$1 million pledge from Robert and Betty Wo and James and Juanita Wo Foundations last year is already having an impact on student learning. The Wos’ generous contributions, earmarked for a faculty and staff enrichment program, have enabled UHCC faculty to design programs for faculty development and renewal.

Dubbed the Wo Learning Champions, eight faculty and staff members (one from each campus), with Louise Pagotto coordinating the endeavors, were tasked with designing activities that would focus on faculty renewal and enrichment. During the past year, they have been outlining an array of possible programs for system-wide renewal for faculty and staff with activities that enhance them as professional educators.

In addition to developing a possible structure for an overall Wo Learning Champions program, each Wo Champion was given opportunities to explore and learn new skills that would help them as teachers and as resource faculty for others. Some attended League for Innovation in the Community College conferences; others visited exemplary institutions; still others have plans to attend conferences this semester.

Wo Learning Champions are also responsible for sharing their new knowledge and skills with colleagues on their campuses, and for continuing the Wo Learning Champions program. Recently, the Wo Learning Champions conducted a two-day seminar with 19 faculty and staff selected from each of the campuses. The participants met with the current champions at a retreat at St. Stephen’s Diocesan Center.

According to attendees, the March weekend retreat was an invaluable way to discuss shared issues and discover others’ innovations.
April is my favorite month of the year. It is Community College Month, when we celebrate, with similar institutions across the United States and amongst our campuses sprinkled upon these islands, the unique mission and democratic principles that led to our creation just over 100 years ago.

Hawaii’s community colleges were established by the Hawaii State Legislature in 1964 in response to the need for accessible, affordable, post-high school education for the grass roots.

By nature, the Community Colleges are flexible, ever-changing and responsive to community needs. Our efforts are multi-faceted and involve everything from curriculum design and the implementation of effective teaching and learning strategies, to collaboration with our communities and industries for economic and workforce development initiatives.

Recent discussions have placed new emphasis on our role in remedial education as open-door institutions. There are many new efforts in place between UH and the Department of Education that will, ideally, eliminate the need for remediation among DOE graduates who choose to pursue a college education. We are committed to working with the DOE to produce graduates who are ready for the “next step” after high school, whatever that step may be. A DOE-UHCC Coordinating Council was formed last November to implement these and similar efforts.

Even as we pursue elimination of the need for remediation, we must remember that our University of Hawaii’i Community Colleges remain committed to our “open door” mission. Our students come to us, not just from the DOE, but from other countries, from different age and ethnic groups, and with different levels of opportunity throughout their lives.

Community colleges are about providing opportunity and hope to those individuals who are committed to continuing their education. This is particularly important as the Hawaii economy continues to exchange low-skill jobs for high-skill jobs. As is true of community colleges throughout the nation, our UH Community Colleges provide a point of access to higher education that is simply not available—nor should it be—from selective admission institutions. Our mission is to serve all members of the community aged 18 and older who can benefit from the learning opportunities we offer, regardless of their prior educational success.

With an average student age near 27, our seven UH Community Colleges serve nearly 25,000 credit-earning students (54% of the total UH enrollment).

Some of these students have a goal of transferring to a baccalaureate program; others are enrolled in occupational, technical and professional courses intended to prepare them for employment or for career advancement. Another 25,000 students each semester enroll in our short-term, non-credit programs—and nearly 2 out of 3 non-credit enrollments are in career-related training.

The mission of the Community Colleges is to meet the needs of all of these students, wherever they are in their personal learning development, and to provide the instructional and support services necessary to help them achieve their learning goals, including providing remedial education if that is necessary to assure their future success.

This is our unique contribution to preparing the state’s workforce and to promoting economic development—and something that is definitely worth celebrating at least one month a year.

Joyce S. Tsunoda
Senior Vice President, UH and Chancellor for Community Colleges

“...students benefit from the increased cultural awareness and the global understanding that develop through involvement in international activities.”

Joyce S. Tsunoda
Taking Notice

LEEWARD CC HOLDS NHEA CONFERENCE

The 4th Annual Native Hawaiian Education Association (NHEA) conference was held at Leeward CC on March 26-28, 2002. The NHEA is a grass roots organization that advocates an educational philosophy acknowledging a Native Hawaiian perspective to teaching and learning in the 21st century. Members represent all islands and nearly all public and private schools. Pat Kamalani Hurley, Leeward CC Director of Halau 'Ike O Pu'uloa Native Hawaiian learning community, was conference coordinator.

