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# Three 'Riggers on the Road to the Rio Olympics

By Marilyn Kali

Photos courtesy USA Volleyball



Kawika Shoji



Erik Shoji



Micah Christenson

They've progressed from the baby courts at the Outrigger Canoe Club, to the Club's Junior Olympic teams, to NCAA Champions and All-Americans, to pro volleyball teams in Europe, and they'll take the final leap as members of Team USA to the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro in August.

Let's hear a big O-U-T-R-I-G-G-E-R for Erik Shoji, Kawika Shoji and Micah Christenson.

Team USA qualified for the Olympics by winning the FIVB World Cup in Tokyo, Japan last September with a 10-1 record, defeating Australia, Japan, Canada, Italy, Egypt, Venezuela, Iran, Tunisia, Russia and Argentina. Their only loss was to Poland.

It was the first time the U.S. men have won the World Cup since 1985 and the first time ever that they have qualified for the Olympics at the World Cup. Micah was named Best Setter at the World Cup and Erik won Best Libero.

Kawika joined the national team in 2010, and Erik and Micah in 2013. By now they're old hands at international competition.

After the finish of the pro volleyball season in Europe in April, members of Team USA meet up this month to begin preparations for the Olympics. In June, they'll compete in the FIVB World League traveling to Rio, Rome, and Dallas, and in July to Krakow, Poland. The Olympics are scheduled August 6-21.

If you play at the elite level, you see the world, one volleyball court at a time!

Team USA assistant coach Matt Fuerbringer recently returned from Rio where he checked out the Olympic venue.

"Our hosts are behind but from what I hear no more than some of the other countries where the infrastructure was a little behind. I think it will be a great Olympics and the volleyball venue, when finished, will be one of the best venues at the games," Fuerbringer said.

Fuerbringer, who has been a Team USA assistant coach for three years, speaks highly of our Outrigger players.

"Erik, who is Team USA's starting Libero, is one of the best

Liberos in the world. It is amazing how easy he makes it look when he is passing the hardest jump serves in the world," he says. "He is a great person and teammate. He always puts the team first and no matter how many awards he's received, he stays humble and keeps working hard."

His major contribution to the team? "He's the leader of passing and defense."

Kawika has been on the national team for six years, Fuerbringer said. "He is backup setter. He and Micah play the same position and Micah is the starter. Kawika is older and more experienced and has been an incredible role model for Micah. He really mentored Micah on the decision making process internationally and about some of the other team's tendencies.

"He knows the game so well. He is like a coach on the floor and he always make great choices on the court. Kawika is a winner. He comes prepared and is always looking to find new ways to beat our opponent. He is a true professional."

Micah is the starting setter for the national team. "He is working hard to become the best setter in the world, and I think he will reach his goal one day," Fuerbringer said. "He is a fierce competitor and like Erik and Kawika is humble and a really good teammate. He is our quarterback on the court."

Asked about Outrigger Canoe Club's role in producing elite volleyball players, he said, "Outrigger has been producing great players for a long time and that is only possible with great coaching and a committed organization.

"I have had the pleasure of competing with and against Outrigger members both as a player and a coach for the last 25 years and I love the way that they play. OCC athletes are fundamentally sound, ultra-competitive and humble."

Fuerbringer was on the 1997 Stanford University team with OCC's Mike Lambert (1996 and 2000 Olympic team) that won the NCAA championship. In 2004 and 2009 he partnered with Stein Metzger (2004 Olympic team) on the sand volleyball circuit.

As for how Team USA will fare at the Olympics: "Team USA coaches and players are working very hard to give our team



Erik Shoji and the U.S. men celebrate winning the World Cup.



Kawika Shoji sets the ball.



Kawika celebrates with Team USA.



Erik Shoji receives.

the best opportunity to bring home a Gold medal. That is our goal," Fuerbringer added.

Kawika, Erik and Micah all have resumes filled with championships and honors that have led up to their place on Team USA.

### **Kawika Shoji**

At 28, Kawika is the oldest of the three. He started his career playing on the Club's Boys 12 team in 1999, where they finished third at the Junior Olympics. He returned in 2004 on the Boys 16 team that finished second, and then played on the Boys 17s in 2005 that won the national JO championship and earned him All-Tournament honors. In 2006, his OCC Boys 18 team placed fifth and he was given All-Tournament honors.

