

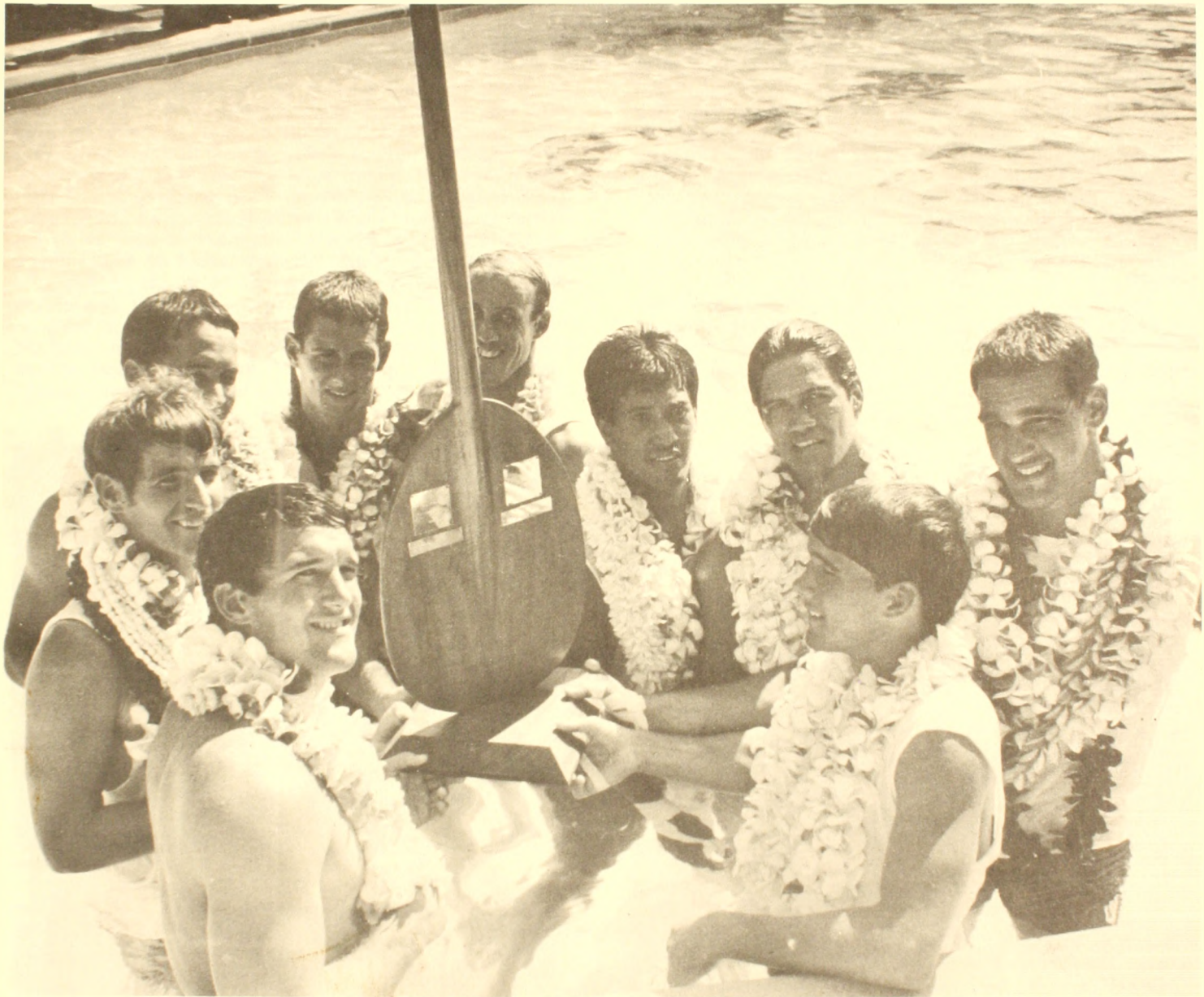
FORECAST

Outrigger Canoe Club

OUTRIGGER BEACH

NOVEMBER/1968

HONOLULU, HAWAII



Advertiser photo by Ron Jeff

The victorious crew cooling it in the Hawaiian Village pool are left to right Fred Hemmings Jr., Mark Buck, Tom Conner, Jon Sutherland, Mike Holmes, Billy Mitchell, Henry Ayau, Jon Haneberg and Aka Hemmings.

