



Teaming Up: Mānoa Admissions Counselor Irene Jacinto, center, was joined by UHAA–Pacific Northwest chapter members Earle Oda and Dawn Mallory for the Seattle College Fair. To be an alma mater ambassador at a college fair near you, call the Alumni Relations Office at 956-ALUM (956-2586) or toll free 1-877-UH-ALUMS (842-5867).

UHAA Activities

Please also visit the events calendar on the alumni website at www.UHalumni.hawaii.edu.

Feb 8 UHAA ROTC chapter hosts a golf tournament at Hickam Airforce Base on O‘ahu. For more information contact gobowz@hawaii.rr.com.

Feb 24 UH Hilo Alumni and Friends 2006 Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner is scheduled at the UHH Campus Center dining room at 5:30 p.m. Email mktng@hawaii.edu for more information.

Apr 20–May 5 CASAA Travel Tour: A Southern Spring! travels to Pennsylvania; Washington, D.C.; Virginia and South Carolina. Contact the Colleges of Arts and Sciences Office of Community and Alumni Relations, 808 956-5790.

May 18 UH Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner. Call 808 956-2586, email alumnews@hawaii.edu or visit www.UHalumni.hawaii.edu.

Jun 24 The UH Mānoa School of Architecture Alumni Association 2006 Annual General Membership Meeting/ Distinguished Alumni Dinner. Contact Lee Manfredi 808 735-8466 or email whitegingerlei@aol.com.

UH ‘Ohana

Hawaiian Islands

UH AA celebrated new bricks in the Mānoa Legacy Path in August and co-hosted an alumni reception at Hawai‘i Theatre before a spectacular Kenny Endo Taiko Ensemble performance. For homecoming in October, Athletics Director Herman Frazier, Head Football Coach June Jones and Defensive Coordinator Jerry Glanville welcomed alumni and fans to a pau hana pep rally at Gordon Biersch restaurant, where the Hawai‘i Rainbow Warrior Pep Band and cheerleaders performed. Frazier also joined **CASAA** for breakfast at the Pacific Club and **UHAA** co-hosted a pre-game tailgate.

It was a busy fall for chapters. **CASAA** presented an educational wine tasting with Master Sommelier Chuck Furuya at Vino restaurant. **School of Law Alumni Association** held a joint reunion for the classes of ‘80, ‘85, ‘90, ‘95 and ‘00. **Hawai‘i CC Alumni and Friends** held its sixth breakfast fundraiser at the campus cafeteria. **Kapi‘olani CC** launched the KCC Alumni and Friends Association chapter. Author and former Dean David Heenan greeted alumni at the **CBA Alumni and Friends’** Aloha Tower Night. The **UH Hilo Alumni and Friends** annual Christmas party was Dec. 1.



International

CBA’s Nov. 17 networking event at Prospect Management in Tokyo honored 2005 Japan-focused MBA graduates and introduced Dean Vance Roley.

Mainland

UHAA–Greater Midwest alumni (including treasurer Julie Hish, right, in white lei) partied at the home of Mel and Anna Yokoyama (in green) after the Sept. 10 UH football game in East Lansing, Mich. UHAA enjoyed brunch with Florida-based alumni at the Fairmont Turnberry Resort in Aventura in August and joined the Hawai‘i Chamber of Commerce Northern California for a cocktail reception before Warriors football at San Jose State in October.



Annual student send-offs were held by **UHAA–Las Vegas**, with a potluck dinner Aug. 6, and **UHAA–Los Angeles/Orange County**, with hula by a local hālau.

UHAA–East co-sponsored “Jean Ariyoshi: Washington Place, A First Lady’s Story” at the Japan Society in New York.

UHAA–Pacific Northwest held an Aloha Friday business mixer at Kona Kitchen in Seattle. Sen. Daniel Akaka, Rep. Neil Abercrombie and a number of young alumni (right) were among 200 guests at **UHAA–National Capital Region’s** Brothers Cazimero and Friends event at Wolf Trap Filene Center in Virginia.





