

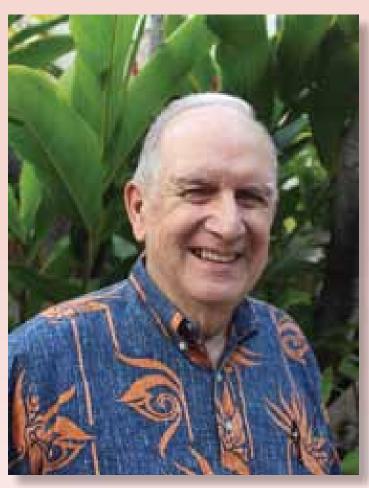
# Three Elected to Life Membership at the OCC

By Barbara Del Piano

Three long-time members of the Outrigger Canoe Club were elected to Life Membership at the 2016 Annual Meeting. They were honored for their service and significant contributions to the Club over the length of their membership.

Congratulations to Wendell Brooks Jr., Harold Henderson and Gerri Pedesky.

Read on to see why their fellow members selected them for this honor.



Wendell Brooks Jr.

#### WENDELL BROOKS

He hasn't paddled the Molokai Channel or participated in the Daddy Haine volleyball tournament. He hasn't even officially paddled on an Outrigger crew. But in other ways Wendell Brooks has contributed so much to the Outrigger Canoe Club that he has been awarded the most prestigious honor the Club has to offer: Life Membership.

A true kamaaina, Wendell's ancestry in Hawaii goes back to his great great grandfather who came from Germany to settle in the islands in 1869. His grandmother was born in Honolulu in 1881 and was about twelve years old at the time Liliuokalani was overthrown in 1863.

His grandfather graduated from Harvard Law School, practiced law in Hawaii, and later became a judge. Wendell's mother, who was forty percent Tahitian, was born in Los Angeles, raised in Tahiti, and came to Hawaii in 1934, where she met

and married Wendell Sr.

Wendell grew up in the family home on Diamond Head Circle and attended Punahou School. He joined the Outrigger in 1977 where he became life-long friends with Peter and Tom Balding and Jack Mattice. He hung-out at the Club long before he joined, accompanying his mother who was a member.

Wendell cherishes one very vivid experience when, as a teenager, he was at the Club on the Fourth of July in 1951 to watch the Macfarlane Regatta. A young member of the Boys 17 crew didn't show up and in desperation, he was asked to paddle. He agreed and was thrilled when they came in second. Then to make it even more exciting, the winning canoe had touched the flag and was eliminated, boosting Wendell's crew into first place.

Wendell never tires of telling the story, the first and only time he competed in a regatta and boasts of being undefeated. Actually, the sports Wendell enjoyed most were water skiing at Keehi Lagoon and sailing from the Waikiki Yacht Club.

After attending Oregon State College and the University of California, Wendell followed his father into the real estate business where he had an extremely long and successful career. His first position was with Bishop Trust; he then went on to develop large scale real estate projects including the 3,500 acre community, Mililani Town, the 5,000 acre Sea Ranch in Northern California, and the 1,400 acre resort, Wailea, on Maui.

For fifteen years, Wendell co-managed Chaney & Brooks Company, one of Hawaii's largest property management and commercial brokerages. He also served as Chief Investment Officer for Kamehameha Schools (Bishop Estate) and was responsible for the Trust's six billion dollar portfolio and real estate assets. Wendell has managed many large companies, and has provided services to clients in Hawaii, Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Philippines, and the mainland U. S. A most impressive resume to say the least! But only a partial one. He is now a real estate and business consultant.

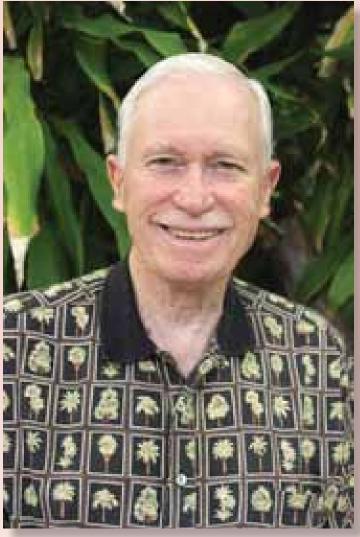
For the past 38 years, Wendell has shared his vast knowledge with the Outrigger Canoe Club, first serving on the Building and Grounds and Finance Committees. He has been a member of that committee on and off throughout the years and continues to this day. His forte being in the realm of budget and finance, he has made invaluable contributions in these areas, helping to guide the Club through difficult times. Wendell has served three terms on the Board of Directors, working his way up through various positions and until serving as President in 1995.