OUTRIGGER SETS MOLOKAI RECORD : 5:55:16

VICTORY AT SEA

By John Mounts

Boom! The dynamite above Hale O Lono Harbor blasts and one hundred and seventeen paddlers, divided among thirteen canoes, begin their forty-one mile grueling test of both mental and physical strength.

The action all took place in the seventeenth annual Molokai-Oahu canoe race, where the Outrigger Canoe Club, displaying both courage and stamina, took a first place both in the koa division and in the overall standings.

They departed from Molokai at approximately 7:52 a.m. and landed on the shores of Oahu, in front of the Hilton Hawaiian Village at about 1:47 p.m., setting a new course record with a time of five hours, fifty-five minutes and sixteen seconds.

The most amazing part of this record breaking time is that midway between the islands, the eight to ten foot swells caused the canoe to flip over completely! Many had visions of 1966 when the Outrigger Club was caught in the same situation, and was forced to pull out of the race. Due to the fast thinking of the paddlers and those concerned, the canoe was righted in four minutes and back in operation in another four minutes! Two other clubs suffered swampings and had to withdraw. Unfortunately, Hui Nalu's boat had to be towed to Oahu, while Kauai was towed back to Hale O Lono, Molokai.

From the very start of the race Outrigger Canoe ground into first place and never relinquished her lead. Although at one time, when the canoe was under water, Healani and Lanikai started to creep up within one boat length, but after our crew started paddling again they took off never to be seen by another club.



Howard Pennington

This year's crew consisted of the following paddlers: **Henry Ayau, Mark Buck (coach), Tom Conner, Jon Haneberg, Aka Hemmings, Fred Hemmings, Mike Holmes, Billy Mitchell, and Jon Sutherland.** These nine men should be highly praised and admired for the tremendous effort they put forth on this Sunday, October 20th, 1968.

On many occasions these men were plagued by sea sickness and fatigue, but they never gave up. They just gritted their teeth, "sucked up their guts," and kept going stroke for stroke, giving it every ounce they had until the very end. Many people do not realize that the Molokai channel is probably the roughest channel in the world, and paddling forty-one miles across it is no easy picnic! As the saying goes, "When the going gets tough, the tough get going," and our paddlers surely radiated the truth behind this today!



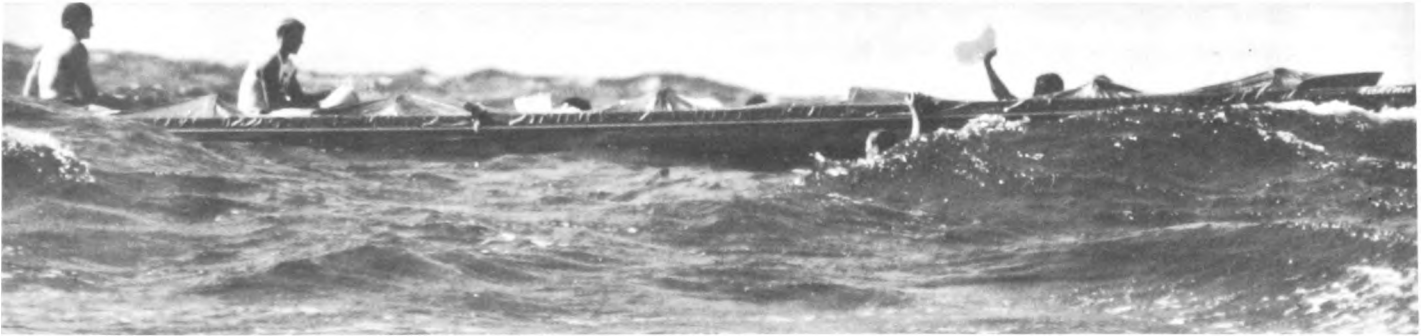
The Outrigger fleet.