Why you should join UHAA...today

Over the last two years I've thought closely about the relationship between the UH and its alumni. It is hard to escape the conclusion that each of us owes a great deal to this university. For most of us, UH is part of the family. For nearly a century, it has provided Hawai'i citizens access to higher education and a higher quality of life. It has helped to make Hawai'i what it is today and what we will be tomorrow. Members of the UH Alumni Association recognize this and are living testaments of pride and support for our institution.

A thriving alumni association is important to the institution and its alumni, but membership is not automatic. As with most public university alumni organizations, UHAA programs and benefits are supported by membership dues. Your dues pay the postage to bring you the award-winning *Mālamalama* magazine free-of-charge and funded the launch of the UHAA online community and our monthly electronic newsletter, *Nūpepa*. Your membership supports freshmen student send-offs hosted by mainland chapters; alumni representation at college recruitment fairs; student programs, scholarships and fellowships; enrichment and career services programs for alumni and other initiatives in Hawai'i and across the globe.

Joining UHAA shows that you care about what UH has meant to you and your family, to Hawai'i and to the world. Most important, it shows you care about Hawai'i's future. UH deserves our commitment and support. Please join UHAA today and help shape the future of our great state!

Mahalo,

Kevin H. Takamori ('88 Mānoa),
Associate Vice President
UH Foundation Office of Alumni Relations
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Army ROTC Alumni Association
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REGIONAL CHAPTERS

UHAA-Colorado	UHAA-National Capitol Region
UHAA-East (New York Area)	UHAA- Pacific Northwest
UHAA-Greater Midwest Region	UHAA-San Diego
UHAA-Las Vegas/Southern Nevada	UHAA-San Francisco Bay Area
UHAA-Los Angeles/Orange County	UHAA/EWCA-Florida
UHAA-Maui Club	

Congratulations!

Honor the 2006 Distinguished Alumni Award Recipients

Thomas Kaulukukui, Jr. (JD '77)	Robert G. F. Lee (BS '71, MBA '83)
Samuel Koide (BS '45)	Kent Tsukamoto (BBA '78)
Seiji Naya (BBA '58)	Victor Yano (BS '74, MD '78)
Patricia Y. Lee (BA '65, JD '79)	

Save the date: Thurs, May 18, Sheraton Waikīkī Hotel

1-877-UH-ALUMS (842-5867)



The Rev. Catalino and Josefina Cortezan on their 50th wedding anniversary, 1971

A legacy of nurses for Kaua'i

Josefina Cortezan came to Kaua'i to provide medical care to Filipino plantation workers. Like her mother, Josephine Duvauchelles (MS '82 Mānoa) went into nursing. Now the retired nurse and nursing instructor wants her mother's efforts to carry through to another generation.

Duvauchelles and her husband Raymond donated \$25,000 to Kaua'i Community College to establish The Josefina A. Cortezan Endowed Scholarship Fund for Kaua'i nursing students. The fund honors the late Josefina Cortezan, who passed away in 1991 at the age of 95. She was one of the first nurses recruited to Hawai'i from the Philippines in the 1920s. The nurses were needed to assist plantation workers who could not speak English, and Josefina tended Filipino immigrants working on Kaua'i plantations.

"The nurses did everything," Duvachelles says. With the ability to speak two languages, Cortezan served as counselor and court translator as well as nurse and public health educator.

Cortezan and her husband Catalino, a minister, both labored far beyond their assigned duties to assist the Filipino community, including helping ease tensions between Filipinos and Japanese after Pearl Harbor. Duvauchelles remembers being awakened by early morning visitors seeking her parents to mediate disputes in the community. "People would call for my parents from outside the window," she recalls. "My parents worked together. It wasn't just one or the other." —Heidi Sakuma

Campuses: UH Mānoa, Hilo and West O'ahu; Hawai'i, Honolulu, Kapi'olani, Kaua'i, Leeward, Maui and Windward Community Colleges

2000s

Della Au Belatti (JD '03 Mānoa) and **Michael Belatti** (BFA '93 Mānoa; AS '96 Kapi'olani; BS '04 Mānoa) announce the birth of Emma Hoi Yee on May 15.