Farsighted, knowledgeable, and possessing good judgment are some of the qualities that Wendell possesses and has generously shared in the many positions he has held on the Board or the various committees on which he has served.

Quiet and unassuming, Wendell says he was very surprised when he was approached by Historical Committee Chairman Tay Perry and quietly informed that he had been nominated for this most esteemed honor of Life Membership. He considers it an honor to have received the distinction.

Aside from his active participation on the Long Range Planning Committee, Wendell continues the long tradition of Sunday breakfast on the Koa Lanai with his "old buddies," although the number has dwindled over the years. Nevertheless, each week it proves to be a special event.

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Hal Henderson

### **HAL HENDERSON**

Hal Henderson was looking forward to a special evening as he and Gloria stood in line to check in at the Club's annual luau. But he had no idea just how special it would be! Tay Perry, Historical Committee Chairman came along and took him aside. In a low, soft voice, Tay informed Hal that he had been nominated for Life Membership. "Don't tell anyone," Tay cautioned, "because the Board has to approve it before the Annual Meeting."

The Board did approve the nomination and Hal is now one of eleven living members who have been granted this distinctive honor awarded members who have served the Outrigger with "long and faithful service."

"I was totally stunned," said Hal when asked how he felt, "it had never even crossed my mind...with all the time spent away." Indeed, Hal's work took him away from the Islands for several years but for the last nearly thirty years he has been constantly involved in some manner of Club operations.

Hal and his brother Charlie grew up on Noela Drive along with other Club members such as Peter and Tommy Balding and Bonnie Purvis (Eyre). Hal recalls great times walking with neighborhood pals up the Diamond Head trail and climbing the ridges in the front of the crater rim, much to the dismay of their parents.

Hal joined the Outrigger as a junior member in 1946 at the age of 13. He loved the ocean and soon learned to surf. He later paddled on various Outrigger crews with Sarge Kahanamoku as steersman. He spent a lot of time at the "Old Club," as one of the kalohe kids who was frequently reprimanded by the Club's manager.

Hal attended Hanahauoli School through the 6th grade before transferring to Punahou. High school years were spent at Deerfield Academy, a boy's boarding school in Deerfield, Massachusetts. He attended Stanford University where he learned to play polo and played on the Stanford team for four years. (Hal was a natural for polo as a member of the Dillingham family who dominated the Oahu teams for years.) After college Hal served in the U.S. Navy after graduating from Officer's Training School in Newport, Rhode Island. He then spent two years on active duty in Japan.

Hal has had an interesting career. After a year at Hawaiian Electric, he went to work for Oahu Railway and Land Company, which in 1962 merged with Hawaiian Dredging to form Dillingham Corporation. In 1964, he returned to Stanford for two years to acquire an MBA degree, then came back to work for Dillingham Corporation. He currently has a part-time job, Hal says, "just to keep the old gray cells working."

During his tenure with the company, Hal spent time in Singapore and as Director of Corporate Planning before moving to London where he remained for twelve years. What was Dillingham Corporation doing in London, you may ask? They were partners with a Norwegian firm in a dry bulk shipping company. Dillingham sold its interest in the company in 1980 and Hal stayed on working for the Norwegian firm for five more years. While there he played polo and on the same team as Prince Charles.

Before his time abroad, Hal served on the Outrigger's Building and Grounds Committee in 1972. After his return, he has not missed a year of service on either a committee or the Board of Directors. The Long Range Planning and Finance committees are two that have immensely profited from Hal's business experience in property management and corporate development. He has served three terms on the Outrigger's Board of Directors, serving as Treasurer, Vice President, and taking on the demanding job of President in 2001. In each capacity, his contributions were outstanding.

After seventy years of being a member of the Outrigger, the Club remains an important part of Hal's life. In addition to serving on the Finance Committee, Hal and his wife, Gloria, regularly attend social functions at the Club and frequently dine on either the Koa Lanai or Hau Terrace. Until two years ago, he continued to surf and still works out and swims regularly. The Outrigger has been fortunate to have Hal as a devoted member throughout the years, offering invaluable service to an organization dear to his heart.

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### **GERRI PEDESKY**

When she was just eight years old, living in Sunnyvale, California, a Hawaiian friend of Gerri Golick's mother asked if her daughter would like to take hula lessons. After taking classes, she developed a love for Hawaii and its culture that continues to this day.

