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SHARING THE ALUMNI SURVEY RESULTS



Jump Around!

Student leaders from the Class of 2023 kicked off this year's '90s-themed Carnival with a celebratory gathering in front of the Sullivan Administration Building before the Feb. 4 event.

Carnival-goers enjoyed balmy weather throughout the day, along with many of the beloved traditions.

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LET'S GET Social



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Here are some recent comments on our social media channels.

"Over the course of 4 literature classes and 4 years of homeroom (upstairs mauka, with Mrs. Wyatt), I felt more confident and comfortable in Old School Hall than any other building on campus. Especially when seated in those wonderfully deep window sills."

– Jason Greene '88
on LinkedIn

"Proud glass alum. I went on to study glass blowing at CCAC (now California College of the Arts), and was so thankful for my glass educators at Punahou!"

– Maya von Geldern '93
on Instagram

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"The science courses and outstanding teachers at Punahou inspired me to become a meteorologist."

– Brian Moore '71
on Facebook



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ONE TO WATCH

Fabricating the Future

Matai Loveman '23

Matai Loveman '23 has wanted to work with his hands for as long as he can remember. "I grew up watching car and motorcycle TV shows with my dad," he says. "I wanted to be the guy welding the motorcycle together and using big fabrication machines."

Fast forward to today – Loveman is president of Punahou's Design Technology and Engineering Club. He also has accumulated a host of accolades – Athlete of the Year in eighth grade, Engineering Excellence Award in his freshman year, and a Chemistry Recognition Award as a sophomore.

Recently, the junior and his Engineering IV classmates fabricated a battery-powered and solar-charged miniature train, along with a 250-foot track, that can be set up at events to illustrate the vast potential of renewable and alternative energy. The train recently thrilled young riders at Carnival.

Loveman began working on the steel locomotive unofficially as a sophomore, helping juniors in the train class with bending steel for the tracks and welding. When the class ended, the train wasn't complete, so Loveman carried on with the project, spending his free time at the D. Kenneth Richardson '48 Learning Lab to complete the build with a few other motivated classmates. Eventually, the group plans to take the train on a tour of schools around Hawai'i. "The ultimate goal is to inspire other kids about engineering and clean energy," Loveman says. "It's powerful to have students think about how they can individually contribute to a sustainable future."

For college, Loveman is looking at industrial design and engineering programs, but he wants to make sure he continues to have hands-on opportunities. "I'm nervous about picking the right type of program," he says. "There are programs that mostly take place in a classroom, but I want a program that's also going to put me in the workshop building things. Cutting a giant piece of wood on a bandsaw is awesome."

Junior Dean Deane Salter '98 describes Loveman's ability to follow his passions as inspiring. "He pursues interests with an uncommon drive and because of true intellectual curiosity rather than the pursuit of some external validation or recognition," he says. "With his strong drive and work ethic, I imagine he will make major contributions in STEM."

While engineering remains his primary focus, Loveman is an accomplished athlete, training in competitive swimming and baseball since the third grade. He also made Punahou's varsity water polo team, a sport he hopes to play in college.



Last year, he was a member of the 18U Hawai'i team at the USA Water Polo Junior Olympics, held in Dallas. In addition, he represented the state on the Olympic Development Program Zone Team, which grooms promising athletes for national water polo teams.

He is also passionate about music, playing bass for an alternative rock band called Monkey Bread. The six-member group, all Punahou students, perform live gigs, including at last year's Sophomore Lū'au and at a recent junior talent show. Inspired by rock bands like the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Monkey Bread has three songs on Spotify with more recordings to come.

Loveman believes his journey as a student-athlete-musician was facilitated because of adjustments he had to make earlier in his life. He arrived at Punahou in the seventh grade, after spending his childhood in Tokyo, where he studied at the American School. The transition had its ups and downs. "Japan is so safe that even as a 10-year-old I could ride a bike to see friends or take the train by myself," he says. "But when we moved here, freedom certainly diminished. That was a big change."

Nevertheless, he decided to make the most of his new environment, following his interests and opening himself up to make friends. "The first day of class I was sick to my stomach with nerves, but within the first couple of days, I had made some buddies and things just took off from there," he says.

– By Gina Gelber

Seniors Selected as Presidential Scholar Candidates

Twenty-four Punahou seniors have been named candidates for the Presidential Scholars Program, one of the nation's highest honors for high school students. The U.S. Presidential Scholars Program was established in 1964, by executive order of the President, to recognize and honor some of our nation's most distinguished graduating high school seniors. The Punahou seniors are among 4,500 candidates chosen nationwide and 63 in Hawai'i.

Students are initially selected based on their SAT or ACT scores. To be considered further, candidates must submit essays, self-assessments and transcripts. They're then evaluated on their academic achievement, personal characteristics, leadership and service activities, as well as their essay.

In late March, approximately 500 semifinalists are chosen, and in April, the Commission on Presidential Scholars makes the final selection of 121 students. Two students are named from each state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and from families of U.S. citizens living abroad. In addition, up to 15 students are chosen at large, up to 20 students are selected as Presidential Scholars in the Arts, and up to 20 students are identified as Presidential Scholars in Career and Technical Education.



Congratulations to the following Punahou seniors who are now candidates:

Janelle Chu, Noah Chung, Joh Demura-Devore, Zoey Duan, Joshua Dutton, Haruna Floate, Kaylynn Hashiro, Alexander Henkin, Leilani Hoffmann, Leo Kim, Remi Kuba, Carson Loughridge, Jacob Mckeown, Ethan Nagasako, Noah Nakagawa, Bao Nguyen, Sascha Pakravan, Kainoa Paul, Jamie Seu, Helen Shanefield, Tobias Shimabukuro, Madison Suh, Mackenzie Watts and Cedric Yeo.

– By Rachel Breitwieser '03

Kosasa Community Recognized for Design

The Sidney and Minnie Kosasa Community for Grades 2 – 5 was recognized as a distinguished entrant in the 2021 AIA Design Awards, which highlights public and private structures shaping Hawai'i's community for the better through design. American Institute of Architects (AIA) is the leading voice and resource in the architectural profession.

In a statement about the awards, AIA Honolulu President Karen Sakamoto noted that, "all of the awardees exemplified a vision to meet or exceed safety requirements, utilize sustainable and efficient methods and fulfill our cultural and emotional needs."

The award jury was made up of architects and a developer in Hawai'i, Los Angeles and Seattle.

Envisioned by the Junior School faculty, the firm Design Partners Incorporated, and others, created the Kosasa Community as a state-of-the-art learning environment with functional classroom spaces, a Learning Commons and outdoor spaces, all with a focus on sustainability. It is the first net-zero building for energy consumption on campus and is registered as a LEED Platinum building.

– By Rachel Breitwieser '03



WHY SLEEP IS VITAL FOR LEARNING

A nationally renowned sleep expert recently took part in a virtual session with Punahou parents as part of a Team Up initiative to promote social, emotional and ethical learning. Dr. Rafael Pelayo, a clinical professor at Stanford University School of Medicine's Division of Sleep Medicine, told parents during the January Webex session that about 75% of U.S. teenagers don't get enough sleep, which can lead to higher levels of anxiety, anger, fatigue and risk-taking behavior.

Getting adequate sleep is essential for learning, Pelayo told parents, and not getting enough is comparable to leaving your home with a phone that's half-charged. "The phone may work, but in the back of your mind, you know you need a charger. You know it's not at its full potential," said Pelayo, author of the book, "How to Sleep: The New Science-Based Solutions for Sleeping Through the Night." "The same thing happens with sleep. Your kids have learned to get by with less sleep, but they're not at their full potential."

A lack of sleep results in being grumpy, irritable and inattentive, and sleep disorders often mimic attention and learning disorders. "Sleep is involved in memory processing – it's how we learn and absorb new information," Pelayo said. "It's the most natural and powerful form of self-care that we have. It's essential."



The key to establishing good sleep habits is to not just focus on the quantity, but also the quality. It should be refreshing, and you should never wake up feeling tired.

There are two different kinds of sleep – REM (rapid eye movement) sleep, which is associated with dreaming, and non-REM sleep, which is the bulk of our sleep. We start off sleeping in a kind of a light sleep and then we go into a deeper level of sleep. Dreaming dominates the last third of the night. When people don't get enough sleep, they're cutting off the ability to dream. "You need kids to get more sleep if you really want them to get the full benefits of REM and dreaming," Pelayo said.

Snoring also indicates sleeping problems. "If a kid is snoring, they're restless in their sleep," he added. "It means they have poor quality sleep, and you should find out what's happening."

As part of his own self-care to help him sleep, Pelayo said he aims for an average of seven and a half hours of sleep. If he doesn't have at least six hours of sleep, he won't see patients. If he's having trouble sleeping, he tries breathing exercises and meditation.

– By Diane Seo '85

TIPS TO ENCOURAGE HEALTHY SLEEP HABITS

Model good sleep behavior for your kids.

Avoid being in the bedroom except for sleeping, as much as possible.

Instead of focusing on falling asleep, focus on waking up; locking in a wake-up time is key.

Teach young children that having the lights off is safe and not scary.

COURSE SPOTLIGHT



Above left: Punahou parents Scott Paul (far left) and Brian Barbata (second from left) are among the entrepreneurs volunteering to teach the Business, Organizations and Society course. Above right: Vincent Nasrallah '22 explains in a course presentation how the company Chewy captures attention with its quirky style.

Businesses, Organizations and Society

Megan Lam '17 recalls writing a 10-year life plan as part of Businesses, Organizations and Society (BOS), an Academy elective that teaches juniors and seniors about business. Revisiting that plan now, the Northeastern University senior, who recently completed a co-op at Goldman Sachs, is amazed at how much of it remains valid.

Meanwhile, Erik Jia '17, who will graduate from Duke University this spring, remembers watching a TED Talk during the course of billionaire Ray Dalio discussing radical transparency and idea meritocracy at Bridgewater Associates, a hedge fund he founded with a principled-based approach to investing.

Jia applied such principles to the Duke Impact Investing Group (DIIG), a campus organization where he serves as partner. "I think it's because of adherence to an idea-meritocratic culture that we have been able to grow from 10 to 200 members in the three years," he says. "My involvement at BOS and DIIG also influenced my decision to intern at Bridgewater."

Founded in 2004 by Punahou Trustee Mark Fukunaga '74 and businessman Brian Barbata, BOS is now taught by Barbata and volunteer business professionals Ken Gilbert and Scott Paul, and Mark Loughridge, director of Punahou's Case Accelerator for Student Entrepreneurship. All four instructors have extensive business experience both in Hawai'i and elsewhere.

Since its inception, more than 200 students have taken the class, many of whom have ventured off into the business world. BOS is not a typical introductory course that only touches upon business fundamentals. Rather, it's a big-picture course that teaches strategy and leadership and how businesses operate and compete.

"At the mall, I see many of the marketing techniques we learned about, like the 4 Ps of marketing – place, product, price and promotion. But now, it has a deeper meaning," says Sydney Lezy '22, who took the class as a senior.

The course has gone through several experimental forms, the latest being a speaker forum of 15 local entrepreneurs and executives from a wide range of activities, sharing their experiences and the way their organizations work, with the students.

Last fall, Honolulu Mayor Rick Blangiardi spoke to the class about how business applies to government, while Trustee Emily Reber '92 Porter talked about the MacNaughton Group's real estate development process in Honolulu. Former Punahou President Jim Scott '70 spoke to BOS classes for years prior to his retirement, describing the business aspects of the School and getting student input on strategy. The students got to interact directly with the speakers, making it even more relevant.

Geralynne Amasol '19, a junior at the University of Hawai'i's Shidler College of Business, credits BOS with encouraging her to ask questions about the application of concepts rather than just about the concepts themselves, reflecting the practical nature of the course.

Janelle Ramos '22, who operates a custom-designed sticker business called Demi Art, said the course helped her refine her business model. "I have a better understanding now of why the decisions I made to grow Demi Art were successful, and I also have a much better idea of how to do my business finances."

Rustin Katsura '22 says the course has furthered his plans to build a social media app. "I learned how to harness the power of exponential technologies, create roadmaps for my app and build my business from the ground up," he says.

To volunteer as a speaker for the 2022 fall class, please contact Mark Loughridge at mloughridge@punahou.edu.

– By Noelle Nakaoka '20

IN GOOD COMPANY

Conversations with staff, faculty and employees, beyond their jobs

Advocating Wellness

Raquel "Kelly" Hicks '89

After a lengthy career in the corporate world and for nonprofits, Raquel "Kelly" Hicks '89 arrived at Punahou last fall to take on the role of Chief Human Resources Officer. Having most recently worked at Hawai'i Pacific Health (HPH) as Director of Organizational Effectiveness, she's thrilled to return to her alma mater to help the School's 700-plus employees with everything from managing benefits to enhancing their well-being.

With two children (Cody '25 and Kanani '29) attending Punahou, Hicks said being on campus is particularly meaningful. Outside of work, she is an avid bodysurfer – actually, a champion bodysurfer. (She won the bodysurfing world championships in 2000.) She's also a huge animal lover, with two Cavalier King Charles Spaniels and a cat in the family.

What attracted you to this position at Punahou?

I was at HPH for 16 years, and I really loved the mission and the people I worked with. I've always worked for nonprofits. I come from a very values-oriented family – we're all in roles where we serve others. My parents are doctors. My mom worked at Kapi'olani (Medical Center) for 30 years, and my brother is a career police officer. When this opportunity became available at Punahou, I thought, "Maybe it's time to make a change and continue to serve a mission that I believe in, to serve students, while being on campus where my kids are."

How has the pandemic changed HR, including at Punahou?

I think recruitment is a tough challenge right now, not just at Punahou, but across the country. There's been more turnover in the last couple of months than in many years. People are re-evaluating their lives, and thinking about their families, well-being and work environments. There's a lot of soul searching. At Punahou, we want to make sure people are in jobs they feel great about, and that they feel valued as a person. I think the challenge moving forward is going to be around recruitment, retention and well-being. Those are high priority for us at Punahou and for every employer moving forward.

What interests you about working with people?

I love people. I was a psychology major, and my master's degree is in Industrial/Organizational Psychology, so I'm more of a psychologist than an administrative HR person. I love how everybody is so uniquely wonderful in their own way, and how you could meet a million people in your life and never meet two people who are the same. I feel that you can't be your best self and bring your best self to work if you're not taking care of your own personal well-being. I've been a certified Gallup Strengths Coach for about six years now, and have a strong passion for strengths development.

I'm a huge advocate for prioritizing health, well-being and your own needs first. I know that's particularly hard for people, like



teachers, who serve others. But we can't serve people if we don't have our own lives in order. I want to help people understand that they need to take care of themselves personally. That's one of our roles as leaders – to care for people first, before thinking of them as an employee. We have to think of our employees as uniquely wonderful people with their own personal needs.

Have you enjoyed being back at Punahou?

It's been more wonderful than I anticipated. Just walking across the campus and bumping into my son as he's leaving Chapel, or having my daughter hang out in my office before we go home – it's been delightful. Also, I love just being on campus. Seeing the energy of the kids really keeps me focused on what I'm here to do. Everything we do is about the students, and being in an environment where students are all around you really keeps me grounded.

I know serving the community is important to you. Can you tell us about your volunteer work?

I'm on one of the boards for Habitat for Humanity. I'm passionate about what they're doing to help people improve their quality of lives by giving them a good, safe home. I also used to work for the Humane Society and my daughter and I are volunteers. I'm passionate about animal welfare, and my kids and I have volunteered at the Humane Society on and off for many years.

You're also still bodysurfing?

Yes, even though I'm in my 50s, you can still find me out bodysurfing when the waves are big. I go to Point Panic. It's a bodysurfing-only spot, so there's a tight community of avid body surfers there. That's been a big part of my life since I was a teenager. I like to go after work and be out there to see the sunset. Sometimes at dusk, I'll see the sun setting and the moon rising at the same time which is so grounding and peaceful.

– By Diane Seo '85



Holo ka wa'a

Kamaola, Punahou's wa'a kaulua, celebrated its first time at sea last October. A month later, Academy Voyaging Club leaders came aboard for her first sail with students. Academy students enrolled in a Voyaging course will set sail in April.

From left, Dru Hara '06; Punahou faculty Dave Strang, Calvin Lac and Captain Kaniela Lyman-Mersereau '05; and Mark Ellis of the Polynesian Voyaging Society sail Kamaola near Māmala, fronting Ka Pua with Diamond Head in the background.

Photo by Kathleen Connelly

Alumni interested in participating in future focus groups or providing suggestions and feedback, please email alumni@punahou.edu



WE HEAR YOU!

SHARING THE ALUMNI SURVEY RESULTS



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To strengthen its alumni experience, Punahou recently sent out a comprehensive survey to alumni, inviting anonymous feedback about their experiences while at Punahou and after. The last time the School sent out a comparable survey was in 2006, 16 years ago.

Punahou's Office of Alumni Relations initiated the effort to gain an honest, fresh take on the School's connection to its graduates. "It's a way for us to define a larger strategic plan we're putting together for the next three to five years," Alumni Relations Director Doug Rigg '84 said. "When we come out of this pandemic, we are excited to have a roadmap to help define what we're going to do."

The School received nearly 2,300 completed or partially completed surveys with respondents spanning generations and the globe, and providing a wide range of perspectives. Along with answering multiple choice questions, participants offered thousands of written comments that included praise, suggestions and criticism.

"We were surprised and amazed by how many people took time to give us feedback," Rigg said. "We read through all of the comments, and they're going to help us do things better."

The Alumni Relations team and the volunteer Punahou Alumni Association are now engaged in strategic planning together, informed by the survey results. Areas of focus are improved and more targeted communications, promoting a culture of volunteerism and philanthropy, and creating programs for career development, mentoring and networking with other alumni, with a special focus on engaging recent graduates. Highlights of the strategic plan will be shared in a future Bulletin.

"This all builds on the concept of a lifelong connection to Punahou. You graduate, but you never really leave the School," Rigg said. "That's why it's important to do a survey like this to make sure we're heading in the right direction, because we're here to serve our alumni." — By Diane Seo '85

Some key survey results:

Some 63% said they have had either a good or excellent experience as a Punahou alumna or alumnus.

Some 59% feel there are enough ways to engage and connect as an alumnus or alumna.

About 58% stay informed about Punahou through word of mouth from other alumni or other parents.

Punahou's core communications vehicles are well-regarded. Over 70% felt that the School's overall alumni communications effort was excellent or good.

Alumni have high regard for Punahou – nearly 90% of respondents have an excellent or good current opinion of the School.

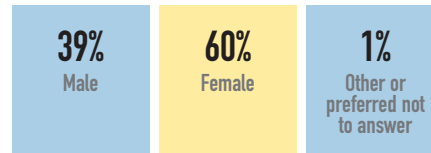
More than 40% of respondents consider Punahou to be their highest or high (top three) philanthropic priority.



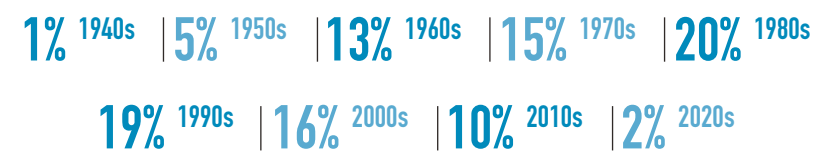
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Note: Results are rounded to the nearest percentage. Some survey questions allowed respondents to select "all that apply," thus amounting to percentage totals above 100%.

What is your gender?



When did you graduate from Punahou?



Where are you located?

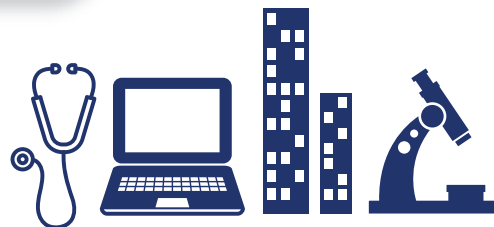
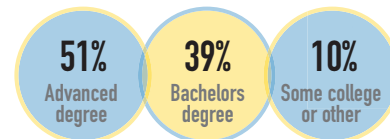
51% in Hawai'i | 45% in Other Parts of U.S. | 4% International

What You Said

"I was totally blown away by a tour of the Kosasa Community! Have you done a virtual tour of the recent changes at Punahou? I think it's great when you highlight the successes of Punahou grads, such as books written, art exhibitions, ideas that have changed the world in some way."

– Member, Class of 1965

Highest level of education attained?



What industry do you work in?



WHAT WE HEARD > ALUMNI RELATIONS

Doug Rigg '84

Director of Alumni Relations

Erin Teruya '93 Kinney

Associate Director of Alumni Relations

What was your reaction to the wide range of comments and responses received?

Doug Rigg: Overall, it was very positive. We felt the love pouring out from our alumni, and it was gratifying to see we're hitting the mark in many areas. We also saw areas where we have some work to do. Shining a light on those areas is how we'll get better.

What are some of those areas?

DR: About 90% of the respondents said they had either a positive or a very positive experience as a student. When asked what their experience has been as an alum, it didn't match up exactly. That was an aha moment. We thought the student experience might feed into the alumni experience, but that's not always the case. We're doing really well with alumni, but we want to hold the highest bar possible.

Erin Kinney: There were also several people who shared that they didn't have the best student experience, and we are hopeful that we can build relationships with them, leading to a really valuable alumni experience. The survey also reaffirmed that word of a mouth is how alumni learn about things happening, along with the Punahou Bulletin. Now that we know how people get their information, we want to leverage them better. We want to engage those who haven't been engaged and give them reasons to do so. We want to make our programming so irresistible that they're going to want to be part of it.

DR: Another big takeaway is that we need to evaluate and measure what we do in terms of what does and doesn't resonate. We need a better way to measure what we do after someone attends an event. What happens next? How do we further engage them? Do we ask them if they would like to be a Reunion volunteer or join the Punahou Alumni Association (PAA) board? We have an opportunity to look at new event attendees, whether it's at in-person events or online, figure out how to bring their engagement to a new level, and then measure that.

There were some critical comments about Punahou and the alumni experience. How do you regard such feedback?

DR: I want people to feel we heard them and are listening to see how we can make their experiences better. Especially when people are suggesting the same thing – that's definitely something we want to consider.

What You Said

"I would love more virtual ways to connect with my Class or my field specifically. Also, I would absolutely love any opportunities to expose my children to the Punahou ways virtually."

– Member, Class of 2010

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EK: The honesty that the alumni provided is a mirror for us to see the positive effects of our growing alumni programs, and it will help us to move to an even better place. That's what really what our charge is – to continually improve the alumni experience.

Do you see changes in terms of alumni events?

DR: For the most part, people are happy with what we're doing in terms of events, but we need to focus on people who can't come back to Hawai'i. This is a big part of what we want to do in the future. We've learned during the pandemic that we can have hybrid events, so if people can't come home for their Reunion, there's still a way to participate.

We also have a lot of people who are just not geographically close to a PAA regional chapter, so that's another reason we need to up our game in the virtual arena and create online communities that are professional and social. Then once people have the ability to participate, we have to promote it better. Some respondents said they weren't clear on how to get involved, so we see an opportunity there.

EK: We want to find new ways to highlight all the alumni who are out there, like how we featured a lot of business owners with our alumni holiday gift guide. We're going to look for ways to introduce all these cool people to others within the community. Overall, we're trying to find different ways for people to engage. In the past, we grouped people by region, which means you had to be physically located in the same area to gather. But now with virtual events, you can have a Punahou book club that's open to everyone or for our alumni chefs series, we can have a chef in Thailand, and people all over the world can cook Thai shrimp with him. The boundaries have been blasted open.

Alumni said they were interested in sharing career knowledge with students. Is there potential for this?

EK: Alumni really want to share their experiences and knowledge with students and younger alumni. That was the number one thing they're interested in doing with Punahou. So now, we're working on how we can make that a fulfilling experience for alumni, students and faculty.

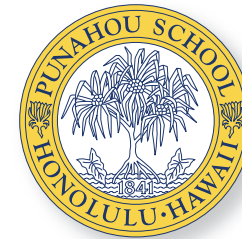
DR: We already have successful mentoring events like the Alumni Healthcare Spotlight and Global Careers Spotlight that bring together Punahou students with alumni working in specific fields. Knowing that more alumni want to be involved in this type of collaboration and knowing the breadth of our alumni network, we see opportunities to expand our offerings to students by adding new industry events for alumni to share their career experience. We might also think about adding an element to the existing College Previews event that focuses on college majors and studies so older Academy students can meet and talk with college-aged alumni studying in certain fields.

What can be done to get younger alumni more engaged?

DR: We have some younger alumni events like Mingle and Jingle, College Previews and the Brews & BBQ event, which we couldn't have this past year because of the pandemic. But we want to do more during the summer break to engage our college-aged alumni who are back home. We also want to reach out to future alumni, current juniors and seniors at Punahou, and let them know about the value of staying connected as alumni. We're potentially even thinking of having a one-year reunion for recent graduates, because waiting five years may be too long. If we brought the Class of 2022 back in 2023, for instance, and involve them with Alumni Week, that might make them feel like they still belong, instead of them thinking, "I'm in college, and Punahou doesn't really matter to me."

What's the next step in terms of getting alumni input?

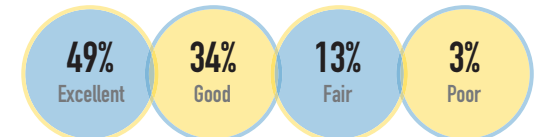
DR: As we become more intentional with our programming, we hope to convene alumni to brainstorm as a group, potentially by generation. We want to know what a 27-year-old living in Massachusetts wants to see from the Punahou alumni office and from PAA, as well as the interests of a 74-year-old living in Hawai'i and everyone in between too. We also want to invite alumni to become content providers and come up with event ideas and programming. We have these engaged people who answered this survey and raised their hands to participate further, so now it's figuring out how they can help.



Which of the following describes your academic experience as a Punahou student?



Which of the following describes your extracurricular experience as a Punahou student?



What You Said

"It seems to me that in the decades since I graduated, Punahou has included in its mission more service to the wider community. I appreciate this shift of focus and hope that current students leave feeling a sense of responsibility to share the gifts of their great privilege." – Member, Class of 1979

How did your Punahou education prepare you for the following?

Academic challenges of college and beyond



Social emotional well-being and resilience



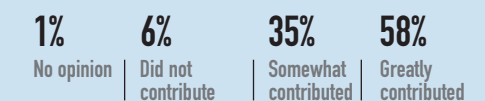
Work ethic/persistence



Flexibility and adaptability in academic and professional settings



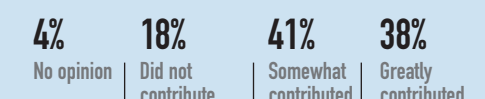
Engagement with different perspectives and cultures



Commitment to civic/social responsibility



Commitment to social equity/inclusion/diversity



Career path/professional success





Describe your relationship with friends made at Punahou:

51%

I continue to be close with many of them and maintain regular contact.

23%

I am in touch with these friends periodically (holidays, trips, etc.)

13%

I occasionally get updates from these friends.

13%

I am not in contact with most friends from school.



When you were at Punahou, how much did you feel a sense of belonging at school?



32% Completely belonged
38% Belonged quite a bit

27% Belonged somewhat
3% Did not belong at all



What You Said

"While the mental and emotional well-being supports have grown immensely since my time at Punahou, I think there is much more room to grow in this area and needs to be a priority." – Member, Class of 1986



Which of the following describes your experience as a Punahou alumnus or alumna?

20% Excellent

43% Good

24% Fair

5% Poor

8% No opinion



How often have you done any of the following since graduating (in-person or virtual, as applicable)?

Attended regional alumni events/activities

29% Never

22% Rarely

32% A few times

16% Frequently

1% Don't know

Did you know?

More than 1,300 attend regional alumni events.



Attended Class Reunions or Alumni Week events/activities

22% Never

21% Rarely

27% A few times

30% Frequently

0% Don't know

Did you know?

More than 3,000 alumni participate in Reunion activities each year.



What You Said

"It was a silver lining for us out-of-town alumni that Punahou was forced to go virtual. I watched the Holokū Pageant for the first time online. I also checked our recordings of some other online events. So keep this up." – Member, Class of 1972



Attended Punahou Carnival

32% Never

15% Rarely

18% A few times

35% Frequently

0% Don't know

Did you know?

Nearly 1,000 alumni volunteer to work Carnival shifts every year.



WHAT WE HEARD > ADVANCEMENT

Noelehua Lyons '91 Archambault
Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Why is it important to ask our alumni these questions?

We want our alumni to connect with each other and with the School, and we want to do everything we can to offer creative ways for people to find huge value in being Punahou alumni. We have a diverse Punahou community, and there are things we've been doing for years that are beloved and highly valued, like Alumni Reunion Week. Most folks don't want those things to change, but we want to continually check in to see what our alumni care about. Do they like having a Bulletin mailed to them? Do people enjoy engaging in virtual sessions about something that's happening right now at the School or with an alumni author or chef? Do they only want in-person experiences? We need to make sure we're on the right track. We've tried new things during the pandemic, and we want an honest assessment of what is and isn't interesting to our alumni.

What were your biggest takeaways?

There were many! I think the most refreshing takeaway was that so many alumni cared to fill out the survey and spend even more time on thoughtful and reflective comments. They want their school to be the best that it can be, too. Another was to continue with the Bulletin in print – it was wonderful confirmation that we put a lot of resources into something people care deeply about. It was also affirming to hear how connected people are to their classmates, to the School and to the alumni Reunion program.

We also learned that some feel they receive too many communications, especially if they're also a current parent, faculty or staff. Meanwhile, there are other alumni who read every Buff 'n Blue email newsletter and every Bulletin, and they want even more information. We're trying to find a balance, and hopefully technology will help personalize that going forward. People should be able to select their desired level of communication with the School.

Were you surprised that so many people wrote in responses?

We were thrilled that we received so many thoughtful suggestions, including constructive criticism, because we're always trying to improve. After the pandemic, we want to make sure our alumni feel welcome at Punahou and have opportunities to engage with each other and take part in events and activities both virtually and in person. We hope they feel that they are a part of a treasured, thoughtful and caring community.

How will Punahou use the feedback on charitable giving and giving to Punahou?

We learned that people are responding to the values they share with Punahou and our vision for educating the next generation who will positively impact their communities. The survey confirmed that what we're sharing is resonating with folks and that Punahou is a priority philanthropically.

We're asking alumni to let us know if they want to be part of future focus groups. What more information is the School seeking?

We strive to enhance the lives of our alumni. Building on the great insights we received through the survey, we'd like to gather alumni across different ages and regions for focused conversations about creating engaging programming, communication preferences, and building out specific affinity groups that might be of interest. We also want to continue gathering data that can be used to advance our curriculum. For instance, some of the questions we asked focused on mental health, well-being, student safety and a sense of belonging at the School. We're sharing this data with counselors and others at the School, so it can help with how they support students.

What should alumni do if they have questions about the School?

Reach out to our Advancement (advancement@punahou.edu) and Communications (communications@punahou.edu) team members. We're happy to answer any questions, hear new ideas and provide more detailed information about future plans or historical background about anything at the School. We welcome any and all questions, concerns, thoughts and suggestions.



Have you attended a School-sponsored event?



What You Said

"I would love less professional networking opportunities and more social opportunities. Paint classes, dance classes, hula classes, cooking classes, Come use our new wood laser-cutting machine, etc."

– Member, Class of 1988

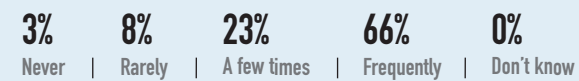
Reached out to a fellow Punahou alumnus/ alumna for networking or career support?



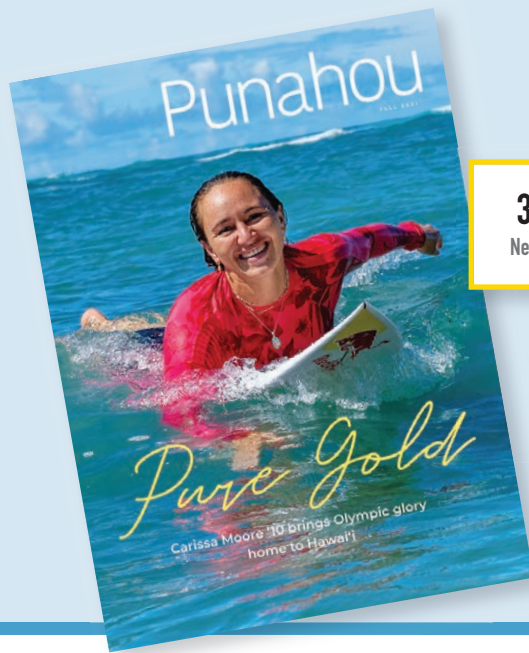
Purchased Punahou logo items from the Buff 'n Blue store?



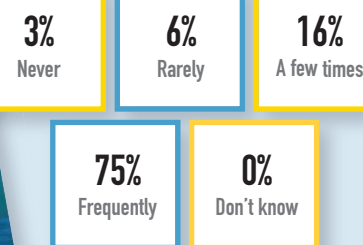
Been in touch with other Punahou alumni?



Been in touch with Punahou faculty or staff?



Read an issue of the Punahou Bulletin?



Did you know?
The Bulletin's total readership is more than 30,000.

What You Said

"I know digital is a great way to communicate, but I really enjoy receiving my hard copy Punahou Bulletin. I know if it was online, I would not read it like I do now."
— Member, Class of 1977

Visited the Punahou website?



What You Said

"Took quick action on the COVID crisis, including financial aid to students whose parents were affected financially by the crisis. Still need to overcome the rich kids school perception."
— Member, Class of 1970



Accessed Punahou social media sites (Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube)?



What You Said

"One suggestion I have related to communications is to not shy away from the darker side of this year, and the tears and tragedy and anxiety that we have all shared."
— Member, Class of 1998

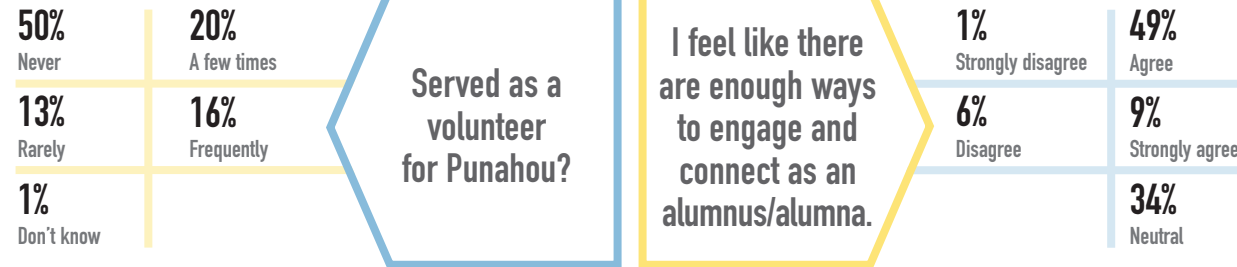
Attended a Punahou athletic or performing arts event?



What You Said

"Maybe monthly or bi-monthly update emails specific to our Class? And with some generic updates like, this is what's in the Buff 'n Blue shop these days, or here's an alumni community service opportunity this month, or here's an alumni perk from an alumni business this month, etc."
— Member, Class of 2006





What You Said

"Remember that not all alums have children in the School, and so we don't have as much knowledge of what is happening at the School. And find ways to engage alums that isn't just about attending events. Offer us a choir, hula lesson, Hawaiian lessons, etc. And be more targeted in mailings/communications." – Member, Class of 1978

How interested are you in the following opportunities for engagement with Punahou?

Attending a professional networking event?



Serving as a Class Correspondent?



Did you know?

Punahou has 150 Class Correspondents covering 80 Classes.

Serving on a Punahou Alumni Association or regional chapter board?



Did you know?

There are now 116 PAA volunteers.

Sharing professional advice with young alumni or students?



WHAT WE HEARD > COMMUNICATIONS

Robert Gelber '92

Director of Communications

What were your takeaways from the survey in terms of communications?

The survey showed us how important communications from the School are to our entire community. Whether it's through our Bulletin stories, social media, Buff 'n Blue emails and other announcements, our alumni are able to stay connected to what's happening at Punahou, as well as what's happening with their fellow alumni. This sense of connection is something that has taken on even greater importance during the past two years with the challenges presented by the pandemic.

More than 1,000 people shared personal thoughts about the School's communications to alumni. What was your reaction to these comments and suggestions?

My reaction was one of gratitude. To see our alumni as engaged as they are was a reminder of the important role and responsibility that communications plays in telling Punahou's story. I am reminded of the Banyan Tree and its many branches. Wherever our alumni go in the world, there are deep roots that connect us all back to this place. Our job is to nourish those roots and remind folks of our interconnection.

How can Punahou improve communications with alumni?

The changing face of technology has opened up new possibilities for communicating. The key now is to capitalize on these advances, but to also do so in a way that feels relevant and personalized to alumni. People want tailored experiences, so managing how we segment our alumni constituents will become something that we pay particular attention to.

Will the Punahou Bulletin be going all-digital?

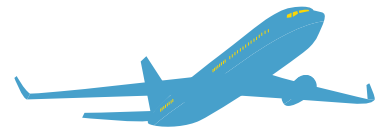
Digital has its place, but so does print. There is something about the physical experience of the print magazine that you just can't replicate on digital – the scale of the photography, the way people leaf through it, set it down and come back to it, or share it with family members. Folks wait for it in the mail, then read it cover to cover. Most magazines wish they had a readership like ours. Similarly, digital has its own unique qualities. Digital allows us to provide rich storytelling throughout the year and to present dynamic, interactive content only available online, such as audio clips, podcasts, related stories, expanded photo galleries and more. Going forward, we really see a place for both the print magazine and digital edition in our communications.

What You Said

"I think it's admirable how much communicating Punahou does with its alumni. I appreciate it very much as it gives me a window into the School that I would not otherwise have, and I'm happy to hear about what is going on – the good, the bad and the ugly. I think it also creates a sense of belonging, community that people often long to have."

– Member, Class of 1968

How interested are you in the following opportunities for engagement with Punahou?



Participating with the Alumni Travel Program?

10%
No opinion

43%
Not interested

35%
Somewhat interested

3%
Extremely interested

8%
Very interested

Serving on your Reunion committee or as a fundraising volunteer?

8%	56%	24%	8%	4%
No opinion	Not interested	Somewhat interested	Very interested	Extremely interested

Participating in the Buff 'n Blue "Back to School" lifelong education program?

19%	43%	28%	8%	3%
No opinion	Not interested	Somewhat interested	Very interested	Extremely interested

Participating in the Punahou Book Club?