Mandy Kan (BS '05 Mānoa) is a food and beverage management trainee at The Fairmont Orchid on the Big Island.

Sean Kanda (AAT '00 Kapi'olani; BS '04 Mānoa) was named warehouse/delivery lead at Hawaiian Host.



Matt Kodama (BBA '05 Mānoa), a professional golfer living in Las Vegas, played in the Butch Harmon Vegas Tour in his quest to qualify for the PGA's Michelin Championship.

Robert O'Conner (BA '02 Mānoa), a geographer for NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service, participates in research cruises to the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands and maps marine habitats. He enjoys sailing, surfing and swimming.



Aaron Ohta (BS '03 Mānoa), named the top engineering student in the nation in 2003, attends graduate school at UC Berkeley, where he works on cell manipulation tools.

Yilin Sun (MS '05 Mānoa) is a rooms division management trainee at the Fairmont Orchid on the Big Island.

Wendell Tuisaula (MBA '05 Mānoa) is director of information technology at Turtle Bay Resort.

Tracie Uchima (BS '05 Mānoa) received the Stan Bates Award as the Western Athletic Conference's top female scholar-athlete for 2004-05. She plans to attend veterinary school at Michigan State University.

1990s

Aaron Akau (BArch '93 Mānoa) is vice president and director of landscape architecture at Belt Collins Hawai'i, responsible for the department's day-to-day operations, staff and projects.



Jennifer Bozeat (BA '95 Mānoa) joined the insurance department in Cozen O'Connor's San Diego office.

Tamara Brooks (BA '96 Mānoa) received a law degree from Georgia State University, was admitted to the State Bar of Georgia and practices real estate law with The Reagan Law Group.

Corbin Doak (AS '97 Kaua'i) has lived and taught English in South Korea for the past two-and-a-half years. See his photography website at www.corbindoak.com/photography.



Carine (Chong) Foo (BBA '95, MBA '98 Mānoa) is controller at Hawaiian Tug and Barge/Young Brothers, overseeing accounting and information systems. She was previously manager of financial planning and analysis.



Joyce Gepitulan (BS '96 Mānoa) is product innovation technician at Hawaiian Host chocolate manufacturer. She helps develop confectionary products and prepare nutritional data.



Denise Glover (MA '93 Mānoa) received a PhD in anthropology from the University of Washington in 2005. Her dissertation discussed medicinal plant classifications of Tibetan doctors.

Joy (Nishie) Hansen (BA '92 Mānoa) wed Paul Hansen in June 2005 in Hollywood, Calif.



Lea Hong (JD '91 Mānoa) was named one of *Pacific Business News's* "Forty Under 40" in 2005 and Hawai'i Woman Lawyer of the Year in 2004. Lea leads the Environmental and cultural resources group at Alston Hunt Floyd and Ing.

Cara Yamaguchi Kakuda (BA '90 Mānoa) is district sales manager and area general manager for Nextel Partners.

Emmit Kane (BA '90 West O'ahu; MBA '96, Mānoa) is spokesperson for the Honolulu Fire Department.

Micah Kane (MBA '95 Mānoa) is director of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

Robert Kover (BS '91 Mānoa) received an MS in medical physics from Purdue University.

Brent Lausterer (BA '92 Mānoa) is group sales manager for the midwest region at the Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa. Brent has been with Hyatt for 10 years.



Michael Nakasone
Municipal maestro

UH degrees: BEd '67, MEd '68 in music education, Mānoa

Roots: Hilo High School

Family: Wife Brenda, son Kenneth, daughter Shelley

Firsts: Bandmaster named state Teacher of the Year; non-Hawaiian to head the Royal Hawaiian Band

UH experience: Provided a level of education that will always be valued and appreciated

Current assignment: Looks at it not as a job, but something that's enjoyable as well as challenging to do

Top-to-maestro describes Michael Nakasone's musical journey. The one-time keyboard player for a local rock band during the '60s (the original Mop Tops) is completing his first year as bandmaster of the Royal Hawaiian Band, the only full-time municipal band in America. In between, Nakasone mastered piano and saxophone and spent 37 years as a music educator, 28 of them at Pearl City High.