Gerri graduated from Notre Dame High School before attending college at San Jose State where made friends with fellow-students from Hawaii and joined the Hawaiian Club, which further motivated her desire to live in Hawaii. Her parents, however, would not let her leave home until she was 21 years old.

So she saved her money and after her 21st birthday party in 1956, her ticket already purchased, her parents drove her to the airport and her wish came true. Although she was a real malahini, she already knew about popular places such as Kau-Kau Korner, the "Old" Stadium, and the Outrigger Canoe Club.

It wasn't long before Gerri joined the Outrigger and started paddling on the novice crew along with other newcomers to Hawaii: Marilyn Haine, May Balding, Mary O'Conner, and Lynn Heilbron, with local girl, Kathy Muller, steering and George Downing as coach.

Not only did Gerri take to the ocean, but her desire to learn about Hawaii's culture lured her to the Bishop Museum where she became a docent and eventually served on the Board of Directors. She went to work for Transcontinental Airways where she met her future husband, Jack Pedesky; they married in 1960.

Once Gerri got into paddling, she never stopped, except for the few years when she and Jack lived in Tokyo, New York and Los Angeles due to his job as a pilot. When they returned she plunged into the water again and never missed an Outrigger paddling season for the next 33 years. Over time, she continued on up the scale from Novice A to Master's 65. She paddled three times in both Na Wahine O Ke Kai and the Dad Center.

Gerri still keeps in shape, paddling three times a week throughout the year. She and her husband were also on the OCC running team for many years and completed several Honolulu marathons.

In 1978, Gerri decided to get involved in other phases at the Club and joined the Entertainment Committee. She has continued her service ever since and is presently an active member of the Historical Committee.

Gerri served three terms on Outrigger's Board of Directors from 1984 through 1989 and became involved in the Outrigger Foundation, formed in 1983, to raise money to support the Club's athletic programs.

In 1985, as Coordinating Director of the Outrigger Foundation, she was instrumental in the merging of the Outrigger Foundation with the Duke Kahanamoku Foundation, an organization whose mission was to perpetuate Duke's name by providing financial support for individuals and organizations which perpetuated Duke's spirit and legacy.

Gerri remembers meeting OCC member Tom Lalakea, a member of the Duke Kahanamoku Foundation, at Bishop Museum where they were both members of the Board. Gerri says Tom called her one day and offered to donate some of his organization's funds to the Outrigger Foundation. Instead, Gerri says she suggested merging the two foundations since both had similar goals.



Gerri Pedesky

The merger eventually happened in 1986 and was a great success. Gerri was on the original Board of Directors and was the heart and soul of the ODKF in its early years and is still deeply involved. She served as president in 1989, secretary, and vice-president. She has watched the Foundation grow over the years until, in 2015 more than \$175,000 was awarded for grants and scholarships to Hawaii athletes.

Since 1985, she has chaired the Macfarlane T-Shirt Committee, each year selecting the color and design of the shirts, with the invaluable assistance of Vik Watumull. She has also been responsible for rounding up volunteers, mainly her fellow masters women paddlers, each year to assist.

Despite her long involvement on boards and committees, Gerri jokingly says one of her favorite jobs has been as Chair of the Judges of Election. When asked why, she replies, "With an experienced team, it takes just one day to count the votes and another to announce the winners at the Annual Meeting."

Since the late 1970's, as far as the Outrigger goes, her name has always been followed by a designation, either as a committee member, Board member, or some part of ODKF. Gerri's selection for Life Membership is a fitting reward for her long and dedicated service to the Outrigger Canoe Club where she continues to offer her talents and ideas.

When Gerri serves on a committee, she totally involves herself and wholly enjoys it. She puts her heart and soul into every job she has held at the Club and has no intention of retiring. Like the Energizer Bunny, Gerri just keeps going.

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# The Tank:

## The Waikiki Natatorium War Memorial by Matri Riley



The Outrigger Canoe Club Historical Committee will present the documentary film The Tank on Monday, March 21 as part of its Historical Committee Presents series. You will have the opportunity to see this documentary in its entirety in the Koa Lanai following our famed "Stew and Rice" Dinner. The event starts at 5:30 p.m. Cost for dinner and the movie is \$22.50.

The Natatorium is one of the most unusual World War I monuments in the country. Conceived as a living memorial, the Natatorium War Memorial harnessed the sea in a salt water pool, providing a venue for recreation and training at the time before any of the surrounding beaches were built.