MAUI PROF LAUDED FOR DISSERTATION

Maui CC instructor Dr. Caryl Hitchcock received the Distinguished Paper Award from the Hawai‘i Educational Research Association for her study on ACE Reading and self-modeling. The paper derives from her doctoral dissertation on interventions to promote reading skills with first graders. Hitchcock received her PhD from UH Mānoa in 2001. She presented her paper at the annual HERA Conference last month and has been invited to present her research at the annual meeting of the American Education Research Association in New Orleans in April. Hitchcock works for the Department of Education on Moloka‘i, teaches at Maui CC’s Moloka‘i Education Center and is the project director for ACE Reading at Kualapu‘u School.

HAWAI‘I CC INSTRUCTOR HONORED BY ALMA MATER

Hawai‘i CC instructor Diane Ferreira was recently selected to receive the Outstanding Educator award from Colby College, where she is an alumni. According to the award criteria, Ferreira was selected for her excellence in the classroom, her ability to teach and reach students in a meaningful way, and to make learning exciting.

HONOLULU CC OFFERS SEMESTER SEVEN

Honolulu CC instructor Wayne Lewis recently conducted an instructor training for Semester 7 (Multilayer Switching) of the Cisco Systems program. Students in the training included instructors from colleges and universities as far away as Korea, Singapore, Australia, and Canada, and included colleagues from the Big Island, Kaua‘i, and Maui and the mainland.

KAPI‘OLANI CC STAFF RECEIVE SERIKAWA AWARD

Kapi‘olani CC’s Travis Oka, Kelli Goya, and Shari Tamashiro have been selected as the awardees of the Walter Serikawa Disability Access to Technology Award for 1999, 2000, and 2001 respectively. Each received a $250 award and will be recognized on a plaque in the IMTS display case. The award is named for the late Walter Serikawa, who generously endowed Kapi‘olani CC with a scholarship and award program to provide for disability support on campus.

LEEWARD CC GETS HDH GRANT

Leeward CC was awarded a grant from the Hawai‘i Department of Health, Hawai‘i Immunization program, to promote and improve Hepatitis B immunization rates among college level students. Leeward CC Student Health Services Director Jamie Boyd (RN, NP) designed the immunization program with help from Andy Rossi, LCC institutional researcher, who compiled the complex survey component to determine health data in Leeward’s service area.
Leeward CC Goes Back to School

Leeward CC’s newest outreach program, “Student 2 Student,” connects college students with high school classes. The program enables high school students to learn about the value of a college education, discover how accessible college can be, and talk about college life with current college students.

Six Leeward CC students were specially trained to prepare and present engaging, interactive workshops in high school classes. The workshops feature group activities and range from 30 to 90 minutes.

High school students easily relate to their older “fellow students.” The Leeward CC students follow-up by responding to questions by phone or mail, adding just the right personal touch to make a difference for the high school students. Leeward CC student presenters enjoy their time with high school students, proclaiming, “The students really get into it!”

Cindy Martin, founder and coordinator of the program, adds, “Student 2 Student is a very cost-effective and efficient way to reach high schools students.”

Wo Learning Champions

in effective teaching strategies. Informal conversations allowed them to talk about ways they could communicate regularly with peers on campus and across the system, while formal sessions covered topics such as assessment, working with remedial students, motivating students, and teaching to various learning styles.

The current champions will work with the seminar participants and their provosts to select the next generation of Wo Learning Champions to further advance the Wo Learning Champions program so that all UHCC faculty and students, ultimately, will reap the benefits of excellence in teaching and learning. The Wos’ gift has already opened up many possibilities for the UHCC faculty and, because great teachers impact the lives of thousands, their gift will benefit students far into the future.

Hon CC puts fresh face on daycare center

It started in the summer of 2001. Honolulu CC carpentry instructor Jeff Uyeda and maintenance workers Dan Hiapo, Larry Luis and Thorence Pascual began the children’s center play yard renovation. They tore down the wooden deck, built a new deck next to the sand pit, installed a vinyl fence for the infant play yard, rebuilt stairways and more. That work was followed by Edison Keomaka and three other masons from the masons’ training office who took down chain link fence between the infant/toddler and preschool play yards, dug a sand pit, installed a concrete curb and hauled in new sand.

A landscaper added two rolling mounds in each of the two play yards, added sand under the play structure and grew grass. Then the infant play yard was extended as well. Finally, on February 22, while the adults took time to recognize the hard work of those who renovated the yard, the children were busy taking advantage of the new play area.
All seven of the UH Community Colleges are participating in a study for a new national survey focusing on teaching, learning, and retention. The project, the Community College Survey of Student Engagement (CCSSE), is funded by The Pew Charitable Trusts and the Lumina Foundation for Education and is being coordinated through the Community College Leadership Program at the University of Texas at Austin. The survey examines student engagement and retention issues. Research shows that students who read and write more, and who interact in positive ways with their teachers and peers, gain more in terms of essential skills and competencies. Identifying what our students do in and out of the classroom, knowing their goals and understanding their external responsibilities, can help us create an environment that enhances student learning, development, and retention.