"The first time I touched a piano, I realized that music touches the soul in a positive way and provides a sense of solace and fulfillment," he says. "I wanted to share that feeling with students." The career choice involved unexpected sacrifice. Cleaning school restrooms during a 1979 UPW strike, Nakasone acquired a staph infection that invaded his brain, rendering him visually impaired and near death. He underwent brain surgery and made a successful recovery.

Nakasone's vision for the Royal Hawaiian Band includes a cultural advisory board to recommend hula hālau, dancers and singers to perform with the band; expanded outreach and an international campaign to raise funds. —by George Furukawa



Victoria Heckman

Mystery writer

UH degrees: BA in drama and theatre '86 Mānoa

Home: San Luis Obispo, Calif., with husband and two boys

Quote to live by: "Don't write it right; just write it down."

Mānoa memories: Hanging out on the benches under the stairs of Kennedy Theatre and Roger Long's inspirational Asian theatre course

Current Renaissance fair character: An Irish mercenary

Hālau: Nā Mele O Ke Kai with Kumu Hula Sandy Rodriguez

Red-haired police officer Katrina Ogden, the K.O. of the *K.O.'d in Hawai'i Mystery Series* bears some resemblance to both author Victoria Heckman and a Hawai'i Police Department friend and consultant. "Most of the truly stupid things K.O. does, I've done," Heckman confesses. Her smart move was starting to write about eight years ago. Inspired by people and places she has known, Heckman has her lead character encounter fictional situations based on real events in Hawai'i. Her third book, *K.O.'d in the Rift*, released Sept. 1, touches on the politics of Hawaiian sovereignty. A previous volume is set against a Big Island volcanic eruption and a book in progress visits Kaua'i koi ponds.

A professional actor/dancer and one-time police reservist, Heckman uses her UH training in children's theatre to teach drama, most recently directing San Luis Obispo High School's production of *Dracula* and a wild west melodrama at Cayucof Middle School.

—by Melissa Chua

Thomas Lim (MArch '93 Mānoa) is director of planning and management systems for Mānoa's College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources. He previously worked for the Department of Land and Natural Resources' State Historic Preservation Division.

Juliet Manibog (BBA '91, BS '95 Mānoa) married Matthew Delfin Aug. 14 in Hawai'i. They live in Woodland, Calif.

Sachiko Matsunaga (PhD '94 Mānoa) received the Outstanding Professor Award at California State University in Los Angeles, where she teaches Japanese.

Michael Okamoto (BArch '93 Mānoa), is principal at Honolulu architecture firm Next Design and project manager for single- and multi-family residential, retail, commercial and healthcare.

Marlon P. Rimando (BS '90, MD '94 Mānoa) is team physician for Hawai'i Pacific University with the Balance Center of the Pacific. He launched a wellness website, www.rxprevention.com.

Ammie Roseman-Orr (JD '99 Mānoa) and Dangkhua Nguyen announce the birth of Alexander Wilson and Kyle Stephen in July.

Carolyn Sawai (BS '91, MPA '01 Mānoa), a civil engineer with the Honolulu Board of Water Supply, is developing programs to quantify the water lost through leaks.

Sandra Siu (BA '90 Mānoa) is marketing communications specialist at Island Insurance Companies.

Jaydence (Goya) Tamashiro (BBA '98 Mānoa) is marketing director for Hawai'i's *This Week* magazines.

Lori-Anne Tungpalan-Grondolsky (BS '94, MD '00 Mānoa) passed her anesthesiology boards in July. She has worked in Lima, Ohio, since finishing her residency at the Mayo Clinic in 2004.

Roberto Viernes (BA '96 Mānoa) earned the top professional qualification for wine experts, passing the Court of Master Sommeliers master examination in 2005. He is one of the youngest master sommeliers in the world and one of only two in Hawai'i.



Gabriele (Matul) Worst (BA '97 Hilo; MEd '03 Mānoa) and Kanui Worst announce the birth of Mason Kaimana on Jan. 20, 2005, in Hilo.