He was selected to the Youth National Teams in 2004 and 2005 that played in Mexico City and Brazil, respectively. He played on the Junior National Teams in 2006 and 2007 in Mexico City and Morocco.

A 2006 graduate of Iolani School, Kawika was State Player of the Year in 2004 and an All-State selection for three years, winning the State Volleyball Championship in 2003.

Following in his sister Cobey's footsteps, he attended Stanford University where he majored in political science and graduated in 2010. His senior year, Stanford won the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation and NCAA Championships. Kawika, a setter, was named AVCA National Player of the Year in 2010, was a three-time All American, and three-time first team all-conference player. He was Co-Most Outstanding Player with teammate Brad Lawson at the 2010 NCAA Tournament.

The highlight of his college career: "Winning the national championship in 2010 with four other OCC members (Erik Shoji, Brad Lawson, Spencer McLachlin and Jordan Inafuku)," he says.

After college he turned pro and has played volleyball for the past six years in the Finnish League (Isku Tampere), German League (Berlin Recycling Volleys) and Turkish League (Arkas Izmir). His German team won the German championship three times. He was named the Best Setter from 2012-2014.

His favorite memory of pro play was winning the Champions League bronze medal in Berlin with his brother Erik.

As a member of Team USA, in addition to winning the World Cup in 2015 with Erik and Micah, he helped the men win Gold at the 2014 FIVB World League championship and Silver in the 2015 FIVB World League.

In 2011, he was team captain of the U.S. Pan American Cup team that won the Gold medal in the Dominican Republic.

Kawika lives eight months of the year in Germany with his wife, Megan, (married 2014) and plays pro volleyball with the Berlin team. The rest of the year he travels with Team USA all over the world in competition.

Kawika says his favorite memories of the OCC are playing volleyball until sunset and then going to the Saturday night steak fry with family and friends.

Although he's been focused on indoor volleyball the last few years, he doesn't rule out playing sand volleyball in the future. "I'd love to stick with indoor for a few more years and then transition to beach. I loved watching Stein Metzger and Mike Lambert play together on the beach. They represented Hawaii and OCC so well, and I dreamed of teaming up with a fellow OCC member and doing the same. Maybe it will happen one day!"

"I'd like to thank OCC and its members for always supporting volleyball and its Junior members. OCC produces world class talent," he added.

### **Erik Shoji**

Like his brother, Erik grew up playing on OCC teams in the Junior Olympics. His Boys 12 team in 1999 finished third; the Boys 16 in 2004 was second; the Boys 16 team in 2005 was fifth; the Boys 17 team in 2006 was second; and the Boys 18 team in 2007 was second. He earned all-tournament honors in 2006.

Erik, now 26, played on the Youth National Team in 2006 in the Dominican Republic and 2007 in Mexico; and on the Junior National Team in 2008 in El Salvador, and 2009 in India.

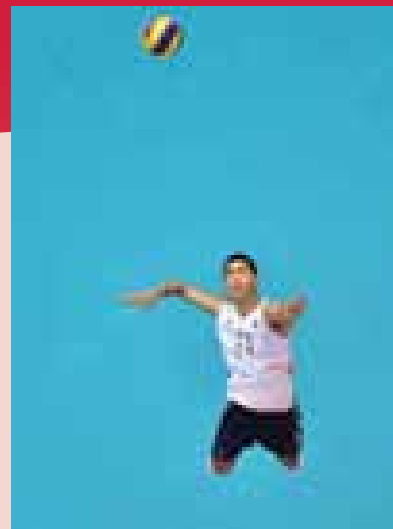
A two-sport athlete, he led Punahou School (Class of 2008)

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Micah sets for Team USA



Micah Christenson serves.

to state volleyball championships in 2004, 2005 and 2006, finishing second to Iolani in 2007, and earning All-State honors all four years. He was also a state champion tennis player from 2005-2008.

He maintained family tradition and attended Stanford University, where he graduated in 2012 with a degree in human biology. As the starting libero, he helped Stanford win the NCAA and MPSF championships in 2010.

He was the first four-time first team All-American in the history of AVCA honors.

The website OfftheBlockBlog.com has created a national award for the best libero in NCAA Division I-II men's volleyball and named it after Erik.