It contained an Olympic-size swim basin, broad deck and ocean facing bleachers. Architect Lewis P. Hobert embellished the design with a beaux arts style entryway—an iconic welcome to the venue.

On August 24, 1927, the Natatorium officially opened on the birthday of our famed Olympian Duke Kahanamoku. This was the start of a four day AAU National Outdoor Swimming Championship. Duke dove in as the ceremonial inaugural swimmer and swam 100 meters to roaring applause from the capacity audience of 6,000.

Spectators paid 10-25 cents for general admission, while the reserved seats were a pricey \$1.10. Opening night at the Natatorium created the biggest traffic jam Walkki had ever seen. People even hung from the coconut trees outside hoping to glimpse the premier race, which pit world sprint champion Johnny Weissmuller, who had edged out Duke in the 1924 Paris Olympics, against Japan's Katsuo 'Flying Fish' Takaishi.

However, the brightest star of that right was Hawaii's own Clarence "Buster" Crabbe who won the one mile swim in 21 minutes, 52:25 seconds. More than a dozen world records were set in that first ever meet. This was the beginning of hallowed ground for Hawaii's swimmers, watermen and lifeguards. Swimmers came from all over the world to the Natatorium to set records.

In 1935 the Territorial Beach Patrol, Hawaii's first municipal lifeguards, relocated from their office in The Moana Hotel to the Natatorium; by then it had become "the gathering place" for Walkiki beach boys and volleyball players.

The Natatorium was enjoyed by locals of all ages who came to swim and lay in rafts watching the "brave ones" and the "show offs" do their thing from the four-story diving tower. Things like the "can opener", the "front and back suicide", "swan dive or pala", the "buddah", the needle" and the ultimate "jackpot" (this one could get you kicked out if caught). Oh, and don't forget your "nose guard", which hung around your neck. These are stories you will hear and see in this film of our proud War National Memoriat. De Tank.

Many of you will have stories like those shared in the film. It will take you back to the day... the good ole days. Maybe you swam in the salt water ocean pool or you knew someone who did. Come see how it truly was and give yourself a little sense of pride of what Hawaii has and treasure her beauty for what many people are forgetting. This is Hawaii's history.

Independent filmmaker Talkstory Productions premiered The Tank on KHNL in November 2015. The film production team, Donna Ching and Jason Lau, along with Sonny Tanabe who is a participant in the film, will be our guest in presenting this film. Seating is limited so make your reservation at the Front Desk early.

## Cell Phone Web Access

Members who access the OCC Members' website on a cell phone will get a simplified screen once logged in. It's called the "Landing Page" (see photo below) and currently features icon links to some of the most popular features of our site. Just tap on the icon and it will take you to a simplified, cell phone friendly version of the page. A full site option is also available.

From the landing page, users may also create a shortcut icon on their Home screen to help get to the website quickly and conveniently. iPhone Users push on the center icon at the bottom of the screen to get to that option.

Android users should tap on their "Menu" button to get this option.



## Cance Sailing Program

Beach Services will be conducting a series of Salling Cance Classes in March covering such topics as steering, rigging, risk management, emergency procedures and more. For more information, contact Beach Services at 921, 1490.

Sierra Neveda Beer Dinner March 18\*\* Watch for details in the E-News!



## Henry Specials and the Diamond Head Buoy

Cline Mann could tie every sailing knot on the high seas and knew their applications. But the best of seafarers can make a mistake when suffering from too many Henry Specials and cold ones after a long day of sailing beneath the tropic sun.

Mike Holmes relates such an occurrence during a spontaneous race blended with guava juice, orange sherbet, and vodka (the Henry Special Saturday Race) which was brought about when a few Sunfish sailors boasted of their merits and challenges were hurled from one to another on the Hau Terrace resulting in a witching hour race to Diamond Head buoy and back.

"The participants were Cline, Dick McClellan from Arizona, and Peter Coors from Colorado, Jim Growney, Jerry Smith and I." recalled Holmes. "Peter and Cline were friends and both graduates of Dartmouth. Peter had just taken up sailing and was in the learning group."

"Not wanting to turn down a good challenge we fortified our courage, (if not skills), with Henry Specials, a concoction that can sneak up on you," Mike admitted. After much chest pounding and 'suck-em-ups' the hour of ten was decided upon and the 'tipsy' group left most of their clothes on the seawall, (the locker room being closed), swam out to their boats and returned to rig them on the beach in their bibs. Wives and girlfriends made up the non-combatant cheering spectator group on shore.