1980s

Stephanie J. Castillo (BA '84, MBA '00 Mānoa) premiered *Remember the Boys*, at the 2005 Hawai'i International Film Festival. She'll add portraits of her war bride mother and cartoonist Corky Trinidad for the 2006 Filipino Centennial Celebration.

Bennette Misalucha Evangelista (BA '86 Mānoa) is vice president and regional director for community relations at national real estate firm Actus Lend Lease.

Brenda Foster (MBA '85 Mānoa, AAT '97 Leeward) is president of the American Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai. She runs an international consulting firm, ULU Group, and serves on the Mānoa College of Business Administration advisory board.

Elmer Guzman (CC '89, AS '91 Kapi'olani), chef-owner of Poke Stop in Waipahu, published *The Shoreline Chef*.

Lauri (Blake) Harrison (BBA '89 Mānoa) launched PeakUniques.com, an online boutique store offering products designed and made by women across the U.S.

David Heffernan (AAT '80 Leeward, BA '82 Mānoa), is CEO of O'Heffernan Worldwide, which operates USAirCombat.com, manufacturer of custom license frames for veterans. He also teaches at Valencia Community College.

James Herman (BA '89 Mānoa), former consul general in the U.S. Embassy in San Salvador, is the East-West Center's Diplomat-in-Residence for 2005-06. He has served in China, Italy, Japan and Guatemala.

Nadine Kam (BA '82 Mānoa) is style editor for the *Honolulu Star-Bulletin*, handling coverage of fashion, arts, life styles and travel. Her restaurant review, "The Weekly Eater," runs on Sundays.

Carol (Watanabe) Kitaoka (JD '81 Mānoa), an attorney for the Kona Office of the Prosecutor, was honored by the Hawai'i State Bar Association for her pro-bono service.

Dave Kozuki (BBA '89 Mānoa) is director of carrier sales and marketing at Pacific LightNet. He founded Global Pau Hana, an online com-



munity for former and current Hawai'i residents at www.globalpauhana.org.

Leonard Licina (BBA '81 Mānoa) is chief financial officer of Kahi Mohala Behavioral Health and regional executive of the Healthcare Financial Management Association.

Robert Makiya (AS '84, AAT '95 Honolulu; BS '97 Mānoa), a licensed physical therapist, opened SLR Therapy Services to provide physical and occupational therapy services in patients' homes.

Anne Mapes (MBA '84 Mānoa) is chair and CEO at Belt Collins Hawai'i, focusing on corporate and inter-company issues while continuing to serve her clients.



Mary Lourdes Fritz

Materne (AS '87 Hawai'i; BA '89 Hilo; JD '95 Mānoa) is an associate judge of the Palau Supreme Court.

Shawn (Uesugi) Nakamoto (BA '85 Mānoa), Kamehameha Schools' communications services manager, was named the Gregg W. Perry Public Relations Professional of the Year.

Melissa Teves Pavlicek (BA '85, JD '96 Mānoa) opened an office in Honolulu, practicing corporate law, business transactions and government affairs. She is married to **Stephen Teves** (BA '86, JD '90 Mānoa) and serves as vice-chair of the Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i.

E. Bruce Reynolds (PhD '88 Mānoa) is author of *Thailand's Secret War: OSS, SOE and the Free Thai Underground During World War II* (Cambridge University Press) and a professor of history at San Jose State University.

Rodney Roberts (AAT '88 Leeward) received a 2005–06 Fulbright Scholar grant to the University of Cape Town, South Africa.

Harriet Seldin (MBA '86 Mānoa) serves on the Dental Board of California. He is vice chair of the San Diego County Health Services Advisory Board and past president of the county dental society.

Bobby Sohns (AAT '89 Leeward; BA '93 Mānoa; AS '97, CC '03, AS '04 Kapi'olani) joined Greenbrier Restaurant in New York.

Margo (Lumanlan) Takata (BBA '84 Mānoa) is property manager of CB Richard Ellis' Hawai'i's Asset Services Division, in Kailua-Kona.