Ron Haworth

The training and practice for this race was begun about six weeks ago, just following the Lanikai-Waikiki race. The curriculum consisted of, an hour of paddling each evening from the club to Honolulu Harbor or Kewalo Basin, and return. Each Sunday morning at approximately 6:00 o'clock, they made their "long paddling run." Sometimes they would paddle to Pearl Harbor and back, practicing changes, which were administered over a twenty-four mile span. Other days they would do the same by journeying out into the channel by Hanauma Bay and back. One of the paddlers commented that one of the hardest practices which they encountered was a race with the two practice canoes from the club to Portlock and return! As you can see many long laborious hours of time and effort both in the canoe and out, were spent in preparation for this race.



Jerry Ober



Mid-channel swamp.

Howard Pennington

In addition the "younger paddlers" of the club, especially the younger crew in the Lanikai-Waikiki race would like to personally congratulate Aka Hemmings for the exceptional job he accomplished. At just sixteen years old he went into this race and paddled as well or maybe even better than any of the veterans. So keep your eye on this guy as one of the next generation's greatest paddlers!

Why do these nine men and others like them choose to battle the relentless sea, in an environment where man versus nature for survival, and never triumphs totally, but just conquers temporarily? When a race means blisters upon blisters, muscle aches upon muscle aches, and cramps upon cramps? Many do it for the challenge and for the thrill of victory, knowing that all the time and work you have spent has all been worth it. Most important of all is the sense of pride you feel after it's all over—not only in your equipment, and in your fellow paddlers, but in you, yourself, knowing that you personally have fought against the elements of the sea, and for the time being have won!!

While the heroes of the day are always the paddlers, credit must be given to all those who participate in the organization and provide the logistical support needed to get them there on time. This year as in the past three years, the club was indeed fortunate to have for escort, the HULA KAI, owned and skippered by the master of the Molokai Channel, **Sherry Dowsett** and his crew **Darrell Heine**. Once again the skipper of the auxiliary boat, a Boston Whaler, was **Tommy Arnott**. Again this year we had the devoted services of **Dr. Bob Smith**. Bob performed what may have been the longest single operation of his career. He was in constant attendance to the various members of the crew as well as photographers and anyone else aboard suffering from mal de mer. The elite helpers' corps this year headed by over all coordinator **Cline Mann** were **Jerry Ober**, **Paul MacLaughlin**, **Glenn Perry**, **Fred Lowrey**, **Kimo Austin** and **Albert Lemes**. Those who trained throughout the season but did not paddle provided invaluable help for the race. They were **Johnny Mounts**, **Dave Alexander**, **Steve Scott** and **Bill Eggers**.



Power at the finish, a new record, 41.9 miles, 5:55:16.

Howard Pennington

Volleyball

By Chris MacLachlin

I. OLYMPIC WRAP-UP

According to reliable sources, the Outrigger's four men representatives in volleyball at the Olympics performed admirably.

Pete Velasco, Captain **Tom Haine**, **John Stanley**, and **John Alstrom** were all instrumental in the U.S.'s stunning upset of gold medalist Russia. **Velasco** came on in the fourth and fifth games of that match to spark the team with his all-around court play, and **Alstrom** befuddled the tall Russians by hitting time and again over and inside their famous block.

The Russians were said to have been a little cocky in this early match, but this unbelievable upset set them back down on earth and on their way to another gold medal.

The U.S. cooled off after the Russian match and managed to finish in a tie for seventh place with Bulgaria. This was a marked improvement over the ninth place finish in Tokyo in 1964.