"After all sails were up a countdown was begun and the race was underway," Mike continued, "It was windy, about 20 knots, and the Henry Specials were definitely influencing the skills of the participants. So much that Cline fell out of his boat three times before reaching the windsock!"

"There was a lot of yelling when Peter Coors lost the end of his mainsheet. Poor Peter was well on his way to Molokai. Dick McClellan went after him to help with his mainsheet dilemma. By this time Cline had his sea balance and was 20 yards ahead of me. But as Cline prepared to jibe around the buoy, silhouetted by the flashing red light, I heard a definite BONK followed by a number of swear words and then a BONG as his Sunfish ran into the Diamond Head buoy!"

It was a full moon and Mike could see Cline drifting trying to retie the improperly tied knot at the top of the spar. Mike thought he was on his way to victory when a sudden gust hit









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as he was rounding the buoy, unable to release his mainsheet from the jam cleat he went completely turtle.

There are numerous romantic endeavors Mike might have thought appropriate on a sparkling sea under a full moon... but swimming with SAM, a twelve foot shark known to frequent the area, was not high on the list.

"I began diving to release the mainsheet from the jam cleat, (was Sam home?), the swells were rising and falling a good three feet and my dagger board left the slot and vanished. Finally the boat was upright and the race was on again. But arriving back at Kapua Channel I couldn't tack scans dagger board and got passed by all the boats. I had to knee paddle into the beach after dropping the sail."

To Mike's good fortune and pride it was then 2 a.m. and most of the spectators had departed.

All Jim Growney remembers of that night is the full moon.

### **A Calmer Evening**

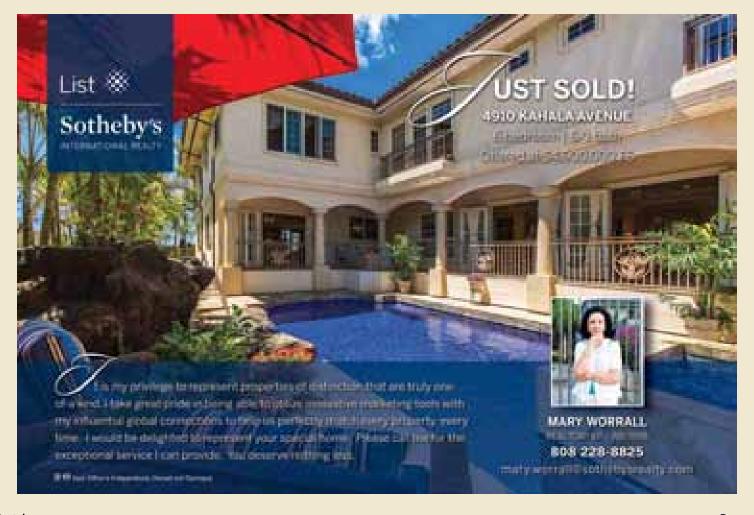
Cline was also lover of good Hawaiian music and not wanting to drive and find parking, the Sunfish sailors often loaded ice chest and cold ones onto their fleet and sailed down to the Sheraton Waikiki where they'd sit on the wall by the Prow Lounge to listen to Peter Moon's Sunday Manoa.



Sailing at the old Club.

Mike remembers..."Once, upon opening his show, Peter saw Cline, the normally well dressed Hawaiian land surveyor, sitting on the seawall in swim trunks and shirtless with a cold Budweiser in his hand, and exclaimed over the microphone, "Cline Mann you really are becoming a blalah!"

Cline, always the teacher and gamesman, has sailed away, but his smiling Hau Terrace image can still be conjured, his fingers coiled around a familiar chilled can of Bud, talking story on Corinthian Corner



# **Boys 16 Win Gold in Chicago**

By Max Clini

Outrigger Canoe Club's Boys 16 volleyball team won gold in the Boys 16 Open Division at the 2016 Boys Winter Volleyball Championships in Chicago, IL. Eighth-seeded Outrigger went unbeaten in 10 matches and defeated second seeded Durham Attack Black from Canada in the finals 25-17, 19-25 and 15-11.

The OCC Boys 16s will be playing at the USA Volleyball Boys' Junior National Championships in the Open Division in Dallas, Texas in June. They are ranked second in the U.S. going into the nationals among 102 teams.

Members of the Outrigger team are Jake Choulijian, Claudio Clini, Kristofer Ma, Titan Mitchell, Matthew Saffery, Buddy Scott, Connor Skorge, Jon Stanley Jr., Shea Suzumoto, Parker Van Dyke and Ethan Wescoatt. The team is coached by Vern Podlewski, Curtis Watasaki and Kent Ma.