10%
No opinion

55%
Not interested

28%
Somewhat interested

5%
Very interested

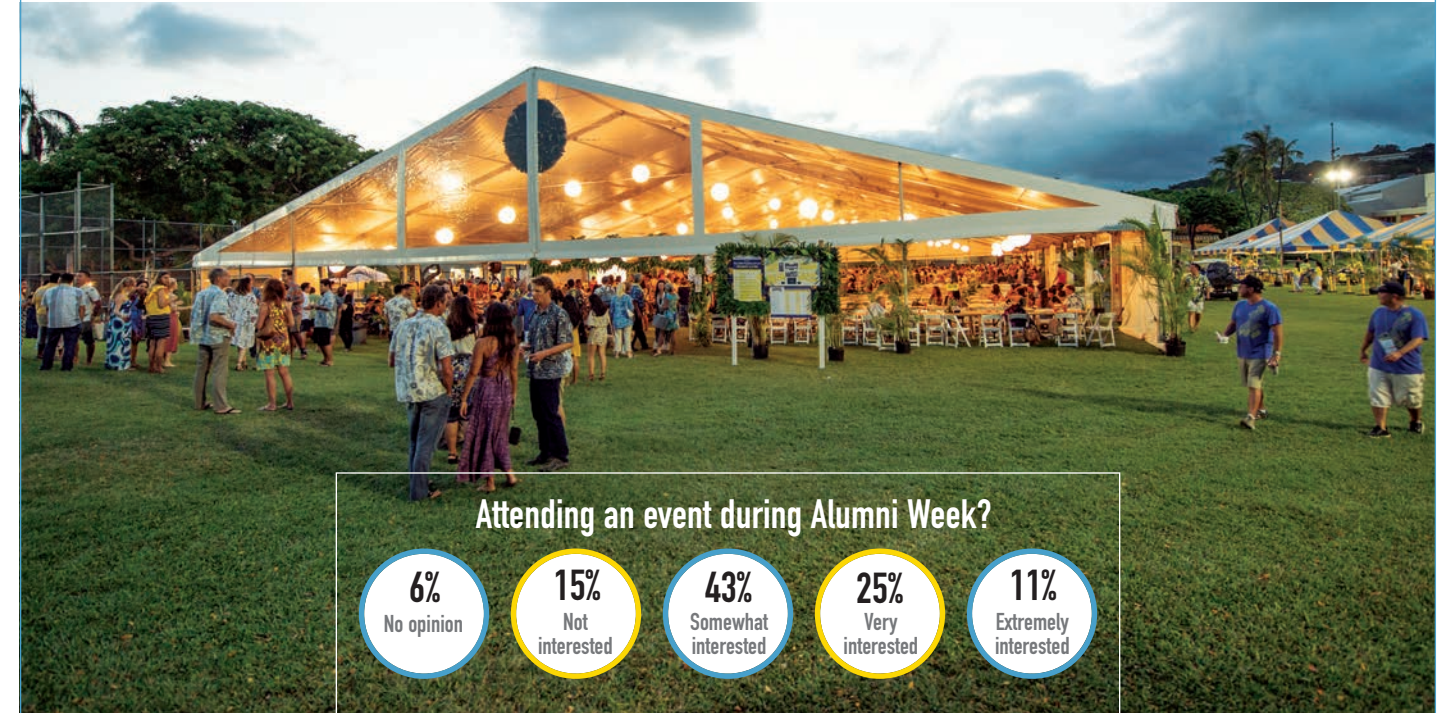
1%
Extremely interested

What You Said

"I think it might help to communicate and have events based around certain graduating class groupings. Like activities with the classes of '94, '95 and '96. It can be hard to know where to draw the lines, but because there are so many more shared experiences, I know I'm most comfortable at alumni events where people are roughly the same age, as opposed to those with people much older or younger than me."

— Member, Class of 1995

Did you know?
There are close to 1,000 Punahou Book Club participants.



Attending an event during Alumni Week?

6%
No opinion

15%
Not interested

43%
Somewhat interested

25%
Very interested

11%
Extremely interested

Participating in School traditions and activities?

9%	19%	44%	20%	8%
No opinion	Not interested	Somewhat interested	Very interested	Extremely interested

Alumni programming focused on School initiatives?

13%	35%	37%	12%	4%
No opinion	Not interested	Somewhat interested	Very interested	Extremely interested

What are the barriers to your engagement with Punahou?

Time/other commitments	68%
Geographic distance	56%
Engagement opportunities haven't been of interest to me	19%
I don't know how to get involved/unaware of opportunities	17%
Other	12%
Concern about getting fundraising requests	7%
Lack of perceived value	6%
Dissatisfaction with the School	4%

How do you stay informed about Punahou?

Punahou Bulletin	89%
Word of mouth from other alumni and/or current parents	58%
Other email updates from Punahou	56%
Social media	45%
Attending alumni events	21%
Buff 'n Blue monthly newsletter	18%
School website	14%

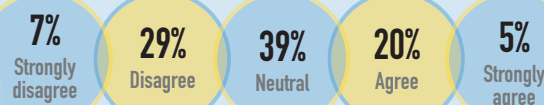
What You Said

"Punahou has such an accomplished alumni base it would be awesome to incorporate folks' expertise into School curriculum and coursework if we can be value-added and contribute to current teaching and learning at Punahou. I think most folks would be happy to give back in their areas of expertise, especially if it enhances the Punahou School experience for current students." – Member, Class of 1995

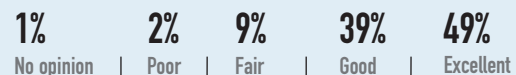
How would you describe the effectiveness of Punahou's communication with alumni?



Should Punahou move all of its major communications to a digital format?



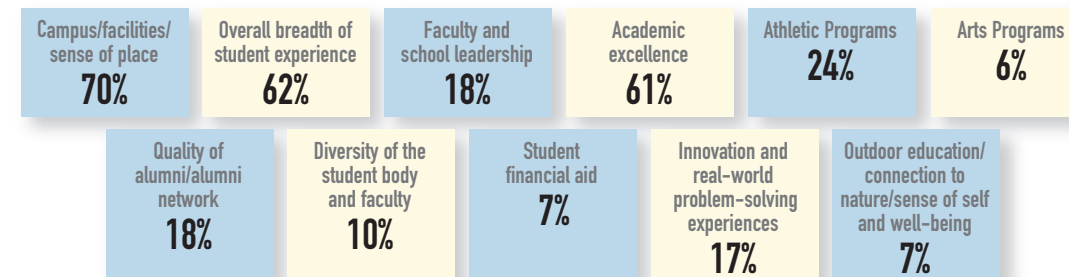
How would you describe your current perceptions of Punahou?



What You Said

"Positives: Outstanding facilities and wonderful opportunities for students in all areas. Negatives: Cost prohibitive, especially for middle-class families with multiple children who don't qualify for financial aid." – Member, Class of 1994

Which of the following do you perceive to be Punahou's current strengths?



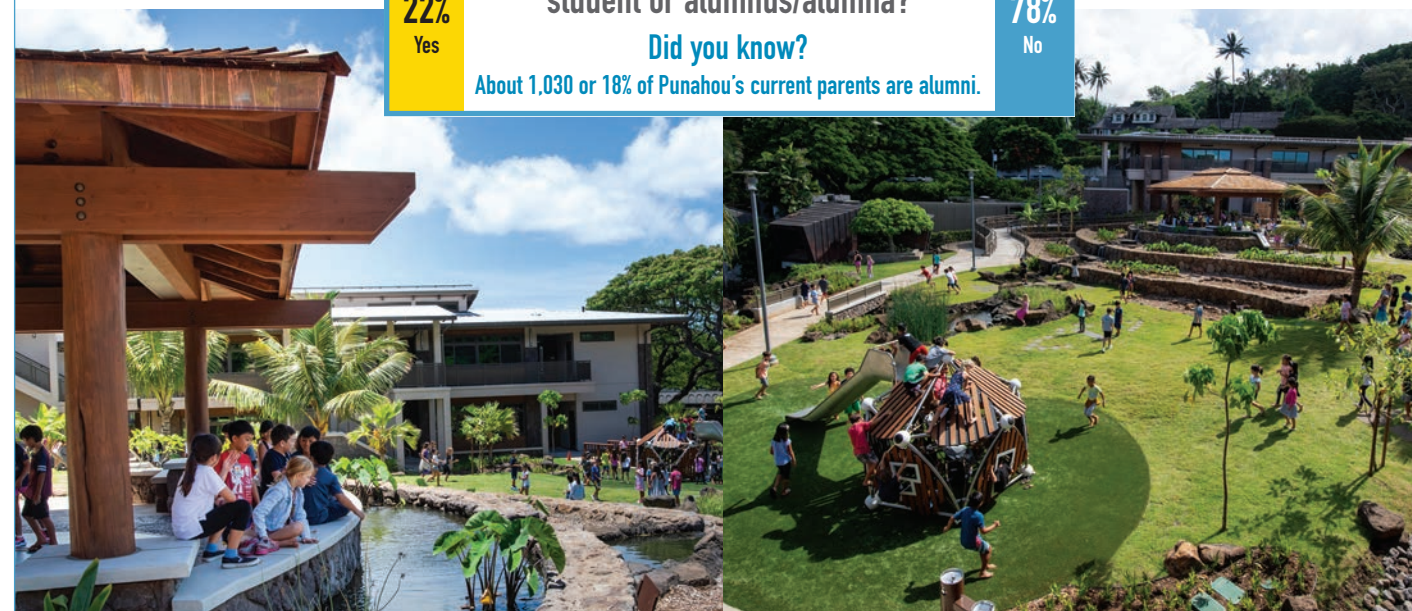
Are you a parent of a current Punahou student or alumnus/alumna?

22%
Yes

78%
No

Did you know?

About 1,030 or 18% of Punahou's current parents are alumni.



What do you value most in your child's education?





Which of the following areas at Punahou would you be most interested in supporting with a donation?

Did you know?
Some 72% of all gifts to Punahou were from alumni in FY21.

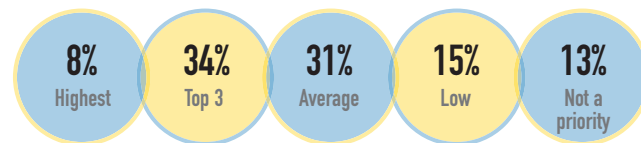
Punahou Fund (unrestricted for best use)	50%	Social emotional learning and student well-being	24%
PunsUnited Fund/financial aid	28%	Entrepreneurship and public service	17%
Academic programs	21%	'Ike Hawai'i/Hawaiian studies	15%
Environmental sustainability	15%	Arts programs	14%
Athletic programs	13%	Global education	13%
Faculty support	10%	Learning environments/facilities	8%

What You Said

"I'm very proud of Punahou and of being an alum. The School has only improved, and improved quite a bit since my time there. The commitment to Hawai'i and Hawaiians, to diversifying the student population even more, to an environmentally sustainable future and to serving the community is truly impressive and inspirational."

– Member, Class of 1988

Where does Punahou rank among your charitable priorities?



Special Performance

Violinists Hinano Kawaiaea '23 (left) and Gwyneth Tenn '25 (right) recently performed with the Punahou Symphony Orchestra at Dillingham Hall. It was the Symphony's first concert as a full group since February 2020. Due to pandemic class-size restrictions, students had been meeting in two separate sections since the fall of 2020. For the final piece of the concert, the Symphony performed "Por una Cabeza," a tango featured in the movie, "Scent of a Woman."

Transforming Spaces to Inspire Wonder

Punahou unveils plans to build a new Academy Learning Commons



A dynamic future awaits Punahou's high school students as the School prepares to build a state-of-the-art, LEED-certified Academy Learning Commons, designed to enhance collaborative, project-based learning and spark imagination at a time when the world has been transformed by technological revolutions and an innovation-driven economy.

This stunning reimagining of Cooke Library into a 21st-century extension of the classroom is envisioned as an intellectual, creative and social hub of the Academy – an inviting space where students will access a broad range of information and materials, collaborate with classmates and teachers on projects, explore virtual reality and augmented reality, experiment with culinary chemistry and food sustainability, and showcase and present their work.

Along with an Emerging Technologies Lab, a Peer Learning Center will provide opportunities for students to mentor each other. Cooke Library's large collection of books and resources will be housed in modern, sweeping open spaces full of natural lighting. There also will be a new cafe and gathering space, selling grab-and-go food from a kiosk for busy students and faculty in between classes.

Unlike the existing Cooke Library, there will be multiple entrances to amplify the flow throughout the building and truly connect the Academy and Junior School sides of the campus, with grand entrances facing both the Academy Quad and Rice (Middle) Field and additional, smaller side entrances. The new design also includes ample lanai space and covered outdoor seating.

"This new Learning Commons will create opportunities that are beyond our imagination," said Wendi Kamiya, department chair of the Learning Commons. "We can't wait to provide students with this future-focused environment."

Planning for the facility began several years ago and is now in the permitting process. The School hopes to break ground in the summer of 2023 and complete the project in 2025. This is Punahou's first major building project in the Academy since the opening of the Mamiya Science Center more than two decades ago.

The impetus for reconstructing the existing Cooke Library aligns with Punahou's core mission to provide students with the skills, resources and inspiration to pursue interests and projects that address real-world issues.



The new Academy Learning Commons will feature extensive outdoor, covered gathering spaces for students and faculty, with a generous lanai on four sides, as well as a convenient grab-and-go food kiosk.



The Academy Learning Commons is envisioned as a gathering space designed to foster engagement, collaboration and connection.

“The world into which our students will graduate has changed, and we need to ensure that our educational facilities change with it,” President Mike Latham ’86 said. “As (students) pursue new careers and opportunities in an innovation-based, globally interconnected future, they will need to develop the capacity to collaborate in teams, draw knowledge from multiple fields and use new technologies to frame concrete solutions to authentic, real-world challenges.”

The plan simultaneously advances Punahou’s vision to offer students from kindergarten through grade 12 an interconnected Learning Commons that expand learning beyond traditional classrooms. The K – 8 Junior School Learning Commons, with cutting-edge design labs, art and music spaces and more, was completed as part of the Kosasa Community in 2019, and the Academy Learning Commons will extend this journey through high school.

“The K – 12 Learning Commons continuum is vital to every student’s experience at Punahou,” said Noelehua Lyons ’91 Archambault, Punahou’s vice president for Institutional Advancement. “These all-encompassing environments combine access to a broad spectrum of information, the ability to ideate and physically fabricate solutions, and the arena to present and share student and faculty work broadly

with our community. The Learning Commons are designed to be flexible, creating space for the possibility of the yet unimagined.”

Renovating Cooke Library

When Cooke Library was built in 1965, it was hailed for its world-class resources. It’s served the School remarkably well for nearly 60 years, but new educational needs have arisen. For one thing, there aren’t adequate areas where students can work collaboratively, and the Academy lacks space to expand its artificial intelligence instruction.

“The key advantage of the new Learning Commons is the flexibility of the space,” Kamiya said. “When we started this project back in 2014, we determined that flexibility was a high priority, because educational needs are continually changing. The pandemic only heightened this need.”

The new structure will offer various-sized spaces that can be used in multiple ways. These include conference rooms and multiple design studios, including the Emerging Technologies Lab. It will also have open spaces that serve as either group or individual study spaces, along with areas

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– Wendi Kamiya, department chair of the Learning Commons

to showcase student art and other creative works. Clubs and student government can hold meetings in the Learning Commons. Students seeking a quiet area for an online college interview could reserve a small room to do so and classmates can meet for academic work or just to unwind together. In short, students will feel at “home” at the Commons.

Despite an overall reimagining, there will still be a library at the core. “You’ll have print books, a library and librarians who help students find books, online information and resources, whether they’re books, e-books or databases,” said Susan Clark, a librarian at Cooke Library.

Right now, the motto at the existing Cooke Library is to make do with what’s there. The building is due for major renovations, including enhancing the electrical infrastructure to support technological needs. Rather than just spend money to make repairs, the School is seizing the opportunity to reconceptualize what’s most needed for students and to support the School’s evolving curriculum.

“Better physical environments greatly enhance learning,” Clark said.

Centers for Emerging Technology

The Emerging Technologies Lab is poised to radically expand the School’s instruction of virtual and augmented reality (VR and AR), by providing a technology-rich place for students to design and create prototypes using artificial intelligence.

“There’s about to be a revolution involving other virtual worlds, and Punahou needs to be on the leading edge of that and teach students how to build out those environments,” said Taryn Loveman, director of Punahou’s Design Technology and Engineering.

Mark Loughridge, director of the School’s Case Accelerator for Student Entrepreneurship, said developments in robotics, software and artificial intelligence, and machine learning could lead to a bigger shift than what took place during the industrial revolution.

“Every industry is going to change as the world embraces these technologies,” he said. “It’s appropriate for Punahou to take a lead in educating students on how to employ these emerging technologies in areas that interest them. You think about Steve Case, who got us on to the internet and democratized it. Now, there’s an opportunity as the internet deepens from 2D to 3D for a new generation of student entrepreneurs and innovators coming out of Punahou to deepen our lives and experiences in immersive areas. It’s a continuation of our story of pioneering.”

Punahou already has developed curriculum to teach emerging technologies, launching an eighth grade VR program and a VR and AR class in the Academy. “These technologies are already changing the curriculum, and that will continue,” Loveman said. “And this new facility is going to be a place that revolutionizes learning and instruction across all content areas.”

The new lab, which provides a continuous bridge to the Academy curriculum from the Junior School, will allow faculty to have a designated space with proper equipment, instead of having to set things up, then take everything down. The existing D. Kenneth Richardson ’48 Learning Lab and the new Kosasa design labs are also scheduled every minute of every day, limiting the type of new instruction that could be offered. “We’re already over capacity, so when we open the new facility, these programs are going to flow into it and fill it instantly,” Loveman said.

Cafe and Gathering Space

The cafe is envisioned as a gathering space designed to foster engagement, collaboration, intersection and connection among students and faculty.

Since his arrival at Punahou three years ago, Mark Noguchi ’93, Punahou’s food curriculum specialist, has been working with faculty across campus to integrate food into the curriculum at all grade levels.

“When you invite people to come on campus and share their skills, students see the connection to why they need to learn things and acquire skills,” he said. “They see what they could accomplish through hard work. I also firmly believe food brings people together and being able to add more culinary opportunities will foster this togetherness.”



Above: The building design features multiple entrances from the Academy Quad, as well as a new grand entrance from Rice (Middle) Field that faces the Junior School to better connect it with the rest of campus. Below and right: The Cooke Library Collection of books and resources will be housed in a bright and modern open space to maximize natural light and create more inviting spaces for group meetings and individual quiet study.



Fundraising Begins

Punahou has begun fundraising to support construction of the new Academy Learning Commons, with the Cooke Foundation, Limited leading the way with a pledge of \$1 million.

"The Cooke Foundation has a deep and long-term relationship with organizations that our founders helped create, and Punahou is part of our family history," Cooke Foundation President Greg Wrenn '86 said.

Trustees of the Cooke Foundation are excited to see how the design reflects progressive approaches to teaching and learning, along with inquiry-based principles. "We love the notion of a Commons where students, faculty and the community interact and think together," Wrenn added. "It will bring President Latham's key priorities to life and serve as an important model for the future of education."

— By Diane Seo '85

Dynamic Future Ahead

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT MIKE LATHAM '86

"For many of our students, the question is no longer merely, 'what do I want to be when I grow up?' It has also become, 'what problems do I most want to help solve?'"

- President Mike Latham '86

One of the four entrances to the Academy Learning Commons will face Rice (Middle) Field.



I am very excited to share the news that Punahou will soon embark on a full renovation of Cooke Library to create a dynamic, new Academy Learning Commons. Since its construction in 1965, Cooke Library has served as a wonderful center for teaching and learning. Within its walls, generations of Academy students have developed the essential skills needed to pursue their intellectual interests, thrive in their studies, and gain a greater sense of who they are and what they might accomplish. They have also used it as a sanctuary for quiet reflection, taking full advantage of breaks to study for exams, frame arguments and papers, and strive for a sense of balance among competing demands.

As it was for many Punahou students, Cooke Library became an integral part of my own daily life. As I rose in pre-dawn darkness to commute to campus; spent a full day immersed in classes and labs; raced through my afternoons at cross country and track practices; and finally returned home to eat dinner, prepare for classes and fall into bed, Cooke Library emerged as a precious space where I could pause, study, reflect and think. Walking through its doors, I still feel a deep sense of gratitude to those who envisioned, built and supported it over a half-century ago.

The world into which our students will graduate, however, has changed, and we need to ensure that our educational facilities change with it. While the classic liberal arts abilities to think critically, write clearly and use quantitative



reasoning remain essential, we are now preparing students for a world in which they will need to learn, relearn and constantly adapt to new environments. As we pursue new careers and opportunities in an innovation-based, globally interconnected future, they will need to develop the capacity to collaborate in teams, draw knowledge from multiple fields and use new technologies to frame

concrete solutions to authentic, real-world challenges, ranging from climate change to food security, elementary education, public health or democratic governance and civil discourse. For many of our students, the question is no longer merely, "what do I want to be when I grow up?" It has also become, "what problems do I most want to help solve?"

Our design and vision for the new Academy Learning Commons reflects those objectives. While the need for quiet study space and library collections certainly remains, the Academy Learning Commons will also support the inquiry-led, project-based learning that has become central to Punahou's curriculum. Technology-rich spaces will empower our students to work with the tools of virtual reality to build scientific and economic models and to

navigate a growing global ocean of data and information. Areas for group work will promote collaboration and the vital exchange of ideas. A cafe and gathering space will create an ideal location for faculty to mentor and advise students outside the classroom and to host events with visiting experts, alumni and community leaders. A grab-and-go lunch space will support busy students as they transition among classes. Gallery spaces will feature student creativity, and our Punahou Archives will provide students with fascinating primary sources, bringing the School's history to life.

Our planning has also built on our experience with the Junior School Learning Commons in the new Kosasa Community for Grades 2–5. In that project, we aligned our library resources with world-class design and fabrication labs, along with music, art and theatre spaces. This has enabled our students to learn across multiple disciplines. Our third graders, for example, might study Hawaiian history, music and art, and design products together, creating new paths to understanding. In the Academy, we now envision a similar intellectual hub, complementing our existing design and arts facilities with a center for the production and sharing of knowledge.

The first major capital project in the high school since the completion of the Mamiya Science Center in 1999, the Academy Learning Commons will also be an aesthetically compelling space. With wide, open entrances facing Rice

(Middle) Field, as well as the Academy quad, it will provide a compelling visual connection to the Junior School. Its large, wrap-around covered lanai will give our students much needed shaded space for their work together. Large, clerestory windows on the main floor will also open the building to appealing natural light.

Each day that I spend in the Academy, I am struck by the tremendous creativity, energy and potential of our students and faculty. Walking across campus, I come upon theatre and Holokū dance rehearsals, chemistry tutoring sessions, soccer practices and debate team strategy sessions. As I teach my Advanced Placement U.S. History course, I am constantly amazed by the curiosity, insights and drive my students display. Our new Learning Commons will be a transformative force for new generations of students and their teachers, enabling them to make the most of their tremendous gifts and to benefit the wider community of which they are a part.

I hope you will share our sense of excitement as we pursue a new phase in Punahou's long history of innovation. Thank you for your support as we build our School's future together.

Emily Chang '98 Stull

BY MARI TAKETA



6:30 a.m.

On a weekday morning in the Bay Area, the anchor and executive producer of cable TV's "Bloomberg Technology" and "Studio 1.0" is awakened not by her alarm, but by her four high-energy youngsters, ages 2, 5, 7 and 9. It's a typical start to a day in the life of Emily Chang '98 Stull – national bestselling author, Emmy winner and one of the country's leading business journalists. She gives silent thanks that husband Jonathan Stull, COO of the job-matching app Handshake, is already up and making breakfast. Then she checks her phone. The news cycle never sleeps, and today there's already a breaking story: Twitter CEO and co-founder Jack Dorsey has just resigned. "It's exhilarating and stressful," Chang says, "But it means that we need to kick into high gear. Which guests are we going to book? I have to reach out to Twitter. I have to contact my sources to find the full story. What is the show going to look like? Who are we going to call?" With the sun still below the horizon, Chang's day is already turbocharged.

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She hustles the kids out the door to school, with the help of her nanny. Bloomberg's West Coast studio is at Pier 3 on the Embarcadero, the network's third largest after New York and Washington, D.C. It's where Chang was recruited out of a job as CNN's China correspondent, covering the 2008 Beijing Olympics, President Barack Obama '79's historic state visit and the superpower's emergence onto the world stage. None of this, not even journalism, was on Chang's radar a decade earlier as she contemplated her future after Punahou (where her mom, Sandra Chang, taught reading, writing and American history). Chang got into Harvard and opted for premed studies, but craving more stimulation and interaction, quickly switched to liberal arts and journalism. It didn't matter that Harvard had no journalism program.

Freshman summer, an internship at Hawai'i's KITV sealed that decision. As Chang shadowed reporters and anchors and wrote her first news pieces, she fell in love with telling stories by putting words to pictures. Internships followed at "Good Morning America" in New York City and network affiliates in San Francisco and Boston. Chang's first time in front of a camera was in Birmingham, Alabama. Her first on-air job was at KHON-TV in Honolulu. Her dad had just passed away, and coming home gave her time with her mom in a supportive community that embraced the local girl. Then she was off again, taking jobs in steadily bigger, more high-profile news markets – until Bloomberg reached out to her in Beijing. Jonathan had been accepted to business

From left: Emily Chang '98 Stull talks to actress Jessica Alba the day her diaper company Honest goes public. Chang interviews NBA star Stephen Curry and his wife, entrepreneur Ayesha Curry. Chang on the set of Bloomberg Technology wearing a pair of ripped jeans not visible to the camera.



school at the University of California at Berkeley. The couple wanted to raise a family in the Bay Area. And Bloomberg was proposing that Chang launch a new TV show based in San Francisco. It was pretty much a dream come true. Except she had never been a business journalist.

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The first meeting of the day is bicoastal. "Bloomberg Technology's New York team goes over a rundown of the day's show, with Chang and the San Francisco team chiming in to talk about what news might develop and which guests to feature. The rundown can change many times before the show goes live at 2 p.m., but today the lead is clearly the Dorsey resignation. Chang starts researching, prepping notes and interview questions, bouncing ideas off her producers. Bloomberg's studio is not far from Twitter's San Francisco headquarters and Silicon Valley. The tech giants are all on the West Coast, which is why New York-based Bloomberg launched the country's first TV show about technology, innovation and the future of business here. For Chang it presented a steep learning curve. She tackled the assignment the same way she took on journalism at Harvard – full-bore. "Bloomberg West," the predecessor of "Bloomberg Technology," debuted in 2011, with Chang anchoring its fast-paced coverage five days a week. Not satisfied with the snippets of interviews she could fit in the hourlong program, she launched a second, "Studio 1.0," leading one-on-one "chatfests" with Facebook's Mark Zuckerberg and Sheryl Sandberg, YouTube CEO Susan Wojcicki, Arianna Huffington, Melinda Gates and others – often people known for not giving interviews.

Women are prominent among her guests. Chang's 2018 book "Brotopia: Breaking up the Boys' Club of Silicon Valley," exposed a surprising bro culture and its toxic, culling effects on women in tech. It became an immediate national bestseller. "The book was a huge milestone in my career and maybe the hardest thing I've ever done, but so rewarding," Chang says. "I hope that changed the world a little bit. I hope it had some influence on the Me Too movement in Silicon Valley and beyond. I want girls and women everywhere to know that they can do it. We need their talents, and we need them to help us break down the barriers, brick by brick." She still gets invited to talk about her book and will make time to share what she's learned. But not today.

2 p.m.

"I'm Emily Chang in San Francisco, and this is Bloomberg Technology." The show is live. Today, after a flurry of on- and off-the-record calls with sources, she'll interview David Kirkpatrick, a New York Times journalist who covers Twitter and Facebook, and Bloomberg's Twitter specialist for insight into Dorsey's abrupt departure. At this level, Chang's world of business television is fiercely competitive, and the goal is always to book the most relevant guests, deliver the most salient information, which can mean chasing leads and reaching out to CEOs, investors and entrepreneurs often until 1:45, the last possible minute. And then, at 3 p.m., it's over. Chang and her team debrief and brainstorm ideas for tomorrow's show. By 4 p.m., the workday is a wrap.

4:30 p.m.

Family time. Regrouped with her kids at home, she distributes snacks from work (Bloomberg's perks include unlimited free snacks for employees) and listens as they recount their day. They're active in baseball, soccer, piano and other activities, so this unscheduled playtime is golden. It's often the one window in her day when Chang can unwind – or rather, in a house with four youngsters, it's when she can step out of the 24-hour news stream. Reading together, doing projects or just hanging out, this unstructured family time is strictly structured into her day.

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With the kids tucked in, Chang uses these quiet moments to prep for the next day's segments. In the back of her mind is a wish list of people she finds fascinating but has yet to interview – Reese Witherspoon, for her active role in streaming and fascination with cryptocurrency; Beyoncé, whose career moves she admires as much as her music; and the heads of TikTok and Snapchat. "I want to better understand how these products are going to change our lives and the lives of our children," Chang says. "The pandemic has changed all of our lives and it's changed technology. Companies like Google are going to be working in hybrid mode. Cryptocurrency is just taking off and we're heading into a crypto winter, a down cycle for the industry. The transition to electric cars is huge, as well as how companies are working on sustainability." She may eventually write another book. But every day, the next thing on her plate is tomorrow's show.

10 p.m.

Some nights, Chang and Jonathan close the day with a Wordle duel. Then the last lights in the house go off.

TOUCHING BASE

Checking in with Punahou's young alumni

CJ Perez '21 Speeding Ahead

BY DIANE SEO '85

Young alumna CJ Perez '21 has been on a tear, shattering milestone after milestone during her meteoric ascent in professional sailing.

Last October, after competing with the United States team at the Spain Sail Grand Prix, the 18-year-old became the youngest athlete to ever compete in SailGP. She's also the first American woman and first Latina to do so, and one of only six female athletes internationally to ever race onboard a F50 foiling catamaran.

Her feats have received national media attention for ushering in a new era of diversity in the traditionally white male-dominated sport.

"It means a lot that I can compete and represent not only Hawai'i, but females and Latino communities on such a global scale," Perez said. "I really want to see more people, like myself, get into sailing and pursue it to the highest level."

In just a few years, Perez has established herself as a fierce hydrofoil sailor, which involves flying above the water at blistering speeds. In that capacity, she's set to compete with the SailGP Team at the United States Sail Grand Prix on March 26 and 27.

SailGP is the world's top sailing league, with eight national teams competing in races throughout the season. With this final competition of the season, the winning team will take home \$1 million in prize money. (The Bulletin went to print shortly before the race, but results from the event will appear in the online version of this story.)

So how did this recent Punahou graduate wind up a sailing superstar while still a teenager?



Perez learned to sail at age 13, which is late for professional sailors. She's not from a sailing family – in fact, no one in her immediate family, including her siblings Matthew '13, Andrew '19 and Sarah '19, knows how to sail. But she grew up near the water in Hawai'i Kai, seeing other kids on boats, and begged her parents to let her take sailing lessons over a spring break while in middle school.

From that initial instruction, her career took off. "In the beginning, I was just doing it for fun," she said. "I didn't think it was going to turn into what it did, but my coach saw a lot of potential in me. He said I had natural gift for sailing, and I saw it too."

After just nine months, she raced in the 2018 North American championships and ended up winning the competition, becoming the first female athlete to claim the title. She then went on to capture the 2019 World Championships and the 2021 WASZP U.S. National Championship. She also was selected to compete and be part of the foiling exhibition at the 35th America's Cup Endeavour Finals in Bermuda in 2017.

She was named to the United States SailGP Team while still a senior at Punahou, but she only became eligible to race after she turned 18 last September. She was picked after taking part in SailGP's Women's Pathway Program, which promotes gender diversity. Her first time competing with the U.S. team was in October, in Spain, with the Americans placing second after the Australian team. "I was thrown on board racing my first day," she said. "But I love the butterflies you get in your stomach when you're on a start line racing with the best people in the world."



The adrenaline rush got her in the zone, as she recalls the scene during the highly charged, two-day race. Windy and choppy conditions caused the Spanish team to capsize. Wildly cheering crowds. Stationed in the sixth position, communicating through earpieces with her teammates, whom she describes as all "super intelligent sailors."

"When I'm with SailGP, it's the best feeling ever because you're seriously going so fast. It's the fastest I've ever gone," she said. "I can't wait for future events."

Leading up to this year's SailGP final in San Francisco, Perez trained at home at Maunalua Bay and Kāne'ohe Bay on her one-person hydrofoiling boat, with her mentor, Harald von Sydow. Although her boat is far smaller and less high-tech than the SailGP boat, it still allows her to fly over the water. Her focus is to maintain a peak mindset, and it's this that sets her apart.

"If she sets a goal, she will accomplish it," von Sydow said. "CJ has always had incredible dedication and focus – since she was 12. She naturally learns fast, most likely from her mindset, she overcomes mistakes, learns from those and ascends."

Perez says she's kept a journal since she learned to sail. Sometimes, she reads her early entries and is amazed how far she's come.

"My brothers used to ask me what I wanted out of sailing, and I just thought of it as something fun to do," she said. "To see where I am now, and the fact that I was selected to be on the U.S. team at such a young age – I'm really grateful. I hope to be an inspiration to others to show them that you don't have to come from a sailing family to pursue sailing on a professional level. It just takes hard work, determination and curiosity that will move you forward and into the top."

Left: CJ Perez '21 raced with the U.S. team at last October's Spain Sail Grand Prix. Above: Perez is the first American woman and first Latina to ever compete in SailGP.

Patrick O'Neill '11 Off to the Races

BY GINA GELBER

Last spring, Patrick O'Neill '11 made national news, along with four of his football teammates from Brown University, as part-owners of Hot Rod Charlie, a prized contender for the Kentucky Derby. The college buddies garnered attention for their young age, and their foresight to invest in a champion racehorse that ended up finishing in third place in one of the country's three elite Triple Crown racing events.

Although Hot Rod Charlie is O'Neill's first foray into thoroughbred horse ownership, as the nephew of two-time Kentucky Derby winning trainer Doug O'Neill, he's carrying on with an intergenerational family tradition.

At the onset of this journey, Patrick warned his friends that horse racing was risky. Nevertheless, the friends moved ahead with the venture because it was less about making money and more about nurturing the bonds they had forged during college.

Winning, though important, is not the group's driving force. "We want to do something for a bigger and greater cause that is beyond us and beyond horse racing," Patrick says. The group pledges one sixth of proceeds from Hot Rod Charlie's wins to a nonprofit that funds melanoma research, a form of skin cancer that Patrick's father, David, died of in 2015 at age 57 and his uncle, Danny, died of in 1997 at age 38.

Given its initial success, the original group of investors brought more friends into the venture and recently acquired two additional horses – Win the Day and Franklin One Star. The plan is to also pledge a percentage of proceeds from the new horses' wins toward charitable causes. Even if Win the Day and Franklin One Star don't exceed Hot Rod Charlie's success, Patrick reckons that he and his friends



are already winners for following their instincts.

Taking the less-obvious path has paid off for Patrick in the past. As a Punahou freshman, he remembers vying for intermediate football instead of junior varsity. It was a hard decision as many of his friends wanted to play on the more seasoned team, but he didn't think he was physically or mentally ready and waited a year.

"During that year, I grew and ultimately wound-up being fortunate enough to make varsity in the 10th grade," he recalls. "It really all comes down to

trusting in yourself. And if you do things for the right reasons, you can't lose no matter the outcome."

Along with listening to his instincts, Patrick says he's learned to set goals and go out and accomplish them without hesitation. His latest pursuit was training and running the 2021 Honolulu Marathon, his first 26.2-mile race. It was about half a mile into the December race, when the fireworks illuminated the pitch-black sky and the crowd erupted with excitement. His heart was thumping as the adrenaline rushed through his legs. Getting to this point was not easy by any means, but he had a powerful incentive – honoring his father. "My father was an avid runner and ran the Honolulu marathon many years before. I always told myself that I wanted to complete one and, if I did, beat his time," he says.

He eclipsed his father's record, with a time of 3 hours, 36 minutes, which was the 188th fastest time at the race.

O'Neill is a believer in living life to the fullest. "Every day you wake up and it is not about yesterday or tomorrow, but about winning the moment," he says. "This world is



Above: Patrick O'Neill '11 (third from left) at the 2021 Louisiana Derby, which Hot Rod Charlie won. Last year, O'Neill made national news by being one of the co-owners of Hot Rod Charlie, a prized contender in the Kentucky Derby who ended up placing third. Left: O'Neill clocked an impressive time of 3 hours, 36 minutes at last year's Honolulu Marathon.

absolutely amazing, and I would like to experience all of it. Why not check every box?"

As far as work, Patrick who double majored in environmental engineering and business entrepreneurship at Brown, is vice president of sales and strategic partnerships at Founder Sport Group, a company that focuses on apparel manufacturing for teams across the nation, partnering with brands like Under Armour and Asics. He started at the company in 2017, rose through the ranks and today manages

a team of more than 15 employees, splitting his time between Charlotte and San Diego. He scours the country looking for new partners, acquisitions, and technology to drive growth for the business.

It's fitting for Patrick to be pursuing a career in sports, which he says shaped him during his time at Punahou and well after. "The experiences when you don't necessarily have all of the success on the field or on the court are ultimately so enriching," he says.

New Year *New You*

We asked alumni to provide actionable and achievable tips to live healthier and happier lives. It wouldn't be a New Year's list without fitness and diet goals, but there are also suggestions to increase mindfulness and peace of mind.

Journal Daily for Mental Wellness

CARRIE ANN INABA '86



My morning routine wouldn't be complete without sitting on my front porch swing (my happy place!) and journaling before I start my day. Sometimes my little dog, Lola, joins me. Sometimes it's just me with my cup of coffee and my thoughts. I love to start my day by journaling because it helps center my emotions and keep me grounded before I take on whatever the rest of the day has in store for me.

Carrie Ann Inaba is a choreographer, entrepreneur and TV personality on ABC's "Dancing with the Stars." She is also the founder of Carrie Ann Conversations, a multimedia platform that helps audiences live better lives. Follow her on Instagram @carrieanninaba.

Schedule Workouts in Your Calendar

ESTEE OKUMURA '99 SHIZURU



Skip the to-do list and schedule workouts in your calendar with time-blocking. Whether your goal is to move three times a week or five, it is important to create time and space in your schedule for these workouts to happen. Set yourself up for success! The focus should be on putting 100% effort into using this time to move your body in a way that feels good for you.

A Honolulu firefighter, now health coach, Estee Shizuru inspires and helps women to live an active and healthy lifestyle. To book a talk story with Estee, visit linktr.ee/simplyestee.