After college he turned pro and has played pro volleyball in Germany (Chemie Volley Mitteldeutschland 2012), Hypo Tirol Volleyballclub in Innsbruck Austria in 2013, and the Berlin Recycling Volleys in Germany in 2014 and 2015. His Innsbruck team won the Australia championships for two years.

Erik has earned numerous honors the past few years. In 2014, he was named tournament MVP, Best Libero, Best Digger and Best Receiver at the NORCECA World Championship Qualifier. In 2015 he was named Best Receiver at the NORCECA Championship Cup.

In 2014 he started every set of the World League Final Round where the U.S. men won the gold medal. In 2013, he started all 39 sets of the FIVB World League and led all players in pool play with 118 digs.

Erik lives most of the year in Berlin playing pro ball, but summers in Southern California where he plays for Team USA. His girlfriend is Sydney Yogi, also an OCC member.

There's more volleyball in Erik's future as he plans to continue to play pro volleyball in Europe and work to be on the U.S. National team. And when volleyball is over, he hopes to go to medical school and become a doctor.

He admires two-time Olympian Erik Sullivan (2000, 2004). "He was an outstanding libero and is a very nice guy. He is the assistant volleyball coach at Texas now and is sort of a mentor from afar for me," he said.

Kawika and Erik are the sons of Dave and Mary Shoji. Although Dave is the coach of the University of Hawaii women's volleyball team, he and Mary have always made time to coach Outrigger junior and adult teams.

#### **Micah Christenson**

Micah, who will turn 23 this month, became the youngest setter ever to play for the United States in a world championship when he played with the U.S. Boys Youth Team at age 16 in 2009. That was the year he joined Outrigger and played in his

first Junior Olympics as a member of our Boys 17 team.

In 2010 as a member of the Boys 18s, he earned All-American honors as OCC earned a Silver medal at the JOs. He went on to play on both the Youth and Junior National teams and was named Best Setter at the NORCECA Men's Junior Continental Championship which the U.S. won.

In 2011, on the OCC Boys 18s, he earned All-American honors again at the JOs. He was selected captain of the U.S. Men's Junior National team that finished fourth at the 2011 FIVB Men's Junior World Championship in Brazil.

Micah graduated from Kamehameha School in 2011 after leading his teams to state basketball championships in 2009 and 2011 and the state volleyball title in 2011. He was named to Volleyball Magazine's All-American first team, the Volleyball Magazine Fab 50 List, and was the All-State Player of the Year his senior year.

Micah attended the University of Southern California, graduating in 2015 with a major in human biology and a minor in business. At SC, he was a four-year starter, and three-year co-captain. He was named AVCA and MPSF Newcomer of the Year after his freshman season at USC and was an AVCA Second Team All-American.

He earned AVCA All-America honors in 2012, 2014 and 2015. He was the two-time winner of the Off The Block Lloy Ball Award (2014, 2015), presented to the nation's top men's collegiate setter.

In 2012, Micah was named Best Setter and was team captain as the 2012 U.S. Men's Junior Team won the NORCECA Men's Junior Continental Championship and qualified for the 2013 FIVB U21 World Championship. He was supposed to play on the 2013 Men's Junior National Team but got called up to the senior team instead.

In 2013, Micah was named Best Server and Best Setter in his debut with the U.S. Men's National team at the NORCECA Continental Championship. He was also named to the all-star team. The following year, he was starting setter for the U.S. Men as they won the 2014 FIVB World League and placed third at the 2015 World League. He was named best setter and best blocker at the 2015 NORCECA Championship Cup, and Best Setter at the 2015 FIVB World Cup.

Micah is the son of Robert and Charlene Christenson.

As Kawika, Erik and Micah march toward the Rio Olympics, they will have the proud support and best wishes of Outrigger Canoe Club members at home and abroad who will be cheering them and Team USA forward each step toward their goal of Olympic Gold.

Imua Team USA! Imua Outrigger!