According to our on-the-spot observer, **Mrs. Tom Haine**, her "hubby" played quite well, standing out in his backcourt play, dinks, and overall leadership displayed as team captain. He was also effective "off the court," as the lucky pair spent much time together seeing the colorful architecture of the mile-high city, the track, swimming, and diving events, and even a few of the famous night spots. And despite rumors to the contrary, **Mare** said the Mexican food was "ono!"

Drawbacks of the Games seemed to be the atrocious traffic problem (though shuttle buses to the events were convenient), lack of interpreters, and of course, "Montezuma's Revenge!"

Velasco seemed to have gotten the dysentery the worst of the volleyball athletes, as he became extremely weak from not being able to hold anything "in!" Nearly everyone on the men's and women's volleyball teams were struck by this weakening and inconvenient disease.

The dysentery victims weren't aided much by the lack of interpreters, either, as most athletes and tourists had to resort to sign language in order to communicate with each other. These arm-waving and charade-like gestures usually resulted in two ends: 1) non-communication and, as **Mrs. Haine** described, 2) the "international language:" mutual laughter!

All in all, though, the consensus among the Hawaii and Outrigger athletes was that the XIX Olympic Games were exciting, colorful, and conducted in the atmosphere of true Olympic spirit and goodwill.

Congratulations also to **Miki Briggs McFadden** and **Sharon Peterson** for their outstanding play on the women's volleyball team.

We should indeed be proud of our six fine athletes who so ably "represented" the Club in the Mexico City Olympic Games of 1968.

II. PUNS CAPTURE ILH TITLE

An Outrigger-dominated Punahou team captured the ILH title for the fourth straight time by beating Kaimuki on November 6, 15-7, 14-9.

The Buffanblu were led by setter-captain **Jimmy Pietsch**, spikers **Gar Clarke**, **Jim Iams**, **Creighton Low**, **Bob Schneider**, and **Mike Wilson**, and an enthusiastic, talented bench of **John Mounts**, **John Pingree**, **Cully Chun**, **George McPheeters**, **John King**, **Doug Straehely**, and **Buster Chapman**.

Chuckie Haneberg, the king of the baby court, was indispensable as the psychedelic team comic and manager. Special thanks must also go to the faithful gang of rooters, who hardly missed a game: **Cherie Spangler**, **David "Gun" Rochlen**, **Mahealani Martin**, **Tom Arnott**, and the **Balding**, **Baird**, and **Haine** clans.

Mike Lemes' Kalani team, which nearly upset Punahou in mid-season, finished fifth in the ILH, and was led by Club members **Marty Wilson**, **Cooper Cook**, **Jimmy Boyd**, **Mike Driscoll**, and **Johnny Boyd**.

Mike McMahon's vastly improved Mid-Pacific team finished eighth and promises to be a top contender next fall.

Skipper Barnes and **Kaui Watson** both performed well for Kam's fourth place team.

III. EXCITING INDOOR VOLLEYBALL SEASON AHEAD

As for the upcoming indoor volleyball season, the Outrigger will be engaged in an active schedule.

Besides fielding another topnotch AA team and an outstanding Masters group, the Club will be embarking on a youth movement in order to build a strong base for the Outrigger's volleyball future. The movement will be spearheaded by a young B team composed mostly of the aforementioned high school stars. The team will be coached alternately by various members of the AA team in an effort to pass on the oldsters' volleyball knowledge to the younger set.

For more details, all those interested in trying out for any of these teams are invited to an organizational meeting tentatively set for Tuesday, November 20 at 5 p.m. in the Board Room. Keep an eye on the bulletin boards for more information on this meeting and pre-season training programs.