Schedule your Colorectal Screening

DR. ANKUR JAIN '95



Guidelines now recommend that everyone begin colorectal screening at age 45 rather than 50, or sooner with other risk factors. Colon cancer is beatable through early detection and preventable through the removal of pre-cancerous polyps found during a colonoscopy. Even during the pandemic, colonoscopy can be done safely. There are also options for stool testing at home. The best screening test is the one that gets done!

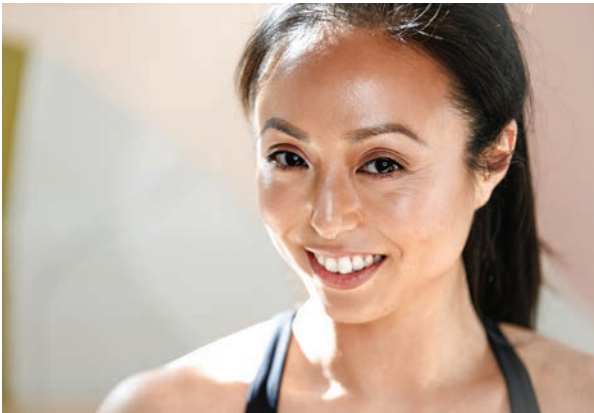
Dr. Ankur Jain is a board-certified gastroenterologist and an Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine at John A. Burns School of Medicine. He is in private practice with his wife, Dr. Shilpa Jain, also a gastroenterologist, in Honolulu.

Relieve Back Pain with Mindful Pauses

CHRISTY KOKAMI '05

Every action that we perform, whether it's through movements or our thoughts, creates or reinforces a pattern in our brain. This is why it's so important to take mindful pauses. By giving yourself an opportunity to pause and notice what, how and why you physically, emotionally and mentally feel the way that you do, you can choose to align yourself in ways that will help relieve your pain from the source of discomfort.

Christy Kokami took her first yoga class while a student in the Academy. She is currently a yoga instructor in Honolulu who teaches mindfulness and specializes in back pain and scoliosis.



Practice Gratitude

ELIZABETH KAOH '06

Instead of focusing on how to "fix" your appearance this year, be mindful of the messages you are soaking in and offer yourself goals rooted in self-compassion. Studies show gratitude practice can significantly increase well-being and life satisfaction. So, before you start or end your day, do this 3-2-1 gratitude practice. Write three things you are grateful your body did for you that day, followed by two things you like about your personality, and one act of kindness you will do or did that day.

Elizabeth Kaoh is a registered dietician with a background in psychology and mindfulness-based practices. She operates a private practice in Kaimuki, Regenerative Nutrition.

Re-evaluate Your Estate Plans

HEATHER CONAHAN '87

Use this new year to re-evaluate your estate plans, or at least take the first step towards making such plans. Your family and loved ones will be thankful for your careful planning.

Heather Conahan is an estate planning attorney at Conahan Law Group in Honolulu counseling clients through major life events, administering estate and establishing trusts.



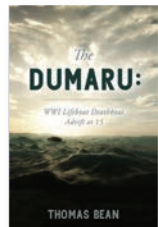
A look at the published books written by Punahou alumni and faculty that span a variety of genres and subjects.



Michael Baughman '55

"An Old Man Remembering Birds"

In a series of short, engaging essays, Michael Baughman '55 reflects on his lifelong fascination with birds – from his deck in southern Oregon, at the end of a shotgun and on the beaches of Hawai'i and Baja California. He reflects on human-animal relations, why humans seek closeness with nature and how a dedicated birder can also be a dedicated hunter. This is Baughman's ninth book. His previous books include, "Mohawk Blood," "Warm Springs Millennium" and the novel, "Grower's Market."



Thomas Bean '65

"The Dumarú: WWI Lifeboat Deaths Adrift at 15"

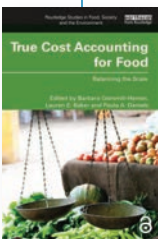
Connor "Sparks" MacBain ships out of Portland, Oregon, as a 15-year-old radio operator on the Dumarú, a green wooden ship designed to carry munitions into the final phases of WWI in the South Pacific. The ship is struck by lightning off Guam, and the crew are adrift in lifeboats in huge ocean waves and wind without any hope of rescue. This is a survival tale aimed at young adult readers in middle school and beyond.



Leslie Kirk Campbell '69

"The Man with Eight Pairs of Legs"

This collection of short stories, which won the Mary McCarthy Prize in Short Fiction, is about the ways our bodies are marked by memory, often literally, and the risky decisions we make when pushed to the extreme. Leslie Kirk Campbell's '69 short fiction has appeared in Ploughshares Solos and won awards at Arts & Letters, Southern Indiana Review, Briar Cliff Review and The Thomas Wolfe Review. The author of "Journey into Motherhood," she teaches at Ripe Fruit Writing, a creative writing program she founded in San Francisco.



Paula Daniels '73

"True Cost Accounting in Food: Balancing the Scales"

Paula Daniels '73 co-edited this compilation of essays written by experts from around the world about True Cost Accounting, a metric-based method of analyzing the impact of our food production systems. This book can be used by professionals and policymakers involved in developing and reforming the food system, as well as students and scholars working on food policy, food systems and sustainability.



Chase Walsh '93 Day

"The Australian Teamster Donkey: Heritage, Management and Future"

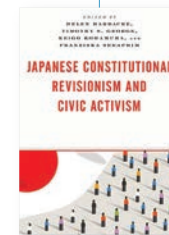
This is the story of Australia's unique donkey breed, an animal that was vital to the opening-up of colonial Australia but then turned loose, forgotten and even despised. However, opinions are now changing, and they are being rediscovered.



Tori Brenno '79 Eldridge

"The Ninja Betrayed"

Named one of The Los Angeles Times' "Five Fall Mysteries You Shouldn't Miss," this novel by Tori Brenno '79 Eldridge tells the tale of Chinese-Norwegian ninja Lily Wong in Hong Kong as she dives into the dangerous world of triads, romance and corporate disaster during the height of the pro-democracy protests. The book is a follow-up to Eldridge's "The Ninja Daughter" and "The Ninja's Blade." Before writing, Eldridge performed as an actress, singer and dancer on Broadway, television and film, and earned a fifth-degree black belt in To-Shin Do ninja martial arts.



Timothy George '73

"Japanese Constitutional Revisionism and Civic Activism"

Timothy George '73 co-edited this book with several others. It examines the history of debates over the Constitution of Japan, addressing key legal decisions and interpretations, the history and variety of activism, as well as activists' ties to party politics and to fellow activists overseas.



RB Herkes '72

"Paddles Up! Huki! The Life and Love of Paddling an Outrigger Canoe"

RB Herkes '72 presents a collection of stories about outrigger canoe paddling, beginning from his first ride as a child to racing in the world's largest long-distance canoe race some 40 years later. During his many adventures, he shares the lessons he's learned about paddling, life and enjoying the ride.



Richard R. Kelley '51

"Paddling the Outrigger: Inspiration and Insights from the Journey of a Lifetime"

The late Dr. Richard R. Kelley '51, who led Outrigger Hotels and Resorts for over four and a half decades and passed away on Feb. 24, 2022, recounts his family's experiences as hospitality pioneers, operating a family-run business in the Hawai'i of "days gone by" to its place as an iconic hotel brand. In frank observations, Kelley shares the philosophy of a successful entrepreneur and businessman, conducting business in Hawai'i and globally and living and working in the most beautiful island archipelago on Earth.



John W. I. Lee '88

"The First Black Archaeologist: A Life of John Wesley Gilbert"

Historian John W. I. Lee '88 reveals the untold story of a pioneering African American classical scholar, teacher, community leader and missionary. Born into slavery in rural Georgia, John Wesley Gilbert (1863 – 1923) gained national prominence in the early 1900s, but his accomplishments are little known today. As we follow Gilbert from the segregated public schools of Georgia, to the lecture halls of Brown University, to his hiring as the first black faculty member of Paine Institute, and through his travels in Greece, western Europe and the Belgian Congo, we learn about the development of African American intellectual and religious culture.



Kathleen Manuzak '10 Miller

"Ava Gets Her Wings"

Kathleen Manuzak '10 Miller illustrated this children's book, which tells the story of young Ava, who goes on a journey and finds out what it really means to get her wings. Miller's background in elementary education child development inspired her love of illustrating children's picture books.



Ligaya Rogers '88 Mishan

"Filipinx: Heritage Recipes from the Diaspora"

Ligaya Rogers '88 Mishan co-authored this cookbook with acclaimed chef Angela Dimayuga, offering 100 deeply personal recipes of Dimayuga and others of Filipino descent. Mishan writes for the New York Times and T magazine. She has been a finalist for the National Magazine Awards, the James Beard Awards and the IACP Food Writing Awards.



Ryon Rickard '65

"Hilo's Loveable Sampan Bus"

Ryon Rickard '65 offers this history of the jitney/sampan bus in Hilo, complete with vintage photos. In the 1930s and 1940s, sampans ran routes around Hawai'i Island, including from Hilo to plantation camps.



Ingrid Chiemi Schroffner '88

"Karma Bank to Following by Listening"

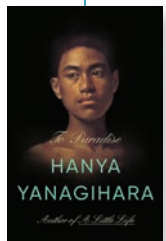
This collection of song lyrics tells stories of warmth and sun, city and sand, paths that lead somewhere and the coins we can keep in the Karma Bank. The lyrics and art are by various artists, including Schroffner's Punahou classmate Eric Humphreys '88. All proceeds are directed to the Asian Community Development Corporation in Boston.



Madge Tennent '61 Walls

"The Visiting Girl"

In this novel by Madge Tennent '61 Walls, Paxton is out of funds and at loose ends, after graduating from Bryn Mawr College in 1901. With no immediate family, not raised to work and no husband in sight, she becomes a "visiting girl," going from home to home among her married friends in Philadelphia. The book is inspired by the young life of actress Katharine Hepburn's mother, an early graduate of Bryn Mawr. Walls currently lives near Portland, Oregon, where she works as a freelance indexer of nonfiction books and helps others write their memoirs.



Hanya Yanagihara '92

"To Paradise"

Pulitzer Prize-winning author Michael Cunningham described Hanya Yanagihara's '92 third novel "To Paradise" as a "transcendent, visionary novel of stunning scope and depth. A novel so layered, so rich, so relevant, so full of the joys and terrors – the pure mystery – of human life, is not only rare, it's revolutionary." Meanwhile Washington Post reviewer Ron Charles says the novel "demonstrates the inexhaustible ingenuity of an author who keeps shattering expectations ... She speaks softly, with the urgency of a whisper. She draws us into the most intimate sympathy with these characters while placing them in crises that feel irresistibly compelling." Yanagihara, the editor of T: The New York Times Style Magazine, is considered a tour de force in the literary world. Her first novel, "The People in the Trees," was heralded as one of the best novels of 2013, and her second book, "A Little Life," won the 2015 Kirkus Prize for fiction and was a finalist for the National Book Award in Fiction.



Rock On!

Guitarist and singer Gus Ralston '24 (center) and bass player Nick Lockwood '24 (right) – who are part of the band, Deadglass – performed at this year's Carnival. Not pictured: Logan Mansfield '24 on drums.

Centered — on — Excellence

New Distinctions program recognizes students pursuing their passions

BY RACHEL BREITWESER '03

Academy students deeply invested in the mission of Punahou's educational centers are now being formally recognized through the School's Distinctions program. Students who demonstrate competency in the respective areas are eligible to receive an official Distinction on their transcripts, recognizing their work with the center they dedicated themselves to, including the Case Accelerator for Student Entrepreneurship (CASE); Design Technology and Engineering; Kuaihelani Center for 'Ike Hawai'i; Luke Center for Public Service; Outdoor Education; and Wo International Center.

The centers have long been part of Punahou's rich tapestry of educational offerings, providing a wealth of programs, opportunities and mentorship to students interested in such areas as global education, entrepreneurship, engaged citizenship and Hawaiian studies. Students from K – 12 gravitate to the centers to explore personal interests or deepen their work in respective areas. For instance, a student concerned about plastic pollution might organize a beach cleanup through the Luke Center, while a student looking to start a handmade jewelry business may seek advice through CASE.

By earning a Distinction, students will be able to show their commitment to a center on their college applications or to a potential employer, with the School's official acknowledgement. "Students, in some cases, will have a portfolio

that could demonstrate four years of work, and show, 'this is how I stand out,'" said Taryn Loveman, director of Design Technology and Engineering. "We can then reach out to universities and tell them what students are capable of."

Dani Goddard, director of Luke Center, said many students spend their free time doing work with the centers, and it's not a pathway that's always visible in a classroom or even mentioned in transcripts. "The Distinction is a great way for students to be recognized for their efforts and demonstrate who they are outside of the classroom," she said

Unlike an award, the Distinction is non-competitive and open to any interested Academy student. Starting in their freshman or sophomore year, students devise a multi-year plan and pursue a variety of opportunities with guidance from the center director. Along the way, they create a portfolio that showcases their learning, then present them to a panel during their senior year. The centers will decide which students will receive Distinctions based on their work and overall commitment.

The Distinction program is part of a transformational approach to education at Punahou, which has a primary mission to foster students' commitment to addressing real-world issues in the community.

The following Academy students have earned or are on track to earn a centers Distinction through CASE; Design Technology and Engineering; Luke Center for Public Service; and Wo International Center. Kuaihelani Center for 'Ike Hawai'i and Outdoor Education are still developing their Distinction programs. Kuaihelani Center will recognize students who demonstrate sustained dedication to Hawaiian language and culture, while Outdoor Education will recognize students who exemplify a commitment to outdoorsmanship, animal welfare, exploration and environmental sustainability.

Case Accelerator for Student Entrepreneurship (CASE)

Rustin Katsura '22 and Chev Kodama '22
DISTINCTION IN STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP

DISTINCTION

The Distinction is given to students who demonstrate sustained dedication and achievement in launching a venture to effect positive change in the community.

For longtime friends and baseball teammates Rustin Katsura '22 and Chev Kodama '22, downtime in the dugout was a time for dreaming up business ideas. Now they're moving forward with one of their ideas with the help of Case Accelerator for Student Entrepreneurship (CASE). Their vision, developed as juniors, is to create an app that uplifts people.

Called Quoter, the app will ask users how they are feeling, then offer inspiring quotes tailored towards improving their mood. "The app is about flipping people's emotions to positive by giving them the right words at the right time," Katsura said. The app also will have a social component, such as a social media feed, where users can submit their own quotes, share, like and comment.

The timing felt right to pursue their plan as the world continues to grapple with the pandemic. "Quotes allow people to connect with others without being physically present, and we can spread that connection through a platform and affect many people," Katsura said. "We thought of the idea because we took a look at what we can offer the world, and one of those things is comforting people when they're down. Through coding and this app, we can do that on a larger scale."

The duo, who took AP computer science and CASE's Coding for Entrepreneurs summer course, said CASE Director Mark Loughridge helped them think through the design and business model for their app. "Mr. Loughridge has been helping with a lot of the design process and the market research and introduced us to resources to help complete the work," Kodama said. "Without CASE, I think that we would still be working on something, but we would be a lot further behind in our progress."

In the short run, the pair hopes to uplift people with quotes when the app launches at the end of the school year. Yet they also believe their app can be beneficial on a larger scale. Since the app was inspired by Punahou's Social, Emotional and Ethical Learning (SEEL) curriculum, the duo has partnered with the Support and Wellness (S+WELL) department and incorporated Yale's Center for Emotional Intelligence mood meter, used at Punahou for students and others to get in touch with how they're feeling.



Chev Kodama '22 (right) and Rustin Katsura '22 (left) are developing an app that uplifts people.

The data aggregated from people tracking their mood on the app can be useful for teachers, and also, as the duo hope, leaders of businesses and organizations looking to gain insight into the emotional well-being of employees. The app would be free, but companies could pay a subscription for the additional mood data. "This is useful and important right now, with so many companies investing in mental health. For example, Google is spending millions of dollars to develop better ways to improve the mental health of their employees," Katsura explained.

Design Technology and Engineering

Kawai Kelekolio '21

DISTINCTION IN DESIGN ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

DISTINCTION

The Distinction is for students who demonstrate sustained dedication and achievement in engineering, computer science, industrial design, place-based design and community service.

Kawai Kelekolio '21, Punahou's first Distinction awardee in Design Technology and Engineering, got his start when he took up Lego robotics in the fourth grade. In the Academy, he progressed to competitive robotics, where he helped Punahou's team design and build 120-pound robots to compete against other schools' bots.

As a junior in the inaugural Engineering 4 class, he and his classmates kicked off an ambitious, multi-year project to design and construct an electric train and 250-foot track in the D. Kenneth Richardson '48 Learning Lab. The ongoing engineering project is a functional, battery-powered and solar-charged replica of a steel locomotive that can be set up at events to show the power of alternative energy sources. He also had a hand in building rigging components for the School's voyaging canoe, Kamaola.

Kelekolio, who is pursuing a mechanical engineering degree at University of Hawai'i Mānoa, says while part of Punahou's robotics team, he developed skills that led faculty to tap him to work on the School's electric train and voyaging canoe, Kamaola. "The skills and knowledge that I've been able to soak up from various faculty and mentors has been huge," he said.

After graduating last year from Punahou, Kelekolio applied to several engineering workshops on the Island, attaching a link to his resume of the online portfolio he created as part of the Distinction program.

He received three offers of employment from employers who said that his portfolio was a big part of their decision. "You don't usually hire a high school kid for this kind of work, but being able to prove that not only have I been doing this kind of work, but there's a background of skill and experience they can lean back on to make their decision, they said was a really huge thing for them," said Kelekolio, who ultimately accepted a teaching assistant position in Punahou's Richardson Learning Lab.

Kawai Kelekolio '21 said he developed valuable skills and knowledge while at Punahou.



Luke Center for Public Service

Emma McDonald '22

DISTINCTION IN PUBLIC SERVICE

DISTINCTION

The public service Distinction recognizes students who demonstrate sustained dedication in serving the local and global community. The center also awards a Distinction in Civic Education for students who demonstrate sustained commitment to building greater civic engagement in our communities.



Emma McDonald '22 (center) spends her free time addressing food insecurity in Hawai'i.

When Emma McDonald '22 heard a presentation inviting Academy students to apply for the School's new Distinction program, she knew she'd be a good fit for the public service Distinction with Luke Center.

Since the onset of the pandemic, with many of her extracurriculars scaled back or on hold, McDonald has been dedicating her free time to addressing food insecurity on the Island. When the pandemic hit, local farms lost their biggest source of income, the restaurant industry. With a family connection at Kahumana farms, McDonald, a sophomore at the time, dove right into helping the Wai'anae farm expand their Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program to get fresh vegetables to people who could use them.

Expanding the CSA meant more deliveries to homes across the Island, and McDonald stepped in to organize and streamline the process, figuring out best routes for drivers, overseeing packing on Fridays, and even driving and delivering the Kailua route herself. "During COVID, when everyone was so isolated, I was walking up to people's doorsteps with my mask and my gloves and a face shield on. But it was amazing to see how happy

people would be to get fresh groceries and fresh vegetables that were coming from a local sustainable source," said McDonald, who has since participated in other community food drives and served as the Academy coordinator for Punahou's record-breaking K – 12 food drive this past November.

Working with Luke Center and earning a public service Distinction helped McDonald understand the bigger picture of her individual community service efforts and recognize her deep passions. "It helped synthesize all of the things that I've done," she said.

Now, she's involving other Academy students in her work and connecting them to her contacts in the community so the projects can be continued.

"As I've gotten involved with Luke Center, it's really amazing to see how big their outreach is," McDonald said. "I don't know of any other high school across the country with a dedicated service center helping students find connections and making a difference within our community and using our resources. It's an amazing thing to be a part of."

Wo International Center

Haruna Floate '22

DISTINCTION IN GLOBAL EDUCATION

DISTINCTION

The Distinction recognizes students who demonstrate outstanding global competency and engagement with a global perspective.

As part of her senior Capstone project, Haruna Floate '22 and a small group of classmates found a way to connect with students abroad, despite pandemic travel restrictions.

With the support of Wo International Center Co-directors Paula Arias and Robyn Borofsky '99 Vierra, they formed an online language exchange with high school students in Buenos Aires, offering to help the Argentine students with their conversational skills in English. Simultaneously, Floate bolstered her Spanish, which she's been studying since seventh grade. "Being able to connect and learn more about their culture and lifestyle was a really unique opportunity that only Wo International Center could offer," she said.

The Capstone class was not Floate's first experience with the center. Her international interests have led her there since middle school. In eighth grade, she stayed with a host family in Tamagawa, Japan, which was coordinated by the center. Around the same time, Floate, who speaks Japanese fluently, started volunteering to share her native language skills through the center's after-school language immersion program for students K – 8. She is now a teaching assistant in the program, where she works five hours a week helping young students learn Japanese and about the culture. She's also helped Spanish teachers roll out a new language proficiency exam, agreeing to be the first student to be tested and to provide feedback.

While applying for a Distinction, Floate said she reflected on all the work she's done with the center over the years, and how such experiences solidified her interest in working eventually in global medicine. "My dream is working internationally in different communities around the world," she said. "Through this portfolio, I've been able to build this foundation for my future career goals and share a piece of my identity and what my interests are, which is a unique opportunity."



Haruna Floate '22 (top center) said the Wo International Center helped solidify her global interests.



In Harmony

Audrey Lee '31 learns to play parts in the Orff orchestra and develop two-handed mallet techniques at the Patrick H. Quilter Lab for Creative Arts in the Kosasa Community. Lee and fellow third graders learned a song called, "Fire Drill," composed by their music teacher Karen Drozd.

For more information about Punahou's Centers go to punahou.edu/academics/centers-distinctions



Noah Kaneko '31 (right) hooks a fish at this year's Carnival.

BACK IN TIME TO '99 PUNAHOU CARNIVAL 2022

Punahou went "Back in Time to '99," as the School hosted a one-day, '90s-themed Carnival on Feb. 4, with malasadas, games, entertainment and a few new attractions. With COVID-19 still a concern, this year's Carnival had to be modified without rides and the general public, and many safety protocols in place. Only current students and their families, along with faculty and staff, were in attendance. But just having an in-person Carnival for the first time in two years was a huge feat for the organizing Junior Class.

"We're really relieved that all the hard work paid off," said Luke Sonson '23, who co-chaired the event with fellow junior Jaynie Fu '23. "The Carnival is a really big tradition at the School and being able to have it in person is a sign that our School community is together."

The Carnival featured many favorite traditions, like the Senior Class Variety Show, titled "That '22 Show," presented at Dillingham Hall, along with jams and jellies, Portuguese bean soup, gyros, kiddie games, lei po'o, White Elephant, plant sales and many other offerings. This year's Silent Auction and Art Gallery took place online.

Added to this year's lineup: Knockerball for Academy students on Alexander Field; rides on an electric train that was designed and built by students; and a School talent show.

"We're satisfied with what we could do this year," Fu said. "I'm super proud of my classmates and grateful to our parents who have been committed from the start. Being able to have our School community together in the same space is really nice. We're really grateful that we could have Carnival, and we're hopeful to be able to invite the entire community next year."

Carnival Coordinator Taryn Yano '99 Kabei said she was proud of the Junior Class. "They've worked hard, and parents and faculty have learned a lot from them about resilience," she said. "They've been thrown obstacles, curve balls and they had to reimagine Carnival, and they've done that with positivity and by working together."

— By Diane Seo '85

All Aboard!

Punahou's electric train, built by students at the D. Kenneth Richardson '48 Learning Lab, was a highlight at this year's Carnival.

Children took rides aboard the battery-powered and solar-charged locomotive on Rice (Middle) Field.

Photo by Kathleen Connelly



Carnival – Far More than Food and Fun

BY DIANE SEO '85

Although food, rides, games and fun have long taken center stage at Carnival, the event carries far more significance to the School in terms of what it offers students. For generations, the School's Junior Class has been tasked with conceptualizing, organizing and running Carnival. They serve as co-chairs, division heads and booth chairs, and they also work shifts and volunteer in other capacities.

Along with learning how to collectively execute a huge event, they connect to the greater mission of helping the School raise financial aid funds. "It's really motivating to have this goal to help other people get the education we're able to receive," Carnival Co-Chair Jaynie Fu '23 said. "It's been inspiring to feel we have this common purpose."

This year, 260 juniors – well more than half the Class – served as student booth chairs, division heads or co-chairs. The Senior Class, meanwhile, staged Variety Show, uniting the soon-to-be graduates and providing those who may have never danced, sang or acted on stage with an opportunity to do so. Freshmen and sophomores also volunteered to work shifts at the event.

"There was no requirement for freshmen and sophomores to work this year, but a lot of them signed up," Carnival Coordinator Taryn Yano '99 Kabei said. "I think that really illustrates how amazing this community is in supporting the juniors and helping with Carnival."

Like last year, the pandemic presented many organizational challenges. While the 2021 event had people picking up malasadas, Portuguese bean soup and other Carnival fare during drive-through events, Punahou this year held a one-day, on-campus event on Friday, Feb. 4, only for students and their families, along with faculty and staff. With numerous health and safety protocols in place, Punahou students and their families enjoyed food and games on campus, and the Junior Class had an opportunity for their planning and efforts to come to fruition.

Fu and fellow Carnival Co-Chair Luke Sonson '23 said preparations began last spring, with the selection of co-chairs and division heads, followed by weekly mango picking and chipping. Booth chairs were selected in the fall. "There was definitely a lot of planning, even with the uncertainty with COVID. We created a whole outline of various scenarios so we could adapt to the situation," Sonson said. "The administration decided to go with an in-person Carnival, which we're very fortunate to be a part of."

Since that decision was made late last year, the Omicron variant emerged, requiring the junior leaders to come up with various modifications to make the event safe for everyone attending.

As far as what students gain from the experience, Fu said she and her classmates have definitely acquired leadership skills. "For me personally, it really improved my public speaking. I've had to talk in front of administrators and huge groups of people. It gives all of us life skills that you need to have a career in the future."

Booth chairs also were not placed with friends, so they learned to work with new people and resolve issues when they disagreed on how things should get done. The result was that the Class got closer, which was especially important since the pandemic has made it more difficult to come together.

"The students were bonding every Saturday from June when they were coming onto campus to work together," Kabei said. "Supporting one another, working together and gaining leadership skills will help all of them in their lives and careers."

Even the pivoting has been a learning experience. Carnival leaders kept having to think of new ways to reinvent Carnival, which required a lot of communication, coordination and brainstorming. "The complexity of the situation required us to adapt a lot, and there were lots of obstacles that came up," Sonson said. "But in doing that, we all gained leadership skills."



Kabei said School administrators took all of this into consideration when envisioning this year's event. "I think that was a huge part of the decision," she said. "The School really appreciates the juniors' involvement and all their hard work. With the pandemic, it's obviously a difficult situation, with safety being the most important factor. But at the end of the day, we wanted to allow the juniors to have this experience. The food, the games – that's all fun. We all look forward to that. But in addition to that, it's all these other things that students are gaining."

Even though alumni couldn't be on campus for Carnival this year, Kabei said they still supported the event's Silent Auction and Art Gallery. "It shows how incredible this community is, and how we all rallied together to support not only financial aid, but just the overall experience," she said. "It was a very tough decision to not be able to include alumni, but every message I receive from them expresses happiness that the juniors and other students can have the same experience they had when they were in school."

Carnival Student Co-Chairs Luke Sonson '23 and Jaynie Fu '23 said members of the Junior Class who helped organize Carnival acquired various leadership skills.

'That '22 Show'

From left, Kai Miyaki, Maya Anderson, Kiara Reeves and Lauren Lee of the Class of '22 shoot hoops during a skit at this year's Variety Show, a 45-minute production that included theatre, comedy, music and dance. "That '22 Show" reenacted the production of a TV sitcom, taking audiences behind the scenes.

"Despite the challenges of the ongoing pandemic, the cast and crew pulled off a sitcom complete with celebrity guest stars and commercial spots," said director Travis Flazer, Punahou's technical director.

A small group of the seniors' guests watched the show in Dillingham Hall, while others tuned in online.

Photo by Rachel Breitwieser '03



It's a Wonderful Life

Class of 1967 honors Dean "Tiger Tom"

BY SUZANNE SATO '67

The Old School Award was created by the Punahou Alumni Association in 1976 to recognize an individual who may not be an alumnus, but "who exemplifies the spirit of Punahou through outstanding service to the School." It was more than fitting for Dean "Tiger Tom" Metcalf to receive the award when he retired in 1990. By then, he had literally defined the position of Academy dean and shepherded eight graduating classes.

Still the lively raconteur today at 97 years old, Metcalf likes to tell the story of how he became one of the first Academy deans. He arrived at Punahou in 1950, and after four years of teaching sixth and eighth grades and another three as an Academy English teacher, then Punahou President John Fox approached him in spring 1957, with an irresistible offer.

"Tom, we know what your faults are, but we want to offer you a position as dean," Fox said.

"What's a dean?" Tom asked.

"I don't know, but there will be four of you."

And so Metcalf's dream role began.

"Being a dean was the best position one could have at Punahou," Metcalf said as part of a 2021 Alumni Week video. "You pick up ninth graders – 14 years old, coming into the Academy. You stay with them for four years and see them grow from boys and girls into young men and women."

More than 3,000 students in the Classes of 1959, 1963, 1967, 1971, 1976, 1980, 1984 and 1988 successfully completed the Punahou experience, thanks, in part, to Dean Metcalf's wry wit, practical common sense and deep well of tough love.

Although it's been more than three decades since he served as dean, he remembers individual students and incidents in uncanny detail. He recalls the Class of '76 featuring him in a dance number in their senior Variety Show, dubbing him the "Dancing Dean." And he still Zooms with the Class of '59 on the first Friday of each month. ("They may be 80, but to me they are still 18," he said.)

Byron Washom '67 says whenever he sees Metcalf, he tells him that everything he accomplishes in life is a "dividend of (his) guidance to take risks while pursuing whatever becomes my passion." So in October 2021, eager to incent engagement in his 55th Reunion, Washom proposed that the Class of '67 create an endowed financial aid fund in honor of their former dean.

With characteristic modesty, Metcalf initially didn't want the limelight shone on him, but then warmed to the plan, and agreed that the fund would be called "Tiger Tom." He hoped the money raised would help students who are making a difference, but haven't been recognized for their actions.

Within three months, the Class of '67 had contributed twice the gift minimum for establishing an endowed financial aid fund. "How better to convey our sincerest mahalo to a great mentor and friend?" Washom said. "We hope that other classes join us in supporting the Tiger Tom Metcalf Endowed Financial Aid Fund."

Remembering the cold February day when he took the bus from Middlebury College into Burlington for his Punahou job interview, Metcalf is mindful that life could have been very different had he not found his way to Hawai'i. "I have to thank Punahou and Hawai'i for a wonderful life," he said.

And now, many more students will have Tiger Tom to thank for their Punahou experiences in years to come.



Top: Jan and Tom Metcalf. Middle: In a 2021 Punahou video, Tom retold some of the favorite moments of his 40-year career at the School. Bottom: Tom dances with Diana Lee '66 in a 1975 Honolulu Community Theatre production of "The Music Man."

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Double Vision

BY TARA OLNEY

Tim Dang '92 and twin brother, Nick Dang '92, recently made "twin gifts" to Punahou, each establishing family financial aid funds that will help students for generations to come. About a quarter of the School's students now receive financial aid.

The Timothy Dang '92 and Jana-Lynn Kam '95 and Nicholas Dang '92 and Lois Chiu endowed financial aid funds were created in honor of the brothers' 30th Reunion this June.

The gifts came about after Tim, who lives in Northern California, volunteered last fall to lead the Gift Committee for the Class of 1992 Reunion. Joining the group, which meets virtually, allowed him to reconnect to Punahou despite living away from the Islands.

"While I was happy for Nick when he moved back to Hawai'i many years ago, I admit I have experienced envy watching him re-engage with the Punahou community – getting back in touch with high school friends, participating in career forums and volunteering at the malasada booth," Tim said. "If the pandemic has a silver lining, it's the ability to participate in activities I care about even when I'm not physically in the same location."

As a parent volunteer at his son's California public elementary school, Tim saw firsthand that the learning experience is enriched not in spite of diversity but because of it. This understanding inspired him to want to support financial aid at his alma

mater. "I hope the endowed fund can offer opportunities to economically disadvantaged students and contribute to a richer learning environment at Punahou," he said.

Nick, meanwhile, has two daughters at the School, Ella '26 and Addy '28. He considers it an "enormous privilege" for them to "walk the same paths" he and Tim did three decades ago. "Whenever I reflect on what life experiences have been most fulfilling, I instinctively return to my time at Punahou," he said. "This is where deep, lifelong friendships were forged, along with boundless opportunities, and the strongest sense of community."

Nick said he was thrilled to have the opportunity to make a Reunion gift that would provide tuition assistance to current students. He said he and his brother created the endowed funds to share the gift of a Punahou education with talented students who need the support.

To find out more about endowed funds at Punahou, contact Tara Olney at tolney@punahou.edu

Leading the Way to the Future

BY SUZANNE SATO '67

As Punahou launches an initiative to reimagine an Academy Learning Commons, the Cooke Foundation, Limited has made a leadership pledge of \$1 million to kick off fundraising for the first major building project in the Academy since the opening of the Mamiya Science Center more than two decades ago.

"The Cooke Foundation has a deep and long-term relationship with organizations that our founders helped create, and Punahou is part of our family history," Cooke Foundation President Greg Wrenn '86 said. "In this gift, we are reinvigorating our relationship with Punahou."

The momentous gift comes at the centennial of the Cooke Foundation. "When we consider our decisions, we are looking back as well as looking forward," Wrenn said. "We think about our founder, Anna Rice Cooke, about where we are as a society and the values that she held close – the importance of education and the arts, and of kindness and generosity toward others."

Fellow Cooke Foundation Trustee Amber Strong '95 Makaiau added that the foundation and Punahou share values that the group hopes to perpetuate. "We see the interconnected relationship between the mission of our family foundation and Punahou's capacity to create a better future society, both here in Hawai'i and amplified globally," she said.

The Academy Learning Commons will be a state-of-the-art facility that offers students both indoor and outdoor spaces to collaborate and access books and information resources. Students also will have a place to work on cutting-edge projects that utilize virtual reality and artificial intelligence.

"A Punahou education has to prepare students not only to acquire knowledge from different fields, but to collaborate with others and to learn how to put it into action," President Mike Latham '86 said. "It must give our students the space to apply what they learn to authentic real-world challenges."

Reflecting on plans for the Learning Commons, members of the Cooke Foundation are excited to see how the design reflects progressive approaches to teaching and learning, along with inquiry-based principles. They are hopeful the space itself will be a teaching tool.

"We love the notion of a Commons where students, faculty and the community interact and think together," Wrenn said. "It will bring President Latham's key priorities to life and serve as an important model for the future of education."



Last December, Trustees from the Cooke Foundation visited Cooke Hall and gathered at the portrait of Charles M. Cooke (c. 1866) Front row: Caroline Bond Davis. Back row, from left: Amber Strong '95 Makaiau, Greg Wrenn '86, Elizabeth (Lissa) Dunford, Charles (Cary) Spalding Jr. '68 and Catherine Cooke '81.

Long Legacy of Support

Books were a passion of former Punahou Trustee and Treasurer Charles M. Cooke (c. 1866) and his wife, Anna Rice (c. 1868) Cooke. In 1905, Charles made a gift to support construction of Punahou's first library, with additional funds for furnishings, stacks and books. Two years later, the first 10 boxes of books arrived and the School's first librarian was hired. The first Cooke Library opened to the public on April 12, 1909. In 1916, the Cooke family established the Cooke Library Endowment Fund, then added to it in 1941, directing funds toward the upkeep of the library and librarians' salaries. In 25 years, the library's collection grew from 500 usable books to 23,000 volumes, and by 1935, the facility was one of the largest private school libraries in the country. Half a century later, having outgrown its first library, a new, state-of-the-art Cooke Library was dedicated on Jan. 17, 1965, with Cooke family support.



Reading Room of Cooke Library, 1928.

Alumni Notes

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80th REUNION
JUNE 6 - 12, 2022

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Aloha, Class of 1942:

I am sharing a lovely tribute from the family of **Jennie Yee Lau**, whose siblings, children and grandchildren attended Punahou.

Jennie Yee Lau passed away on Aug. 23, 2021, after a long and well-lived life. She was born on Dec. 5, 1924, to Tuck and Lily Yee in Honolulu. Jennie attended Mills College, and graduated from Columbia University. She will be remembered for her keen intelligence, quick wit and generous spirit. She was a devoted wife, mother, Popo and Taitai, who kept her close-knit family well fed at weekly Sunday dinners at her home. Jennie was a good friend and neighbor to all. She cherished her friendships and maintained lifelong connections with people around the world.



Hau'oli lā hānau to Dick Cox '38, who celebrated his 101st birthday with his family at their Mānoa home. Enjoying the festivities were, from left, Fenny Cox '67, Midi Cox '62, David Cox '71 and Lydia Cox '66 Chock with Dick Cox at the center of the party.

Jennie was predeceased by her husband, Johnson Lau, and daughter, Joan Kamimoto. She is survived by her brother, **Tim Yee '44**; children, **Janice Lau '68** Fergus (Mike), **Stuart Lau '72** (Chris) and son-in-law Howard Kamimoto; grandchildren, **Laurie Lau '01** Layton (Stacy), **Lynn Kamimoto '01** (Michael), **Alex Fergus '02** (Tia Teves '04 Fergus), **Megan Lau '03** (Zack), **Jason Kamimoto '04**, **Jake Fergus '06** and **Scott Lau '08**; and great-grandchildren, Charlie and Brynn Layton, John and Frankie Fergus and Harry Slayton. She will be dearly missed and always remembered.

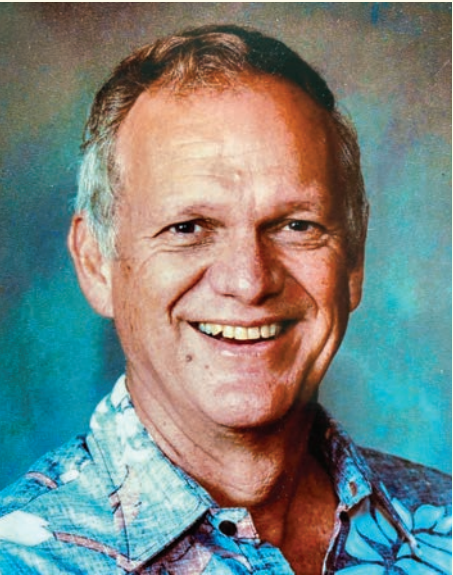
I would love to hear from any members or family of the Class of 1942!

Class of 1945

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Paul Richard Kaunahoakalani Cassiday Sr. lived his life without exception, aspiring to achieve three goals: The first is to be kind. The second is to be kind. The third is to be kind.