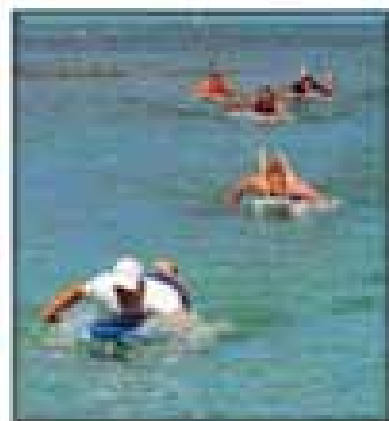
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Front: Sara Humphreys, Kris Nakaoka and Kat Wallen.  
 Back: Rick Humphreys, Leighton Miyachi and Aaron Wallen.

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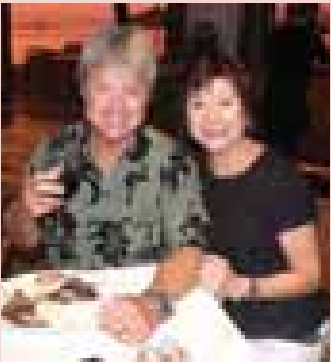


Mary Philpotts-McGrath, Gerri Pedesky, Wendell Brooks.



President Fred Noa Jr., right, presents a paddle to outgoing President Jon Wittington for his many contributions to the Club.

Eric Lau, Executive Chef Dan Bower, Max Clini, Lynn and Wes Sumida.



Todd and Kristen Bradley.



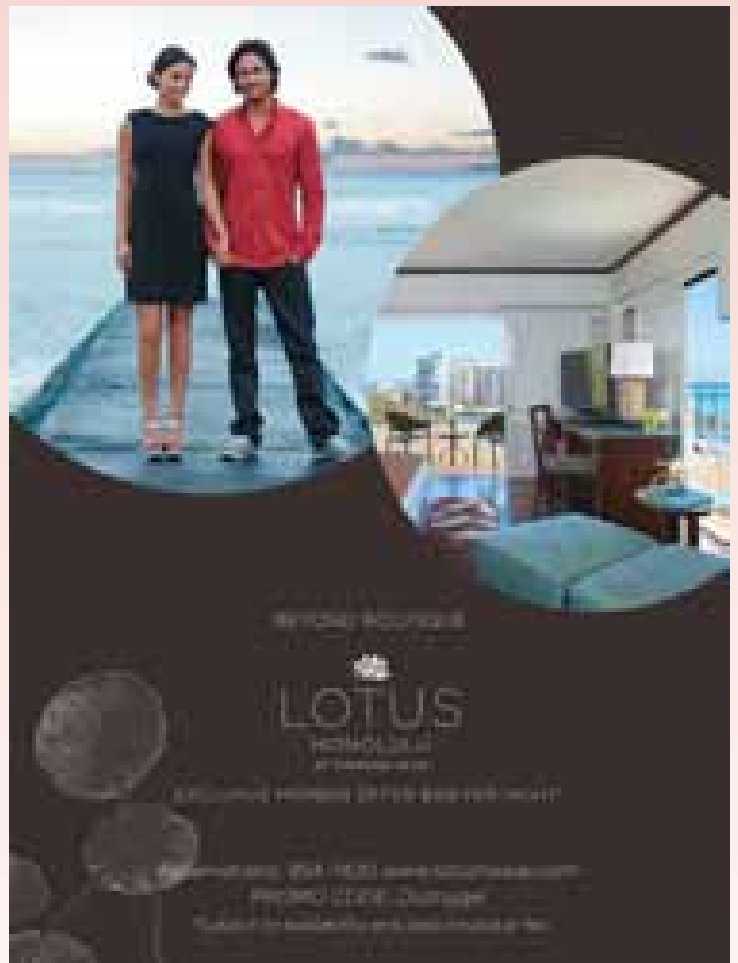
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# As the Terrace Turns

Members are invited to submit items for this column. Items should be left at the Front Desk for the Editor, or emailed to [occmag@aol.com](mailto:occmag@aol.com). Items received by May 25 will appear in the July magazine. Items received after May 25 will appear in August. Electronic photos must be submitted as jpgs and must be high resolution. All photos must contain at least one OCC member. Be sure to include your name and phone number in case additional information is needed.



Tim Guard hosted the USC Women's water polo team for dinner at the Club.



