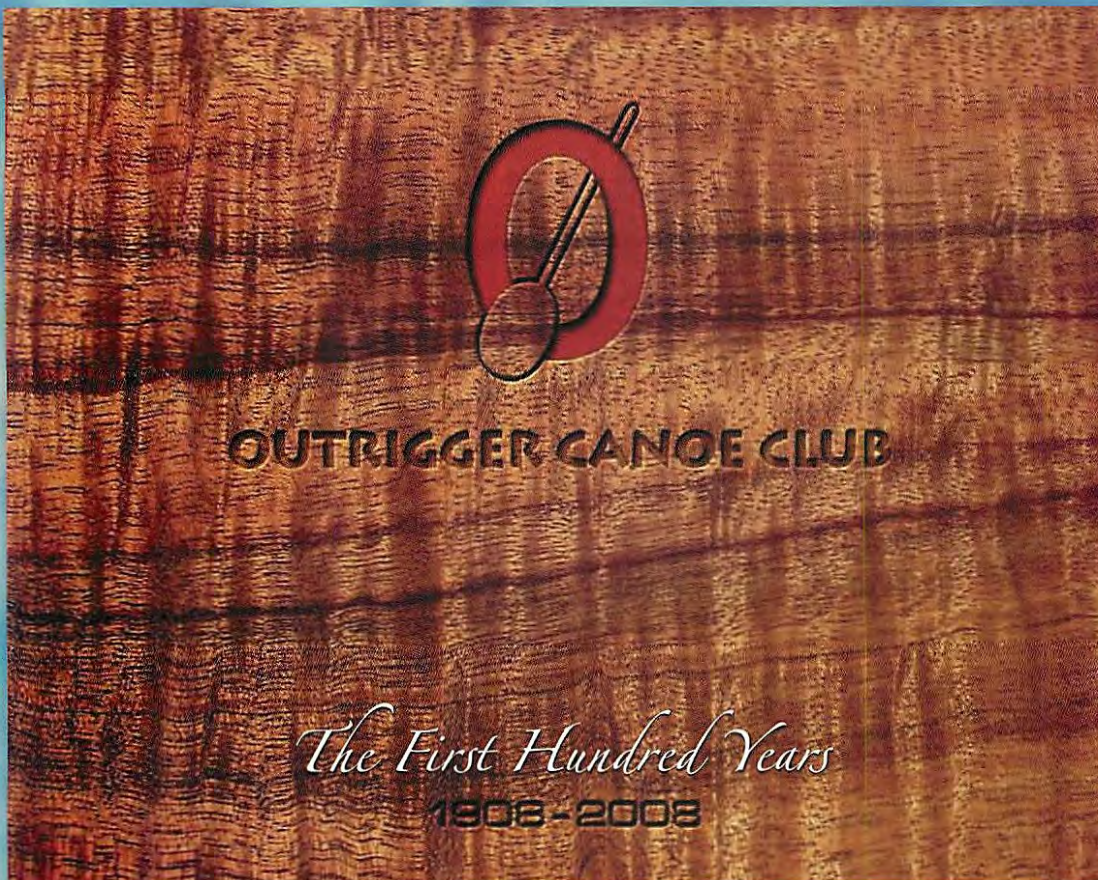
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