Paul was born into a family that came from as far as Scotland, and was rooted in Hawai'i's history and land. He grew up in the family home in Niu Valley on O'ahu with his parents, **Charlotte Harriet Lucas Cassiday (1909)** and Col. Benjamin Buckles Cassiday, and his older brother, Ben. Paul attended Punahou until his



A fond aloha to three members of the Class of '46 – Homer Albert Maxey Jr., who passed away on April 14, 2021; Kenneth George Hanson, who passed away on July 12, 2021; and Donald James "Jimmy" Murray, who passed away on Aug. 2, 2017.



father was transferred to Washington, D.C., where he continued his schooling at St. Albans School, then graduated from Culver Military Academy. On the night of his Stanford University graduation, Paul returned to Honolulu, along with hundreds of other Hawai'i graduates, who were sailing home for the summer on the infamous five-day voyage on the Matson S.S. Lurline. Paul's illustrious business career began in June 1950 with American Factors (Amfac, Inc.). Paul left Amfac, Inc. as executive chairman of asset management and executive first vice president to join the Estate of James Campbell (currently the James Campbell Company LLC) as trustee and later, chairman. He was instrumental in the planning and development of O'ahu's "Second City" of Kapolei and the diversification and purchases of numerous properties outside Hawai'i. Paul's charitable activities included serving as chairman on numerous foundations and he was also a professional member of many associations and institutions. Paul enjoyed tennis, skiing, deep sea fishing, the visual and performing arts and traveling the world with family, friends and on business. Although Paul partnered to develop several hotel and golf resorts, Paul never had the time to play the game as he preferred spending time with his family whenever possible. Paul always expressed gratitude for his life filled with family love and friendships. Paul is survived by his wife, Fredrica "Ricki" Cassiday; his children, **Ricky Cassiday Jr. '70** (Maite), **Lindsey Cassiday-Chang '91** (Ralen) and **Brooke Cassiday '93** Klein (Jimmy); and his grandchildren,

Paumalu Cassiday '05 (Jhoanna), **Henry Cassiday '10**, Dillon "Kona" Klein, Keili Klein and **Ka'au Chang '24**. Paul is pre-deceased by son, **Cochrane Bryan Cassiday '73**, and brother, U.S. Air Force Gen. **Benjamin Buckles Cassiday II '40**. In lieu of flowers please be kind to your favorite person or charity.

Class of 1946

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The roll call of our Class survivors continues to get smaller. Here are brief personal glimpses into the lives of those of whose passing we learned of in 2021.

Donald James Murray. We lost Jimmy on Aug. 2, 2017, at age 87. He was with us at Punahou for grades 11 and 12. Our 1946 Oahuan reported that Jimmy "spends his weekends getting into all kinds of shenanigans with his fellow Big Islanders at Wilcox Hall." With an engineering degree from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Jimmy returned home to Hawai'i Island, to work as a surveyor for the State of Hawai'i and Parker Ranch, then formed his own engineering and surveying company, Murray Smith & Associates. Jimmy's son followed in his footsteps making a third generation of engineers. Jimmy married his first wife, Helen Dean Foster, of Hilo, in 1952. A gardener and avid kayaker, Jimmy is survived by a son and three daughters, eight grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and three great-greats, as well as his life partner, Judi Kekahuna.

Homer Albert Maxey Jr. We lost 92-year-old Homer on April 14, 2021, sadly upon his 65th wedding anniversary. A member of Kaua'i's large Hawaiian Brandt family, our '46 Oahuan yearbook said of our popular classmate: "an avid track enthusiast ... his shy smile and reserved manner hide a really devilish and fun-loving character." After graduating from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Homer served in the U.S. Air Force, then worked for Hawaiian Airlines and Matson, where he met his wife, Mahina Trask. They married in 1956. Homer had a very distinguished career being instrumental in the formation of Honolulu Harbor's International Trade Center – indeed the huge Pier 2 building that housed that operation bears his name. Homer was widely recognized and respected as a visionary leader in the formation of trade zones. Not only did he serve as the 1973 – 1975 president of the National Association of Foreign-Trade Zones (NAFTZ) – he was given a NAFTZ lifetime achievement award, and a perennial NAFTZ award was established in Homer's name. After his 1993 retirement, Homer enjoyed golf, tennis, sailing and loved all water sports – especially with his kids. Humble Homer was a very loving family man first and foremost. He is survived by wife, Mahina, and their two sons, two daughters, eight grandchildren and three greats.

Kenneth George Hanson. Ken sadly left us on July 12, 2021, which was his 93rd birthday. In 1936, he and his parents moved from California to Hawai'i. Ken was first in public school, then at Punahou for 10th, 11th and 12th grades –



The late Joan Pratt '47 celebrated her 92nd birthday with family at the home of Itaata and Laurel Bowers '71 Husain.

and graduation. Our Oahuan yearbook entry noted his talents in music, scholarship and student administration, then prophetically added: "Kenny should make a good doctor." After graduating from the University of California, Berkeley, Ken pursued a medical education first at the UCSF School of Medicine, then studied Internal Medicine at Minneapolis General Hospital. There he met RN Jacquie Bagley, destined to be his wife. With the U.S. Army Medical Corps, Capt. Hanson served in Germany from 1955 – 1957, then completed his medical training back in Minnesota and at St. Luke's Hospital in San Francisco. With his marriage in 1958 to Jacquie and a burgeoning family, he settled in a San Diego suburb, where he soon earned an enviable reputation as a superb M.D. and geriatrician. A very caring doctor, who even made house calls, Ken was described by one

colleague as: "Not only the best physician I've ever known, but also the best man I've ever known." With compassion, Ken volunteered for medical missions to New Guinea and for the Navajo Nation in Arizona. The five Hanson youngsters regularly had foster children in the household whom their parents mentored. Active in his church, Ken headed or was often part of numerous medical and community organizations. He had a lifelong passion for music and was an accomplished pianist and organist. (Author's Note: I often waited in Kaimuki's Epiphany Episcopal Church while Ken, my lifelong friend since the fourth grade, practiced on the church organ.) Ken was last in Hawai'i on a February 2019 cruise. A description of that fun trip appears in the winter 2019 Punahou Bulletin. He is survived by wife, Jacquie, two sons, three daughters, 12 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and numerous foster children.

Class of 1947

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Sadly, **Joan Pratt** passed away on Feb. 22, 2022. Prior to her passing, she had a nice birthday phone visit with **Mary Lou Jenkins** Smoot. Joan was celebrated by me, Judy and **Vernon Knight '52**, **Melinda Pratt '78** Walker, **Jib Bowers '78**, **Dougie Bowers '80** and Mandy Bowers (daughter of **Andy Bowers '73**) at the home of Itaata and **Laurel Bowers '71** Husain.

Bonnie and **Jack Warne** live in Billings, Montana. They recently moved from their home in the woods to a patio home, where someone else mows the grass and shovels the snow. But they do miss the woods. Jack is enjoying doing some geology, his field of expertise.

Eve Roberts Davidson, who is in La Jolla, has recently moved into an apartment at Redwood Terrace, a retirement home that offers a continuum of care. She still prepares her own meals and drives for shopping and errands.

Beadie Kanahele Dawson urges us to remember our Punahou friendships and activities. She has a notebook in which she writes memories and random thoughts. I think this is a wonderful idea. She finds it rewarding as she can collect and refer to ideas. I hope to try this out!

I had a fun summer, highlighted by the visit of my first great-grandchild, Kalani, accompanied from Virginia by my son, **Andy '73**, his wife, Pam, their son, Drew, and his wife, Amanda! They all stayed in my house, where I live with my son, Jib, so I really was able to enjoy the daily antics of an 8-month-old!

Mahalo to you all.

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Class of 1948

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I recently read an article focused on how to stay healthy with exercise and by making healthy choices. It was titled, "Living Your Best Life (after 50)." How about, "Living Your Best Life (after 90 – plus a few additional years)." Several active classmates were queried as to what they have done through the years to stay healthy.

Pat Brown Faus: "At the ripe old age of 90, I take long walks almost every day. Twice a week, I do floor exercises. Best of all, I care for my big flower garden every day at 4 p.m., which entails, planting, weeding, fertilizing and watering."

Tom Warne: "I still drive my car and live in my home independently. I owe my good health first and foremost to the Lord, who has blessed me; and the longevity genes from my parents and their parents."

Philip Ching: "I've been exercising for over 55 years. Initially, I was bothered with hives. I found that running four to five times a week not only alleviated the condition but cured it! I maintain my health by walking the hills of Wai'ala'e Iki with weights and doing arm lifts for a minimum of 40 minutes, four times a week. I still golf carrying my bag."

Flora Timberlake Thompson: "Since the age of two, I have been swimming and have done so till now. I swim one hour every day. I feel keeping an active social life and being involved with service projects are important to a healthy life. I also believe in avoiding all negative contacts and keeping a positive attitude."

Joan Baldwin Spalding: "While living in the Philippines, I was fortunate to have help to care for my young children. It was then I took up walking and would walk two hours every day. I have maintained this regimen for 65 years. For the past few years, I have added floor exercises that I do every day."

John Hinrichs: "When I was a kid (7 to 15 years old), I spent most summers working on my grandfather's ranch – riding, stacking hay bales and building fences. During my high school years, I played soccer, football, took up judo, surfing and did a lot of running. Throughout my college years and later in my business career, I gave physical activity a high priority. Due to a heart problem that required surgery, I retired at age 55. I returned to my family ranch and went back to riding, stacking hay bales and building fences."

Elva Uyeno Yoshihara: "People often ask me what I do to keep fit. For over 40 years, I have been doing high- and low-impact aerobics with weights, five days a week. I have over 30 tapes which I rotate. They run from 30 – 45 minutes. The other two days of the week I golf with my sons, Peter and David, and daughter-in-law, Chiaki."



Class correspondent Elva Uyeno '48 Yoshihara takes to the green twice a week with her sons, David and Peter, to stay fit.

Tita Thacker Johnson: "I was lucky enough to find tennis early on. Much of my social life has been built around this activity for my entire adult life. As time passed, the challenge has been to adapt to new limitations. Fortunately, I had tennis buddies who were also adapting. Last November, I retired from tennis. I walk with sticks and do physical therapy every day to maintain fitness and balance."

Peg Deschwanden Foster: "I've been walking five to seven miles per week for years, plus long-distance trekking. I rarely take the elevator and walk the stairs to my apartment on the Solarium (13th floor), three to six times a day. I have two half-hour exercises classes a week and walk to Ala Moana Center, Straub Clinic and Mānoa Shopping Center.

Ted Vierra: "Instead of driving or using the bus, I walk whenever possible. I walk briskly

for an hour every day up and down the hills of Westwood. I am fortunate not to need a cane or aid of any kind. I'm responsible for the care of our large patio garden, which requires a lot of ladder work, digging, raking, trimming, squatting, dragging, pulling, pushing and stretching. I have no need of a gym. Peace be with you."

In remembrance: Kelly Kneubuhl, the daughter of our classmate, **Mike Kneubuhl**, wrote: "Mike Kneubuhl passed away on July 25, 2021. He was a lettered sprinter on the Punahou track team. He won a scholarship to the University of Arizona, where he was on the track and varsity football team his freshman year. Because his family lived in America Samoa, he boarded in the Punahou dorms. Mike enjoyed seeing old friends when he returned for Class Reunions.

Tita Marks Stack, our beloved classmate, died in July 2021. Tita was one of our most faithful supporters throughout these many years. Class Reunions and get-togethers will never seem the same without her. We all mourn the loss of a wonderful friend.

Gordon Kay, the good doctor, passed away in October 2021. Gordon lived in Virginia with his wife, Nancy. Our condolences to his family in the loss of a kind and gentle man.

I leave you with a meaningful phrase that I just learned, "Disappointments are inevitable, discouragement is a choice."

Class of 1949

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Happy New Year, Class of '49!

In the last week of September, three classmates visited me in Bellingham, to celebrate our long lives, fall birthdays and good health. It was a wonderful week of memories shared, pictures exchanged, card playing and restaurant ventures. **Nancy Gibson** Harlocker was driven here by her daughter, Anne, from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. **Eileen "Ale" McLachlan** Hogue flew up from La Habra, California. Her granddaughter, **Amanda Hogue '08**, who lives in nearby Lynden, and attends Western Washington University here in Bellingham, came by several times to visit and play cards with us. We entertained her with our many stories of Punahou. **Mervlyn Conner** Henderson was driven up by her daughter, Marty, from Renton, Washington, and brought many pictures of our years together. She also entertained us with her marvelous stories that she has written for her grandchildren. We have known each other for 85 years and were celebrating our 90th birthdays. Anne had lei sent to us from Hawai'i, and took pictures of the four of us to send to our children as well as one for this column.

There are two books I have read recently that are very interesting: "Facing The Mountain: A True Story of Japanese American Heroes in World War II" by Daniel James Brown and "Under the Wave at Waimea" by Paul Theroux, who lives part time in Hawai'i and the rest at Cape Cod.

Carroll Leilani Schuman passed away at her Honolulu home on March 9, 2020. A celebration of her life was held Aug. 7, 2021 at Kawaiaha'o Church. Leilani's grandfather came to the Islands in 1893 at the age of 17, established the first car dealership in Hawai'i – Schuman Carriage Company. She attended Hanalei School, then Punahou, and went on to graduate with valedictorian honors from Wellesley College. She traveled extensively, lived in Greece for a while, then later moved to New York. There, she was a fashion model, stage actress and a master puppeteer at the 1964 World Fair. Later, she got into renovating old

warehouses in Tribeca. Leilani split her time between Hawai'i and New York. She is survived by many nieces and nephews.

Willee Sayre Garrison passed away on May 7, 2021, in Torrance, California. At school, she was known for her scholarship, swimming and sewing. She graduated from the University of Hawai'i, received a master's from Columbia University and a Ph.D. from the University of Tulsa. She retired from the University of California, Irvine, where she specialized in teaching English as a Second Language (ESL). Willee attended our last Reunion with two of her daughters. She is survived by three daughters and one stepson. An interesting note – when she was at the University of Hawai'i, Willee was named first runner-up in the Miss Hawai'i competition.

Evelyn Lum Lim passed away on Aug. 2, 2021. She joined us in the 10th grade and became very active working on Ka Punahou and the Oahuan. Over the years, she has shared her family's experience with the yacht, Sweet 'Ōkole's, participation in the Transpacific yacht races.

Thank you for sharing your news with us. May you measure your life by smiles and friends.

Aloha, Beverly Blom

Class of 1950

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Belated holiday greetings!

I hope you all were able to celebrate the holidays with your families and friends despite this difficult pandemic period.

Sadly, we have lost three classmates with whom we shared many happy memories.

From the Lau family: **Henry Lorrin “Buzz” Lau**, M.D., MPH, passed away on July 17, 2021. He attended Punahou from kindergarten through 12th grade. He treasured his friendships with his classmates and enjoyed spending time with them.

He attended Harvard College, graduating cum laude in 1954, then attended the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, M.D. (1958), and the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, MPH (1971). He served on the faculty at The JHU Schools of Medicine and Public Health. After 32 years at Harvard and John Hopkins, he returned to Honolulu and was in private practice as an OB-GYN for 34 years. In 1990, he helped to open St. Francis Medical Center West Hospital, where he delivered its first baby. In his retirement, he cared for patients at the Waikīkī Health Center.

Lorrin believed the greatest privilege any human could have is to care for and to take care of others. His priorities were to save lives, to bring peace and comfort and to make a difference. With his friend, inventor Stan

Mason, he encouraged family and friends to invent three new things every day, three ways to make the world a better place. He is survived by his wife, Maureen; five children, two stepchildren, 12 grandchildren, two sisters and his first wife, Rhoda.

An interesting tidbit: Lorrin's roommates at Harvard were **Andy Ichiki**, **Richard “Ike” Ikeda**, **Sam Stewart**, **Yi-Chuan Ching** and **Ray Maesaka**! What a great representation from Punahou!

David Anderson passed on July 28, 2021, in Kula, Maui, after a courageous fight with cancer. He attended Claremont Men's College and Stanford University, then served as an U.S. Army officer, stationed in Munich, Germany. After his return to Honolulu, he worked for Finance Factors and met his first wife, Jeanne. Together they raised three children, **Malia '81**, **Maile '83** and Mike. Dave had a long, successful career as a general contractor and real estate developer. He started Inter Island Builders and Developers in 1959, and served as its president for 41 years. While developing condominium projects in resort areas on all the Islands, he established Papillon Helicopters on Kaua'i. This was followed by the development of Po'oku Stables, where he had 34 horses and a rodeo arena.



These four '49ers, Eileen “Ale” McLachlan Hogue, Mervlyn Conner Henderson, Nancy Gibson Harlocker and Beverly Blom, got together at Beverly's home in Bellingham, Washington to celebrate their 90th birthdays and share laughter and great memories.

In 1978, Dave met Bodil, who would become his wife. They traveled the world together, and ran the Plantation Spa in Ka'a'awa. He loved all things Hawaiian. He enjoyed piloting his plane, sailing his boat and skiing. In 2005, he and Bodil moved to Kula and continued their travels. Dave is survived by his wife, Bodil, daughter **Malia '81** (Joseph), son Michael, three grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Our ever-faithful Reunion organizer, **Johnny Cornwell Walker Jr.**, passed away at his Kāne'ohe Bay home on Aug. 17, 2021, having just celebrated his 90th birthday with his family at their home in Kula, Maui. A 13-year student at Punahou, he participated in football, track and golf. He earned his mechanical engineering degree from California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo after serving in the U.S. Coast Guard during the Korean War. He married his high-school sweetheart, **Marion “Bubba” Makin**, in 1955, and returned to Hawai'i, where he worked for a number of Amfac, Inc. affiliated companies on Kaua'i and Hawai'i Island. He moved his family to O'ahu and became a manager for Dillingham Shipyards. In 1972, Johnny changed careers and managed Hawai'i Leasing, became Senior VP of Amfac Financial Corporation and retired in 1993 as Senior VP of GE Capital Hawaii. After three years, he came out of

retirement and was instrumental in the establishment of the Kapi'olani Health Foundation, retiring a second time in 1999. As a civic leader, Johnny served as a Trustee on many nonprofit boards. He was most proud of his work with the Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women & Children, where he served for 25 years as Trustee and Board President.

An avid outdoorsman, his hobbies included tennis, golfing, fishing, bird hunting and skiing, which accounts for his affiliation with the Oahu Country Club, Kaneohe Yacht Club and the Royal Hawaiian Ski Team-Whistler Chapter. Johnny and Bubba had wonderful experiences traveling the world. Among the most memorable were a 14-day camping safari in Kenya, and a two-day driven pheasant shoot in England. They also spent time gardening their three acres in Kula, and enjoyed their vacation home in Whistler, British Columbia. Johnny leaves behind his wife of 66 years, Bubba; his children, **Mark '74**, **Wende '75** and **John '75**, Thomas, and seven grandchildren.

Our condolences go out to the Lau, Anderson and Walker families. To Lorrin, Dave and Johnny – mahalo for your friendship throughout the years. You will be missed. Until we meet again, a hui hou.

Class of 1951

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Hi, Class:

We are still wearing masks. I had hope that this pandemic would soon be over. As of this writing, we haven't lost any of our classmates.

Because of the limited places and outings that we can enjoy, there isn't much news.

I sent **Kathryn Bowling** Graham an article from the Honolulu Star-Advertiser about Ala Moana Center. Kathryn's husband, Don Graham, was instrumental in designing and developing Ala Moana Center as a contractor for Dillingham Corporation. She was so happy for the article and said that Don was at the Center's 50th anniversary before his passing in 2016. Kathy said that Ala Moana Center was his “baby.” She is so anxious to come back for our 75th Class Reunion.

At our last Reunion we said that maybe we should have a luncheon every year. So, I have booked reservations at the Elks Club in Waikīkī for Friday, June 10, 2022, for us to enjoy their Hawaiian plate. Please keep that date on your calendars. I'll update you in each issue.

Take care, keep that mask on and see you in June.

Mary E.



A fond aloha to Pat Clarke '52 Clifford, who passed on Sept. 18, 2021, in Waimea on Hawai'i Island.

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Aloha, all:

When you receive this, the holiday season will have come and gone. I hope you all were able to celebrate with family.

Soot Bredhoff recently celebrated his birthday and among the celebrants were **Martha Ann McCorrison '50** Rice and **Pam Peterson '60**.

Peggy Moir Vollmann spent most of June in Florida, visiting with relatives and friends. She had so much fun that she's going to do it all over again! Go for it, Peggy!

Also traveling were Sigi and **Mike McCormack**, and May and **Peter Balding**. Perhaps a golfing getaway?

Bob Sigall, a Star-Advertiser columnist, created an email column that provides nostalgic vignettes with comments and feedback on days gone by. He now has over 1,400 subscribers. If you are interested, sign up for his column, “Rearview Mirror Insider,” at sigall@hawaii.rr.com. The column is always



Pat Fox '52 and her grandson, Brix, are getting ready for the Class of '52's 70th Class Reunion!

fun and engaging. How many of you worked at one of the canneries?

A topic Sigall brought up was roller skating. During our senior year, I remember **Joan Sylva** Richter started a Friday skate night for a group of girls at a place on Dillingham Boulevard. I've forgotten the name of the place – was it Rollerland? That was great fun! Anyone else remember that?

I am sorry to share the recent passing of **Jack Keppeler**, **Jacquie Myatt** Milikien and **Pat Clarke** Clifford.

Jack passed away on Aug. 1, 2021, after a lengthy battle with cancer. Jack was a 13-year student at Punahou. A very nice obituary appeared in The Oregonian newspaper that can be viewed at bit.ly/3jpoTVu.

Jacquie passed away on Aug. 9, 2021, of spinal cancer, which had only been diagnosed two months prior. She was able to relocate to be with her son, his family and friends during her last weeks. Throughout her life she maintained her love for horses and riding. After she moved to North Carolina, she enjoyed gardening and caring for monarch butterflies.

Pat passed away on Sept. 18, 2021, in Waimea on Hawai'i Island. She had been in declining health for a couple of years and had a stroke about two weeks before her passing. You may remember her mother working in the office at school during our years in Alexander Hall. While at Punahou, Pat was on the tennis team and a member of the Outrigger Canoe Club,



Friends from '53, Stuart Ho, Gerry Wong Ching and Tan Tek Lum, caught up and enjoyed lunch together.



Flashback to when the Class of '53 was in third grade and schooled on the University of Hawai'i, Mānoa campus. Front row, from left: Ena Marie Sroat, Michael Holdaway, Connie Warne Bowden, Helie Robertson, Evelyn Lau Char, Myrna Kawamoto Sen, Marcy Lichter Friedman and Joan Palma Thompson. Middle row: Emily Hayes Robinson, Mary Josephine Maxon, Claude Linford, George Yamasaki, Mary Ann Burgess McCrea, Margaret Bell Merriion, Polly Crooker Gray, Bernie Farden Kidder and Sheila Cruickshank '52 Mahoney. Back row: Mr. Woodruff, Al Lemes, Paul Dick, Ian Birnie and Mrs. Forrest.

participating fully in all their ocean activities. After her divorce, she moved back to O'ahu, where she immersed herself in Hawaiian culture and volunteered as a docent at 'Iolani Palace. She studied hula with Kumu Hula **Māpuana Howell '67** de Silva and performed with Hālau Mōhala 'Ilima at Merrie Monarch in 1983, when the hālau won the hula kahiko division. Pat was also skilled in the Hawaiian arts of quilting, feather lei making and lauhala weaving. Luckily, she learned these skills during the era when the true legacy artists

were still sharing their knowledge. A few of our classmates own beautiful lei hulu crafted by Pat. Registration for our 70th Reunion will be mailed in March. Please update your contact information with me or at bit.ly/3C4dcKZ . You can also visit punahou.edu/reunion for the most up to date Reunion information. If you recall, the dates and events were shown in the fall issue.The mailing will reiterate and confirm dates and events. We pray for a lively, jolly, in-person gathering!

Mahalo piha to the classmates who have responded with updates, remembrances and even inquiries regarding other classmates. It is gratifying and fun to be in touch with all of you again!

I recently received a timely quote from a familiar song. It's a great way to end this column and welcome our 70th Reunion: “So, it's the laughter we will remember, whenever we remember the way we were ...”

Aloha nō.

Class of 1953

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Our Punahou Class Google group site has my vote for the most-fun-talk-story depository for inquiring minds. Such as **Ted Harders** asking, “Who was the organist at the old Waikīkī Theatre?” and akamai **Stuart Ho** answering, “Edwin Sawtelle.”

And there is more – like the pineapple cannery stories.

From **Ian Birnie**: “Summer after my sophomore year, I was a tray boy at Del Monte. **Evelyn Lau** Char worked in the dispensary helping combat pineapple rash. **Marcus Schutte '51**, **Sanford Shutte's** brother, was the only person I knew. The next summer I was a case stacker in the Libby's warehouse. I think it was **Jerry Smith's** mother who coordinated summer hires. I worked at Libby's between sailing gigs and worked my way up to forklift operator, which was the elite and best paying job for guys my age.”

Ena Marie Sroat: “Hated the rubber gloves, but our fingernails wouldn't have survived the day without them.”

Marta Russell Sullivan: “Ena, I also did your job. We grabbed the rings of pineapple as they came out of the machine. We spun them around a finger and picked out places with bad parts. We weren't allowed to sit. I am not particularly tall, but anyone shorter than me didn't have to bend over. One day, my back hurt, I passed out and fell off the step. Some guys from Punahou were working with hand trucks on the floor and came to my rescue. One of them was **Soot Bredhoff '52.**”

Our Google group site is also a place for congratulations! Happy 65th wedding anniversary to Theresa and **John Pasch**! There was a note from **Dave Cowan** offering to drive up to connect with the Paschs in Oregon.

It's also a place to remember small-kid times at Mānoa and Lincoln Grade School. If you haven't seen your cute grade school class picture, ask **Helie Robertson** to send the photos. Maybe you can identify everyone by just looking at a smaller version of their high school self.

And there's more! It's also a place for good news, like **Paul Kaufmann** and **Marcy Lichter** Friedman reconnecting us with **Roy Oness** in Hilo, **Terry Wallace's** successful shoulder surgery and **Margaret Bell** Merriion's new knee!

Also, **John Maesaka** complimenting his classmates: “**Allan Burns** was an incredibly talented, humble and kind person who remained a loyal friend to the end. Other examples are personal emails of support from **Helie Robertson**, who has expressed herself in many creative activities and is an incredible resource to our Class. Look at what **Dorinda Stagner** Nicholson has accomplished in her extremely productive and creative life. And her successes are only matched by her passion to reach out to help others. Ian Birnie's involvement in different museums. **Fred Mueller** and his involvement in the arts, one of the three founders of the Pace Gallery in New York City and a recognized expert on antique Chinese furniture. **John O'Connor** and his natural gifts as an actor. What about **George Yamasaki**, **Ted Harders**, **David Pratt** and many others, who have the depth of character and interests that certainly enriched me during a very formative time in my life. Life for me started at Punahou. Thanks to all of you. Love ya, John”

Best of all, this Google site is reconnecting us! **Diane Johnston** Paton, Dave Cowan, **Sharon Palmer** Whittington and **Cyrus Faryar**! Please, anyone else who hasn't checked in recently, we miss you!

Aloha pumehana,

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It is so difficult to start this column with the passing of two popular Class leaders, who passed away in the fall.

Alvin Harrington joined us in the eighth grade. Friendly and cheery from the onset, Al was a standout on all the athletic teams that he joined, and also in our Variety Show, where he was a screaming sensation. Don't we all remember him as one of the great guys on the championship team during our senior year, cheering to a starved audience – the first championship in 29 years?! Some of us can still remember the crescendo at Honolulu Stadium, as the crowds went wild. Upon graduation, Al went to Stanford University; completed his Mormon mission in Samoa;

then returned to Hawai'i to teach at Punahou and coach football. While on campus, Al was a motivator, who encouraged students in many ways. Al's talents became apparent when he began to emcee events. Once Al's “Hawaii Five-0” character, Ben Kokua, took off, he became the familiar face of Hawai'i. Drove of tourists could hardly wait to chat with this charismatic individual that we knew lovingly as our friend, Al. I remember several years ago, there was a reunion of “Hawaii Five-0” actors at Kūhiō Beach. Hundreds of folks lined up, and I pushed my way through the crowd and yelled, “ALVIN!” He turned, squinted and trudged through the sand to hug me. A few minutes later, he came up to me with a lei and a big hug! Whatta guy! We send our aloha to his wife, Rosa, his children, **Alema '84**, **Tau '84**, **Cassi '98** and **Asenath '04**, and their extended family on the loss of their beloved patriarch!

Our dear **Noel Leilani Darrow** Head, affectionately known as “Bobo,” passed away on Oct. 3, 2021. Bobo was a constant in our lives. She was at her family home in Waikīkī, where the Kaimana Beach Hotel now stands, when the Japanese planes rounded Diamond Head. With her dad at her side, she made eye contact with the pilot! Last year, a picture of Noel and her sisters, **Patsy '49** and **Beverly 'BG' '51**, posing with their gas masks during



Remembering Al Harrington '54: The Fox-Blackstone clan and Al Harrington at his exhilarating and jam-packed Waikīkī show. From left: Tom Blackstone, Mary Bell Fox '54 Blackstone, Mele Blackstone, Cammy Blackstone, Kristin Horn, Al Harrington '54, Lisa Horn, Sam Levitz, Megan Blackstone Searfoss, Hanna Levitz and Pat Fox '52.



Richard Watkins '54 shows his cards – the odds of this lucky cribbage hand are one in 200,000!

wartime in Hawai'i was printed in this column. Noel's own history should have been recorded, for her recall of post-war Hawai'i was so clear, and what followed with tourism and development was all part of her time in the Islands. I recall that as a teenager, Noel's family home was the site of many fun slumber parties. We slept outside in bunks at the water's edge that were three high. In later years, Bobo and her husband, Billy, often entertained in their homes at 'Āina Haina, Portlock and on the high hills above Hawai'i Kai with 'ono food, fun guests, lovely trade winds and kani ka pila. We will always remember Bobo with her soft voice, sweet smile and kind words. We send our aloha to Bobo's three children, **Brenda '75, Bill '79** and Becky, on the loss of the fine woman who was their mom.

A hui hou, Al and Bobo!

Richard “Wat” Watkins considers himself extremely lucky. After 78 years of playing cribbage, Wat, when playing with his son, Ryan, was dealt a 29-point hand! He was stunned! The odds of being dealt this hand are 200,000 to 1 – and Wat was the ONE! He noted that the cribbage board pictured here is solid teak and was made from the deck of the USS Oklahoma, which capsized at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Several members of the crew had



Congratulations to Mike Baughman '55, who released his book, “An Old Man Remembering Birds” in October 2021.

it made for his dad, with authentic burn holes visible on the underside of the board.

Hau'oli Makahiki Hou! Stay safe, wear your matching mask to complement every outfit, remember to not fall and above all, please keep in touch.

Aloha, MB

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Sad news: **Martha Derby** McDaniel and **Sandra Conrad** passed away. I knew Martha all the way back from Hanahau'oli School through high school. Martha loved plants and horses. Her stepping stone at Hanahau'oli was a riding boot with a crop. She also loved music and played in the “Makiki Heights Hawaiian Music Society,” a lesser-known musical group. According to Heidi Bornhorst, Martha was extremely kind to her employees. Martha followed her passion of animals and horses throughout her life.

We were very fortunate to see Sandra Conrad in our Reunion Zoom meeting in June. We were all touched because she was in a wheelchair. I loved her spunk. We will miss both classmates.

Updates: **Mike Baughman** released his book, “An Old Man Remembering Birds” in October 2021. For more information please visit, bit.ly/2ZnCrtu. Mike said that the first chapter talks about life in Mānoa. As I read it, I felt I was IN the book.

Our Reunion in June was an overwhelming success. The energy was of a symphony being played by our classmates with **Bill Follmer** conducting, **Dean Ho** on percussion and **Mary Flanders** McGrath in charge. The highlight was an arrangement of Zoom by Dean. Classmates from all over the country tuned in. WOW! Much more than we could have hoped for! To top it off, **Ed Jensen** and his wife, Marilyn, came from Portland to add their touch. Very well done, classmates!

I mentioned that Dean was in a horrible accident in which he collided with a yellow fire hydrant. His recovery was remarkable. I never knew Dean was a big game hunter. Last month I went to his apartment and noticed the head of a large boar above front door and next to it was the head of a mountain lion. As I left, I glanced up – between the boar's head and the mountain lion was a yellow fire hydrant.

Last August, I had a bad fall and had to have a pacemaker implanted. My recovery was at REHAB Hospital of the Pacific. I was impressed with the care I received there and by the number of relatives of mine who were working there. I knew who the relatives were because each of them called me, “UNCLE.”

Recently, I had to replace my refrigerator, disposal and stove. Never in my life did I think I would outlive my appliances.

Class of 1956

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One of the best things about being a member of our Class is the opportunity to make a new friend long after graduation. Recently, I heard from **George Larson**, a classmate who left Punahou in 1951. He has traveled all over the world. Although he and his wife live in California, he still gets the Punahou Bulletin. He recently sent online versions of our Class pictures from kindergarten through second grade. I returned the favor by mailing him a copy of Guy's old photograph of Mrs. Catlin's third grade class replete with many famous faces. It's surprising how easy it is to recognize those faces! I can send you a copy. Just say the word.

I am sad to report that we have lost two more old friends – **Jim Blaisdell** and **Lee Gentry** Gray. Jim left Punahou in 1954. He went on to attend Dartmouth College, where Guy and I frequently spent time with him. After graduating, Jim served in the U.S. Army, then earned a master's in history at the University of Wyoming. While there, he met and married Iris, with whom he shared a love of Western history, travel and riding horses. Jim taught at a college in Michigan before returning to school in Arizona for a degree in Business Administration. He then traveled throughout Central California, Ecuador, Kazakhstan and Paraguay for various banks as an agricultural adviser. He was a man of many talents, who loved languages. He taught in a bilingual kindergarten after retiring. Jim died at home in Nevada, on May 24, 2021. He is survived by Iris; his two sons, James and Kevin, and their families; and his sister, **Barbara Blaisdell '64** Yeager, and her family.

Lee's death on Aug. 26, 2021, was a shock to her husband, **Tom Gray**, and their family and friends. I actually spoke with her briefly a week before she died just as she and her sister, **Sue Gentry '61** Teehan, were headed out to do errands. Tom and Lee were a couple all through high school and married in 1959. Despite the demands of family, she earned a bachelor's degree from Ashwood University. Over the years, the Grays lived in Honolulu, California, then eventually settled in Colorado, where Lee was a successful real estate agent. Together they turned their home into Gray's Avenue Hotel, a successful B&B in the Pikes Peak Region. Lee stayed busy with community activities during retirement and returned to her love of music as a singer with the Senior Chorale of the Rockies. Lee was preceded in death by her daughter, Dona Jeanne, and her oldest granddaughter, Genny. She is survived by Tom; their children, Karen Sucharski, Will Gray and Sarah Erickson; and four grandchildren.



A fond aloha to Grant Marsh '57, who passed away in July 2021.

I received a wonderful text from **Barbara Bush** Doenecke, complete with pictures of her fall travels in Massachusetts with her relatives. She then took the train to New York City, to stay with Mike and **Anne Angen** Gershon. While the Gershons were working, Barb enjoyed long walks in Central Park. She even shared a family gathering at an outdoor restaurant in the City before heading to Princeton, New Jersey, to visit her sister, **Peggy Bush '57** Riccardi. As Barb said, the trip was a delightful opportunity to enjoy the beauty of nature, and spend time with family and friends. I concur.

Although Zoom fills some of the gaps, in-person time with friends is the real treat. In late September, **Mari-jo Flanders** Allen drove the getaway car to Kona, where we visited an actual bookstore and had lunch with **Judy Thurston**. At the restaurant, we ran into **David Ayau '81**, son of **Cynthia-Belle Ames '59** Petersen. It was further proof that friends are always nearby in Hawai'i. Lucky us!

Class of 1957

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Okay, folks – 65 years ago, 265 of us sang our hearts out, then strolled across the proscenium in the old gym to receive our diplomas. We'll have some kind of Class Reunion in June. Are you up for it? For current information go to punahou.edu/reunion.

We've lost classmates over the years, but the pace has really amplified of late. On July 29, 2021, **Valentine Umi Marciel II**, known and loved as Baduga, died at the Wisconsin home of his daughter, Debbie, where he and his wife, Diana, had moved about a year prior. The big guy was a charter '57, joining buff 'n blue ranks in 1943, when war-time classes were held off campus. A jolly, friendly soul, Baduga was a central figure from the outset, always a stalwart football player – including varsity years on the hardy turf of the Termite Palace. Small-kid time he'd host this speckled haole for long weekends in Lanikai, driven over the Pali on a Friday by “Big Baduga” and returned

to campus on Monday – my parents were ecstatic. He paddled for several canoe clubs and roamed with an eclectic Windward clique before heading off to play college football (eventually returning to the University of Hawai'i, where he met Diana, RHS '58). They were married 60 years when he slipped away. He was fascinated with model trains, had a fine working collection and usually rode the rails when he traveled. He and I shared a deep love for dogs. He cut many trips short because he missed his pup back in Kāne'ohe.

Val could always be counted on to kōkua any '57 activity – especially lunches at Chinese restaurants all over O'ahu. He sent his son, **Umi III '87**, to Punahou, and was honored with the Old School Award in 2014. Health considerations drove the kama'āina couple to sell their lovely home in ‘Āhuimanu and move to Wisconsin, where Debbie could help look after them. Mai poina, old and dear buddy – you were an inspiration, as well as a rock.

July also spelled the end for **Grant Marsh**, after several years of declining health, beset by the Big Casino. Granty-boy joined us from local public schools in sixth grade. He was an immediate hit with the wahine – they simply could not resist his blue eyes, dark coiffure and a certain pidgin lilt which he carried long into adulthood. He was a captain in the JPOs – which lent him big authority amongst Da Boyz. He played football, was on the ILH JV basketball champs team, was a ROTC company commander, but he was proudest to be honored as chairman of the Chapel committee – emblematic of the most pious, chaste lad in the Academy. Grant went to college in Oregon, never intending to live back in Hawai'i, and enjoyed a long lucrative business career in the fossil fuel industry. We were close pals in high school and kept in touch throughout college, then adult life. He was best man in my wedding to **Sonja Mollenhoff '59** Massey and godfather to our daughter, **Juliee Conger '81** Evans. Sharing his last years in proximity (I moved to Oregon in '09), we got together for lunch twice a week until I relocated to Medford last year. By that time, he was better off at home with his wife, Becky. Aloha nui, ol' pal.