Micah Ma'a, second from left, front row, and his UCLA volleyball teammates enjoyed Sunday brunch at the OCC on March 9 following a game against UH. Photo by Nora Meijde Gentry



The Historical Committee posed before its annual dinner. Front: Barbara Del Piano, Chair Tay Perry, Moana Tregaskis. Back: Joy Barnhart, Marilyn Kali, John Lacy, Ja-ne de Abreu, Al Serafin, Ron Haworth, Gerri Pedesky, Bill Meheula and Kawika Grant.



The Member Relations Committee enjoyed a pupu party after their last meeting of the year: From left: Marilyn Kali, Nancy Wallace, Chair Kehau Kali Berquist, Carin Rapson, Mary Caywood, Samantha Haas, Jacqueline Little, Tara Meichtry, Pam Davis.

Angus McKibbin hosted the USC women's volleyball team at the Club for dinner on March 16.









Members of the Outrigger Duke Kahanamoku Foundation Hawaii Waterman Hall of Fame Class of 2015 were honored by the Hawaii State Senate for their accomplishments and dedication to the community. Duane DeSoto, left, and Walter Guild, right, were honored by Senators Maile Shimabukuro, and Donovan Dela Cruz. Bill Pratt, center, represented the ODKF. Not pictured: Joey Cabell.



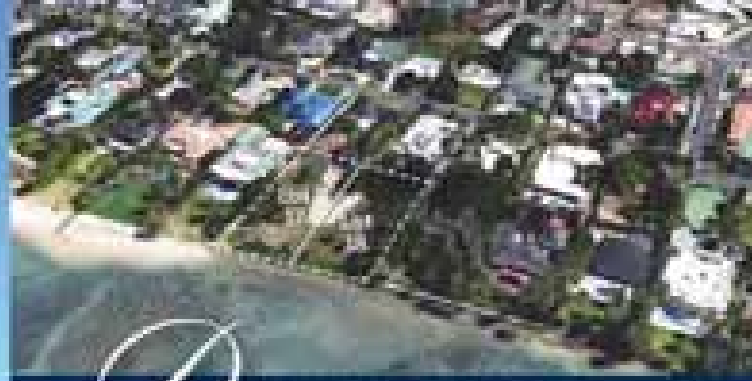
Tessa and Toni Landers had a big wet hug for the Easter Bunny after playing on the beach. They are the daughters of Tracy Newhart and Tom Landers.

George Wessberg hosted John Shima from San Antonio, TX for lunch on the Terrace. George sponsors John to conduct skeet clinics on Oahu every spring and fall. The OCC members that participated in the clinic sessions during the Easter weekend were: Tom McTigue, Rick Hobson, Steve Dollar, Stephen, Jill and Jack MacMillan and Ron Larsen. George was also the editor of John's two authoritative books on clay target shooting entitled, *The Moment of Truth* and *A Method for the Magic*. From left: Tom Rogers, Denny Sadowski, George Wessberg, John Shima.



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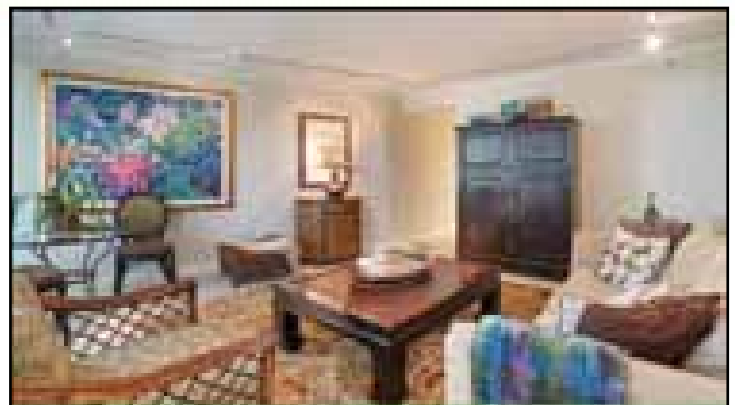