1970s

Riki Amano (BA '76, JD '79 Mānoa) is president and executive director of the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i. A judge in Hilo for more than 11 years, she completed mediator certification.



Darwin Ching (JD '76 Mānoa) represents O'ahu on the Hawai'i Board of Education. He is an attorney and former teacher.

David Cole (BA '76 Mānoa) is creating a limited liability investment company with America Online founder Steve Case.

Richard DiCrescenzo (BBA '79 Mānoa) wrote the 14-page pamphlet *After a Brain Injury* to assist individuals with brain injuries and strokes.

Alan Fujimori (BFA '78 Mānoa) joined Belt Collins Hawai'i as a principal planner and landscape architect. He is a registered landscape architect in Hawai'i, Massachusetts and Texas.



Walter Harada (MS '70, MS '71 Mānoa) retired as director of planning and management systems for Mānoa's College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources. He received the Dean's Award for Outstanding Service.

Stanton Ho (Cert '75 Kapi'olani) is corporate chef for Chocolates a la Carte in Valencia, Calif., after 27 years at the Las Vegas Hilton.

Keith Kogachi (BBA '78, MBA '81 Mānoa) is vice president of investments at Island Insurance Company, evaluating potential investment opportunities and monitoring the company's performance.



Olin K. Lagon (AAT '72 Honolulu; BBA '95 Mānoa) is CEO of Hawaiian Homestead Technology, a subsidiary of the nonprofit Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement. He was previously chief architect for WorldPoint Interactive, a business volunteer for the Peace Corps in Russia and technical assistance director for the Hawai'i Community Loan Fund.

Marc Lizama (AAT '78 Honolulu, BArch '86 Mānoa) is responsible for project design and operations as principal at Honolulu architecture firm Next Design.



Lynn C. Z. Maunakea (MSW '79, MBA '05 Mānoa) is executive director of the Institute for Human Services in Honolulu.

Sabrina S. McKenna (BA '78, JD '82 Mānoa) is first circuit court judge in Honolulu.



Kathleen F. Berg

Dogged educator

Career: Associate specialist/associate director, UH Mānoa Curriculum Research and Development Group; brigadier general, Hawai'i Air National Guard

Roots: Bushnell, Ill.

UH degrees: BEd with distinction in mathematics education '73, MEd in secondary education '80, PhD in educational psychology '92, Mānoa

Family: Husband Steve

Hobbies: Running, science and mathematics

Kathleen F. Berg's promotion to brigadier general in August wasn't the first time she was the first woman in her military post. Hawai'i Air National Guard's first female one-star general became the first female HANG colonel in 2002. Recruited into the guard by her husband in 1977, she commanded the 293rd Combat Communications Squadron at Hickam Air Force Base for seven years. "It was a wonderful way to learn about Hawai'i and the larger community. It kept me from being isolated to just the ivory towers," she says. "It allows me to serve my nation and my community in times of need. I feel like the work is important."

Not that she disdains the full-time university work she's done since 1973. "I am continually learning," she says. "I work with interesting, interested people who challenge me to think and keep current in education and research." Outside her jobs, Berg works with Great Danes. "They are very loving, people dogs and aren't easily roused," she says. "They don't bark a lot; they are actually great house dogs and are very beautiful, majestic animals."

—by Karla Brown



Mervyn E. "Eddie" Roberts

Psychological operator

UH degree: BA in history '84 Hilo

Career: Sergeant first class, U.S. Army Reserves; student in history master's program at University of North Texas

Early job: Math tutor

Hobbies: Editing video, swimming, traveling

Roots: "Air Force brat," lived in Germany, Okinawa, U.S. locations

Family: Wife Gail (nee Yoshida, from Hōlualoa), several cats

In the decade following his 1987 enlistment in the Army, Eddie Roberts served in Germany, Operation Desert Storm, Korea and Somalia. After settling into a job in Fort Worth, he joined the Army Reserves and deployed to Afghanistan as part of a Psychological Operations Team after the collapse of the Taliban and Al Qaeda.