Likewise in July, **Lyle “Buddy” G. Phillips Jr.** passed away. Buddy came over with the Hanahau'oli kids in seventh grade, had a brief hiatus from the Academy at military school, then returned to graduate with us (the first-ever Regimental Sergeant Major). He got his engineering degree and was at Hawaiian Electric for 16 years before striking out on his own. In 1994, he returned to HECO on Hawai'i Island, until he retired in 2004. In community activities, he was elected Grand Master of Masons for the State. Buddy was the first '57 parent with a Punahou graduate, **Dana Phillips '77** Roberts, lauded during our 20th Reunion.

That's it, kids. Maybe happier news next time.

Class of 1958

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Leimaile Penny Lee Thornburg wrote from St. Malo, France. She described difficulties she and husband, Clyde, encountered. “Booking a cruise was easy, but it was a nightmare with the airlines. Five of our flights from both San Diego and Los Angeles were canceled, including the final morning of our departure. We ended up with a seven-hour layover in Chicago. I thought for sure we would be without our luggage in Copenhagen, but with luck, they arrived with us. We had our booster shots and antigen tests, but had to do the antigen test again prior to boarding our ship, and that was another hour of waiting ... we were absolutely frazzled.” She expects similar problems on the way home. The cruise started in Copenhagen, and disembarks in Trieste, Italy. She’s confident the safety measures imposed will keep them safe. “The ship has a capacity of 1,200 passengers, but

actually has only 480, which is great for social distancing. And, yes, we are required to wear our masks both on and off the ship except when eating or drinking.”

Calling it their “Thelma and Louise” drive, **Marsha Wright Carr** and **Anne Wheeler Noble** set off on a road trip. “Anne drove to Sequim from Anacortes, and we took off the day after she arrived. We didn’t dawdle along the way ... took a straight shot down the I-5 to Medford and spent the first night there. The next day, we headed for Redding, California, to visit my cousin, **Bill Jacobson ’59**, and took him out for a belated 80th birthday dinner. On the third day, we toddled back to Medford, for more frivolity and meals with **Tom Conger ’57**. On the fourth day, we headed back to Sequim. So, it was a short trip, and it was well worth the long drive.” Fortunately, Marsha and Ann elected to forgo the dramatic “Thelma and Louise” ending.

Judith Flanders Staub welcomed her great-grandchild, first of the seventh generation in

her Hawaiian lineage. Judy shared, “Magnus Kalanikini Redus, nicknamed ‘Manu,’ was born on Aug. 20, 2021, in Santa Rosa to my granddaughter, Keala Peterson, and her husband, Ivan Redus. To have an abundance of ‘Manu-time,’ I will be the piko of our ‘ohana at our 30-plus-year-old family compound in Sonoma County, until early 2022.”

On a sad note, James Thain III, the son of **Susie Folk Thain** and her late husband, **Jim Thain Jr. ’57**, passed away after being injured in a motorcycle accident. He was currently working for the Department of Agriculture on O’ahu, and had previously worked for Forest Solutions on Hawai’i Island. Susie noted, “He was a true mentor to his sister’s sons, as well as to the youth of the community. He will be truly missed by all who knew him.”

Meryle Ohara ’60 Hirotsu informed me that her brother, Dr. **Patrick Ohara**, passed away in March. After Punahou, Patrick attended the University of Hawai’i, then Indiana University Dental School. He practiced dentistry in Waipahu for many years. In his retirement,



Betsy Sams '60 Holliday caught a blowfish in the waters off Fort Kamehameha when she was a senior at Punahou and “taxidermied” it herself.



Summer on the Cape: Cathy Cox '60 Langmuir, Lloyd and Willette Wong '60 Thompson enjoyed a visit and lunch at the Thompson's home in Mashpee, on Cape Cod.



Hau’oli lā hānaul Friends from the Class of 1958 celebrated Valerie Ossipoff’s birthday. From left: Susie Folk Thain, Karen Benz Scarvie, Patti Cheeley Singlehurst, Nani Kong Ho, Linda Reynolds Carlson and Karen Osberg Porteus. Valerie is seated.



A fond farewell to Scott Abrams '60. Friends from the Class of 1960, Stewart Brissette, Cappy Sheeley, Marie Flynn Bernhard and Jim Lovell, stand with the sailing yacht, Ho’okolohe, in the background as she crossed the finish line at the Diamond Head Lighthouse in the 2021 Transpac Yacht Race. Ho’okolohe paused after the finish and the crew joined together to scatter Scott’s ashes.

Patrick enjoyed reading articles and books on the stock market and investing.

Paul Gebauer died peacefully on Sept. 7, 2021, at the Hospice Maui Hale. He lived a quiet, simple life in Makawao. Paul was one of the generation of surfers who rode lighter, smaller

boards made from polyurethane and fiberglass to surf big waves. He was considered one of the best surfers of the '60s and was featured in the first issue of Surfer Magazine (1960), where he is pictured on a monster wave at Sunset Beach.

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Happy New Year, everyone!

We hope that 2022 brings us better than what we’ve left behind. Let’s look forward and not dwell on the past. As we start a new year, a belated happy birthday to all! Enjoy that well-rounded number! Oh, and for you who still are looking forward to the great 8–0 ... your time will come!

We are looking back at the happy and surprising happenings in our lives. Take for instance this story from **Frank Young** about being in an elevator in Des Moines, Iowa, and meeting **Marjorie Tam** Opulaoho’s nephew! Frank was at a Lions forum and the fella in the elevator with him was wearing an aloha shirt. Of course, Frank asked where he was from in Hawai’i, adding he was from Hawai’i, Punahou Class of '59. The man said that his auntie went to Punahou and was in the Class of '59. To which Frank blurted out, “Margie!!!” He has no idea how or why he came up with her name. The world gets smaller.

Taking some time away from the September heat wave, **Lynn Lacy** Render and husband, Ron, took a road trip from Ojai, up the coast to cooler Point Reyes. Staying in Inverness, they enjoyed a walk out to the light house, visited Bodega Bay, lunched on Dungeness crab and visited art galleries. When they left Inverness

for home, temps were in the 50s, but when they arrived in Ojai, it was 99.8 degrees! The temperatures of California can really vary.

As you all know, we have been having a good time over the past two years, during our days of quarantine reminiscing of our days at Punahou and in Hawai'i, telling stories about our families and how and why they arrived in the Islands – and all things in-between. We have enjoyed it all, and appreciate that you like it too. It will continue if you keep sending in your stories. Best part is getting to know all of you much better or in some cases, for the first time. Please don't forget that **Jon Larson** has a pau hana Zoom meeting the first Friday of each month. There's lots more room for newcomers and there are steps to join on the Class site. Go to lff1.org/punahou59 (that is a small case L) for the steps and the most up-to-date Class information.

Before we close, we'd like your help. Please update your contact information so that we can stay in touch. Drop us a line and we can help you with that. You can also go to punahou.edu/alumni and update all of your info with Punahou. And how about these classmates who have strayed from us – **Ted Landers**, **Carol Veigel**, **Judith Benz Kocher**, **Paul Won** and **Carolyn MacKay**. Let's find them! If you are in touch with these lost classmates, please encourage them to send us a note or give us a call. Mahalo for your help!

Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

Mahalo, Jan and Karl

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From **Lee Boynton Hoxie**:

It's a long time to stay at home and not be able to do a lot of the group things that we have enjoyed in the past. This has directly impacted the dearth of news for this column. Hopefully the humans will get stronger while COVID-19 weakens, and we can start our lives again. Bear in mind, this is written on Sept. 30, 2021. Lots could change by the time we have another column in your mailbox.

Toni Marder Kaplan loved Punahou. Her husband, Jim, notified us that she died on July 2, 2021, after a brief illness. Jim, both her brothers, **Tod '65** and **Kevin '74**, and her sons, Brad and Gregg, were constantly with her.

Scott Abrams passed away on Nov. 9, 2020, after a long illness. His wife, Gloria, planned a farewell for him at the Outrigger Canoe Club on July 28, 2021, at the end of the Transpacific Yacht Race, an event founded in 1906, by Scott's grandfather, **Clarence MacFarlane (1869 – 1870)**. Scott's ashes were scattered in the waters off of Diamond Head by Ho'okolohe, a yacht that

carried him one last time from the West Coast to Hawai'i. **Cappy Sheeley**, **Jim Lovell**, **Stewart Brissette** and **Marie Flynn** Bernhard watched an ominous squall on the horizon as they waited for Ho'okolohe to pass by, but all was sun, gorgeous blue sky and turquoise ocean as she approached with full spinnaker. Pilot boats gathered about as she paused after the finish and with our binoculars, we could see the crew join to scatter Scott's ashes. With the ceremony at sea complete, she sailed off toward the harbor and Scott sent us a teasing farewell with the arrival of the squall on ourselves and the Diamond Head lighthouse. Thank you to Marie, for this description of the moment.

The gathering for Scott the next day with all the boundless love, respect and stories, both tender and hilarious, from family, friends, pilots, sailors et al. was a marvelous salute. This memory was shared by Stew Brissette: "The teenage Scott remained the kind, jovial, mischievous fellow always. When he was in his 40s and captain on the Matson MAUI, we visited on board while they docked in Honolulu. There was Scott looking splendid and authoritative in his uniform, but he hadn't changed a bit." Thanks for the memories, Stew.

Daniel Bortles sent us a note via Punahou's website. Daniel enjoys living in the Pacific Northwest, and is continuing to be active with his real estate and consulting business. He is considering getting back to triathlons and

possibly his 10th marathon. He has two sons, Daniel and Matthew, and two grandsons, Jake and Max. His secret to longevity is meditation, yoga, the right nutrition, weekly runs and sharing laughter with positive company. Thank you for reaching out to your classmates, Daniel.

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Bernard Watson passed away on June 13, 2021. Among his many achievements, Bernie had attained the rank of Brigadier General in the Hawaii Army National Guard. His service was honored by a small plane fly-over, a 12-cannon salute and a 21-gun salute at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl. In civilian life, Bernie was an executive with Hawaiian Airlines. Bernie is survived by his wife of 55 years, Dr. Susan Diteman Watson; daughter, **Kaiulani R. Watson '85**; son, Kimo Royal Watson (Mary), grandchildren and extended 'ohana on Hawai'i Island and O'ahu. Classmates **Jed Hirota**, **Roy Yee** and **Harry Spiegelberg** represented our Class at Bernie's service.

Kathy Wright Rice checked in after a month of smoke from the Dixie fires near their town of Susanville, California, north of Sacramento.



A fond aloha to Bernard Watson '61, who passed away on June 13, 2021. He will be remembered as a family man with a kind, gentle soul, who loved flying and serving his country.

Smoke is so hard to overcome and live through. She and her husband, Tom, have nine rentals in Susanville, and the fire was closing in on the town. Hope the fires have stopped. Tom shipped over 5,000 of their sheep out of the area. A recent news article said that over 1,000 fire fighters supported by California Army National Guard and 111 helicopters were engaged through out California. Kathy, we wish you and your family good health and safety during this struggle.

As I looked down off the porch at Hilltop House at Lanikai, an 'iwa skimmed by flapping it's wings only once as it headed out to sea. Hilltop House is **Cosette Morrison** Harms' residence, and she invited **Sherri Kahanu '79** Shephard and me to visit. (For our visit, Cosette made the tastiest banana nut bread and served mango juice with it. She said that the recipe was from **Blaine Darrah's** father!) The house has been her family residence since 1931. Cosette's uncle, **Peter Powlison '40**, was my world history teacher at Punahou. Cosette said that Peter was a champion swimmer, missing qualifying for the Olympics by a mere .10 seconds. Built on the rock structure there, the house was designed so that none of that rock formation was disturbed. Inside the house are rock steps up and down to different living areas. Out the windows are breathtaking views of Kailua Bay, Flat Island, the Mokolua Islands and Mōkapu



These Punahou pals enjoyed traveling by water from Lahaina to Honolua Bay for an overnight stay. The next day they cruised the North Shore of Moloka'i, then sailed home to O'ahu. From left: Mike Pietsch '64, Judy Pietsch, Art Kamisugi '62, Libbie Kamisugi and Jim Prentice '63.

Peninsula. On Dec. 7, 1941, her grandmother, Anne, looked down at the Japanese attack on what was then Kāne'ohe Naval Air Station. A flight of the Japanese attack planes flew right by Hilltop House on the way to bomb Bellows Field. Anne looked out her windows and locked eyes with one of the pilots! This family of builders decided to build a sailboat. Under the watchful eyes of their friend, a master boat builder, the 35-foot-long ketch, "Mokuola," was brought to life. At the end of September, Cosette and friends went adventure camping in the Cascades in Washington State. At the time of this writing, she is on her way home.

I hadn't heard from **Kathleen Kau** Conahan for a time. I called her Sarasota, Florida home and caught her in a moment of fixing dinner and trying out a new recipe. We talked a little about our 60th Reunion. She had not attended the events, but she had read some of the news about the Reunion. During that Reunion time, her husband was unwell. Thankfully, he has fully recovered.

Madge Tennent Walls has published again. "The Visiting Girl," is a historical novel of friendship, loyalty, secrets and romance. Set in Philadelphia and Portland, Oregon, the story is inspired by the young life of movie star Katherine Hepburn's mother, a suffragist and an early graduate of Bryn Mawr College. Madge is at home in Medford, Oregon.

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Happy New Year to all!

As I write this column, we have just entered the fall season, but as you read this, we have completed the holiday season and are on our way to celebrating our 60th Class Reunion ... hopefully onsite and in person. Several classmates met via Zoom with members of the Alumni Relations staff to start planning what we hope will be our best Reunion ever. Present at that meeting were **Phil Brooks**, **Brian Lederer**, **Linda Lawrence**, **Linda Sutton Kemp**, **Michael Sheehan** and yours truly. Please be looking for mail from the committee explaining events, dates and times, and mark your calendars accordingly!

Sadly, I need to report that we have lost two more classmates. **Duke Lembeck** passed away on June 25, 2021, following a year-long battle with leukemia. A few years after graduating from Harvard Business School, Duke returned to returned to Hawai'i with his family, where he lived and worked until his passing. He is



Former flight attendants and '63 classmates, Verna Chun-Hoon Pang and Mary Lou Weber Strachan, reminisced about college and career days at the their 50th Reunion picnic in 2013. A fond aloha to Mary Lou, who passed away on Aug. 12, 2021.



Jay Cushnie '63 and his wife, Lois, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Santa Catalina.

survived by his sister, Linda Lembeck; and three daughters, Elizabeth Lembeck, Jamie Damron and Emmy Norton.

Nancy "Tiny" Faye Thain died on Jan. 7, 2020. Tiny worked as a real estate broker in California and Oregon, before retiring and moving to Virginia, to be closer to her children and grandchildren. She is survived by two children, three grandchildren, two brothers and two sisters.

Received a note from **Bill Westlake**, advising that he retired in December 2020, from Arizona State University, where he worked in various financial positions. He now lives in Las Vegas, and is looking forward to our Reunion next year!

Hoping this finds you all safe, well and happy. Looking forward to visiting with you in June and IN PERSON!

Class of 1963

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Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

With the new year, we introduce our first Feature-a-Teacher. Upon learning that our Class has produced the highest percentage of teachers, I thought to find out who they are and what they thought about what they taught ... and share it with the Class. (IfYOU would like to appear in a future feature, send me your recollections – the funnier, the better!) Mahalo to **Verna Chun-Hoon Pang** and **Allan Davis** for their help in contacting classmates while I was off-grid.

After four years as a naval officer, **Jay Cushnie** used his G.I. Bill of Rights at Long Beach State University for his elementary and secondary teaching credentials. "My first teaching position was in a high school program in a private psychiatric hospital in Torrance, California, teaching students with emotional and learning difficulties. That's where I met my wife, Lois, who was also a teacher in the school. (Our son says that his parents met in a psychiatric hospital.)

"That inspired me to continue my education and earn a master's degree in Special Education. I moved into public education and taught a class of students with serious



A fond aloha to **Lucian Paulus '63**, who passed away peacefully, surrounded by family in Oklahoma City on Aug. 14, 2021. Lucian, who was a triathlete, settled in Oklahoma after receiving an athletic scholarship from the University of Oklahoma.



Senior shenanigans! Not our beer on campus, Dean Metcalf! These 1963 seniors greeted an early morning delivery truck on campus. From left: Kent Giles, Tom Fearon, Cully Judd, Bucky Welch and Jeremy Lam.

emotional disturbances at Anaheim High. I later taught in Redding high schools; I was a Resource Specialist working with learning handicapped students. The last 10 years of my 31 years in teaching, I was a counselor at Shasta High School. After retirement, we moved to Redmond, to be closer to our son, Larry, who is a teacher at the community college level."

A classmate living in the South Seas, who wishes to remain anonymous, sent a nostalgic photo after learning that **Kent Giles** had left us. "The story goes like this: One school morning in 1963, before the 8 a.m. bell, a group of us, **Kent Giles**, **Tom Fearon**, **Cully Judd**, **Buck Welch** and **Jeremy Lam**, were gathered up by Cooke Library. Then this beer delivery truck made a wrong turn into the upper school entrance road! The boys jumped up for a group photo – with a joking message to Dean Tom Metcalf: Not our beer on campus, Dean."

From **Diane de Harné** Melvin and **Denise de Harné**: "**Mary Louise Weber** Strachan passed away peacefully at home on Aug. 12, 2021, after a period of declining health. She and her late husband, Bill, both worked in the airline industry. Mary Lou was an American Airlines flight attendant. Over the years, they lived in Las Vegas, Phoenix and Hawai'i. In their long retirement they enjoyed traveling around the country in their RV and going on ocean cruises. They frequently returned to their beach home in Hawai'i. Mary Lou happily moved back to Hawai'i in recent years and enjoyed the sounds of the ocean and the glorious Ka'ena Point sunsets from her beach home. She is survived by stepchildren, Steve and Suzie, and goddaughter, Rachel."

From **Verna Chun-Hoon Pang**: "Mary Lou Weber and I were roommates at the University of the Pacific for one semester. She was very sociable and enjoyed her freshman year! She taught me how to make my bed with perfect 'hospital corners!' I think she learned this from her mom, who was a nurse. I did not see her again until our 50th Class Reunion at **Terry White's** Kikila. We did a lot of catching up and reminiscing! She was still the fun-loving Mary Lou that I remembered from those good old college days!"

From **Bill McCorriston** and **Alan Cambra**: "Sad news that our classmate, **Lucian Paulus**, passed away on Aug. 14, 2021. We tend to remember Lucian as the tall, handsome athlete who achieved all-state honors in football, basketball and track, achieving an athletic scholarship from the University of Oklahoma, a rare opportunity at that time for any athlete from Hawai'i. We remember Lucian's love of the ocean, bodysurfing at Sandy Beach and Makapu'u. His great sense of humor and humility were endearing. After college, while working as a marketing manager for Coors Beer, Lucian started gaining weight. He said it was all because of his job – he needed to believe in the product that he was selling. Lucian's daughters hope



Norm Chow '64 and his granddaughters visited classmate, Leland Pestana '64, in Langlois, Oregon. From left: Norm, Kensington Chow-Ono '24, Copeland Chow-Ono '27 and Leland.



The Class of '64 had a great reunion in Laytonsville, Maryland, at the home of Charlie Hull. From left: Trippi Ahrens Penland, Laura Schultz Nix, Larry Freeman, Anni Rinehart, John Thurston, Richard Coleman, Judy Folk and Charlie Hull.

to return to Hawai'i and place his ashes in the ocean that he loved. Lucian, a hui hou. Miss you brother!"

Connecticut classmate, **Dave Mechler**, subscribed to History Vault after we both enjoyed watching "How the Earth Was Made," especially Episode 11, "Hawai'i." Be sure to watch PBS Nature's "Leave It to Beavers" (especially those of you in dry Western states), "Desert Dancer" on Amazon Prime and the stunningly beautiful "Great Plains: America's Lingering Wild."

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Since moving to the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia to live part time, I've had a great time getting involved with classmates and other Punahou grads in the Punahou Alumni Association Mid-Atlantic (PAAMA). This past summer, we had a great reunion at **Charlie Hull's** beautiful home in Maryland, (complete with a fabulous train set, which has

taken over his basement!) with **Laura Schultz Nix, Richard Coleman, Trippi Ahrens Penland, Judy Folk, Anni Rinehart** and **Larry Freeman**. What a great August evening! These reunions never get old ... just like us!

A week later, there was a PAAMA party at Trippi and Tom Penland's lovely waterfront home in Falls Church, with many alumni in attendance, including hula dancers and a band! Potluck with more 'ono food than we could even begin to make a dent in, including lots of macaroni salad, SPAM dishes, (including musubi, of course), coconut chicken, caramel cuts, malasadas and on and on! In addition to the group who had been at Charlie's the week before, **Star Black** and **Leslie Morioka** took the train down from New York City together, to join us. As usual, our Class had a great turnout for yet another memorable Reunion. If any of you in the Mid-Atlantic area are not involved with PAAMA and would like to be, please contact me and I will point you in the right direction. It's worth it!

A bit of history, from **Leigh-Wai Doo**: "Ever wonder about that long white wall with green

Chinese ceramic tiles just before the Honolulu Museum of Art (HoMA)? Well, many people have, (and classmate **Lesly Lemon** has been jokingly asking Leigh-Wai for one of those green tiles for years). That green-tiled white wall was built a 100 years ago bordering the Doo family compound. At the same time, **Anna Rice Cooke (1867–1868)** placed them in the interior Chinese garden of her home, which she later donated to the museum. Last June, HoMA videotaped Leigh-Wai as part of the museum's history, to talk about his family history (five generations as neighbors over the past 100 years) in the context of Hawai'i's changing times. Leigh-Wai's mother, **Florence Young '31** Doo, and over a dozen of her children and grandchildren graduated from Punahou. In that same Doo family compound of about an acre, some dozen of the Olive and **James Doo '31** family are Punahou alumni. Led by Dr. **Gene Wai Doo '57**, the family recently sold the last of the Doo compound to HoMA and made a sizable donation to the museum. Now, there is a large, landscaped drive through the parking lot connecting Beretania Street to Kinau Street allowing the expansion of buildings and art programs. Meanwhile, those green ceramic Chinese tiles continue to



These classmates from '65 got together in Los Angeles, to catch up in person. Front row, from left: Jan Wong Gong and Lianne Chang Marr. Back row: Joanne Osano Sasaki, Jan Kagihara Ladd, Richard Lau and Gerald Ching.

connect as a reminder of the 100 years of neighborliness of The Cooke and Doo families."

Sorry, I messed up. Our classmate, **Bob Lamansky**, who retired recently, did indeed spend a great career in the airline industry with Pan Am, Continental, Northwest, JetBlue and Hawaiian Airlines, but contrary to my recent comments, he was, he pointed out to me, not a pilot. He was primarily involved in scheduling, and he worked closely with **Demi Rewick's** younger brother, **Ken Rewick '72** (a pilot!).

Michael Seaman, who was a classmate in 1958 to 1959, recently checked in with an update from his home in Sacramento. Michael is in his seventh term (27 years) as an elected official of a park district in Sacramento County. In addition, during the winter, he is a ski and snowboard instructor at Boreal Mountain Resort at Donner Summit.

Stay well, everyone!

Class of 1965

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We were delighted to hear from **Lianne Chang Marr**. She wrote: "A group of us '65 gals in Los Angeles, including **Joanne Osano** Sasaki,

Janice Kagihara Ladd, Jan Wong Gong and I, have been meeting regularly for the past few years. During COVID-19, we met on Zoom to chat. This past August, **Gerald Ching** was in town, so we decided to get together outdoors. **Richard Lau**, whom no one had seen since graduation, joined us. We also FaceTimed with **Ted Wong** and **Alice Takaki Aoki**. We had a great time catching up with the events in each other's lives since graduation." Thank you, Lianne for responding to my request for news on Facebook! So great to know about this L.A. group meeting regularly, even during the pandemic!

Professor **Thomas "Tom" W. Bean** wrote to say that during the pandemic, he was able to complete a young adult novel, "The Dumaru: WWI Lifeboat Deathboat Adrift at 15," centered on a 15-year-old wireless radio operator on a ship bound out of Portland, Oregon, at the end of WWI. It was carrying explosives and fuel to Guam when the ship encountered lightning. "The chapters are short to encourage reluctant readers, and there's a glossary of seafaring terms included." So much literary talent in our Class! Congratulations on your book, Tom!

We were also pleased to hear from **Linda Wiig Laurence** answering the question about what she is reading! "Books have been close companions for me since childhood. During

the pandemic, I'm still reading a lot. I think classmates would enjoy three books by current Alaska State Writer Laureate Heather Lende: 'If You Lived Here, I'd Know Your Name: News from Small-Town Alaska,' 'Take Good Care of the Garden and the Dogs: A True Story of Bad Breaks and Small Miracles' and especially, 'Find The Good: Unexpected Life Lessons from a Small-Town Obituary Writer.' For those who are yearning to escape from city life to live in a little house in the woods, Lende's books (and her current blog) will give you a taste of the joys and hardships of living almost off-the-grid. She poignantly chronicles the lives (and deaths) of the residents of Haines, Alaska (population ca. 2,000) of all ages, including colorful Boomers. These books will no doubt inspire you to find even small ways to make life better for yourself and those around you (before opportunities are lost), wherever you are or wherever you are dreaming to be."

Continuing with our theme of inspiring reading, we invite all of you to consider joining our own well-known author, **Kathleen Norris**, (along with Irish writer, Garrett Higgins) at soulelgram.com, where these two beloved storytellers invite you to a year of experiencing story, image, music and the possibility of an



Classmates **Marsha Whiteman '66** and **Holly Williams '66** Colavin, who are both recently retired, reunited in San Diego.

expanded horizon. Aren't we all looking for creative ways to grow and learn?

Last, but definitely not least, from **Robby Ostrem**: He let us know that he and his wife, Cathy, enjoy being in Edmonds, Washington, close to their kids, **Erin '86** and **Kanoa '89**. Kanoa's children, Charlie and Anna, attend University of Washington. Erin's oldest, Ka'iana, has a virtual reality company, VRCHIVE. Nahiolea graduated from NYU Stern School of Business and works for a startup in Brooklyn. Charlie plays for the University of Washington's men's soccer team and was named, "Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year," and Scholar All-America first team. As this is written in the fall, his team is 8–0 this year and ranked No. 2 in the country. A big reason Robby and Cathy moved up to the Northwest was to see Charlie play live. Charlie's maternal grandfather, **Warren Akiona '60**, is up here too. They are still unloading the container, planting in the yard and driving to Oregon to visit Cathy's family. Like everyone, they are dealing with the pandemic, social distancing and staying healthy. Robby says, "Call me and come visit when the pandemic goes away."

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Happy New Year to the best classmates ever! Here's hoping 2022 is off to a healthy and happy start!



Congratulations to Louise Keali'iloma King '66 Lanzilotti, who is the new host of Hawai'i Public Radio's long-running program, Kanikapila Sunday, and continues to host her weekday Classical Pacific program in the afternoons. Louise and Charlot Albao Boll are the correspondents for the Class of 1966.



Barb Young '67 Morgan and Ann Ashford '67 visited Fort Clatsop, the 1805 winter quarters of the Corps of Discovery, during their RV trip along coastal Oregon and Washington.

Amid the unbelievable challenges of 2021, our classmates were still able to create many opportunities to refresh and cement longtime buff 'n blue friendships. Our Punahou traditions remain intact and strong as ever.

Marsha Whiteman and **Holly Williams** Colavin sent an update and a picture (such beautiful ladies) capturing one of their mini reunions with each other. Both are recently retired and live in San Diego, so they have had more

chances to get together and talk about the good ole Punahou days. They send everyone their aloha!

Carter Pruyn Reynolds shared exciting news that **Deb King** Chillingworth came to visit her in New Jersey, shortly after Carter had returned home from her family vacation in Honolulu. No doubt they had a blast together, again! By the way, thank you to Carter and husband, Jimmy, for their generous and meaningful financial aid contributions to Punahou. We love the Punahou Bulletin's featured article about you, especially about our favorite junior school rice and gravy lunches. Memories!

This past summer, **Sherry Kam** and her husband, Dana Samples, were so kind to host a luncheon in their beautiful home and property in Camas, Washington, when my husband, Ray, and I visited our son, **Fletcher Boll '97**, and family in the Northwest. It was so special – they invited my longtime childhood friend, **Larry Langley '68** (our classmate, **Nanci Langley** Selanders's younger brother), and wife, Linda, from Beaverton to join us. We so appreciated the fantastic and delicious niçoise salad, Dale's special homemade sourdough bread (he woke up at 6 a.m. to make and bake) and the leisurely stroll in their fabulous garden. Wow, their years of work and care on their property is so impressive! Topping it all was the renewed bonds of friendship filled with all the aloha originating from Hawai'i and our Punahou roots.

Recently, my daughter, **Erin Boll '99** Suzuki, treated me to a day at her former workplace Honolulu Academy of Arts (now, the Honolulu Museum of Art) to view the exhibition, Artists of Hawai'i Now. While enjoying our lunch, we



Happiness and joy leap out from this group of '67 classmates, who were planning the activities for their 55th Class Reunion in June. Front row, from left: Peter Boynton, Eugene Yap, Davolyn Thorndike Girvan, Cindy Hess Whittemore, Sherry Urner Pettus and Ned Shimabukuro. Back row: Tony Sur and Bob Bonar.



Stacey Kerr '67 hit the road on her Harley-Davidson Cruiser this past July, after having to cancel last year's adventure due to the pandemic. Here, Stacey and friend, Kristin, are at a water stop in Dolores, Colorado – check out her license plate.

ran into my co-correspondent, **Louise “Loulie” Keali'iloma King** Lanzilotti, with her husband, Salvatore. Congratulations to Loulie, who is the new host of Hawai'i Public Radio's (HPR) long-running program, Kanikapila Sunday, a two-hour format that airs from 2–4 p.m. every Sunday on HPR-1. She will continue to host her Classical Pacific program on weekday afternoons from 3–6 p.m. Loulie, you are truly such an inspiration to all of us!

Please take care, everyone.

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Happy New Year!

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Sharon Handforth Hodgetts is finally getting back to traveling – first to vacation in Florida, then on to Virginia.

Barb Young Morgan and her husband, **Paul '65**, joined **Anne Ashford** on an RV trip along the Oregon and Washington coast, following the path of Lewis and Clark and exploring the shipwrecking bar at the mouth of the Columbia River.

Karen Blackfield and hubby went on a cruise to Alaska in July, on a beautiful ship that normally would have 600 passengers, but their cruise only booked 200! “We called the ship the ‘Ghost Ship’ as we hardly saw anyone. Only time anyone was seen was at a meal! The cruise was so well done that we wished we could have just stayed on board! (We) had 10 glorious days of cruising, eating and beautiful scenery. Now I am a big, fat, jellybean after 10 days of indulging!”

Stacey Kerr hit the road again on her Harley-Davidson Cruiser this past July, after having to cancel last year's adventure due to the pandemic. “This was the Post-Pandemic Pandemonium Ride that took three of us over 1,000 miles through New Mexico and Colorado, through heat and cold, past endless Road Work stops, through heavy thunder and lightning storms and finally safely home again to my friends' casita in Arroyo Seco. The most challenging ride we've done so far, but well worth the effort. It was fabulous to be out on the highways, in the mountains and in the desert – feeling just a little bit free again. We felt safe. We were all vaxxed and after all, there's not a better mask than a full-face motorcycle helmet!”

Charles Gibb '61, brother of our classmate, **Christina E. Gibb** Moore, shared that Chrissie passed away on July 22, 2021, at her home in Napili, Maui. After Punahou, she attended Monterey Peninsula College (MPC) in California. She first worked as a flight attendant for TWA based out of New York, then went to work for the National Bank of Carmel. She returned to Hawai'i to work for First Hawaiian Bank in Waikoloa, where she met the love of her life, Jay R. Moore. They married in January 1994, moved to Maui and enjoyed a wonderful life of traveling and cruising the world together. Their love and ownership of classic cars took them all over the world from the Pebble Beach Motoring Classic and Car Show to Windsor Castle, England and the Villa d'Este car show in Italy. She is deeply missed by Jay, her family and many friends.

In October, **Jim Tam** and Min hopped on their first flight since the pandemic. They flew to New York City to see son, **Jason Tam '01**, perform in an Off-Broadway musical, “Fairycakes.” While on the East Coast, they visited daughter, **Emily Tam '96** Pick, and their two granddaughters in Williamsburg, Virginia! “It has been two years since our last visit, and now the granddaughters are gorgeous pre-teens and so sassy!”



Last fall, Joan Rothwell '68 Liu visited from Maui, and lunched with Suzy Johnston '68 Hemmings and Tiare Richert-Finney '68 at Buzz's Original Steak House in Lanikai.



Punahou friends, Charlot Albao '66 Boll, Larry Langley '68 and Sherry Kam '66, enjoyed summer weather and a luncheon at Sherry's home in Camas, Washington.



Last September, a group of friends and '69 classmates gathered for a memorial swim to honor Robin Lee '69 Gyorgyfalvy. From left: Linda Denall (Robin's friend from Oregon), Larry Walker, Brenda Lam '69, Walter Chow, Bev Lum-Chow '69, Mark Chun '69, Sharan Power, Scott Power '69, Martin Gyorgyfalvy, Leslie Campbell, Thomas Schenkal, Tim Quinn, Lani Oberholtzer '69 Twomey, Bart Potter '69 and Wanda Chillingworth '69 Quinn.

In September, **Peter and Tracy Bowman '73 Boynton** spent two weeks traveling in France through the Loire Valley on the Dordogne and the Garonne rivers. “Our boat, AmaDolce, could accommodate 140 passengers, but this trip only had 27! After a week of fine dining, a variety of wines and fun excursions ashore, we took a train to the Loire Valley with a personal guide to enjoy three great days touring chateaus and the countryside. Beautiful area and more great food and vino. We made it back to California for a short stay then back to reality in Kona. Nice to travel again, but also nice to be home again.”

Class of 1968

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Happy New Year to everyone!

The passage of time between my writing these notes on Oct. 1, and when you receive the Punahou Bulletin, will tell where we stand with this pandemic.

Artist extraordinaire, **Vonnie Brenno** Cameron, retired from a long career in advertising three years ago and is working hard on a series of paintings of Native Hawaiians, who are keeping their culture alive. **Maile Orme**, who lives on Moloka'i, helped to connect Vonnie with many residents and kūpuna on Moloka'i. Vonnie is expanding on the idea of “If portraits could teach ...” and was planning to have 13 paintings

of kūpuna for a showing and lū'au. Vonnie is also excited to present her New Mexico landscapes at the Victory Contemporary Gallery in Santa Fe. Vonnie continues to paint unbelievable ocean scenes and takes commissions for portraits. You can view her oil paintings at vonniebrennocameron.com and enjoy examples of her work.

Elmer Tadly is enjoying his 26th year of retirement from the Honolulu Police Department and 30th year from the Hawaii Air National Guard on golf courses in Honolulu.

Lonnie and **Drew Braun** were in Glacier, Washington, at a condo on the North Nooksack River in September. They got together for dinner with Virginia and **Mike MacBride**, who live in nearby Bellingham.

Andy and **Marilyn Fansler** Gray are loving their retirement in Gainesville, Florida, spending time with their grandchildren, attending University of Florida football games and playing golf. Marilyn is also dancing hula and is an artist at the Artisan Guild Gallery. They are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with a planned trip to Honolulu in April.

Margot Witten Johnson has made multiple trips from Dallas, Oregon to Honolulu to see her new granddaughter, Ko'akuru Pi'ilani, who was born in July. Margot's daughter, **Starr '98**, is the proud mama.

A belated congratulations goes out to **Patrick Kirch**, who was awarded the 2020 Samuel Chapman Armstrong Award by the Punahou

Alumni Association for his extensive and exemplary career in anthropology and archaeology, which have significantly shaped the way archaeologists and the public view the pre-history of Hawai'i and the Pacific.

Steve and Pat Obrock '62 Piper were off to Westminster, Maryland in October, to see their granddaughter, **Piper Fox '21**, who is a freshman at McDaniel College, then on to Middlebury, Vermont to visit their former Sisters, Oregon neighbors.

Kyle Metcalf, who continues to quiz us with new and old photos that he posts on our Class Facebook, graduated from Middlebury College, as did Kyle's mom and dad.

Eric Lee is practicing radiology with a multi-specialty group in Allentown, Pennsylvania. He said medicine has certainly taken a different turn during this pandemic with so many people suffering from the coronavirus and COVID-19 pneumonia. His son, Grayson, who was a newborn baby at our 35th Reunion in 2003, is now a freshman at DeSales University in Central Valley.

Sue and **Bruce Heflin** retired six years ago in Crozet near the Blue Ridge Mountains in Virginia. Bruce worked for the city government of Chapel Hill, North Carolina for 30 years. His plan was to spend three to five years in Chapel Hill, and they ended up spending 30 years there. He is doing a little writing, playing golf and is active in his local church.

Sid Peacock and her husband, Jim Nash, had a fun family reunion in September with Sid's sister, **Lise '75**, and her family on Orcas Island.

In August, **Mike Garner** was catching and releasing trout on the Lower Clark Fork west of Missoula, Montana.

John and **Wendy Ho** Brizzle downsized from their longtime house in Pālolo Valley to the Commodore Condominium in Hawai'i Kai in July.

Carol and **Keith Sherman** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary early with a trip to Grand Rapids, Michigan, in August, to meet up with the other half of their double wedding partners from Dec. 29, 1971 – Carol's sister, Pat, and her husband, Chris Dubbs. They celebrated with a seafood dinner and their traditional game of 500 Rummy.

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Leslie Campbell writes: “Creative writing has always been my passion. I took creative writing at Punahou and published poems in KaWai Ola. I got my master's in poetry, an M.F.A. in fiction in my 50s, all the while teaching creative writing at the school I founded in San Francisco. Now, finally, at 69, my debut short story collection, “The Man with Eight Pairs of Legs,” will be published on Feb. 1, 2022, after having won the 2020 Mary McCarthy Prize for



Fun times were had when these '69ers gathered at Margie Zane Landreth's home on Camano Island, Washington. Front row, from left: Anne Arakaki-Lock and Margie Zane Landreth. Back row: Alan Zane and Kathy Gardiner Jech.



Ka'ohu Berg-Hee '05 came home to Hawai'i to celebrate the BIG 7-0 birthday of his mother, Lyla Bonnie Berg '69, and her appointment to the Hawai'i Board of Education.

Short Fiction. The stories explore ways we hold our past on our bodies, visibly and invisibly, through generations. A writer writes out of everything she is, every joy, every torment and every love. A book launch event is planned at Arts & Letters Nu'uano in Honolulu, on March 20, 2022. **Edgy Lee** will partner with me in a conversation about the book, and **Bailey Matsuda** will play music.