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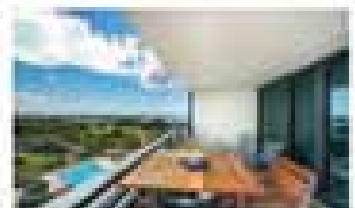
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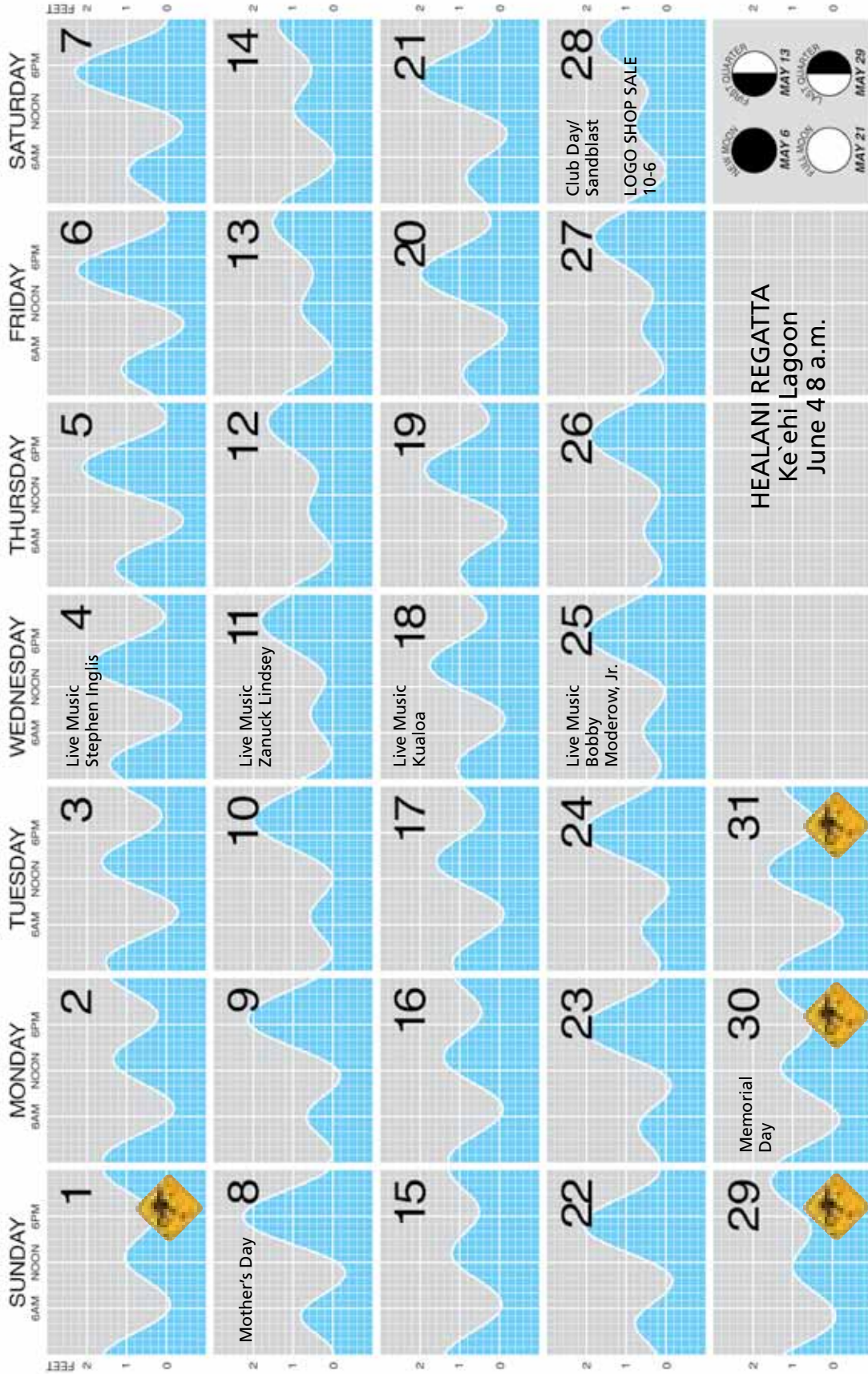


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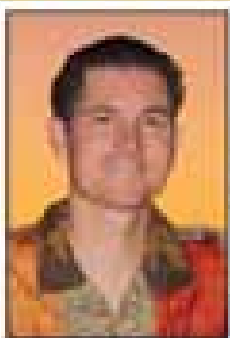
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 Travis Grant, 1st, M30-39 :55:58  
 Jimmy Austin, 2nd, M30-39, :56:28  
 Billy Lawson, 5th, M30-39, :58:40  
 Inder Lange, 9th, M30-39, 1:01:09

# Who Knew?

By Barbara Del Piano

## Waterman by David Davis

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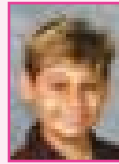
By Stephen Riede

Part time Beach Services Attendant Puna Motoyama started with the Club in April 2015. He is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and served 10 years as an officer in the United States Marine Corps.