IV. SHORT SHORTS

- 1) **Paul McLaughlin**, **Ron Sorrell**, and **Bill Baird** took third in the recent AA three-man at Central YMCA. They were undefeated, but had to default because of a back injury to Paul.
- 2) Congrats to our Volleyball Coach this year, **Ron Sorrell**, who took first in the Central YMCA 75 and over, playing with old-time Club member **Roger Clissold**.
- 3) **Billie Cook**, back from a pleasure cruise to the Mainland, stepped right back into the volleyball winner's circle by taking second in the recent Paki Park three-man draw.
- 4) **Jon Haneberg** and **Bob Arnott** both doing an outstanding job for Schofield's six-man A team.

Shooting

Dave Hendrickson has announced the first annual Outrigger Canoe Club Turkey Shoot. This seasonal event will be held at Hickam Air Base, 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 23. In this shoot, you will shoot the target to get the bird.

Surfing

By Mark Hemmings

OUTRIGGER TO HOST DUKE KAHANAMOKU SURF MEET

For the second year the Outrigger Canoe Club will serve as host to the **DUKE KAHANAMOKU INVITATIONAL SURFING CLASSIC** to be held on Oahu's north shore in mid-December.

Twenty-four of the world's greatest surfers have been invited to compete for the championship in surf which promises to be 15 to 20 feet. Sunset Beach or Waimea Bay are the likely sites. Outrigger stars **Joey Cabell**, **Fred Hemmings**, and **Paul Strauch** are among the select contestants.

Hi-lite of the meet activities will be a special Duke Kahanamoku Day on Wednesday, December 18. A Sand Blast Beach Party with a rock band, Happy Hour prices on the Hau Terrace, and presentation of the twenty-four honored contestants will make for an enjoyable evening. For those interested in watching the spectacular contest, sign up in the lobby for a special bus which has been chartered for Outrigger members and guests on the day of the contest. This is an excellent opportunity to watch the world's finest surfers in action and to support **Joey**, **Fred** and **Paul**. For those who have not seen big surf, you will be truly amazed. And remember—December 18th at the club.

WORLD SURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Joey Cabell and **Fred Hemmings** are in Puerto Rico as members of the Hawaiian Surfing Team competing in the bi-annual World Surfing Championships. As veteran surfing masters, Joey and Fred's trip is being sponsored by the Outrigger Canoe Club. To have two of the six team members from the club speaks for the caliber of surfing at the Outrigger.

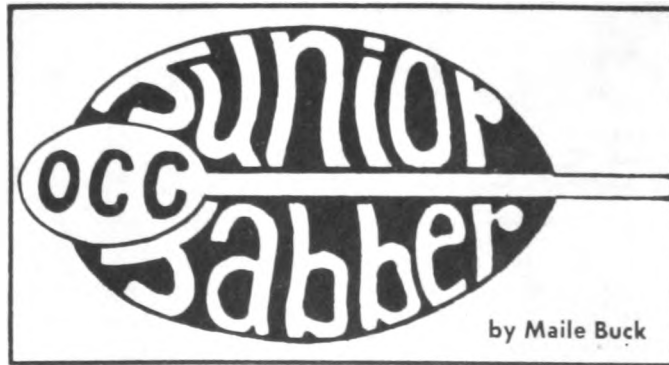
Previous World Championships have been staged in Australia, Peru and California. Hopefully, Hawaii's turn is next. The surf in Puerto Rico is supposed to be quite good, ranging from six to eight feet at Rincon Beach where the meet is being held. The climate and vegetation are reportedly quite similar to that of Hawaii although the water is 8 to 10 degrees warmer, about 80 degrees! We know that both Joey and Fred trained very hard for the meet and will be doing their very best for the Outrigger and Hawaii. We will be hearing from them again in December in the Duke Meet and the Makaha contest where they finished one-two respectively last year.

FLASH

FRED HEMMINGS WINS WORLD TITLE IN PUERTO RICO

Sailing

For the sailing set, **Tom Reiner** recently installed a brand new wind sock to mark the channel entrance and give a very accurate indication of wind velocity and direction. With due respect to the residents of the Colony Surf, the new sock is a bright orange in keeping with their bright orange towels so often seen on the Outrigger beach front.