Lyla Bonnie Berg is on to new adventures! Hawai'i Gov. David Ige appointed her to the Hawai'i State Board of Education as an interim member for the rest of this school year. Bonnie looks forward to serving the children of our Islands in this new capacity. She emphasizes that "our public schools are more necessary now than ever before. Everyone has an obligation to participate in assisting our educational system to regenerate and transcend itself." When we asked Bonnie what motivated her to accept this daunting and often thankless volunteer position, particularly now, she just smiled and replied, "I'm a Punahou grad – it's what we do!" Good luck, Bon! We're rooting for you to make the difference.

Steve Pickering writes: "In general, I'm still working at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, and still taking one free German language class a semester. I guess the fact that I'm willingly trying to learn a foreign language means that I'm a little different than I was in high school. ('Le livre est sur la table' is about all I remember of French.) Turned 70 last month, with all that this implies. Not retired, but various body parts are already retiring (ears, eyes, knees, etc). Don't run anymore. Still living on 'Ālewa

Heights in the same old house. Most of the time I am either at work or at home trying to keep the house from falling apart. Since the pandemic began, I've gone to work as usual and haven't worked from home. On a sad note, in the last two years, my wife and I both lost our sisters to cancer, both rather suddenly. Last September, due to an innocent foray into online DNA analysis (23andMe), I learned that I have an older half-brother, born in 1947. This was a little secret my mom didn't get around to telling me. Anyway, this set me off on an in-depth investigation of her World War II boxes. I learned lots of fascinating things about what it was like to be in the Red Cross in the Middle East in 1943 – 1946, but found no smoking guns. This last July, we went to New Hampshire to actually meet my half-brother. One of the interesting things I learned was that he was living in the same Oregon towns I was living in, at the very same time."

Our condolences to **Kurt Gronau** and his family, whose father passed away in July.

After a short illness, **Tim Ching** passed away on June 30, 2021, in Sacramento, surrounded by his loving family. Tim attended Lewis & Clark College (bachelor's degree with honors in Art and Psychology) and California State University (MBA). Tim spent over 40 years in the banking industry specializing in commercial and real estate lending in Northern California. His last position was regional vice president of Tri Counties Bank. He was also very active in the Sacramento and Roseville communities. Tim will be missed by his wife of 44 years, Iris Ching; sister, **Jennifer Ching '71**;

brothers, **Randall '75** and **Ric '75 (Marybeth '75)**; niece, **Stephanie Ching '03** Wong (**Mitchell '03**); nephew, **Jonah Elisha '07**; and numerous other nephews and nieces. Tim's parents, **Edward '41** and **Lillian '41**, who predeceased him, were also part of the Punahou family. In addition to being part of the Centennial Class, Lillian worked at Punahou for nearly 30 years, retiring in 1989 as Cooke Library's head librarian. Although Tim did not get back to Hawai'i as often as he would have liked, he had fond memories of attending our 25th Class Reunion. Aloha, Tim, from all your Punahou 'ohana.

Class of 1970

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The words of **Gail Simpson** Owen continue to ring through the hearts of our Class – "Let's Be Different – Together," which pairs well with our reunion call of "It's Getting Exciting!" After our July reunion in Tacoma, the energy for our San Diego reunion reached a new level. Mark the dates – April 29 to May 1, 2022. Gail has pledged to attend our "May Day is Lei Day in San Diego" celebration. The San Diego committee of **Wendy Alexander Tait**, **Heather Forsythe-Auchter** and **Peter Jaquette** are busy scheduling venues and menus. **Charlie Mayfield** is moving to San Diego in January to join the team. The Tacoma committee and planning booklet, developed by **Beverley Walton**, have facilitated all future regional



Phil Hauret '70 was recognized by the Numismatic Literary Guild for the best feature article for world coins.



Candy Johnson '70 and Louise Ing '70 on the steps of Cooke Hall.

reunions. We are different and love to be together. All Class members are invited, regardless of geography – the event in Tacoma hosted classmates from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Texas, New York, California and Hawai'i. I've heard from a number of classmates who love the idea of the regional reunion in their area. In California: **Wynn Wong**, **Dara Love Duncan**, **Gary Bagwell**, **Karen Ingram**, **Lani Ackerman Kalla** and **Laddie Watson**; Nevada: **Maryann Ferguson** and **Dale Smith**; and Arizona: **John** and **Shea Reiner '71** **Mounts**, **Mark Osmun** and **Michelle Souza**. There is plenty of time to make your plans.

Candace Johnson escaped European travel restrictions and visited Honolulu from her home in France, to host a dinner at Mid-Pacific Country Club with classmates **Gary Pacarro**, **Steve Emura**, **Jim Scott**, **Kathleen Kagawa**, **Kurt Steinwascher**, **Russell Lau**, **Connie Hee Lau**, **Rann Watumull** and **Susan Abe Oi**, along with their spouses and friends. As an added treat, Candace entertained us with her enchanting voice, accompanied by Gary, Steve and the band. Candace was recently featured in Fortune's 2021 list of Most Powerful Women. She has earned the nickname, "Satellday," in recognition of her unique passion in expanding the role of women in space-based technologies. Candace no longer stands alone among women in the industry, but she clearly stands at the top of the list.

Phil Hauret was recognized by the Numismatic Literary Guild, which Phil describes

affectionately as "a group of coin nerds, who write articles, blogs and books for other coin nerds." Phil's grandmother introduced him to coin collecting when he was five. Phil studied Southeast Asian history at the University of Hawai'i and studied the Burmese language (who knew that?). His award for the Best Feature Article for *World Coins* grew out of his intense interest in Burmese coins. After his retirement, Phil retaught himself the Burmese writing system and has visited the country three times.

It was great to hear from **Henry Broadbent**, who is living in Seal Beach, California, and was searching for **Gary Van Brocklin**, who has returned to California after living abroad for many years. Henry is waiting on the editor's final review of an article he has written to establish a model for appropriate and useful ministry with disabled persons. Henry says: "I'm praying people across our nation will become truthfully informed about the major issues now at play and take beneficial steps that will be helpful to all." Henry is among many classmates who have shared their

altruistic passion for helping others, as well as their writing talents. Henry has stayed close to home during the pandemic, but is hoping for the opportunity to see classmates in 2022. Note to Henry – San Diego in April 2022.

Suzie Blackwood Foote and husband, Ashby, were in Dallas for an Army football game (Ashby is a West Point graduate). My wife, Lisa, and I were able to catch them for brunch before they headed back to Jackson, Mississippi. We owe Suzie a return trip to Jackson in 2022. Suzie was always one of my favorite military brat friends because her Southern accent was such a classic that overshadowed mine. It is always a treat when classmates travel through Dallas.

Class of 1971

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A special time during our Class Reunion was the flower scattering at Wai'alae Beach. **Lei'ohu Ryder** offered the pule and presented three lei hala to honor our departed classmates.



Last June, Lei'ohu Ryder '71 presided over the Class memorial service at Waialae Country Club, and offered lei hala for their departed classmates.



Last July, classmates from 1971 enjoyed a luncheon at Harbor Village Cuisine to honor Roseanne Lee, who visited from the Netherlands. Front row, from left: Momi Kay Vincent, Blossom Yee and Clarissa Tana Burkert. Middle row: Shelley Pang, Gina Reay Hart, Laura Ing Baker and Liane Chong Takara. Back row: David Sonoda, Lisa Lai, Liane Dang Sloan, Laurel Bowers Husain, Georgette Takushi Deemer, Roseanne Lee, Joan Kagawa, Barbara Uphouse Wong, Joan Moses Ogata and Sherry Young. Also in attendance was Willie Lum '71, who took the photo.

She made three to represent faith, hope and aloha – the emoluments mea nui. Inquisitive classmates wondered why she selected hala. Lei'ohu recalled that her 'ohana would offer lei hala as well as other lei such as maile or puakenikenī at ho'olewa (funerals). Hala translates as, “to pass away, to stop breathing,” so when used at a funeral, lei hala is appropriate to be offered at a time of change or transition. Lei'ohu pointed out too that hala is the pandanus. “The symbol of Ka Punahou, the new spring. So much kaona (meaning) inviting us in to remember the waters of Kāne. The living waters, the waiola of ourselves. To flow with aloha in our hearts. The hala leaves that bind us as classmates that grew up together in the living waters of Punahou. Keiki woven together as the lauhala mats or lauhala sails. Together we honored the living waters of aloha that celebrated the legacy of our collective spirit.”

Lei'ohu and **Lisa Lai** were intent on delivering the lei hala to Punahou, and with the kōkua of Punahou Chaplain Lauren Buck Medeiros, they were placed on the altar in Thurston Chapel. Lisa commented, “The blessings from us to those who have departed have come full circle.”

Roseanne Lee lives in Heemstede in The Netherlands, a long way from Hawai'i, which might be why she showed up a month late for our 50th Class Reunion. Her classmates still had lots of aloha for her as Lisa Lai and **Momi Kay** Vincent hosted a well-attended luncheon in her honor.

In April, **KC Collins** moved to Texas, to be near her son, but due to life events (falling in love!) she was only there eight weeks before moving to Trinidad, California. Son, Alex, moved to Louisiana, so it all worked out. **Edith Beard** Brady thought KC was going into witness protection as she was moving so much. KC assured her that wasn't, and that she is gloriously happy in Trinidad. We await updates.

Berta Thompson Fifield shared a story from yesteryear: “In preschool, I loved spending time with **Warner Kimo Sutton**. I wanted him to attend at least one or two full days rather than all half days. So, I approached his mother. She looked like she had come from a luncheon because she wore a beautiful grayish tan dress with an abstract red design that was slightly ruched (gathered), and she had a pocketbook on her arm. She was gorgeous. There I was, barefoot, asking her permission to allow Warner to attend a full day session. She kindly told me that Warner needed his nap. Shucks.”

Laura Ing Baker shared this link about the Westlake Hills Mayor in Austin, Texas who you may know – **Linda Anthony**: bit.ly/2ZRnxb6

Nice story about **Byron Yoshino**'s family business: bit.ly/2ZSlnv1

With much sadness, we inform you that **Grant Kidani** passed away in early summer. **Arnold Morgado** gave a eulogy, which can be read in our Class memory book. Email punahou71reunion@gmail.com to learn how to access it.

When you read this column, the high school football season will be pau, but know that our two NFL veterans were coaching: Arnold Morgado for special teams at Roosevelt High School; **Kale Ane** as head coach for McKinley High School. Your Masked Correspondents requested complimentary tickets to their showdown. Unfortunately, they play in different divisions, so no matchup. Maybe next year.

A hui hou.

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New Year greetings, classmates!

The 50th Reunion Committee started monthly Zoom get-togethers in September to catch up with classmates and talk story. A monthly email with the Zoom link is sent out to classmates. If you have not been getting the Zoom invites and would like to join in, email **Dean Yoshida** at talkstory@punahou72.com.

Helena Yee Stage sends greetings from San Diego, where she has lived since the 1980s.



Bob Herkes '72 with his wife, Lynn, at Machu Picchu.

She has been working as a CPA for various companies and industries in Southern California. Her husband, Randy Robbins, is an architect and partner at AVR P Studios, which specializes in schools, churches and community projects. She writes, “While still actively working, we both hope to retire in a year or so! We managed to get a few trips in during the pandemic: Mexico City, Cambodia and Thailand just before the March 2020 lockdown, and some cycling trips down the Southern California Coast and in Death Valley.” After returning from a cycling tour of the South Dalmatian Islands (Croatia) last summer, they look forward to more vacations in Europe.

Loved hearing from **Bob Herkes**, who is enjoying retirement in Ecuador. Four years ago, he and his wife, Lynn, moved to Cotacachi, a little artisan community high in the Andes, on the slopes of the volcano of the same name, known for its music, embroidery and fine leather work. “So much for my years of trying to learn German – should have been taking Spanish!” Bob writes. “We brought our pug, Niele, and he is very popular; nobody had seen a black pug before. And we rescued a fawn pug, Zoe, a couple of years back. They are quite the pair!” Bob and Lynn volunteer with a veterinary hospital that is helping to care for the street dogs in the township. Lynn is a web designer with her own company, WowSuccessTeam. Bob, meanwhile, is grateful for his digital camera as he explores the beauty of his new home. He also has published two books, thanks to Lynn's encouragement, which are available on Amazon. “Endeavour Hawai‘i,” is from 1999, when he was a crew member aboard

the Endeavour replica when it sailed from Kona to Honolulu, and his new book, “Paddles Up! Huki!” which shares stories of his adventures from his early years of outrigger canoe paddling. Bob looks forward to our 50th Class Reunion and “getting back to sea level.”

Political activist/educator/journalist **Tom Mountain** is also thinking about returning for Reunion. Tom last appeared in our Class notes exactly 15 years ago (winter 2006 issue) when he relocated with his wife, Almaz Welday, to her home country of Eritrea. They recently returned to the United States and now live in Lynchburg, Virginia, helping their daughter, Maile, finish her early education degree and helping raise their granddaughter, Kaimana. While in Africa, Tom became the most widely distributed independent journalist on the continent. For nearly two decades, he has been a frequent contributor to CounterPunch, the most widely read “radical left” online English-language magazine in the world. Some will remember his early years in political activism, starting in high school. With the current global climate crisis upon us, Tom reminded me of his campaign for Class treasurer in 1971, when he ran on a “before-its-time” environmental platform of donating all of the student body funds to two local environmental groups, Life of the Land and Save Our Surf. You can read more about his interesting life's work post-Punahou in an interview with fellow activist Ron Jacobs, posted on [CounterPunch.org](https://www.counterpunch.org).

Among the classmates we'll remember at our Reunion is **Cheryl Taddy** Johnson, who passed away suddenly while on vacation in Japan in February 2019. She had been living in Napa. Cheryl's brother, **Elmer Taddy '68**,



Helena Yee '72 Stage and her husband, Randy Robbins, during a 2020 cycling trip in Death Valley.

shared the unfortunate news last fall. He traveled to Japan, to bring her remains back to Hawai'i, where her ashes were scattered at sea off of Waikiki.

Class of 1973

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Aloha mai kākou,

As we welcome 2022, with joy and gladness, we are getting back to some normalcy all around the world. Cheers to the new year! Let's hope this trend continues throughout 2022.

Wrapping up news from 2021: **Paula Daniels** is co-editor of a new book, “True Cost Accounting in Food: Balancing the Scales,” a compilation of essays written by experts from around the world about true cost accounting, which is a metric-based tool to analyze the impacts both (positive and negative) of our food production systems. This book can be used by professionals and policymakers involved in developing and reforming the food system and students and scholars working on food policy, food systems and sustainability. Congratulations to Paula – always making an impact on the world!

Congratulations are also in order to **Tim George** for co-editing, “Japanese Constitutional Revisionism and Civic Activism,” which was released before his retirement from the University of Rhode Island became official in June 2021. The book traces the history of debates over the Constitution of Japan, which has been the law of that land since 1947, and



Anna Koike '73 Schuyler spent a week in Sedona, Arizona, and enjoyed hiking around Chimney Rock.



Bill and Cheryl Rocha '73 Narver at McKee Bridge in Southern Oregon.



Maile Mobberley '74 Williams lives in Orinda, California, in the Bay Area, where she enjoys lots of golfing and hiking. Here she is with her husband, Randy Williams, daughter, Summer, and son, Ford.

joining the firm in 1982. He specialized in real estate transactions, property rights litigation, land use, estates and trusts, Hawaiian rights and appeals. The memorial the firm posted described James as “a skilled and conscientious advocate and a trusted partner and colleague.” He will be missed by classmates, family and friends.

Take care and please send me any updates on what you are doing.

Class of 1975

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Happy New Year, classmates!

Welcome to 2022! I don't know about you, but I have an awareness of the years flying by, and I'm not too keen about it. I would like time to slow down.

So, what have you all been up to?

I can tell you that **Alan “Yanyo” Young** is trying to adjust to living in San Jose more and in Hawai'i less. It's challenging. His beautiful granddaughter, Ava, is in California, and that is a heartstring not to be denied. The beach ... local food ... Ava ... Good luck with this, Yanyo!



Anne Gibson '73 Galvan with her son, Journ Galvan, who recently graduated from the University of Michigan.

ride is on many bucket lists. All the pictures were amazing, and those dwellings were fascinating to see – such history!

Our aloha to **Sarah Meeker** and **Allan Stack**, who have lost loved ones. Aloha also to our classmates who are going through personal health issues. Please surround them and lift them up with loving support to get through these difficult times.

Thoughts to leave you with: In this new year, please take care of yourself. This tough time has been difficult on so many of us. Never give up on each other. Give encouragement to all, and always spread aloha with your smiles wherever you go.

Hugs filled with aloha.

A hui hou, Chickie

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Time is flying by again. It is the beginning of October as I write this. (Where has the year gone?) I hope you are all safe and well. A “thank you” to **Mary-Jane Markoskie** for contacting some classmates we haven't heard from in awhile and encouraging them to send me news!! On to those updates ...

Neal Higgins Walters wrote me with a great update and mentioned she'd join us for our 50th Class Reunion. Neal recently retired from a career in investment and asset management



A screenshot of the Class of '75's Zoom call in September 2021. Top row: Beth Williams Meshke, Heaton Wrenn, Andrea Karkosza Anderson, Cindy Knight and LeAne Francisco Mactagone. Second row: Lisa Wong, Peter Fraser, Julianna Henrikson, Kathy Kelley Carey and Steve Scott. Third row: Rick Smith, Danton Wong, Annie Woodward Caulfield, Barbara Bingham Bartee and Nancy Gottschalk Roberts. Fourth row: Alden Studebaker and Jan Shriner.

in real estate after 39 years. Over the years, she worked for several private equity and management companies in Michigan, Nevada and Texas. She loved the opportunity to learn new things each day. Like many of us, Neal decided the time was right to ponder how to live after turning 65. She decided to move to Tampa, Florida, to be closer to family and friends. She enjoys playing more golf, tennis, pickleball and meeting new people, while exploring what the Gulf of Mexico has to offer. Neal said she has three adorable grandchildren (all under the age of three), and loves being a grandparent – especially seeing her children

become parents. She would love to hear from any classmates living in Florida. Neal would love to be your tour guide of Tampa and St. Petersburg! She said she also still has a home in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and spent some time there in the summer, as well as in Seattle and San Mateo, where her children are. So great to hear from you, Neal!

I am saddened to report the passing of **James Mee** in September 2021. He was one of our longtime volunteers at the Malasada booth, and a genuinely good person. James was an attorney at Ashford & Wriston, originally



Sam Pennington '75 behind the counter at Pennington Farms in Applegate Valley in Southern Oregon. Sam and Cathy send their aloha to all!



Alan “Yanyo” Young '75 with his daughter, Alyssa, and granddaughter, Ava, in Saratoga, California.



Last August, '75 classmates Nathan Sult, Beth Tarter and Susan Arinaga Li hit the dusty trail to Pele's Chair overlooking O'ahu's Ka Iwi shoreline.

Fellow buff 'n blue correspondent, **Chickie Lee '73** Guillaume, sent in a photo of our classmate, **Sam Pennington**. Chickie was visiting Pennington Farms in the Applegate Valley, outside Grant's Pass, Oregon. I think I've mentioned before that Sam and his wife, Cathy, own and run a large farm, where they grow many varieties of berries and fields of flowers. There's a family run bakery too. You can visit their website, www.pennington.farm, read their story and order online. I can personally attest to the deliciousness of their jams, jellies and syrups. The strawberry guava syrup ... you must try it! The bakery even creates an Aloha Basket that includes Punahou's famous caramel cuts! Sam and Cathy are thriving and send their aloha to us all.

In Washington, the ever-faithful **Heaton Wrenn** continues to act as our buff 'n blue glue, helping the Class of '75 stick together. (I've borrowed that clever phrase from our own alumni notes editor. Thank you, **Waileia '86**.) Heaton continues to organize, schedule and run a monthly Zoom event, which many classmates attend and that welcomes new classmates all the time. There is a photo included in this issue that shows classmates in the September 2021 call. There are breakout rooms, where we visit with friends, old and new. There are games, trivia contests, birthday greetings – really! It's a lot of fun! If you are interested in being added to the Zoom email list, please contact Heaton at cubuff2526@comcast.net. You will be pleasantly surprised by the connections you make with classmates after all these years. **Lisa Wong** tells the story of reconnecting with **Ann Swanson** Bancroft on a call and discovering that the two women have lived a mile and a half from each other in the Boston area for 30 years. They recently got together for drinks, pupu and talk story time. All because of a Zoom call!

Back home in Hawai'i, I heard from **Nathan Sult** and **Beth Tarter** that they have been seeing more of **Susan Arinaga Li** since the three of them recently retired. Susan retired as General Counsel and Corporate Secretary for Hawaiian Electric, Beth was Equal Opportunity Officer for the State Judiciary and Nathan was a Legal Division Manager at Bank of Hawaii. They participate in a group organized by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Hawai'i. Osher offers classes and activities for “experienced folks.” (Love the way Nathan puts that. He means senior citizen, like us.) Susan, Beth and Nathan went hiking with the group last summer and sent us a photo.

That's it from my nook. As I asked, what have you been up to? You have all the information you need to get in touch with me, and your classmates would really like to know what you're doing these days.

Be well! I'll write again in spring.

Carin



Damien Farden '77 and Beth Bartz '76 Kingery at Buzz's Original Steak House in Lanikai, where Damien often performs music.



Linda Bell '76 White and Desi Winnie '76 Poteet enjoyed a wonderful reunion in Lanikai last June.

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Aloha, friends –

Following our virtual 45th Class Reunion in June, several classmates have been inspired to continue gathering, both virtually and in person. **Willy Falk** and husband, Andrew Steiner, held a pau hana at the Queen Kapi'olani Hotel in July, bringing '76ers together to eat, drink and talk story. Wonderful photos can be found on our Facebook page. In September, many gathered for our Class's first unofficial quarterly virtual get-together on Rally, the same platform used for most of our Reunion events. (Hopefully everyone received an email invitation to opt in for notifications about these; if not and if you want to join the party, email HowzitPunahou76@gmail.com with your name and email address.) We're going to try holding these non-Reunion reunions every few months from now, on, leading up to the big 5-0.

Robin Greeley wrote to thank the Reunion committee for all their work, saying how much she especially enjoyed revisiting the Variety Show, “and realizing, for the first time really, just how amazing and special it was. I remember it was a total blast but I didn't realize how unique and accomplished it was.” Robin recently published her fifth book on Latin American art. A professor at the University of Connecticut, she advises NGOs, courts of law and advocacy groups on the use of art in reparations for victims of human rights abuses: visit the Symbolic Reparations Research Project at symbolicreparations.org to learn more about her work.

Last summer, **Linda Bell** White and her husband, Art, spent several wonderful weeks housesitting at the Lanikai home of her brother, **Lee Bell '80**. She managed to squeeze in a picnic with **SaraKatherine Goldsmith**, dinner with **Leighton Yuen**, **Brenda Wong** Yim, **Patti Maehara** Eisinger and **Desi Winnie** Poteet; and sailing with **Mark and Betty Kai Fowler '77 Andrade**, and Shannon and **Peter Thielen**. Linda and Art also met up at Buzz's Original Steak House in Lanikai with Leighton, Desi, Patti, **Pauline King** and **Beth Bartz**

Kingery. **Damien Farden '77** was playing music that evening, and everyone had a great time.

We also heard from **Jim Nicoll**, who was part of our Class in the early years and went to high school and college in California. He wrote to say he's been in the insurance and financial business for over 30 years and would love to hear from classmates. He can be reached at nicollinsurance@yahoo.com.

And now for the sad news. We lost two classmates recently. **Bernie Chun** Yee passed away on Aug. 9, 2021. She had battled cancer for almost three years and passed away peacefully at home, among family. She is survived by her twin sister, **Patty Chun** Kikuchi; her husband, **Malcolm Yee**; and their children, **Lynn '05** and **Steven '09**.

Ia Saipaia passed away on Aug. 30, 2021. Ia played football and basketball at Punahou and continues to hold the record for scoring the most points in a Hawai'i State championship basketball game. Though he was fully vaccinated, Ia died from COVID-19 symptoms. In addition to his wife, Jean, Ia is survived by his children, **Angie '18** and **Davis '14**.

Now, go hug the people you love and take care!

Mahalo and aloha,
Dede and Tuck



Friends from '77, Cid Inouye, Susy Chillingworth Ruddle and Rick Towill, are excited about planning their 45th Class Reunion!



Eric Crispin '77 and Gordon Scruton '77 are working on 3650 Waialae, a Kaimukī building project between Wilhelmina Rise and Koko Head Avenue. Eric represents The Omidyar Group and Gordon is bookending his construction career with this project, as he built 3660 Waialae 30 years ago.



Leila York '79 Thomas has been coaching online food and fitness programs for the past three years and absolutely loves it!



Last August, Punahou pals of Kelly Palzis '80 Preston paid tribute together in the San Juan Islands. From left: Allison Hopper '81, Kelly Hutchinson '80 McMahon, Simone Grandmain '80, Shelley Aull '80 Hewitt, Mari-Jo Johnson '81 Schull, Kellie Lawson '80 Purdy, Lisa Botticelli '80 Pohl, Elaine Miller '80 and Marion Philpotts-Miller '80.

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Hi, Class!

I hope you are doing well and that we can see each other at the Alumni Lū'au in June. Our Class will enjoy a Friday night sunset reception and pau hana, and we have Class of '77 logo wear designed by the creative **Jamie L. Clark!** Please send us your ideas for in-person or virtual events. Who's up to having a mini talent show? Please contact **Susy Chillingworth Ruddle** at susyruddle@gmail.com or **Debbie Kim Morikawa** at dkmorikawa@gmail.com if you are interested in being part of our Class Reunion committee!

Here are updates from our Reunion committee members:

From Susy Ruddle: "**Cid Inouye**, **Rick Towill** and I are so excited to be on the 'fun' committee for our 45th Class Reunion. Having been unable to meet in person for so long, we are so excited to finally be able to laugh and share stories of our school years and update our current lies! **Andrew** and **Bonnie Wong Steele** have already booked their flights!"

Eric Crispin: "I've been with Ohana Real Estate Investors for 10 years. If you've driven through

Kaimukī recently, **Gordon Scruton** and I are building a new property at the top of the hill, between Wilhelmina Rise and Koko Head Avenue. I represent the ownership, The Omidyar Group, and Gordon is bookending his construction career on our project – as he built 3660 Wai'ala'e Avenue nearly 30 years ago! This new building will total 65,000 square feet with Goodwill Hawaii as the main tenant on the ground floor. We'll also have a neighborhood eatery at the corner of Koko Head Avenue and Wai'ala'e Avenue, plus three floors of offices and four levels of underground parking (in solid rock!). More Punahou connections (to this project) are **Stephen Yuen '75**, who is the principal architect from G70, and **Tyler Mar '14**, who is one of the engineers. I'm sure there are lots of other Punahou alumni involved when you factor in the many consultants working on the project." Project updates can be seen at 3650waialae.com.

If you missed the KHON2 News interview with Debbie Kim Morikawa and GYMGUYZ, check out this link, bit.ly/3n2xMGN. The clip shows Debbie working with a client, Laura Sato, our classmate **Sharon Sato-Kelley's** mom.

One more thing about our 45th Reunion – registration for our Class Reunion events will be mailed in March. Please update your contact information at bit.ly/3C4dcKZ so that we have your address. You can also visit punahou.edu/reunion for the most up to date Reunion information.

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Andrea Ward says that she is loving life in Kentucky, where grand magnolia trees line the



Andrea Ward '78 is loving life in Kentucky.



Last fall, a few '79ers got together virtually to reminisce with special guest, retired Academy teacher, **Eric Kusunoki**. Top row: **Ruth Anne Allison Herman** and **Sylvia Chinn-Levy**. Second row: **Carmina del Rosario Ahmed** and **Eric**. Third row: **Claire Ackerman Elliott** and **Ronald Loui**. Fourth row: **Jonathan Selinger** and **Dawn Seto**. Fifth row: **Brian Wright** and **Mitchell Kam**. Also Zooming, but not pictured, were **Jill Shimabukuro**, **Phyllis Freund** and **Kim Greeley**.

driveway and potted hibiscus thrive on the back porch. Highlights of her peaceful Southern life include watching the exquisite ponies run at Keeneland, floating and boating on lakes that surround unimaginable places like The Elk & Bison Prairie at Land Between the Lakes and reveling in her most recent role of "Mima" to her mo'opuna, Titan.

Welcome to **Scott Kawakami**, '78s new Class correspondent! Please send your news and stories to him at scott.punahou@yahoo.com!

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Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

I hope the winter season finds you in good health and spending time with friends and family.

Like some of you, I returned to my work office for a few days each week last fall. It was nice to be greeted by relatively lighter traffic as it was apparent that many people were not commuting five days a week to work.

If you skipped the Tokyo Olympics this summer, you missed a great segment highlighting the Olympians who have attended Punahou and the fact that there has not been a U.S. Olympic team without a buff 'n blue graduate since 1972, bit.ly/3viy4f3.

Tori Brenno Eldridge is at it again. Tori follows up "The Ninja Daughter" and "The Ninja's Blade" with "The Ninja Betrayed," Tori's third novel following modern-day ninja heroine, Lily Wong. amzn.to/3vlnGTC.

Leila York Thomas, bit.ly/3ly4UoZ, writes: "For the past three years I've been coaching online food and fitness programs, and absolutely love it. Many of our classmates and Punahou alumni from other classes have joined my Mindset Makeover wellness group." leilaethomas@gmail.com."

Dr. **Lisa Valderueda**, bit.ly/3DwCUYT, has a general dentistry office in Waipahu, where her practice emphasizes dental prevention and wellness, bit.ly/3n02wGX.

After thinking about scheduling a mini reunion for a while, a few of us got together virtually for an hour in early fall. **Claire Ackerman Elliott**, bit.ly/3vhlNqo, **Ruth Anne Allison Herman**, bit.ly/3DyiE9u, **Sylvia Chinn-Levy**, bit.ly/2YXuCKx, **Carmina del Rosario Ahmed**, **Phyllis Freund**, bit.ly/3DRjw9s, **Kim Greeley**, bit.ly/3j646G3, **Ronald Loui**, **Jonathan Selinger**, **Dawn Seto**, **Jill Shimabukuro** and **Brian Wright** were joined by our special guest – retired Academy teacher **Eric Kusunoki**. It was great to reminisce about our days at Punahou with Eric. We had a lot of fun catching up and plan to schedule more virtual get-togethers in the future.

The National Football League appointed **Ruth Anne Herman** as Head of Human Resources for NFL Media in Los Angeles, *bit.ly/3poXqqT*.

If you have not yet discovered the Punahou digital archives, you are in for a treat. Take a trip down memory lane. So far, there are over 3,000 historical images, publications, audio and video to explore, *bit.ly/3NFFz1*.

Until next time, stay safe and keep healthy! – Mitch

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From **Clifton Luke**:

Members of the Class of '80 were disappointed by the cancellation of their momentous 40th Class Reunion. True to their label as the Class that “bends but doesn’t break,” alumni living in Northern California were determined to keep their Class spirit alive and strong. They self-organized an outdoor Class picnic held at Central Park in San Mateo, convening on a sunny day under the cool shade of tall redwoods. Visiting Mountain View from Honolulu, **Dale Zane** paid a surprise visit. **Annette Yee Steck** traveled from Carmel, and **Dawna Leong** Crell drove from Sonoma, bearing a large platter of delicious spam musubi. Clifton Luke baked caramel cuts (four dozen disappeared quickly!). **Karen Glomb** brought the 1980 Oahuan, which provided warm and humorous memories (the hair! the collars!). Best of all, the group enthusiastically enjoyed rekindling friendships and vowed to gather again soon!

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The Class of '80 alumni living in Northern California self-organized an outdoor Class mini reunion in San Mateo. From left: Janie Wakatsuki Karp, Carol Hee, Annette Yee Steck, Sherry Artzt Haber, Dawna Leong Crell, Dale Zane, Clifton Luke, Gavin Lane, Tom Mullen, John Fordham, Karen Glomb, Leslyn Leu Leong, Randy Barnett, Jenny Dyer-Friedman and Suzy Koga.



Michele Holbrook '80 attended the University of Colorado reunion game, and her favorite part was seeing Punahou buddies! From left: Kenny Berger '83, Michele Holbrook, Wendy Jamile '81 Farley and Mark Hemmeter '81.



The Frisbee Golf Gang gathered high on the slopes of Haleakalā. Front row, from left: Billy Philpotts '84, Jeff Pfeffer '82, Herman Allerstorfer '82, Greg Milne '82, Greg Wunderlich '82, Geoff Lewis '82, Phil Perry, David Potter, Rob Whitman, Dave Levinson and John Twomey. Second row: Roger Lyons '82, Skip Wunderlich '84, Jon Steiner '83 and Kalani Schrader.

Aloha, Gang!

We’re creeping up on our 40th Class Reunion and planning has begun in earnest. Although Alumni Week is June 6 – 12, it’s too early to know whether the events will be virtual or in-person. For the most up-to-date information, please check *punahou.edu/alumni/reunion*. As this important event approaches, it is recommended that everyone update their contact information at *bit.ly/3wHhqX9*, as Alumni Week registration packets will be mailed in March.

As for news – we recently learned of the passing of **Kellie Sekiya**. The Class of '82 Zoom group that she helped start is still going strong with dozens of Peanut Butters joining in every Saturday. She will be missed.

After taking a couple of years off, the Punahou Alumni Frisbee Golf Gang got together on Maui to play the stunning course at Polipoli, on the slopes of Haleakalā. The event is in honor of **Ka’au McKenney '83** – many toasts were raised in his memory. Classmates in attendance were **Greg Milne, Roger Lyons, Jeff Pfeffer, Herman Allerstorfer, Greg Wunderlich** and **Geoff Lewis**.

In late August, **Joanne Kouchi** was on O’ahu for 10 days, and caught up with me and **Lisa Hutchinson**. Joanne spent time dining and hitting the beach. Her 16-year-old daughter, Gabby, is an accomplished swimmer, who was

hoping to compete in the annual Waikiki Roughwater Swim that was (alas) canceled for the second year in a row.

Meanwhile, Lisa and I ran into **Mike Sen, Dean Goto** and **Nathan Inada** at Growler Hawai’i in Kapahulu. We were all there enjoying Thursday Night Football.

Not much else to report, folks. For more '82 info, you can always visit our Class Facebook page.

A hui hou!

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Aloha and Happy New Year!

I don’t even know how to recognize all the challenges and hurdles we have faced over the past two years! I have tried to remain present, grateful for all that I have and hopeful for the future that is always one step away.

Working in a prison during a global pandemic has certainly been an extreme experience for me ... some good, some bad and always stretching my life lens. Two of my three children moved home due to COVID-19 hurdles. I definitely appreciate the gift of time with my young adults. Hope you all

have been able to find some small and large nuggets of joy.

Here are some nuggets from classmates:

Paige Ralston Weirich lives in Montana, and has the most amazing adventures. She posts pictures of motorcycle rides, hikes, kayak trips, bicycle races and amazing nature photos. Congrats for recently celebrating 23 years with her adventure partner and husband, Mark!

Corrine Takasaki posts truly artful photos from her life adventures in New York City. She has captured images of nature, pets, food, buildings and a recent connection with her nephews and niece. One recent photo showed Corrine with her niece at a frat party. Gotta say, Corrine fit right in with her attitude and very youthful looks.

As I mentioned in the last set of notes, **Alissa Brownrigg** Small has moved home. She works as a stress management facilitator at a cardiac rehab program ... yoga, breathwork and imagery are her tools. Alissa lived for a while without furniture and other belongings as the barge made its way to Hawai’i. She noted that it made for easier house cleaning, but harder when working on the floor with two dogs.

After many pleas for classmates to contact me when they are close to SeaTac airport – someone responded! **Page Costa** called me saying that he would be in the area the following weekend. He was staying in Everett,



Bea Greenwell '84 and her daughters have settled in to life on O'ahu. Daughter Ellen is a sophomore at Mid-Pacific Institute, while older daughter, Ava Birdie, is a junior at Willamette University. Bea works remotely as the capital recovery and analysis manager at Pacific Gas & Electric. From left: Ellen, Ava Birdie and Bea Greenwell at the home of Bea's sister, Holly Greenwell '86, and Holly's dog, Scout.

looking at some property, but by the weekend he would be ready to explore and have fun out in my lovely area of Gig Harbor. We met up Saturday, went to a legendary local tavern for lunch, walked around downtown waterfront with umbrellas, took an afternoon hike and had drinks out by the water with a lovely fire. Sunday, Page returned to Gig Harbor for football (he gave his positive vibes to the wrong team, devastating results!) and we reminisced looking through my copies of Na 'Opio. We realized during this time, that I started Punahou in fourth grade in Ms. Affleck's class, and that was also Page's homeroom. We had a blast connecting and walking down memory lane. Did we know at the time what a fantastic childhood environment we were blessed with? Wow!

My aloha goes out to **Dan Newbill**. Wishing him strength, recovery and healing. We are thinking about you, Dan, and we are sending you our hugs!

I hope that you are all finding happiness in your lives!

Aloha to all,

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Happy New Year, classmates!

When this edition of the Punahou Bulletin arrives in your mailboxes in 2022, I hope that the worst of the pandemic will be in our rearview mirrors. As I sit to write in September 2021 (because of publication deadlines), ... well, we all know how devastating the past 20-odd months have been for many of us who have just been trying to stay healthy and keep it all together psychologically amidst so much tragedy and loss around the world.

And then there are the angels among us who spent these lost months making the community a kinder place. **Grace Leong** Saturnia and **Cathy Ching '83** founded a local nonprofit, 'A'ALI'I Mentoring, which pairs young people from underserved communities with supportive adults to help them navigate higher education.

Grace is quick to thank those who provided invaluable insights during their research stage, including **Camille Okata** Masutomi, chief of staff at the Hawai'i Department of Education, and **Ronn Nozoe**, CEO of the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

As I reported in these pages last issue, **Maya Byrne** McBride and **Bea Greenwell** moved back to Honolulu with their teens, but Maya says that they are not the only ones. The new cohort of '84 returnees also includes **Radford Small**, who has joined Maya as a 2025 parent back at the ol' alma mater. I imagine they will be seeing quite a bit of each other over the next four years!

Mimi Lind, who moved back to Honolulu in 2020, apparently blazed a trail and now the others are following one year later. Speaking of Mimi, she continues to help heal the community with her work in the Kaiser Permanente crisis and triage call center.

Patti Horii Oshiro was recently enjoying one of those favored pandemic activities (Netflix!) and one of its Top 10 movies, "The Last Letter from Your Lover." Patti savored it all the way through the credits and discovered that the co-writer was none other than our own **Esta Spalding**! Yes, she penned a movie that stars



Tag, you're it! The Buff 'n Blue Button Box of '84 memorabilia is making its way around the Class. Originally curated by California-based Chris Kodani '84 Shaw, and hand-carried back to Hawai'i by Peter Dung '84, it was recently in the possession of Grace Leong '84 Saturnia, who passed it off to Valerie Tanabe '84 Yamashita at Val's Pandora store at Ala Moana Center. Follow its travels on the 1984 Facebook group. Round and round it goes; where it stops, nobody knows! From left: Grace and Valerie.