The survey is being administered in classes randomly selected by CCSSE to ensure a representative sample and to preserve the integrity of the survey results. The UH Community College system is intent on being a leader in education, and this survey will assist in identifying further actions that may be helpful in support of teaching and learning.

System survey provides key data

by Cheryl Chappell-Long, UHCC Chancellor’s Office

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CTE Week celebration was cooking!

Two UHCC Alumni to be honored by University

Two UH Community College alumni will be recognized along with four others at the University of Hawai‘i Distinguished Alumni Awards Banquet on May 14, 2003 at the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel Ballroom. Web wizard Kevin Hughes (Honolulu CC alumnus), who is one of only six members of the World Wide Web Hall of Fame, and world-renowned Chef Alan Wong (a Kapi‘olani CC alumnus), who was instrumental in developing Hawai‘i Regional Cuisine, will be honored, along with Warren Haruki, (UHM, MBA ’77), Daniel Lau (UHM, BA ’41), Kurt Osaki (UHM, BFA ’88) and Donna Tanoue (UHM, BA ’76).

Mark this date on your calendar, and plan to join in this delightful celebration of our distinguished alumni. Cocktails begin at 5 pm with dinner at 6 pm. For more information, call 956-3862.

Kevin Hughes

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• Community colleges are a great resource for students who intend to continue studies at four-year colleges?
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   plete their bachelor's degrees obtain roughly equal job stabil-
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   A University of California at Santa Barbara study
   showed that community college students who transfer to
   four-year schools enter academic institutions with more
   prestige than those attended by similar students right out
   of high school.
• Students develop at the same rate academically in
   community colleges as they do in four-year colleges?
   A national study tested community college students
   and students in four-year colleges after their first year of
   post-high school classes. The students showed virtually
   indistinguishable gains in reading comprehension, math
   and critical thinking.
• Students in community colleges are likely to see more
   of their professors than students in many top-ranked
   four-year colleges?
   A study by the Association of Governing Boards of
   Universities and Colleges showed that community college
   faculty spend 72 percent of their time teaching while
   their colleagues at four-year schools spend 57 percent of
   their time teaching.
• Community college programs offer a wide range of
   career training options that can put you into a good
   job in a period as short as six months?
   Community Colleges offer programs as diverse as
   early childhood education, office management, medical
   and computer technologies, auto body repair and fire sci-
   ence. Programs in technology fields and health care are
   “hot” on today’s campuses, and graduates command sub-
   stantial starting salaries.

If these aren’t enough reasons to celebrate
Community College Month, how about a long list of
special events—entertainment, education, enlighten-
ment—happening on our campuses all month long?

**HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

April 5 - Fourth Annual Hilo Culinary Classic
Hawai‘i CC’s culinary arts program invites current state-wide college and
high school students, culinary program graduates, and industry personnel
to participate in competitive or non-competitive formats. The event is
held to raise the standards of culinary excellence and promote cama-
rade and education opportunities.

April 5–26 - The Second Annual Hawai‘i CC Art Show
Students in Linus Chao’s drawing & painting, photography, and oriental
brush painting, along with students from Gordon Lee’s ceramics classes,
will hold their show at the East Hawai‘i Cultural Center. Opening recep-
tion will be April 5, from 5:30–7:30 pm at the Center’s Central Gallery.

April 9 - Mahalo Award/College Advisory Council Reception
Each year, the College hosts a reception to thank community members
who support Hawai‘i CC by serving on advisory councils that guide vari-
ous College programs. Additionally, the Mahalo Award to our Community
Partner of the Year is presented.

April 13 - Provost’s Golf Tournament
The Provost’s Golf Tournament is sponsored by Hawai‘i Community
College Alumni and Friends Association and serves as a fund-raiser for
student scholarships.

April 24 - Earth Day
Hawai‘i CC faculty and students annually produce Earth Day in April.
The College invites the community and schools to attend and interact
with representatives of various government and non-profit agencies and
showcases environmental education efforts.

April 24 (evening) - Student Recognition Ceremony
During Community College Month, the College acknowledges student
accomplishments and names scholarship recipients.

**HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

April 6 - Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard’s JOB FAIR
At Honolulu CC’s Marine Education & Training Center from 9 am-2 pm.
Hon CC programs and Pearl Harbor apprenticeship opportunities.

April 28 - Nuesto Ritmo (our rhythm)
Honolulu CC Fashion Technology student fashion show. Doors open at
11 a.m., buffet lunch served at 11:30 am, with show at 1 pm, Pacific
Beach Hotel, $20 per ticket. For reservations, call 845-9203.