The Boys 16s are, front, Matthew Saffery, Jon Stanley Jr., Jake Choulijian, Shea Suzumoto, Kristofer Ma, Coach Vern Podlewski. Back: Titan Mitchell, Claudio Clini, Buddy Scott, Parker Van Dyke, Connor Skorge, Ethan Wescoatt.





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## **Fitness Center Gets a Facelift**

By Michael Durkin





The Outrigger gym has recently been redone. The entire space has been enclosed, and air-conditioned, with the windows covered in clear plexiglass. The floor has been re-covered. WiFi has been added. New weight machines have been installed along with, new weight plates and bars, a new squat cage, and new cardio machines which have high-definition television monitors. All of the older equipment has been repainted, and re-upholstered, or soon will be.

"For this small space, we now have everything you need," said Jon Bryan, co-chairman of the Fitness Committee.

Many members were opposed to enclosing the gym, and installing air-conditioning. But the committee did it for several reasons. "It's a lot quieter now," said Jon. "Our neighbors at Colony Surf are no longer calling with noise complaints."

The equipment manufacturer advised the committee that enclosing the space would add two years to the life of the machines by reducing corrosion from the salty air. The climate control reduces auto exhaust fumes entering the gym from the parking garage. It keeps the gym cleaner. Not to mention, much more comfortable on hot summer days, thick with vog.

Jon points out that even though we are primarily an ocean sports club, the gym enables valuable cross-training for all sports. Plus, we don't want a gym that looks too shabby in comparison to our reciprocal clubs around the world.

In the mid-1980s, the gym consisted of two weight machines, a bench press and some dumb bells. In the early 1990s the Fitness Committee, in partnership with the Running Committee, raised money by putting on the Non-Run Fun Run. Local restaurants set up

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food booths on the beach. A gun went off, and you would run from one food booth to the next. It was like Taste of Honolulu for runners. Besides food sales, there was a silent auction. The Fitness Committee's share of the money raised was used to buy gym equipment.

The Fitness Committee has been making incremental improvements ever since, and has big plans for the future. "This is not the final solution," said Jon. "We have the drawings for building a proper gym."

In the meantime, let's thank the members of the Fitness Committee for a job well done.



# Who Knew?

By Barbara Del Piano

### The Outrigger Oral History of Muriel Flanders, 1993

"The beautiful banyan tree at the International Market Place was planted by Eliza Macfarlane, my great, great grandmother. Her house was on the mauka side of Kalakaua Avenue where the International Market Place is now. She planted it in her front yard. Every time I see it, I have a very special aloha for her for planting it."

(Muriel Flanders was the sister of Walter Macfarlane)

## In Memoriam

**Helen Potts** 

Deceased: January 26, 2016 Club Member: 71 Years

# **Canoe Racing Committee Gearing Up**

Preparations for the canoe racing season are well underway, with the formation of the 2016 Canoe Racing Committee, naming of head coaches, paddling registration dates and setting of the practice schedule.

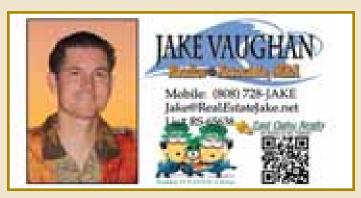
Tom McTigue has been tapped again by the Board of Directors to chair the CRC, and continue its transition to a new generation of leadership.

Guy Wilding will also be back as head coach. Assisting him will be Sean Monahan as men's coach; Tracy Phillips as women's coach: and Mark Sandvold as youth coach.

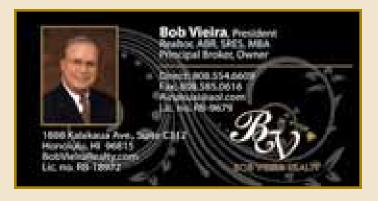
Watch the weekly enews for registration dates. If you haven't paddled before, please bring a copy of your birth certificate to registration. On-line registration will be available for returning paddlers. Check the OCC website for details.

OHCRA has added a new Men's and Women's 70+ race. The Mixed 16 race has been swapped for a Mixed 18 race. Regatta season gets underway Sunday, June 5 at Keehi Lagoon with the Healani Regatta.

## **MEMBERS IT PAYS TO KNOW**













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# **As the Terrace Turns**

The Retired Hawaiian Airlines Pilots' annual party was held at the OCC in December. More than 100 people, including pilots, their ladies and guests, enjoyed cocktails and a buffet dinner in the Koa Lanai. The party was hosted by **Bob Maguire** and Al Dixon was the emcee.