Last summer, when Julie Pollock '85 and her kids came home to visit family and scatter her father's ashes on the North Shore, these classmates met up to catch up. From left: April Coloretti, Julie Pollock and Sidette Sakamaki.

some of the most respected actors of today, including Shailene Woodley and Felicity Jones. Esta, who lives in Los Angeles, is currently the showrunner/writer of "The Witching Hour: Lives of the Mayfair Witches," a series based on the Anne Rice bestsellers that will debut in November 2022.

And finally, if you would like to see something mesmerizingly beautiful (and can pull yourself away from Esta's shows!), take in the 2021 Holokū virtual program "Ola Hawai'i," bit.ly/3kPY8KE, and the talents of our own **Puanani Tom** Jung. I am sure that you will agree that Pua – who has been Kumu Hula at Hālau Hula Lani Ola in Orange County for over two decades – is even more graceful than we remember from her own Holokū program as a student, if that is even possible!

So, on that happy note – I hope to see you all on Zoom, if not in person. Stay safe and healthy!

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From **Carol Lockwood**:

Back in late July, **James Baker** traveled to Honolulu and got into the Olympic spirit by hosting the U.S. Men's Olympic Four (rowing) team for dinner at the Outrigger Canoe Club. The team was in Hawai'i for their final week of training on the Ala Wai Canal before heading to Tokyo for the Olympic Games. (James, someday we want the story of how this dinner came about!)

Betsy Somerville Purpura knows a thing or two about supporting elite athletes. Recent Punahou graduate, **Cosette Wu '21**, a 2021 U.S. Presidential Scholar, named Betsy as her most influential teacher. A former Varsity Girls Tennis captain, Cosette says that as her freshman tennis coach, Betsy is "the most positive person (she's) ever met!"

Melinda Tuan reports that she caught up with **Jerelyn Watanabe** recently when Jerelyn was in Philadelphia visiting her two daughters,



Andrea Agcaoli '85 Mills, her husband, Kalani, and April Coloretti '85, with her son, Cody Lopes, ran into each other at the most unlikely of all places – the Pearl Harbor National Memorial! Here they are pictured on the ferry going over to the USS Arizona Memorial.



Last fall, first-time curator, Lesa Griffith '80, and Los Angeles-based artist, Susan Maddux '87, at the opening of "A Kind of Homecoming," (bit.ly/3y2e3ef) at Arts & Letters Nu'uano, the brainchild of Maile Meyer '75. Visit susanmadduxstudio.com to learn more about Susan's work.

Nathalie Jones '17 and **Lillie Jones '20**. Melinda reports that Jerelyn and **David Bell** recently attempted the 27-mile swim across the Kaiwi Channel from O'ahu to Moloka'i, after training many hours a day for months. Sadly, a series of jellyfish encounters thwarted their attempt. The two of them did successfully complete the eight and a half mile Pailolo Channel swim from Maui to Moloka'i, back in April. Amazing!

Also in the Amazing Athletic Feats category, **Michael Tenby** became the 450th 1K Legend of 2021 with the Facebook 1,000 Miles Run Club, when he completed the Run 1000 Miles Challenge for the sixth year in a row! Great job, Mike!

In a younger age category, I'm proud to report that the children of the Class of '86 are well-

represented in the 2021 – 2022 Punahou Intermediate Tennis Team, which includes **Nana Nakano** Howell's daughter, **Sophia '26**; **Paul Chattergy**'s son, **Liam '26**; and my son, **Ethan '27**.

Arguably, if not technically, an athletic feat: **Vera Kahiwa Jung** made the leap this fall from Punahou Case Middle School assistant teacher to Punahou Case Middle School eighth grade English teacher! (Truly, if teaching 100 eighth graders isn't athletic – I don't know what is ...) Among her students are the aforementioned Sophia Howell and Liam Chattergy!

Also tackling new roles, **Shera Chee** Mercer was recently declared Chef Hui Hawai'i's Sustainable Seafood Ambassador! Anyone

familiar with Shera's beautiful 'Alohi Kai ocean-themed jewelry, incredible underwater photography and busy diving schedule understands that this is a match made in heaven.

Michelle Watanabe Hsieh's new role is college parent. Michelle dropped her older daughter, Chloe, off for her first year of college at University of California Santa Barbara in late September. She is now a half-empty nester!

Finally, Melinda wrote in: "Because my father bemoans the fact that he never reads about any of his kids in the Punahou Bulletin, I'd like to share that my family and I were together on a recent weekly Tuanapalooza Zoom call that included my parents and siblings, **Kathy Tuan-MacLean '83**, **Priscilla Tuan '90** and **David Tuan '95**.

Please e-mail your news to me or to **Valeri Love** at the emails at the top of the column. Don't be shy – we're interested in hearing from you – especially from those of you whose news has never appeared here before!

A hui hou.

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Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

I know many of us thought 2021 had to be better than 2020 – if you are in the field of health care or education, this may not have been the case. Here's to 2022 bringing us peace, health and prosperity.

I've been following **Lahela Hekekia** on Facebook and have even asked her some fitness questions when I had a sore piriformis. This is what she is up to: "Aloha e kākou! I'm very lucky to be living in Hawai'i, and pursuing the things I truly love. I work at three physical therapy studios doing a therapeutic style of Pilates, often sending referrals back and forth to PTs, chiropractors and other health care professionals. My specialty includes scoliosis, since I used Pilates and other disciplines to change my own spine, hips and feet over the years. I am also known as the go-to person for injury or chronic pain. I watch how someone is



Laura Lee '87 Zacharia met up with Lia Reynolds '87 on the way to a Washington Nationals game with friends.

moving and help to identify the causes of pain and how to improve. I had the sheer luck of getting noticed by some leaders in the industry and was invited to the board of directors for the Pilates Initiative, a nonprofit dedicated to Pilates outreach and education. I am also a licensed massage therapist, medical myotherapist and certified GrastonTechnique specialist. I'm taking some time away from that until it seems more appropriate. Hoping you all are well and happy. Na'u no, Lahela."

Jennifer "Jen" McCabe Marples recently launched "The Jen Marples Show" (jenmarples.com), a podcast dedicated to helping and inspiring female entrepreneurs to achieve the business and life goals they desire at midlife. Jen is an entrepreneur, business adviser, coach, motivational speaker and marketing leader. Each week, Jen brings conversations with incredible entrepreneurial women who are taking courageous action daily in their business, while also dealing with all that midlife entails. She goes behind the scenes with her guests to showcase the good, the bad, the crazy and the success.

Greg Char made a cool discovery while visiting the Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum. The F-15 Eagle on exhibit was flown by our classmate and eighth grade Class president **Mike Blake**. His name and call sign are stenciled under the canopy!

It is always fun to meet up with classmates. I was at a horse show in Pinehurst, North Carolina, and I knew that **Julia Latham** lived there, so I gave her a call. She met me at the show grounds, and we had so much fun catching up!

Heidi Corboy Canon went to Atlanta for a health coaching conference. She knew that **Susan Small** once lived there, but Susan is not on social media, so Heidi wasn't sure if Susan still lived there. Heidi shared: "I found Susan's number and gave her a call. She picked me up from my hotel and we went to dinner! It was the highlight of my trip to reunite with an old friend!"

As you read this, we are very close to Alumni Week (June 6 – 12) and our 35th Class Reunion! Please visit punahou.edu/alumni/reunion for the most up-to-date information. If you have moved or changed your contact information, please go to punahou.edu/alumni/contact-alumni-relations/update-your-contact-info to update your information.

Happy 2022, Class of '87! May it bring you many blessings and an abundance of joy!

Cynthia



Cynthia Fox '87 Parks and Julia Latham '87 met at a horse show in Pinehurst, North Carolina.

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“‘We'll be friends forever, won't we Pooh?’ asked Piglet. ‘Even longer.’ Pooh answered.” – A.A. Milne

Congratulations on making it through another year and doing it with style! If finding the perfect loco moco is on your 2022 bucket list, here are a few suggestions from classmates who know what they are talking about. **Jenn Ramos** Doran: Paniolo Moco at Eggs 'n Things. **Karen Elizaga**: Liliha Bakery and **Tony Kim**'s kitchen. **Kelly Wall**: Aiea Bowl. **Matt Sakai**: Cafe 100, FEAST and Kahai Street Kitchen. **David Lau**: Rainbow Drive-In for old-school and 'Ölena for nouveau. **J.D. Stutenberg** and **Danny Beck**: Grace's Inn. **Peter D'Enbeau**: Troy's in Hāna. **Paige Bazemore** Gabel: Island Vintage Wine Bar. **Aimee Rice**: Elk's Club for vegan.

AsThe Amicable ClassTurns: **Erin Hopkins** Hendershot, **Betty Lin** Bredemann, **Maria Lippi** Schwartz, **Martin Lind**, **Kimo Trask** and **Mike Wilson** reunited for a backyard barbecue at



Friends from the amicable Class of '88 gathered for a backyard barbecue at Erin Hopkins Hendershot's house in Southern California. From left: Mike Wilson, Betty Lin Bredemann, Maria Lippi Schwartz, Erin, Martin Lind and Kimo Trask.

Erin's house in Southern California. **Joelle Uyeda**, **David Hong**, **Ross Masunaga** and **Tony Kim** partied in Honolulu, while **Mark Lehman** and **Donna DeWick** enjoyed la bonne vie en Paris.

Karen Elizaga and **Janina Labrie** Pietsch joined forces to launch Karen's daughter, Sloane, at

University of California Irvine's Claire Trevor School of the Arts. **Neige Sills** Whittington prepped daughter, **Sydney '21**, to perfection with a beautiful dorm room at University of California Berkeley, while **Martin Lind** said that he left a piece of his heart with his daughter at Dickinson College. **Christine "Chrissey"**



This screenshot is from a financial investing podcast led by David Snow '88 with guests, Dana Haimoff '87 and Dustin Sellers '87. David lives in Brooklyn, and is the founder and CEO of Privcap, a media platform that provides video and online content to the global private partnership community. Dana lives in London, and is managing director and portfolio manager in the Private Equity Group at JP Morgan Asset Management. Dustin lives in Honolulu, and is the managing partner and co-founder of Koa Capital Partners LLC.

Fruean Pagan reports that her son is attending the Richard Bland College of William & Mary, while her daughter started graduate school at Virginia Tech. **Ross Masunaga** was a proud papa when dropping his daughter, **Mari '21**, off at University of California, Los Angeles. Congrats, everyone!

Taylor "T.A." Kurosaki launched an independent gaming development studio, That's No Moon, that is based in L. A. and San Diego. The initiative is backed by a \$100 million investment, and T.A. is paving the way as creative director along with a talented crew of industry veterans. Wishing you all the best, T.A.!

Congrats to tutu **Paige Bazemore** Gabel on welcoming her grandson to this world! "Squish" is an adorable nickname, and we are loving all the cute photos.

Did you know that Punahou has its very own book club? **Lara Mui** Cowell and **Sherrie Sonomura** are members. Here's the link to join, pbc.guru/punahou.

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Happy 2022, classmates!

We hope that everyone is managing well and keeping safe.

It seems like many of us took advantage of the good weather and relatively low COVID-19 positivity rates as the time to travel this summer.



Last summer, Mike Machado organized a gathering of '89 alumni at Valerie Weinstein's house. From left: Liana Bond Cosgrove, Erika Bockhaut, Allison Sakae, Valerie Weinstein, Mike Machado, Stacey Enersen, Scott Gould and Bennett Loui. Not pictured: Vince Liem.



These friends from '89 were able to catch up when they crossed paths in July. Front row, from left: Grant Chen and Janet Masamitsu. Middle row: Mark Kawaguchi, Clifford Yuen. Back row: Henry Wu, Ed Fong, Milton Chung Gum and James Chong.

Grant Chen and company were able to catch up with **Janet Masamitsu** when they crossed paths in July. **Mike Machado** and friends took advantage of **Stacey Enersen** being in town to gather and share smiles. Thanks to Grant and Mike for sharing these mini reunions.

It is always great to run into classmates at Costco. Thanks to **Chad Konishi** and **Pam Clifford** Jenkins for taking a moment to chit chat!

Until next time, take good care!



Dana Shimoda-Fraiola '90 and her 'ohana made Mary E. Friel '51 Ciacci a lap quilt with Pā'ani t-shirts from years past. Front row, from left: Dana and Mary. Back row: Aidan '23 and Brooke '25 Fraiola. Alike Fraiola took this photo.

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This is a story about the long-awaited reunion in Waimānalo, with **Mary E. Friel '51** Ciacci, the fabulous correspondent for the Class of 1951. **Dana Shimoda '90** Fraiola and her 'ohana – husband, Alike, and kids, **Aidan '23** and **Brooke '25** made Mary a lap quilt with Pā'ani t-shirts from years past. Meant to be a Christmas gift, COVID-19 prevented them from gathering until recently.

Mary and Dana are on the board of directors for Nā Wahine Pā'ani O Punahou, where they met over a decade ago. Mary is a Lifetime Director for Pā'ani. The two women bonded over their love of athletics and supporting the girls Athletics programs at Punahou. These Taurus gals celebrate their birthdays a day apart and they live by the code of "every hour is happy hour." What was meant to be a quick stop-over grew into an incredible time warp of eight hours of laughter, stories, history lessons, beverages, trips down memory lane, misty eyes, more laughter and delicious take-out from **Jon Matsubara's '91** FEAST. It was truly an incredibly special day filled with so much love and aloha.

In 2015, Mary was the recipient of Punahou's Old School Award which honors alumni who



Stefan Schroppner '91 with his family after winning the Oregon softball state title this year. From left: Stefan Jr. (17), wife Tricia, Kellie (15), Stefan and Gina (13).



Punahou alumni visited a pumpkin patch in the Pacific Northwest! From left: Joanna Sutton '98 Akena, Jennifer Li '92 Dotson, Casey Akena '94, Kian Vae'ena '24, Kiera Wong '92 Vae'ena, Tuuli Vae'ena and Justin Dotson.

exemplify the spirit of Punahou through outstanding service to the School.

Cheers to Mary! Make sure to look for her in “her seat” at the Elks Club on Wednesdays.

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Happy New Year!

We hope you enjoyed a wonderful holiday season. Maybe we will see more of each other in person ... and maybe even travel more!

Stefan Schroppner sent his regrets for not joining our Reunion festivities. He sends aloha to our Class along with this update: “I currently reside in Eugene, Oregon, with my wife, Tricia, and our three kids, Stefan Jr. (17), Kellie (15) and Gina (13). After 20 years in the corporate world, I’ve decided to semi-retire and enjoy life. I’ve been traveling internationally with my family, tinkering in real estate and investments, and I co-own a USL League 2 soccer club. I am also having fun coaching club and high school soccer and softball at Marist Catholic High School.”

Jeff Banks is currently living in Fairbanks, Alaska, and his sister, **Rebecca Banks ’93** is down in DeRidder, Louisiana. This past summer, their family was fortunate enough to go on a weeklong cruise on the Snake River,

which runs through Washington and Oregon. During that trip, as occasionally happens, they bumped into a fellow Punahou alumnus, **Penny Deming ’60** Dupin. It was a great trip and made even more special by this chance meeting! (A picture of this meeting is in the Class of 1960 column, fall 2021 issue.)

It was a pleasant surprise to run into **Lupe Funaki** Piena at Costco! She had just moved home from Utah with her 11 children – the oldest graduated from high school in 2021, and her youngest is in kindergarten. She has lived in Tonga and Utah during her time away from Hawai’i. Lupe looks just as she did when we graduated ... still so beautiful – inside and out!

We want to extend our deepest condolences to **Lindsey Cassidy-Chang**, her sister, **Brooke Cassidy ’93** Klein, and their family on the loss of their father, **Paul Cassidy ’45**. He will be missed by his family, friends and the larger Honolulu community.

Best of health to you and your families in 2022!

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JUNE 6 – 12, 2022

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Aloha, Class of '92!

Dust off your boom boxes and start playing flashback mixed tapes of Boyz II Men in preparation for our 30th Class Reunion! As we dream of stonewashed jeans and high-top sneakers from days gone by, our Class Reunion committee is hard at work making plans for some fun times together in June. A big shoutout to the following volunteers! Activity chairs: **Kaulana Yoshimoto, Jenni Tanabe** and **Lisa Johnstone**. Gift chairs: **Tim Dang** and **David Chang**. Treasurers: **Darren Lee** and **Alison Won** Tanigawa. Secretary: **Kellie Ann Kitagawa** Hirohata. Contact Updater: **Jennifer Li** Dotson. Communications/Website/ Social Media: **Jaci Murakami** Matsuo. Class Merchandise: **Jenni Tanabe, Miki Anzai** and **Jenny Holzman** Lum. Archives: **Jaci Murakami** Matsuo and **Greg Kawakami**. Friday Pau Hana: **Aulani Silva, Eleu Ornellas** and **Sarah Eagle** Light. General Committee Support: **Kelly White, Kiera Wong** Vae'ena, **Shelley Arakawa, Jan Harada, Christina Hines** Wismeth, **Mike Maciszewski** and **Carlton Yuen**. Want to join in? The committee meets virtually on the first Thursday every month. Reach out. We would love to have your help!

Thank you to Dr. Elbert Tomai, who wrote in to share about the childhood friendship that his son, **Emmett Tomai**, has with buddies **Eddie**

Yoon and Reid Townsend. Emmett is currently Department Chair of Computer Science at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley in Edinburg, Texas. Eddie lives in Naperville, Illinois, and is a growth strategy consultant for high-growth, venture capital-backed companies, author at the Harvard Business Review and the co-founder of Category Pirates. Reid is a senior manager at Google working on their communications products.

Elizabeth Lentz-Hill is having a great time teaching dance at the Still & Moving Center, reconnecting with **Didi Oi, Stephanie Chang** and **Jennifer Li** Dotson. At her day job as executive team member at Hawaiian Mission Houses, she crosses the street to have lunch with **Allison Yanagi**, who works at Honolulu Hale. Allison is also an Okinawan dance and music master teacher. Elizabeth also had breakfast with **Jana Yates** Nelson when **Grace Leung** was in town visiting family.

Dr. **Kaulana Yoshimoto** launched an expansion of his Honolulu practice to incorporate personal and professional coaching alongside health and wellness classes to support spiritual, energetic and emotional health in our everyday lives.

After nearly a decade at Wall-to-Wall Studios, **Jenni Tanabe** started a new position in July 2021 as Creative Director at ALTRES in Honolulu. Jenni will be helping to manage branding, creative strategy and services as the company positions itself for the future.

Kena Heffernan was quoted in Honolulu Star-Advertiser as the new head coach of the

Pac-Five football team with only six returning players and the daunting task of keeping a program alive. Coach Kena said, “We are the lucky ones that get to play. Overcoming challenges has helped the athletes grow.”

At the end of June 2020, **Sarah Lee** Chow and her family traveled from California to spend their 14-day required quarantine at Mālaekahana. She ended up staying and is still wearing the same few outfits brought for what was supposed to be a very short trip. Sarah's youngest sister, **Rachel Lee ’08**, married **Zander Schneider ’03** in May 2021, and found out that 64 years ago, his grand aunt built the exact house bought by the Chow 'ohana in Kahuku – it is a very special place to both families!

Jennifer Almquist Lehman is celebrating her 23rd year as a second grade teacher at Superior Elementary in Colorado. Before the pandemic, she bought a camper trailer and has enjoyed traveling across the country. If you want a visit from her, just send word and she just might pull up in your driveway!

Finally, have you thought about your Class gift yet? Let us know if you have any questions about how to support future alumni. As a reminder, please be sure to update your contact information, punahou.edu/alumni/contact-alumni-relations/update-your-contact-info.

Keep sending in those updates. We love hearing from you!

Sincerely,

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Hey, '93ers,

Hope that everyone enjoyed the holidays!

The last few years have been challenging, and it's been nice to witness generous acts or people coming together to help one another. Along those lines, a shoutout to **Jamie Kawamura** Blake, who is a special education preschool teacher. Her students have special needs and required sensory toys that they could watch, touch and explore and art supplies for their daily arts and crafts. Jamie took the time to create a donor site so that others could help to get her students those needed items. Jamie also set up her students' desks with clear dividers in creative ways, while making them into different vehicles, like a fire engine. Those students are lucky and blessed to have Jamie as their preschool teacher. Thank you to all the educators out there who are helping to make it safe for students to return to school for in-person learning.

Congratulations to **Rianne Graves-Grantham**, who is Punahou's grade six administrative



Rachel Shapland '94 Bradley and Candes Meijide Gentry '95 celebrate reaching the summit of Haleakalā for the 2021 virtual Run to the Sun Maui.

dean. In this position, she has oversight of a grade level and works with students and families as they transition through the Case Middle School. Way to go, Rianne!

Other classmates have been helping alumni with their cooking skills on the Punahou Alumni Association's series, "Virtual Cooking with Alumni Chefs." In September, **Angèl Vardas** Foster and her best friend/foodie, **Alison Hodges** Lazzara, virtually demonstrated cooking a recipe, Middle Eastern Tomato and Cucumber Salad with Olive Oil and Za'atar. They spoke about olive oil, food, travels and friendship.

In July, **Mark "Gooch" Noguchi** led a virtual cooking class and baked Kalo Flatbread with his family. Gooch also shared some kitchen hacks to make bread production as easy and 'ohana-inclusive as possible. For all the Alumni Chef experiences go to *bulletin.punahou.edu/virtual-cooking-with-alumni-chefs/*.

Please send us your news. Stay safe and have an amazing new year!

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Happy 2022!

Another year has passed. I hope everyone was able to celebrate the holidays safely.

Kaiulani Piper Sodaro joined the Howard Hughes Corporation as senior vice president of planning and development overseeing the developer's strategic planning of the Ward Village master-planned community in Honolulu. She was most recently with The Resort Group, the master developer of Ko Olina Resort, where she was vice president of planning and development. In her new role, Kaiulani will also oversee the coordination with regulatory agencies such as the Hawai'i Community Development Authority, development of infrastructure, community engagement and government relations for the 60-acre property.

The ultra-fit **Rachel Shapland** Bradley (I always remember her smoking everyone in the timed miles we had to do in middle school) and **Candes Gentry '95** tackled the longest runs of their lives, from sea level in Pā'ia, Maui, to the summit of Haleakalā. They started the day at 5 a.m., running towards Makawao, then Kula and up Haleakalā Highway. In the end, both women made it up 35.5 miles in seven and a half hours. WOW! Amazing achievement, I barely made it up Diamond Head Road the one time I ran the (mostly flat) Honolulu Marathon.

Last fall, a new crop of college freshmen began their journey to adulthood. **Kristy Sakai**, **Leah Wood** Anderson, Rachel Shapland Bradley and **Trisha Kehaulani Watson-Sproat** dropped their kids off at various colleges. I feel like it was just yesterday that we were all doing the same thing. Life is so different now – no walking to the airport gate, and technology probably helps to resolve some of the homesickness.

In August, **Dawn Barsana** Szewczyk organized a mini reunion at Side Street Inn. **Casey Agena**, **Joseph Perez**, **Kent Kasaoka**, **Loahn Nguyen**, **Toma Turner**, **Shannon Ball** and **Koa Chai** all made an appearance to enjoy the 'ono food and catch up. Hopefully we will enjoy a larger get-together before our next Reunion. Speaking of Casey Agena – he was home for a bit working for that other school near the Ala Wai Canal ... After posting his work ID on Facebook, he almost got his '94 card revoked.

Our Class Facebook page has turned into a Craigslist of sorts. Asking recommendations for doctors, lawyers, dentists and contractors.



Friends from '95 gathered for a mini reunion when Andrea Fujii Johnson visited this summer from New York. Front row, from left: Kasumi Hara, Andrea Fujii Johnson, Lopa Shah, Pam Fong Joe and her husband, Jason. Back row: Brad Reber and Evan Mau.

It is a sign of the times (and our age). Does anyone want to create a directory?

Please continue to stay safe!

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From **Stef Park**:

Happy New Year!

Congratulations to **Sarah Wayne Callies** on her post-apocalyptic podcast, "Aftershock," that launched last July. She has written, directed and stars in this 10-part series that takes place after the largest earthquake in U.S. history. At its heart, it's a story about forgiveness and second chances.

Here is a lightning round of updates: **Joan Dukore** is a magician and an audiobook narrator living in Las Vegas. **Marc Hoffman** is a writer, living in Istanbul. **Caroline Li** Soga is teaching early childhood education at Honolulu Community College. **Darrett Choy** is a pediatrician in Hilo. (Hang in there, Darrett! There are not enough doctors on Hawai'i Island.) **Mei-Lin Pang** and **Michelle Tsuda-Yun** are pediatricians in California. As the executive director of Paepae o He'eia, **Hi'ilei Kawelo** oversees the care and restoration of the He'eia Fishpond at Ko'olau Poko on O'ahu, as

well as the on-site programs. **Marlowe Penfold** Kim is an elementary teacher in El Cerrito, California. **Kelly Schroeder** Creasey is a middle school social studies and electives teacher in Spokane, Washington. **Micah Pavich** teaches algebra, geometry and sports psychology in the Academy at Punahou. Pre-pandemic and pre-Dad times, he coached football, basketball and track. **Mandy Minor** owns, operates and manages a family business, Hawaii Food & Water Testing, in Honolulu. **Brooke Wilson** is a realtor and developer in Denver, including the greater metro area into the foothills and some mountain areas. **Jessica Langley** Laird has worked at Nike for the last 11 years, and currently is the senior creative director for women's performance apparel.

From **Annmarie Primorac**:

Candes Gentry and **Rachel Shapland '94** Bradley tackled the longest run of their lives (so far) this summer starting at sea level in Pā'ia, Maui to the summit of Haleakalā. Candes said that they started their run at 5 a.m. on Baldwin Avenue to Makawao. From there, it was on to Kula and up Haleakalā Highway. They both made it to the summit, running 35.5 miles uphill to 10,023 feet above sea level in an impressive seven and a half hours.

Candes also crossed the 'Au' Au channel this summer, nearly nine miles between Maui and Lana'i, in just under eight hours. It is a challenging open water swim and depending on ocean conditions, can be rough. Way to go, Candes!

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Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

This past summer and fall, many of us began to step out again into social activities and even travel. Last July, **Mike Morgan** traveled to Hawai'i from Eugene, Oregon, for a brief visit. He reconnected and shot hoops with **Willis Chang**, who happened to be visiting at the same time from Los Angeles! Mike and his wife, Jamie, who hails from Hawai'i Island, met at Oregon State University and were married in 2010 in Willamette Valley. They were living in Santa Clara, California, until last August, when they chose to move back to Eugene to be close to Jamie's parents. Mike has been working in software engineering and management for many years. His current team manages the performance of the search function of the Etsy website. He also has been enjoying some creative outlets like woodworking and gardening at their home.

Kevin Au shared that although the pandemic mostly put a damper on his frequent travels, he finally got the opportunity recently to travel to Boston, where he caught up with **Tim Nelson** and his family. Kevin lives in Chicago, where he leads financial services for Walgreens. Also in Massachusetts near Tim are **Jonathan** and **Jill Hayashi** Lim, who live in Lexington with their five children, Noah (16), Justin (14), Zachary (12), Elli (9) and Anya (5). This is the first time in 15 years that they don't have a child in preschool. Their oldest, Noah, is also learning to drive! Jon has been working for many years with an organization that invests in start-up healthcare companies. He is also involved in a nonprofit involving foster care in China. After many years of teaching elementary school, Jill is now teaching ESL for Japanese women in the Boston area and long distance in Japan, along with serving in other volunteer opportunities.

Also on the East Coast, **Emily Tam** Pick lives in Williamsburg, Virginia with her husband, Tom, and their two daughters, Evangeline (10) and Olivia (9). Tom is a civilian contractor for a company working with the Department of Defense, and Emily puts her vocal talent to great work in freelance voice acting and occasionally singing for a big band/swing group called, "Good Shot Judy." She is also a certified yoga instructor and loves the opportunity to help people feel better in their bodies. Emily and Tom's daughters are both acolytes at the historic Bruton Parish Church in Williamsburg, which still uses the original baptismal font that came to the Jamestown Settlement from England!

Back in Honolulu, congratulations are due for **Meredith Kuba**, who joined the Punahou faculty this school year as an Academy science teacher! After teaching chemistry at Kamehameha Schools for 10 years, she decided to make the move to Punahou. This year she is teaching chemistry and AP Chemistry, alongside **Cullen Pang '97**. She often crosses paths with **Lesley Johnson '98** Ballew, who also just joined the faculty as an Academy math teacher.

Also in Honolulu, **Todd and Nikki Love Kingman** shared a bit about their life together. Todd works with Geographic Information System (GIS) software for the company, Esri. After years of teaching public policy and economics at the University of Hawai'i and Hawai'i Tokai International College, Nikki is now spending her time being an awesome mother to their daughter, Mika (2). Todd and Nikki re-connected in 2011, and one of their first dates was attending the Punahou Carnival together! They married in 2014 at the Punahou Chapel. They are looking forward to getting out a little more now that Mika is old enough to wear a mask.

Stay safe and healthy! Love your neighbors!
Aloha,
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Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

Aloha, friends! I'm excited and honored that **AhLinn Yamane** Sue extended the invitation to me to join the Class correspondent team. As we all know, she is very convincing.

After a pandemic-motivated absence from the Islands, I returned home last summer with my mom to visit a small bubble of friends and family. I caught up with **Ahnya Chang**, AhLinn Sue, **Jojo Mosher** O'Neill, **Jessica Hirota '96** Niles and **Devon Kirkpatrick '00**.



Emily Tam '96 Pick and her husband, Tom, with their daughters, Evangeline (10) and Olivia (9), near their home in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Jennie Foster was also back home last summer to visit family, and she managed to sneak in some time with **Pia Chock**, **Wendy Torigoe** Erskine, **Marissa Steinfeld Ivey**, **Jenny Fiedler** and **Sara Slovin** Tsay, who were in town too.

I'm very happy to report that the Class of '97 'ohana just keeps growing! From **Kara Hallstrom**: "My husband, Jeff, and I welcomed Josephine Erin Larsen to our family on July 23, 2021, in Salt Lake City. She is our first. She shares her name with my sister and fellow Pun, **Erin Hallstrom '93**. We are completely smitten with our Jo. We cannot wait to bring her home to Hawai'i, and to introduce her to malasadas at Punahou Carnival someday."

On May 6, 2021, **Brandon Chock** and wife, Annais, welcomed their son, Bennett. Most excited for the new arrival and the dramatic increase in spilled food is Ishie, the family dog. In fact, we have even more classmates with new additions to their families, including **Erin Suzuki** Shon (twins!) and **Lolly Anderson**. Congrats!

And now, some Where-Are-They-Nows: **Alicia Yamachika** is a key account manager at Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits. Check out the Honolulu Star-Advertiser's Crave section, Hawai'i's go-to source for all things food and drink related, every second Wednesday to read her column. **Kristi Inkinen** Yanagihara just celebrated her 20-year anniversary of



Congratulations to Brandon '97 and Annais Chock, who welcomed their son, Bennett, on May 6, 2021.



Kara Hallstrom '97 and her husband, Jeff, welcomed Josephine Erin Larsen on July 23, 2021.



Doug Kreeger '97 in Hawai'i with his mom, Joan, visiting friends and family for the first time since the pandemic began.

re-establishing Remedy Intelligent Staffing. **Carrie Tada** Portunondo is a pastry chef at Aulani, A Disney Resort & Spa and oversees the resort's food and beverage pastry operations, events and outlets. **Chris Ma** is back home and teaching tennis at Punahou. He has two daughters.

Steph Chun Nomura is the Punahou Alumni Association president. Speaking of which ... Save the date! Our 25th Class Reunion and Alumni Week is June 6 – 12! Leading the charge are our Event Chairs, **Adam Ching** and **Mindy Yamamoto** Price. Kristi Yanagihara and **Cathi Goldsmith** Ben-Yossef are the Gift Chairs. We've got a long list of superhero volunteers, but the list could always be much, much longer. PLEASE VOLUNTEER! By now we've all gotten used to last-minute "pivots," so please stay in the loop about the latest Alumni Week news here: punahou.edu/alumni/reunion. Also, please take one minute to make sure we have your current contact info: punahou.edu/alumni/contact-alumni-relations/update-your-contact-info.

And finally, some shoutouts: To our classmates who work/teach/coach at Punahou: **Philip Kimi**, **Jonah Ka'akua**, **Cullen Pang**, **Jordan Uchijima**, **Chad Nishikawa**, **Chris Ma**, **Keenan Sue**, **Dave Sugihara**, **Matt Shido**, **Marni Bienfang** Sakumoto, **Ahnya Chang**, **Scott LaFontaine** and **Michelle Harrington**.

To our classmates who work at Hawaiian Airlines: **Evan Nomura**, **Keenan Sue**, **David Strode**, **Kevin Chang**, **Will Estes**, **Travis Ferrara**, **Matt Ciano** and **Neal Yoshino**.

To our classmates that now have kids at Punahou: Waaaay too long to list.

To our classmates who explicitly told us that they prefer to protect their 24-year streak of staying out of the Bulletin (you know who you are): We love you, and we hope to see you at Alumni Lū'au ... I'll be there.

Aloha,
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Aloha, Class!

Happy New Year! Can you believe it's 2022? I hope the holiday season found you all healthy and happy!

Through the pandemic we all experienced a lot of change. Some of our classmates have passed their time with furry friends: **Laura Whitten** adopted two pups, Maggie and Kuma, who enjoy their lives in Guam. Other



These '99 classmates had a great time reconnecting at a photoshoot to refresh their LinkedIn headshots. From left: Lacey Kazama Shimabukuro, Sara Tomonari Field, Nicole Altman Gallagher holding her son, Dane, Laura Edmunds Ka'akua, Krislyn Hashimoto and Jana Yee Lam.

pandemic pets include a beautiful rescue puppy, Bailey, adopted by **Mekia Ostrem Earle**; handsome puppy, Noelani, adopted by **Linda McLaren Robinson**; a cute Labrador puppy, Hagrid, whose human is **Jessica Murakami-Brundage**; adorable puppy, Chewy, cared for by **Ashley Langworthy**; and Earnie, the kitten, who is loved by **Carrie White Mingle**. **Heather Watkins** Winiecki has a beautiful pandemic pony, and **Mitch Lum** has seen more and more deer in his yard in Oregon than during the “before times.”

Ward Penfold's son and **Courtney Crawford**'s daughter have become kindergarten classmates in East Bay, California, and each bear a striking resemblance to their parent.

That's all for now. Remember, if you have any news you'd like to share, don't be shy! Reach out and let any of our correspondents know.

Aloha!

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Happy New Year! Class of 1999!

Hey! It's **Sara Tomonari**, and I'm excited to be your newest Class correspondent! I'm joining forces with **Kelly Spondike** Borah to update you with the latest and greatest from our classmates. Connecting with friends has been fun for me, especially as I recently moved home to Hawai'i from San Francisco. My husband, Ryan Field, daughter, Lily, and I are located in Mānoa Valley. I hear I am not the only one that has had the brilliant idea to move home. **Brent Akamine** recently moved from California to Kāne'ohe, just a few blocks from his parent's house.

Not everyone has moved home, but there are friends who have been visiting. **Brandon Brooks** relocated from L.A. to Costa Mesa

with his wife, Jessica, and their children, Charlotte (5) and Chloe (3). They made a quick trip to O'ahu and met up with fellow '99ers at the beach to celebrate **Doug Crowley**'s 41st birthday. The beach party included **Kris** and **Aimee Moo Hui**, **Dallas Nakashima** and **Katie Tom Alba**.

It's been over 20 years since I've lived on O'ahu, so I'm still getting used to the flow of Island life. Seeing people randomly at the shopping center or beach is a fun thing that never really happens in a big city. Speaking of, I recently ran into **Kristin Inouye** Maeda at Mānoa Marketplace, who is on the human resources team at Punahou.

A lot of our classmates are doing some cool stuff: **Erin Nishimura** Horner is leading an educational nonprofit, HI FusionED, whose mission is to bring project-based learning experiences to Hawai'i's students. A program that has grown during the pandemic is the Tinker & Do Academy that offers preschool through high school students virtual and in-person classes in coding and robotics.



Brandon Brooks '99 and his family during their summer trip to O'ahu.



Daniel Chapman '00 married Amy Hagedorn on Sept. 18, 2021, in the enchanted forest near Hillsboro, Oregon, in a unique and colorful ceremony complete with llamacorns. Davey Wilkie '00 was the DJ at their reception that was attended by their wonderful family and friends. They live in Portland, where Daniel is a software engineering manager at 4Mile Analytics, and Amy is a senior global partner development manager at AWS.

Last, but not least, I met up with **Lacey Kazama Shimabukuro**, **Laura Edmunds Ka'akua**, **Krislyn Hashimoto**, **Jana Yee Lam** and **Nicole Altman Gallagher** in Laura's backyard in Wai'ala'e Iki. We had a lot of fun reconnecting, chatting about family and work while simultaneously having our headshots taken by Sean Marrs, **Candace Lau** Marrs's husband. We realized that most of our LinkedIn profile pictures needed refreshing, and Sean did not disappoint. Check out our pics on LinkedIn!

Like I said, it's been so fun hearing from classmates! I can't wait to have even more conversations as we prepare for the next Bulletin. Hit me and Kelly up if you have news or just want to connect and chat.

Aloha,

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From **Alexa Zen**:

Several of our classmates attended a forum on wellness in July 2021 put on by Wahine Rise, which is led by **Marisa Brotman** Guerrero. The event raised funds for the nonprofit organization, Women's Fund of Hawai'i. **Stacy Ma**, **Marissa Machida**, **Shelley Toy** and I were in attendance, and Dr. **Cecily Reber Sakai**

spoke as a panel member about mental health and well-being.

Congratulations to **Ian Clagstone** for being named CEO of SC Capital, the new investment arm of the successful commercial real estate firm Standard Commercial. Ian currently serves as President of Standard Commercial as well.

And, congratulations to **Wayne Tanaka**, who is now serving as the director of the Sierra Club of Hawai'i. Wayne was chosen because he has been a lifelong advocate for the environment, and also because of his experience as an engineer and attorney.

Our 20th Class Reunion is June 6 – 12, 2022! For the most up-to-date information, visit punahou.edu/alumni/reunion. Our Reunion committee is looking for classmates to get involved. If you are interested, please contact **Jay Hanamura** at jayhanamura@gmail.com.

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Several 2002 classmates attended a Wahine Rise wellness event in July 2021. From left: Stacy Ma, Cecily Reber Sakai, Marisa Brotman Guerrero, Marissa Machida, Shelley Toy and Alexa Zen.