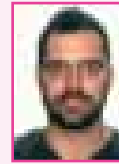
Beach Services manager Don Isaacs states: "Puna is a valuable member of our beach staff. Even though he is only working on call and part time, he's dealt with more than his fair share of emergencies, both on land and in the water. He has handled it all with the poise and confidence of a true professional. Puna has also been a big help with our youth programs and surfing lessons. He is a terrific addition to the OCC Beach Services team."

In his spare time, Puna volunteers with AccesSurf, a group that provides disabled and other people who are unable to surf by themselves with the opportunity to experience the ocean. He also likes to surf, spearfish and enjoy other ocean activities. Congratulations Puna and thank you for your service to the Club.

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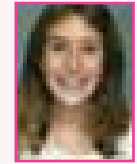
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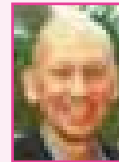
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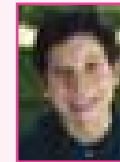
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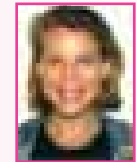
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## In Memoriam

### Paul M. Wythes

Deceased: October 30, 2012  
Club Member: 28 Years

### Norma A. Stilwell

Deceased: March 10, 2016  
Club Member: 1 Year

### Susan S. McInnis

Deceased: November 24, 2015  
Club Member: 32 Years

### Patricia D. Bryan

Deceased: March 26, 2016  
Club Member: 27 Years

**ON THE COVER:** Kawika Shoji, Micah Christenson and Eric Shoji, proudly hold the World Cup after Team USA won the FIVB title in Japan last year. The win qualified the U.S. for the Olympic Games in Rio in August. Read more on pages 2-4. Photo courtesy Kawika Shoji.

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# BOARD BRIEFS

Board Briefs is taken from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors on March 31, 2016.

**Membership Count:** The membership count was 4,834 as of February 29, 2016.

**Initiation Fee Change:** The Board approved an increase in the initiation fee for Regular Membership applicants over 40 to \$17,500 effective July 1, 2016.

**Auditor's Report:** The Board accepted and approved the 2015 SAS No. 114 letter and audited financial statements.

**Comeback Approval:** The Board approved the comeback approval for the Club Captain and Coordinating Director regarding the spending of already budgeted funds. BOD Policy 3.6.1.

**Executive Committee:** The Board approved the document outlining the scope and responsibility of the Executive Committee. All items remained unchanged from previous years.

**Emergency & Crisis Team:** The Board approved the following to serve on the Emergency & Crisis Team: Fred Noa Jr., Anthony Hunt, Art Tokin, Jon Steiner, Dustin Sellers, Dolan Eversole, Marilyn Kali, Gary Oliveira, and Robert Greer.

**ODKF:** ODKF is discussing the criteria for the Waterman's Hall of Fame selection.

**Operations Report:** Gary Oliveira reported that Food & Beverage has started the year well. Beach Services is adding

more fee based clinics and classes for summer. Sauna repairs in the Men's Locker Room are in progress. Sleds for boats are being fabricated. Member use of on-line bill paying is rising. The cell phone landing page makes it easier to navigate the most popular web features. An App is being developed to further enhance electronic services. The total revenue for member sponsored guests and reciprocal club guests was \$1.7 million last year. Reciprocal members accounted for 51% vs. member sponsored guests accounting for 49%.

**Member Relations:** Coordinating Director would like the committee to develop expanded electronic communications and enhance the member orientation program to include Juniors.

**Historical:** The Board approved the recommendations of the Historical Committee regarding oral histories: a revised legal release, the use of oral histories on the Club's historical websites, and the sharing of oral histories for historical/cultural research about the Club.

**Letter from Fred Hemmings Jr.:** The Board reviewed a letter from Fred Hemmings Jr. urging more emphasis on the Club's athletic history when considering changes to the Club's décor, design, and the Club's "brand". The Board thanked him for his input and will consider his ideas when discussing the larger issue of the Club brand going forward.

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