"The weather was perfect, which enhanced a great evening of good food and social enjoyment at our wonderful oceanfront facility," Maguire said.

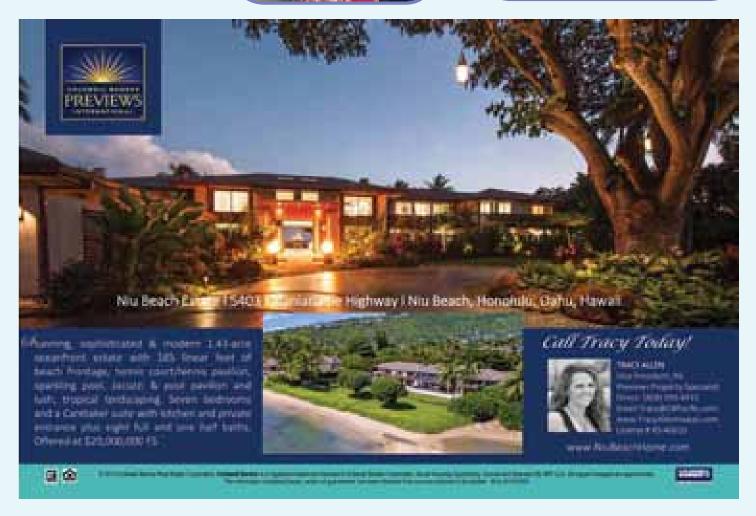
Members are invited to submit items for this column. Contributions may be left at the Front Desk or emailed to occmag@aol.com. Items received by March 25 will appear in the May magazine. Items received after that date will appear in June. Be sure to include your name and phone number in case additional information is needed.

Barbara Marumoto-Coons enjoys a Christmas visit to the Club with grandchildren: Brian Suite, Makua, Haumea, Kahikina, Lani and Jack Marumoto.



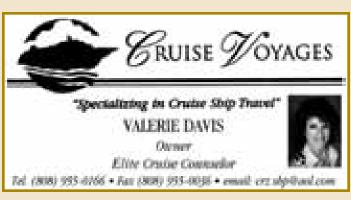
Jay and Ashley Marumoto take a photo op with children Lani and Jack.

Claudia Finney Maddalena enjoyed having her daughter and sons here for Christmas. From left to right, Tony Hocking, Eric Finney, Kristen Finney Hocking, Karen Finney, Claudia, Allan and Andrew Maddalena. Front row, Finn and Lucas Hocking.







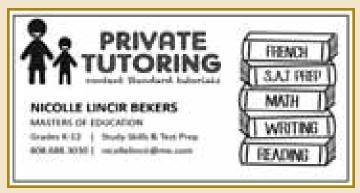
















# **OCC Tide Calendar**





# **Employee** of the **Month**

## Lorna Domingo

By Stephen Riede

Snack Shop attendant Lorna Domingo was named Employee of the Month for December. Lorna began working at the Club in 2007 and was previously Employee of the Month in August 2008 and December 2012.

Snack Shop supervisor Lisa Gose states: "Lorna is hard-working, reliable, and fills in when needed. She is always cheerful and can always be counted on to take initiative and do a great job."

In addition to working full time at OCC, Lorna works part time at Kahala Nui as a dining room server. She is also a Certified Nurse Assistant. Lorna has two children, ages 20 and 16, and enjoys spending time with them when not at work.

Congratulations Lorna on this well-deserved honor.

**ON THE COVER:** Outrigger Canoe Club members Hal Henderson, Gerri Pedesky and Wendell Brooks Jr. were elected to Life Membership at the OCC Annual Meeting. See story on pages 2-4. Photo by Marilyn Kali.







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# For the Record

Kanaka Ikaika #1 1/3/16 Makai Pier to Kailua

Long Course Jimmy Austin, OC1, M30-39, 1:12:00 Guy Wilding-Kai Wilding, SS2, MOpen, 1:12:46 Andrew Glatzel, SS, M40-49, 1:12:52 Indar Lange, OC1, M30-39, 1:15:45 Geoff Graf, SS, M50-56, 1:16:41 Travis Grant, V-1, Men Open, 1:16:10 Simeon Ke-Paloma, V-1, Men Open, 1:17:33 Mary Smolenski, OC1, W50-56, 1:23:37 Paula Crabb, OC1, W57-63, 1:27:02 Twain Newhart, OC1, M50-56, 1:27:08 Angie Dolan, OC1, W19-19, 1:28:38 Anella Borges, OC1 W30-39, 1:30:27 Amy Woodward, V-1, W Open, 1:34:40 Blair Grant, OC1, W19-29, 1:36:20 **Short Course** 

Connor Grune-Gunnar Grune, OC2, MOpen, :57:46

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# **BOARD BRIEFS**

Board Briefs is taken from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors on January 28, 2016.