I'd like to apologize for the absence of my last month's article. It seemed with the ending of Summer and the month of September well on its way all the jabbering was going on within the four walls of school for our junior members.

Well, Punahou did it again and came through with another volleyball title. The boys placed first in the ILH standings by beating the Kam, Farrington, and Kaimuki teams in the Round Robin. Coached by OCC's **Chris McLachlin** the over-populated by Outrigger Punahou team consisted of such great players as **Mike Wilson**, **Bob Schneider**, **Gar Clark**, **J. J. Mounts**, **Doug Straehely**, **Buster Chapman**, **George McPheeters** and **Johnny King**, and the great **Chuck Haneberg** as their manager.

The Pun girls' team ended their season with a comfortable 3rd. Two of the players on this team were **Betty-Ann Rosehill** and **Pam Crest**. Congratulations to all the players for a job well done.

A sad and fond Aloha go to the **Pettit** family who left for Seattle on Oct. 12. Hawaiian Linen Supply Co. transferred Mr. Pettit to their Seattle office.

Sue, **Karen**, and **Laura** have been junior members for only a year but within that year they gathered many close friends. It was really a sad tear shedding scene at the airport. Decked with leis and sad faces, the Pettits left with promises to return soon.

Sue was well known for the beautiful performance during the past paddling season as our novice woman's stroke. Karen and Laura were avid beach goers and were always among our cheering sections at the races.

I am sure I can speak for the club when I say that we really miss all of them and are looking forward to their return next summer. Sue has promised to return to the "sweat, tears, and joys" of Paddling Season 1969.

Linda Stabler and **Mark Buck** were married on October 26th at Saint Andrews Cathedral. The reception following the ceremony was held at the home of Linda's parents, **Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harrison**. Many well-wishing Outrigger members were on hand to celebrate this long awaited event. Mr. and Mrs. Buck spent their honeymoon on the Big Island at the Mauna Kea Beach Hotel.



The Pettit family.

Club Events

Gordon R. Howard has resigned as deputy manager, Hawaii State Chapter American Red Cross, to take a position as sales manager for the western states for the United States Surgical Corporation with headquarters in Los Angeles.

Jerry Ober and **Tom Giles** have announced the formation of a new company to be called Landgraphic Enterprises Incorporated. The firm will do graphic arts, design and interpretive planning specializing in graphic presentations for the real estate industry and interpretive planning and design of visitor information facilities. Jerry has been with the Bishop Museum for eight years prior to his resignation in September. Tom is president of Thomas W. Giles Realty Inc.

Aloha New Members

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Robert G. Chapman
B. Randolph Galt
Pierce Langford III
A. J. Russell, Jr.
Joseph S. Ryan
Richard K. Sharpless

JUNIOR:

William Ashman
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INTERMEDIATE:

Paul M. Bates III
Mary Lou Johnston Beaton
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Sallie Lillard
Allen R. Miller
Ofati Malepeai
Donald E. Nicol
Catherine H. Van Orsdel

ASSOCIATE:

David E. Monahan

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We need pictures, size 2½" x 2½", from the following members for our regular member identification files. Please kokua:

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Vicki Horner Edison
Mrs. Delma Elton
Richard C. Emery
Roy W. Emery
Thomas S. Evans
William H. Ewing

OUTRIGGER CANOE CLUB—SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 12 — BRIDGE — 1 P.M.
 Tuesday 19 — BOOK REVIEW — 10:30 A.M.
 BRIDGE — 1 P.M.
 Saturday 23 — TURKEY SHOOT — HICKAM AFB — 9 A.M.
 MONTHLY DINNER DANCE — 8 P.M.
 Tuesday 26 — BRIDGE — 1 P.M.
 Wednesday 27 — BUFFET DINNER — BINGO 8 P.M.
 Thursday 28 — THANKSGIVING — SPECIAL DINNER

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