Happy New Year!

Congratulations to both **Krystle Hara Cook** and **Carly Killam Brown**, who welcomed their babies on the same day! Krystle, her husband, Jared, and son, Logan, are happy and doing well. Carly and her husband, Nick, are adjusting well to their new schedule and are enjoying their time with daughter, Lena Lei. Also, **Kayden Bailey Matsuura** was born in August to **Blake Matsuura** and CaraYim. Congratulations to all! Hope you're able to get some rest!

Nickolas Sasha Urano sent the following update: "My family moved to Salt Lake City after the fifth grade, and I am sorry to say that I have been back to Hawai'i only once! If you are curious, we had been going skiing in Utah for a few years in a row with a big organized group from Hawai'i. That is how we got to know the place before deciding to move. I will spare you the details of how I left Utah and came back again this year. After 16 years of bouncing around between various work and study opportunities in Los Angeles, Beijing, Seoul, Princeton, San Francisco and New York – I returned to Salt Lake City this past June to put down roots and open an independent architectural practice together with my lovely wife and professional partner, Hansong Cho, whom I met while working as an architect in



Happy family of three: Carly Killam '03 Brown with her husband, Nick, and their daughter, Lena Lei.

Seoul. Our path here was somewhat unplanned. By the time the pandemic broke out, we had already decided to quit our jobs in New York, let our apartment lease expire and find another place to settle. We had even bought a used station wagon for that purpose. We drove across the country for 10 days, stopping in Salt Lake City on the way, and ended up in Southern California. We both loved Salt Lake, and after much ruminating, we made it back and opened our doors for business as 'Cho & Urano.'" Nick would love to hear from you if you're ever in the area or if you'd just like to catch up. Thanks for the update, Nick!

Please take care everyone and keep in touch!

Until next time,

Christine

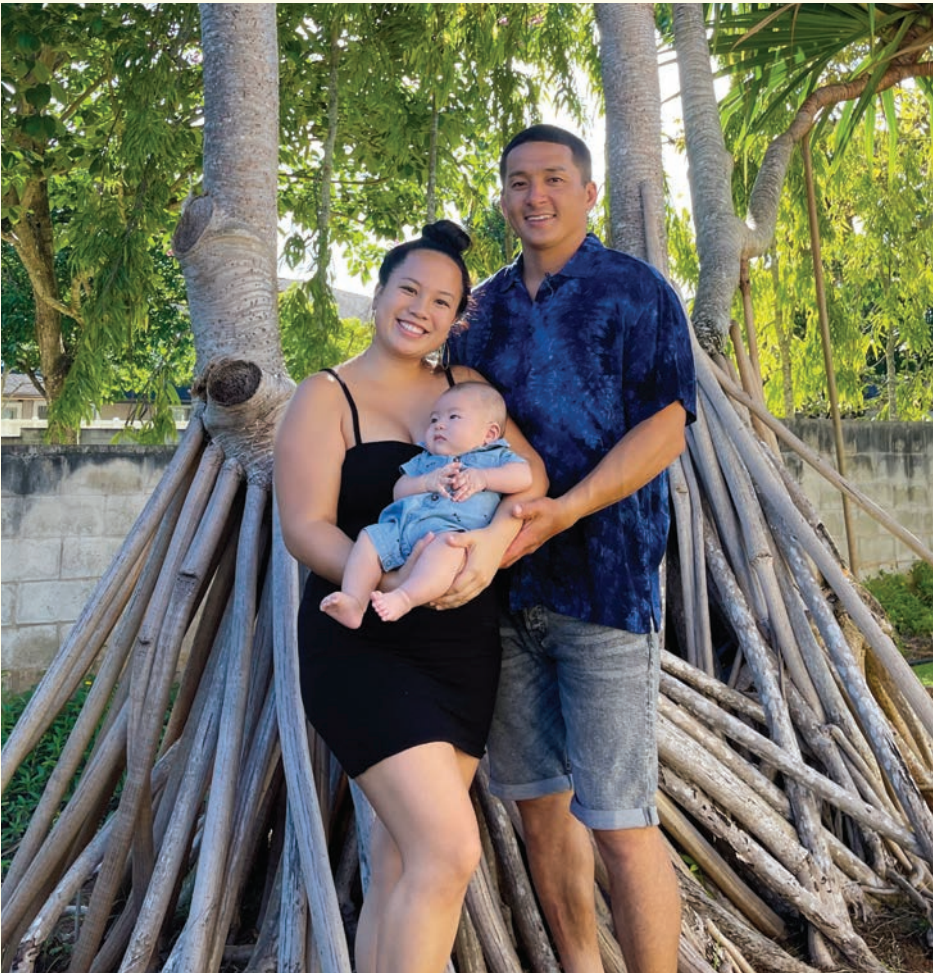
Editor's note: **William Pochereva** works as an Air Quality Specialist for the Bay Area Air Quality Management District and is part of the team maintaining the network of instrumentation that measures air pollution. He spends his time in the fresh air sailing and rock climbing. Turn to the Class of 2005 column to see William pictured with his sister, **Lauren Pochereva '05** on her wedding day.

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Lauren Pochereva '05 tied the knot with Sean Coleman in September 2021, among family and friends, including brothers, William Pochereva '03 and Richard Pochereva '07, and classmate, Shelby Power.



Congratulations to Nicholas Horio '06 and his wife, who welcomed their son, Nixon, last spring.

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Happy New Year, Class of 2006!

The past two years have been quite a roller coaster ride. Despite the challenges we all faced and the isolation we experienced, we have remained resilient and cohesive. We, your Class correspondents, would like to thank all the members of the Class of 2006 for keeping in touch with one another and for contributing to our Class column on a regular basis. We look forward to hearing and publishing updates regarding our classmates, so that we all can rejoice in everyone's success and accomplishments.

While certain aspects of our Hawai'i lifestyle have slowed down and/or come to a screeching halt, what has not changed is our growing family of 2006. We are so proud and excited



Samantha Chan '06 Cheng and her husband, Daniel, welcomed a handsome baby boy in March 2021.



Congratulations to Maile Thompson '06, who married Greg Cochran on May Day!

that many of our classmates have welcomed beautiful bundles of joy. In March 2021, **Samantha Chan** Cheng and her husband, Daniel, welcomed a handsome baby boy. Just a month later, in April, **Nicholas Horio** also welcomed a newborn son, Nixon. In June, **Maile LeTourneau** and her husband, Rich Reimer, celebrated the birth of their darling daughter, Reagan. **Manu Stanton** and his wife, Amber, were blessed with a beautiful baby daughter, 'Alohi, in August.

Congratulations and best wishes to our very own Class correspondent, **Maile Thompson Cochran**, on her nuptials with Greg Cochran on May Day!

Maile, Suz, Christina and I encourage you to keep in touch and message us on any updates that can be shared with the Class.

Thank you all. We look forward to more updates from you for the next Bulletin!

Aloha,
Maile, Christina, Suz & Spencer



Congratulations and best wishes! Maile Dyer '08 married Marc Wallach in New York, in the fall of 2021. Travis Ing '08 officiated the wedding, and Courtney Fukuda '08 and Erin Jong '08 were bridesmaids. Also in attendance were Allen Murabayashi '90, Sasha David '06, John Hogan '08, Deborah Hsu '08, Michelle Yoshida '08 and Taylor Maruyama '09.



Buff 'n Blue wedding bells! Congratulations and best wishes to Rachel Lee '08 and Zander Schneider '03, who were married in May 2021. Front row, from left: Kalia Chow, Ella Knight, Naia Lee, Ava Knight, Casden Chow, Liz Lee '05 Fujino, Mycah Lee and Jackson Fujino. Middle row: Sakura Lee, Jacob Lee, Keila Lee, Kaia Chow, Sarah Lee '92 Chow, Becky Lee '00 Knight, Abe Lee, Sally Lee, Rachel Lee '08, Francie Schneider, Bob Schneider '69, Aaron Fujino, Annie Schneider '08 and Adam Lee '97. Back row: Carter Chow, Jesse Knight and Zander Schneider '03.

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15th REUNION
JUNE 6 - 12, 2022

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Editor's note: **Richard Pochereva '07** holds a master's degree in tax and works as a senior tax accountant at Liberty Mutual Insurance. He lives in the Seattle area with his wife, Jayme Swalin, and their two dogs. Richard enjoys spending time kiteboarding and sailing in the Puget Sound, and fly fishing and camping in the Washington forests. Turn to the Class of 2005 column to see Richard pictured with his sister, **Laura Pochereva '05**, at her fall wedding.

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From **Ciarra Sapigao:**
Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

Travis and I hope you had an amazing holiday season and that 2022 is off to a great start! Last year was a busy year for many of our classmates and we would like to take some time to share a few highlights:

Congratulations to **Chris '01** and **Jayann Gabrio Laniauskas**, who welcomed their daughter, Alina, on March 8, 2021, which also



Congratulations to Jeeter '08 and Aisha Price '09 Ishida, who welcomed their son, Isaiah Junjie Ishida, on Aug. 27, 2021.



Bradley Furuya '09 and Nick Lee '09 checked a major bucket list item off by watching the Atlanta Braves play in Games 3–5 of the 2021 World Series.



Jayann Gabrio '09 Laniauskas and Chris Laniauskas '01 cheering on the Cleveland Browns with their daughter, Alina, who was born on March 8, 2021, and their son, Jackson (3).

happened to be International Women's Day. Jayann reports that first-born son, Jackson, has been a loving brother to Alina and enjoys sharing his toys and snacks!

In other baby news, congratulations to **Jeeter '08** and **Aisha Price Ishida**, who welcomed their bundle of joy, Isaiah Junjie Ishida, on Aug. 27, 2021. The couple affectionately nicknamed their baby "Peanut" while Aisha was still pregnant, then Jeeter came up with the name, "Isaiah," as sorta-anagram of "Aisha." How thoughtful! Jeeter's sister, **Hannah Ishida '09**, and Aisha's

sister, **Shayna Price '10**, were able to return to O'ahu in the fall to assume their aunty duties.

Lastly, **Bradley Furuya** and **Nick Lee** met in Atlanta to watch the Atlanta Braves play in Games 3–5 of the 2021 World Series, fulfilling a dream that can be traced back to their Section 2, seventh grade English class. Bradley and Nick grew up as diehard Braves fans – watching the Braves games on TBS on Sunday mornings and after school on weekdays. Consider a major bucket list item checked off!

As always, please continue to send in your notes and photos, as we love hearing from you and want to share your exciting life updates with the Punahou community!

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From **Kathrin Hashemi**:

Hau'oli Makahiki Hou, 2010!

This past year had many milestones for our Class. Congratulations to all those who represented Punahou and the USA at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics. **Carissa Moore** became the first surfer to win Olympic Gold and the WSL World Championships! **Taylor Crabb** was set to represent in the Olympics as well in beach volleyball. Unfortunately, he was unable to participate due to testing positive for COVID-19, despite being vaccinated and taking every precaution. While this was disappointing news, Taylor was proud to have his main sponsor, Lululemon, customize special Olympic jerseys that honored our classmate, **Brian Suite**, whose name was included on each of Taylor's jerseys.

Jen Kato shared her experience as a volunteer for the Tokyo Olympics. She was an interpreter for surfing, golf athletes and the media. It was an amazing experience and a dream come true! Jen made new friends, had the opportunity to



Jen Kato '10 volunteered as an interpreter at the Tokyo Olympics for surfing, golf athletes and the media.

cheer on and talk with Olympians, appeared on TV and watched Carissa Moore win a gold medal! She said it was nice to see people safely come together, supporting one another with smiles and positivity, showing courage, strength – all to make dreams come true.

Back at home in Honolulu, **Lauren Ching** tied the knot with Hugh Greenwood in a small ceremony in late July. They were overjoyed that close family were able to attend safely. As a bonus – their two pups, Thea and Conan, officially became brother and sister.

Kathy Manuzak Miller had an exciting opportunity to illustrate a children's book,

"Ava Gets Her Wings," written by Annie Dunovant. Illustrating has been Kathy's dream. She was so excited to have the creative freedom to bring this story to life. Teaching herself to illustrate was a huge learning experience – and it was very rewarding. Kathy is excited for Ava's journey to be shared with children around the world!

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Hi, Class of 2011:

Hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. Can you believe it's 2022 already?

First – a shoutout to **Emily Hawkins** for her time and attention she gave to this column as our Class correspondent. Thank you for keeping us connected and informed over the past decade!

Here's news to share about our classmates: **Mackenzie Lau** completed his Ph.D. at Georgia Tech this past summer and is now living in Metz, France, where he is a professor in aerospace engineering at Georgia Tech-Lorraine.

On Oct. 16, 2021, **Ryan Lau** married Connie Huang at the Waialae Country Club, where they celebrated with close friends and family.

In Clarksburg, California, **LillyBelle Deer** and Marc Blumberg also tied the knot on Oct. 16, 2021. They're currently living in Denver, where LillyBelle earned her Ph.D. in developmental psychology and is now working at the University of Denver as a postdoctoral researcher, and Marc is a software engineer. They celebrated their marriage with classmates, **Chauncey** and **Brailey Hirose-Hulbert**.

Joining in on parenthood are Carlo and **Karen Maurins** Calabrese. Their son, Carlo Joseph Jr., was born on Oct. 10, 2021.

Also in October, **Ally Holtz** Hehn and her husband, Joel, welcomed their daughter, Hadley Mae Noelani.

Please stay in touch and keep us informed of any news that can be shared with classmates.

Take care! Happy New Year!

Cheers,

Ally



Kathy Manuzak '10 Miller illustrated a children's book titled, "Ava Gets Her Wings."



Ryan Lau '11 celebrated his wedding with classmates, Scott Peters, Margot Chock, Max Markrich and Tim Moody.



Congratulations to Lauren Ching '10 and Hugh Greenwood, who married in a late July wedding in Honolulu.

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Congratulations to Ally Holtz '11 Hehn and husband, Joel, who welcomed their child, Hadley Mae Noelani, in October 2021. Also pictured is pup, Liko.



Karen Maurins '11 Calabrese and husband, Carlo, with huge smiles after the birth of son, Carlo Joseph Jr.



In Honolulu, friends from 2016 gathered in Waikiki to enjoy the sunset and the company of classmates. Front row, from left: Aaron Walder and Hunter Lee. Back row: Allie Saunders, Emma Hanohano, Devin Robichaux, Tricia Paulino and Mia Farinas.



Kekoa Nakasone '16 and Dakota Miller '16 after a successful afternoon of crabbing on the Oregon Coast. In total, 24 Dungeness crab and one Coho salmon were caught.

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Happy New Year, 2013!

This update is short and sweet with a celebration and accomplishment.

After postponing for a year, **Melissa Wong** tied the knot with Israel Hilerio on June 26, 2021, in Honolulu. It was definitely worth the wait!

Amanda Cortez has been working a side hustle, serving Sonoran-style ceviche with a local twist! For those of you back at home, stop by Da Seafood Cartel at the Kaka'ako Farmers Market on Saturdays and the Kailua Farmers Market on Sundays. Check it out!

Later!
Leona



Congratulations, at last! After postponing for a year, Melissa Wong '13 tied the knot with Israel Hilerio on June 26, 2021, in Honolulu.



In New York, a visit from Mikayla Chouljian and Justin Kaneko prompted a 2016 mini reunion with brunch, followed by ice cream. Once Academy "lab rats," who used to hang out together in the lab space, they are now the "Rats of New York." From left: Yuki Saito, Justin Kaneko, Madison Miura, Audry Kakazu, Mikayla Chouljian, Celia Kenney and Isabel Pentland.

The biggest news I have this quarter is – **Christian Agmata** is married! Christian and Sia Agmata tied the knot on May 24, 2021. They are in the process of building their dream home in Las Vegas. I know where I'll be staying when I pay homage to the ninth island. Cheeeeeee!

AURRRRIGHT, that's all I got for you, 2014. It was nice chatting with all of you. I'll be calling more and more of you as time goes on. I am really making an effort to connect with all of you every day. Open invitation at my hale in SLO.

Take care.
Aloha, Chad

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Good day, 2014!

I am writing to you from the San Diego airport. I am on my way back home to San Luis Obispo. It's the middle of September right

now, and there are Halloween decorations everywhere. The holidays seem to start earlier and earlier each year, and I am extra excited this year because **Courtney Choy** is going to be competing in the 100th Anniversary of the Miss America competition in December. She recently did a photo shoot with photographer extraordinaire, **Megan Takemoto** David. One of Megan's pictures of Courtney is in this issue of the Bulletin! See more of Megan's work at her insta [@mdee_photo](https://www.instagram.com/mdee_photo).

Speaking of talented women, **Mariah Rigg**, finished her MFA in creative writing, and has moved to Knoxville, Tennessee to pursue a Ph.D. in English and creative writing. Mariah enjoys writing fiction stories about life in Hawai'i. Her essay collaboration, "Molecular Glitches," was a short and meaningful piece. It reminded me of the book we all read at Punahou, "Blue Skin of the Sea." I am looking forward to whatever Mariah writes next because her works remind me of home.

While my roommate **Alexander "Alika" Philpotts** was busy hanging out with **Tori Rooks**, **Suzanna "Zanna" Bradley**, **Nicole Fong**, **Ellen Ashford**, **Walker Bolan** and **Chris Fong '12** at Lanikūhonua, I was enjoying summer in San Luis Obispo. I seized the amazing opportunity of having a spare bedroom open and decided to hang out with some alumni myself. **Trevor Carlyle**, **Rosemarie "Rose" Winter**, **Jeremy Leff**, **Zack Woo**, **Noah Deer** and **Zaxtyn Seamons '15** decided I was worth the drive and came over to

enjoy all the wonderful things San Luis Obispo has to offer. We hit the beach, made rock towers, hiked and played Chinese checkers till the crack of dawn. If any of those activities sound fun to you, come visit!

Oliver Lewis would have visited me over Labor Day weekend if he hadn't recently moved to Miami, (still not an excuse). As Oliver road tripped across America, I called him every day to catch up and enjoy some outstanding company on my way to and from work. I'll take it!

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Class of 2020

Grace Leong '84 Saturnia, shared about her son, **Ian Saturnia**'s, belated kindergarten class reunion. This class, nicknamed "The Dolphins," was taught by Mrs. **Denise Awaya '88** Wong and Mrs. Myra Tiave-Fa'atea, and was one of the



These 2020 graduates, who were "The Dolphins" kindergarten class, gathered together on July 8, 2021 with their teachers, Mrs. Denise Awaya '88 Wong and Mrs. Myra Tiave-Fa'atea. Front row from left: Stephen Kakuda, Kai Smith, Mrs. Wong, Rachel Orłowski, Tara Kaneshiro, Mia Viola, Sammie Mosteller, Kayla Meisenzahl and Jayna Wescoat. Back row: Ty Yamashita, Carson Akai, Mihir Kolli, Ian Saturnia, Mrs. Tiave-Fa'atea, Enki Grimsley, Amanda Flores, Dylon Fujimoto, Emma Lalau and Mari Nakamura. Not pictured: Jennifer Ackerman, Keenan Lau, Jeremy Lee, Alike Naone, Kaelyn Sakai, Sierra Smart, Matthew Sugiki and Mary Winnicki.



In the fall, during Boston College parent week, these 2021 Puns showed their buff 'n blue spirit at Alumni Stadium! From left: Emma Nitao, Emmalia McKenney, Noah Peters and Paul Dempsey.

FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

Helen Elaine Blitman

passed away on Dec. 26, 2021, in Idaho. She was a true Renaissance woman who helped lead Punahou into the world of information technology. She grew up in Omaha, Nebraska, and was an accomplished artist. She began her career teaching art in the Los Angeles public schools and later taught art and was the audio-visual director at the only high school in American Samoa. She came to work at Punahou in the Media Design department in 1966, and in 1974, was tapped to become the K–4 Supervisor, serving for 18 years. Known for her creativity, tenacity and kindness, she was responsible for many innovations for 5- to 10-year-olds at Punahou, including introducing computers into elementary classrooms in the 1980s. She quickly became one of the most computer-literate people on campus, and in 1991, was appointed Director of Instructional Services. Until her retirement in 1995, she oversaw Punahou's technology plans, brought the internet to the School, and led many curricular improvements. In recognition of her outstanding service to Punahou, she was awarded the Old School Award by the Punahou Alumni Association upon her retirement in 1995.



Helen Elaine Bitman

She earned a bachelor's from University of Nebraska and a master's in educational

communication at the University of Hawai'i. She met Bill Blitman in Nebraska while he was serving in the Air Force, and they married in June 1955, sharing 66 years together. Elaine is survived by her husband, Bill; son, **Dan '79** (Brenda); her brother, Bill Jones (Jane); and grandsons, Max and Calvin Blitman. She was predeceased by her daughter, **Leslie '76**, in 2014. Sig Ramler was among the Blitmans' close friends at Punahou, and shortly before her passing, Bill established the Willard and Elaine Blitman Endowed Fund at Punahou to support the Wo International Center.

Peter Cole passed away on Feb. 5, 2022, in Honolulu. He was a noted big-wave surfer who helped to revive and modernize the Hawaiian tradition of big-wave riding in the late 1950s and early 1960s. He was also an educator, ocean



Peter Cole

conservationist and founding chairman of the Surfrider Foundation's O'ahu Chapter. Peter began surfing at age 14 with his twin brother, Cornelius, when his family moved to Santa Monica, and continued riding waves throughout his adulthood and into his 70s. He also appeared in a half-dozen surfing films, as well as in "Surfing for Life," a 1999 documentary that aired on PBS public television. He was inducted into the Hawai'i Waterman Hall of Fame in 2011.

last group of kindergarten classes based out of the old Wilcox Hall. Due to the pandemic, this kindergarten class was not able to do a reunion picture on campus in spring 2020. By the time a new summer 2020 reunion date was scheduled, State and City restrictions were back in place. Finally, on July 8, 2021, on short notice, 17 of the original 25 Dolphins and their teachers, Mrs. Wong and Mrs. Tiave-Fa'atea, reunited safely at the Saturnia home.

Interested in being the buff 'n blue glue for your Class? Email notes@punahou.edu!

Class of 2021

Congratulations to our newest alumni! Welcome to the Alumni Notes! Please email notes@punahou.edu if you have news or a few good pictures to share!

Peter earned a bachelor's degree from Stanford University in 1953, where he was a member of the water polo team and a nationally ranked middle-distance swimmer. He moved to Hawai'i in 1958 with a contract to teach math in the Academy at Punahou, and won the Mākaha International surfing contest that same year. He continued to teach at Punahou until 1966, where he taught future surf champions, such as **Gerry Lopez '66** and **Jeff Hakman '67**, and also coached swimming and track. He earned a master's degree in informational sciences at the University of Hawai'i in 1971, and became an operations research analyst for the Navy Civil Service. Peter is survived by his wife, Sally; his sons, Peter Jr. (Paula), Ka'aina and Douglass (Maureen); stepdaughter, Kaulana Fraser; brother, Schuyler; six grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Dr. Tibbie Lynch

passed away on Nov. 19, 2021, in Melville, New York, after a long battle with cancer. She was an Academy English teacher at Punahou from 1990–2003, and was married to English teacher and Summer School Director Harry Grzelewski.



Tibbie Lynch

Tibbie first taught at the college level. As a professor and scholar at Texas A&M and the University of Hawai'i, she published articles on Ralph Waldo Emerson, H.G. Wells, Evelyn

Waugh and Walt Whitman. She taught all high school grade levels and relied on her knowledge and love of history to help develop curriculum for several integrated studies courses, notably American Studies. An avid reader and writing instructor, she worked with teachers across disciplines to use writing as a tool in classes as diverse as math and physical education. Following Punahou, Tibbie and Harry taught in Guatemala, Colombia and Costa Rica before settling in Long Island, New York.

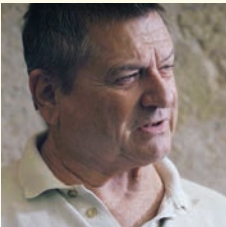
Tibbie is survived by her husband, Harry Grzelewski, their son, **Patrick ’03** (Morgan Paradis), and daughter, Ava Grzelewski, as well as brother, William Ray Lynch III (Ruby) and family.

Danelle “Ipo” Olivieri, 58, passed away on Sept. 1, 2021, with her family by her side. She was born to Melvin Chung and Wanya Mercadante on July 11, 1963, in Honolulu. She graduated from Sacred Hearts Academy and received degrees in political science and speech from University of Hawai’i at Mānoa. She worked at Punahou in the admissions and financial aid department for the past 10 years. Family was the most important thing to her, and she loved them each and every day. She is survived by her husband, Wayne Olivieri, and their two children: **Keoni ’11** and **Asia ’15**. She is also survived by three siblings: Mel Chung, Wanya Ogata and Colleen Okuda.



Danelle “Ipo” Olivieri

Randall Lee Shaw passed away in Honolulu on Oct. 11, 2021. He was born on Oct. 3, 1948, in Fort Worth, Texas, into a volleyball family. His parents, H. L. and Juanita Shaw, played competitive volleyball, and they instilled in him a love of the game. He competed on the U.S. National Volleyball team and won a silver medal at the Pan American games. Randy enlisted in the Air Force and was stationed at Hickam AFB, which gave him his first taste of Hawai’i. He went on to be an All-American volleyball player at USC in the nascent days of the program there, and after graduation, returned to Hawai’i to make it his home. He worked for First Hawaiian Bank and for 10 years at Punahou as Assistant Physical Plant Director. He also officiated volleyball matches for the University of Hawai’i.



Randall Lee Shaw

He was a longtime member of the Outrigger Canoe Club, where he was elected to the Winged “O” in 2010. He played and coached on numerous successful OCC USVBA club

volleyball teams from 1973 until 2004, and was named a USVBA All-American 20 times. He was fondly called “Cowboy” by his volleyball teammates due to his loyalty to his beloved Dallas Cowboys. He greatly enjoyed social and competitive bridge during the past 15 years.

Dorothy Mae Steele of Honolulu, Hawai’i passed away on the morning of Sept. 15, 2021. She and her beloved husband, Jack, raised their two children, **Natalie Steele ’78** Juenger and **Guy Steele ’80**, in Hawai’i. She was the eldest daughter of Florence “Tutu” Long and John E. Long, sister of Lorene Long, and proud grandmother to Ashley, Alexa, Miriam, Anna and Lisa.



Dorothy Mae Steele

A career librarian at Punahou School, Dorothy also dedicated more than a half-century of her life to volunteer service. She helped public elementary school students learn to read; worked in thrift stores benefiting disenfranchised youth; assisted the elderly in nursing homes; and was a tireless fundraiser for Punahou Carnivals and Wesley United Methodist Church.

Dorothy’s kindness was never more apparent than when she was in her varied social and public service circles. Dorothy’s 88 years were devoted to her faith, family and friends. Her love of these was rivaled only by her never-fading affection for our Islands. To the many friends across Hawai’i: The signs are abundant that Dorothy is once again in the arms of Jack, reunited after 12 years.

Gertrude “Trudy” Ellis Wyatt passed away peacefully on Sept. 13, 2021, at home in Hawai’i Kai at age 96. A beloved English teacher, grandmother, mother, wife and friend, she taught English in the Academy at Punahou for 26 years, where she inspired several young authors. She was born in New York City and raised in New Jersey. She completed her undergraduate education at Miami University of Ohio, followed by an M.Ed. at Rutgers University. Prior to her career at Punahou, she worked for many years at Eastern Airlines. She was an avid tennis doubles player and enjoyed surfing. She also volunteered at Straub Clinic & Hospital for many years. She attended Waikeola Congregational Church and was a member of the Outrigger Canoe Club.



Trudy Ellis Wyatt

Trudy was predeceased by her husband, Elston Wyatt, who was a Punahou math teacher and championship tennis coach for 20 years. She is

survived by her son, **Elston “Sandy” Wyatt Jr. ’71** (Cynthia); daughter, Dr. **Paula Wyatt ’75** (Todd Blume); grandchildren, Jenna, Elston III, and James Wyatt and **Maile ’13** and **Alana ’17** Blume; and an extended East Coast family.

Jonathan F. Yorck passed away on Dec.13, 2021 in Redlands, California. A longtime educator, world traveler and proud father, he taught kindergarten at Punahou for more than 33 years. He was recognized for his curricular work in Global Education in Hawai’i, nationally and globally. Jonathan’s Global Education curriculum was based on his world travels to Germany, Southeast Asia, China, Korea, Japan and the Philippines. He delighted in bringing his former students back to the kindergarten classroom as seniors to introduce them to his newest learners. Before Punahou, he was owner/director of a child development center in Eugene, Oregon, in the ’70s; taught at a Montessori School, Head Start; and was a recreation director for disadvantaged youth in New York. For many years, Jonathan organized book drives to benefit Na’alehu Elementary School on Hawai’i Island.



Jonathan Yorck

He received his B.S. degree from the University of Dubuque in Iowa, his M.S. from the University of Oregon, and finished his coursework for the PhD. at the University of Oregon. His major was in elementary education with minors in history and physical education. He earned a black belt and instructed with Hawaii Shotokan Karate and remained a fierce Oregon Ducks fan. Jonathan is survived by his son, **Jesse ’96**, and Jesse’s mother, Mary; his children, **Ryan ’01** and **Sachie ’06**, and their mother, Faye; his grandson, Kainoa; his siblings, David and Jamie; and extended family and friends.



Memorials

Each of the persons listed below is a member of the Punahou family, a part of the lifestream of the School. We extend sympathy and aloha to the families and friends of the deceased. Further information may sometimes be found in the Alumni Notes. We welcome such submissions.

A note to families of the deceased: Punahou attempts to maintain accurate records on alumni. Please notify us when an alumnus/a has died. If you are a family member who would like to continue to receive the Bulletin, please indicate so. If you wish to only receive the issue with the memorials listing, please tell us that. Address notices to: Office of Alumni Relations, Punahou School, 1601 Punahou Street, Honolulu, HI 96822.

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1945	Paul R. K. Cassiday Sr. Honolulu, HI September 9, 2021	1959	William A. Hodgins Kaunakakai, HI June 15, 2021	1974	James K. Mee Honolulu, HI September 18, 2021	Peter Cole Honolulu, HI February 5, 2022
1946	Sara Griffin Working Coronado, CA October 19, 2021	1960	Scott Abrams Redmond, WA November 9,, 2020	1975	Mary E. Fairhurst Olympia, WA December 28, 2021	Tibbie E. Lynch Locust Valley, NY November 19, 2021
1946	Peter B. Nottage Kāne'ohe, HI December 30, 2021	1960	Toni Marder Kaplan Encino, CA July 2, 2021	1976	Bernadeen Chun Yee Honolulu, HI August 9, 2021	Danelle "Ipo" Olivieri Kailua, HI September 1, 2021
1948	Gordon Kay Fairfax, VA October 4, 2021	1960	Lynne Riley-Coleman Stevensville, MD October 21, 2021	1979	William T. Stoner Keller, TX October 25, 2021	Randall L. Shaw Honolulu, HI October 11, 2021
1948	Mike Kneubuhl La Quinta, CA July 25, 2021	1960	Nancy Faye Thain Woodbridge, VA January 7, 2020	1979	Heidi Ruth Schuman Timnath, CO September 26, 2021	Dorothy Steele Houston, TX September 15, 2021
1949	Willie Sayre Garrison Torrance, CA May 7, 2021	1962	Michael J. Burrill Cincinnati, OH May 12, 2019	2014	Korey L. Wong Honolulu, HI November 20, 2021	Kiyoko Toma Honolulu, HI January 19, 2020
1950	Robert M. Chapman Honolulu, HI November 2, 2021	1962	Hilary Hitch Parker Kula, HI October 8, 2021			Trudy E. Wyatt Honolulu, HI September 13, 2021
1952	Philander C. Derby Honolulu, HI November 21, 2021	1963	Mary Louise Weber Strachan Hale'iwa, HI August 12, 2021			Jonathan Yorck Redlands, CA December 13, 2021
1952	Earl Hatt Paso Robles, CA April 4, 2020	1963	Gail J. Ellerbe Simi Valley, CA June 13, 2021			
1953	Jean Kwon Herrmann Hāna, HI December 3, 2021	1963	Lucian P. Paulus Oklahoma City, OK August 14, 2021			
1954	John A. Radway Wickenburg, AZ November 18, 2021	1963	Janet Thorpe Kottke Wailuku, HI October 26, 2021			
1955	Douglas R. Muirhead Everett, WA November 14, 2021	1964	Loretta Luke Yajima Honolulu, HI November 18, 2021			
1956	Christopher T. Cleghorn Honolulu, HI July 17, 2021	1967	Keakealani Morrison Jackson Pensacola, FL February 18, 2018			
1956	Lee Gentry Gray Colorado Springs, CO August 26, 2021	1969	Edward T. Ching Roseville, CA June 30, 2021			
1958	Patrick S. Ohara Waipahu, HI March 29, 2021	1969	Michael P. Akana Las Vegas, NV October 31, 2021			

John A. Radway Jr. '54

John A. Radway Jr. '54 passed away peacefully on Nov. 18, 2021 at the age of 85. He was beloved by all who knew him and has joined his wife Claire, who predeceased him in 2010. Though John lived in Arizona for 35 years, his roots were in Hawai'i. His grandfather, Joseph Andrade, was a Portuguese immigrant who came to Hawai'i at age 7. Joseph's father was a stone mason for the sugar plantations, and Joseph was forced to drop out of school, though he ultimately educated himself and became a stockbroker. One of Joseph's brothers founded Andrade's store, and the second became a judge. Joseph married Margaret, and his daughter, also Margaret Andrade (1918), graduated from Punahou and married alumnus, John Andrew Radway (1910), originally from Hanalei. John and Margaret Radway had one child, John A. Radway Jr., who attended Punahou from 1941 – 1950. After eighth grade, John's father retired to California, where John graduated from high school. He went on to Stanford, earning a B.A. in philosophy, and spent a stint in the Army before continuing to Hastings College of Law for his J.D. In law school, John met Claire Vermillion, who was teaching first and second grade. Claire was noted for her ability to warm children up to reading and to transform their experience by inspiring confidence and a love of books. John and Claire married in 1961, and moved in 1963 to Hawai'i, where he practiced as a prosecuting attorney for five years. He then returned to his childhood passion for farming, by purchasing a citrus and banana farm on O'ahu, and later a macadamia orchard on Hawai'i island where they lived for 12 years. When John's parents passed away in the 1980s, the couple moved to Arizona to be closer to Claire's parents, eventually settling in Wickenburg, Arizona.



John devoted himself to caregiving as he coped with Claire's epilepsy, and for the last decade of her life, with her progressing dementia. He followed developments in neuroscience and became fascinated with cosmology and astronomy, joining the board of Lowell Observatory. John was a giving person who generously contributed financially and as a volunteer to various charities, notably Punahou and Stanford, but to others as well. He also created the Claire and John Radway Foundation to continue a giving legacy. At Punahou, John generously supported the construction of Case Middle School. Proud of his Hawaiian and Portuguese heritage, he established the Andrade Radway Endowed Scholarship Fund in 2001 in memory of Joseph Andrade, to benefit students of Hawaiian ancestry or other minority groups. In 2011, shortly after Claire's passing, he established the Claire Radway Literacy Fund to support reading initiatives at Punahou, especially in the elementary grades. In creating the fund, he recognized that the teaching and learning of reading might change with new research and learning tools. Through this lasting legacy for Claire, herself dyslexic, he would provide resources to allow Punahou faculty to grow with new technologies and pedagogy, advance Punahou's work with learning differences, adopt literacy initiatives, and most recently, cope with teaching during the pandemic. John and Claire had no children of their own, but his legacy of caring for others will benefit generations of Punahou students into the future.

Loretta Luke '64 Yajima

Loretta Luke '64 Yajima passed away peacefully at home in Hawai'i on Nov. 8, 2021. Born in Honolulu to Kan Jung and Beatrice Luke, Loretta attended Punahou, earned a bachelor's degree in education from Skidmore College and received a master's in early childhood education from the University of Hawai'i.



A lifelong educator with a passion to serve, Loretta first joined the Head Start Program, working with children and families in Kūhiō Park Terrace, and began her teaching career at University Laboratory School. She later joined Hanahau'oli School, and was honored as one of the Outstanding Elementary Teachers of America in 1973. She became Vice Principal, then Administrative Director of Hanahau'oli until her retirement in 1987. That same year, she became involved in the planning of the Hawai'i Children's Museum of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology and assumed the position of President of the Board of Directors. She led the museum through three capital campaigns, raising more than \$20 million as the museum transitioned from Dole Cannery Square to its current location at Kaka'ako Waterfront Park. Today, the 45,000-square-foot Children's Discovery Center continues to flourish as a world-class facility in its 24th year of operation.

Along with community work, Loretta dedicated countless hours volunteering at Punahou, serving as Carnival Chair for “Jammin' in the Jungle” in 1993, and Graduation Chair and PFA President in 1994. She also supported Punahou through her charitable giving to the Luke Center for Public Service, Luke Center for Chinese Studies and other programs. Loretta's mission was to inspire peace beginning with children by building bridges between Hawai'i and the world. In 2016, she hosted the Asian Pacific Children's Museum Conference in Honolulu to bring together educators and museum professionals from Asia, Europe and the U.S. Her work inspired the creation of children's museums throughout China. A founding member of and senior advisor to the Children's Museum Research Center in Beijing, she assembled a team of experts from children's museums across the U.S. Her advice and travel over five years helped lead to the opening of the Lao Niu Children's Discovery Center in Beijing in 2015, and a second museum in Hohhot, Inner Mongolia in 2017. Loretta received numerous community awards for her work on behalf of children. In 2016, she was awarded Punahou's Charles S. Judd Jr. Humanitarian Award. In her remarks, Loretta said: “Punahou has given us a lifetime of memories, great friends, an amazing education, and most of all, the encouragement and support to help us find out what we were meant to do in this life.”

It was Loretta's wish for the children of Hawai'i that they dream big and know their dreams could come true. Her Punahou legacy is carried on through her husband and high school classmate Tyler '64; daughters, Lara Siu '94 (David '92), Liane Usher '96 (Keith) and Tiffany Yajima '97 (Marc Sabate); grandchildren Chloe Usher '26, Noah Usher '28, Leila Siu '29, Kira Siu '31, Tyler Sabate '31 and Liam Sabate; and her siblings Warren Luke '62 (Carolyn), Sharlene Mau '65 and Janice Loo '68 (Wilson).



Big Save

Kylie Pasqual '22, goalie for Punahou's girls varsity I soccer team, blocks a penalty kick during a game against Kamehameha Schools at their Kapālama campus.

Despite an outbreak of COVID-19 cases in Hawai'i and globally in late 2021 and early 2022, ILH sports were able to continue through the winter season, with pandemic health and safety protocols in place.

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