PSYOP Teams worked with Special Forces, traveling back roads and trails to assess people's needs, encourage local leaders and inform people of impending changes. The journal he kept became the basis for *Villages of the Moon: Psychological Operations in Southern Afghanistan*. "I kept the book in journal format in hopes that a person would come away feeling what a deployment is like—the slow times, constantly changing mission orders, high stress times when hundreds of actions are compressed into a few minutes," Roberts says. "I also hope people will understand the harsh conditions under which we are operating. This is crucial to understanding why it is not just a simple act to go up and arrest Osama Bin Laden."

—by John Burnett

Betty (Shimabukuro) Perez (BA '79 Mānoa) is editor of the Today section for the *Honolulu Star-Bulletin*. She also oversees the food section and writes her "By Request" column.



Kathy Sakuma (BA '77 Mānoa) is planning the Starbucks 'Ukulele Festival with husband Roy. They operate 'ukulele studios in Kaimukī, 'Aiea, Kāne'ohe and Mililani on 'Oahu.



Karen Gahan Tarnow (MS '72 Mānoa) is president of the International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning.

Howard Todo (BBA '72 Mānoa) joined the UH System as vice president for budget and chief financial officer. Previously with Island Air, he served on the UH Alumni Association Board of Directors.



Jeff Wandtke (BS '75, MBA '82 Mānoa), is a consulting engineer on hardware/software systems on the Airbus 380.

Roberta Ann K. Wong Leung (BBA '70, BA '71 Mānoa) is dean of the School of Hotel, Tourism and Catering Management at Shunde Polytechnic in Guangdong, China.

1960s

Wesley Fong (BA '65 Mānoa) is president and chair of the board of Pālolo Chinese Home. The retired attorney also teaches in Mānoa's School of Travel Industry Management.

Walter Kirimitsu (BA '62 Mānoa), retired judge and UH counsel general, was inducted into Saint Louis School's Gallery of Distinguished Achievers.



Ed Totten (BA '65, MA '68 Mānoa) teaches Japanese language at Los Angeles City and Pierce Colleges in Los Angeles.

1950s

Shige Yamada (BA '55, BEd '56, MFA '66 Mānoa) has bronze models *Maui Releasing the Sun*, *The Gift of Water and Rainbows* in the *Artists of Hawai'i* exhibit at the Honolulu Academy of Arts.

Various

Newly minted mediators recently certified by the Straus Institute of Dispute Resolution include retired judges **Walter Heen** (BA '53) and **Marie (Nakanishi) Milks** (BA '66) and attorneys **Carl Osaki** (BA '82) and **Michael Nauyokas** (JD '89), all Mānoa alumni.

In Memory

Thies Grimes Austin (Ethel Godfrey) (BA '51 Mānoa), an avid traveler, died July 31 in Medford, Ore.

Annette Bilodeau Barnard ('46-'49 Mānoa) died Aug. 22 in Bellevue, Wash. A dedicated educator, she traveled with husband Bud to California, Washington, India and Peru, where she taught math and reading to children.

John L. Canup (MA '75 Mānoa) died Feb. 19 in Bryan, Tex. He was an associate professor of history at Texas A&M.

Julienne Guilbeault (BS '93 Mānoa) died Dec. 28, 2004 in Santa Barbara, Calif. She received her degree in chemistry.



Priscilla G. Harpham (MLISC '70 Mānoa) died Sept. 4 in

Honolulu. A librarian and educator for more than 30 years, she was vice principal at St. Francis School and principal of Star of the Sea High School.

Marijo T. Ikehara (JD '91 Mānoa) died in June 2004 in Bellevue, Wash.

Salam Tamimi (BA '76 Hilo) died June 22, 2003 in Amman, Jordan. She was an accomplished photographer, graphic artist, ceramist and badminton player.

John Tsukano ('46-'48 Mānoa) died in July. The WWII vet published *Bridge of Love* in 1985. He helped establish Mānoa's summer sessions and started a company that brought students, teachers and tourists to Hawai'i.

Daniel Uyemura (BA '74, JD '77 Mānoa), a Colleges of Arts and Sciences alumnus, died July 29.

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