**Membership Count:** The Membership Count was 4,845 as of December 31, 2015.

Judges of Election: The Board approved the following members of the Judges of Elections Committee: Gerri Pedesky, Chair; Peter Balding, Gerry DeBenedetti, Kent Giles, Murray Hixson, Jimmy McMahon, Arden Moore, and Gordon Smith.

Long Range Planning: The Board approved additional funds of approximately \$20,500 for expanded concept designs for improvements in the Koa Lanai, Bar, and Main Lobby. The committee would like the design firm to explore expanded options for the Koa Lanai with a lounge and bar area. The lobby was not included in the original proposal.

**OCC Logo:** After extensive discussion, the Board approved the recommended draft of the OCC Logo Usage Standards submitted by the Member Relations Committee. Some text was revised and it was noted that a logo "suite" needs to be developed with a consistent shape for the logo. The General Manager will approve any variations involving the logo.

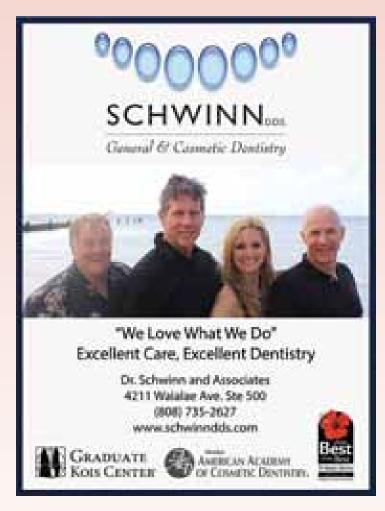
**Treasurer:** Pension liability went up due to interest rate fluctuations. The Club is contributing more than required by law towards the liability. New mortality tables have also increased the liability. The Capital Improvement Fund is forecast to be used this year as budgeted on 2016 projects. Dues were better than budget. Initiation fees were a little short of budget. Investment return in the Building Fund broke even due to market fluctuations. Utility rates due to lower fuel prices

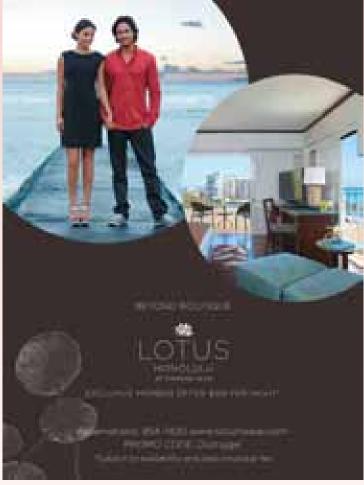
helped with operational costs. There is a more aggressive Food & Beverage budget for 2016. Logo Shop sales are budgeted to increase. Locker fees should do better than budget due to favorable timing for completion of the new surfboard locker installation.

**Operations:** There was more than \$600,000 in Food & Beverage business for December. Member-sponsored guest members exceeded Reciprocal members during December. Restructuring of supply vendors will help F & B expenses in 2016. The Employee of the Year is Darien Chow. The new glass in the Lobby turned out well. Front doors will be replaced with glass soon. Management would like to replace the Boardroom glass this year with safety glass. New surfboard lockers have cut the wait lists dramatically. Bobby Moderow Jr. from the group Maunalua is playing the last Wednesday of the month, joining Jeff Peterson, Zanuck Lindsey, and Kualoa for the Wednesday evening music lineup.

**First Vice-President/President Elect:** Anthony Hunt was selected to be First VP/President Elect to succeed Fred Noa in 2017.

Board Policy Amendment: Board Policy 2.3.15.5 was amended to permit surviving spouses over 65 years of age of Life Members to continue to pay no dues or mini-charge. The amended policy will read: "Surviving spouses of Senior members who are 65 years of age or older and who are admitted to membership as Regular members shall be charged one half of the dues and one half of the mini charge assessed Regular members. Surviving spouses of Life members meeting the above criteria will pay no dues or mini charge. (Adopted 8/31/1995, Revised 1/28/2016)"





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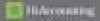
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