**KAPI’OLANI COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Through April 12 - Containers of the Soul
New work by Kloe Kang & Karen Lucas presented at the Koa Gallery.
Gallery Hours: M-F 10 am-4pm, Sat 10 am-2 pm. For information. call
734-9375.

April 18–19 - A Night in India
Ka ‘Ilena Dining Room, 6pm. Featuring an array of finely prepared
Indian dishes to delight your palate, by Chef Kusuma Cooray, and a beau-
tiful Indian fashion show. $50/person. Call 734-9570 for reservations.

**KAUAI COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

April 19–21 - 3rd Annual Hawai‘i Student Film Festival
Community College Month with us!

Presented by the Hawai‘i International Film Festival, and sponsored by Kaua‘i CC’s Club Gilgamesh. Films will be showing at the Kaua‘i CC Performing Arts Center. Contact Paul Booth for more information at 823-9208.

LEEWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE
April 11–13 and 18–20 - Mānoa in Pearl City
Leeward CC drama program presents the Hawaiian Style Theatre production of “Mānoa,” a contemporary look at the myth of Kahalaopuna, the Rainbow Goddess of Mānoa. Written by UHM alum Tammy Hall‘opua Baker, directed by LCC drama professor, Paul Cravath. 8 pm in the Lab Theatre. Call 455-0385 for ticket reservations.

April 29 - Panayam Sa Leeward
9:00 am-3:00 pm, Leeward CC. A Philippines Studies program conference-workshop designed to encourage students of Filipino ancestry in the Leeward and Central O‘ahu districts to pursue higher education opportunities. For information, call Raymund Liongson at 455-0224.

April 30 - The Hale ‘Aina Golf Tournament
Hawaii’s Prince Golf Course, Ewa. Golf with chefs and help raise money for educational programs sponsored by the Hale ‘Aina Foundation. A day to golf and eat and eat and golf. For information, contact 524-7400, ext. 272.

May 5 - Taste of the Stars
6-9 pm, Leeward CC’s The Pearl. A stellar event featuring a martini bar, 4 wine vendors, specialty coffees and 18 of Hawaii’s best chefs. Silent auction, dining under the stars, jazz entertainment and emcees Emme Tomimbang and Chuck Furuya. $65.00 per person. Call The Pearl at 455-0475 for reservations.

MAUI COMMUNITY COLLEGE
April 5 - Dedication of Ka‘a‘ike
Maui CC dedicates its new distributive education and technology building which houses state-of-the-art video and computer classrooms, digital TV studio, and media center, 4 pm

April 10 - Maui CC Job Fair
Sponsored by Cooperative Education Program, local and student chapters of the Society of Resource management and workforce development., 10 am-1 pm in Maui CC student lounge.

April 12 - Maui Literary Circle Festival.
Featured speaker is Pulitzer Prize winner W.S. Merwin. Guest writers include Deborah Iida, Eric Shaffer, and Lokahi Antonio. 8:30 am-12:45 pm, Ka‘a‘ike 105. Free; pre-register for $5 lunch. For information, call Renee Riley at 984-3435.

April 13 - Maui CC & UH Center, Maui College Fair
Prizes, games, entertainment, valve cover races, fashion show, registration and enrollment assistance and information. Ka‘ahumanu Center, Kahului, 10 am-2 pm. Call Colleen Shishido, 984-3526.

April 16 - Center for the Book event
Participants read “Middle Son,” 2002 Center for the Book choice, by Deborah Iida (a former Maui CC student) and discuss it in group meetings. The meeting will be at noon in the Maui CC Library Conference Room. For information call Dorothy Tolliver, 984-3583.

April 17 - Annual Health and Safety Fair
Maui CC graduating nursing students provide free health screenings and information on cardio-vascular disease, substance abuse, personal safety, and healing practices. 10 am-2 pm in the student lounge. Call Rosemary Perreira, 984-3454.

April 18 and 25 - “Yes, You Can!”
Free college entry workshop for adults interested in a career change, job retraining and financial aid options. Sponsored by Maui CC Educational Opportunity Center. April 18, 5-7 pm; April 25, 11 am-1 pm in Ho‘okipa Building. Call 984-3286 for information.

April 20 - Maui CC Shared Governance Retreat
An opportunity for faculty, staff and administrators to share ideas, brainstorm important issues and have fun. 9 am-5 pm at the Ka‘anapali Beach Hotel. Call Marge Kelm at 984-3477.

April 25 - Yemen Presentation
Carolyn Han shares stories and slides from Yemen, a place of peace and beauty, now famous as a training ground of the Taliban. Her presentation is sponsored by the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council., noon to 1:15 p.m. For information, call Renee Riley at 984-3435.

April 27 - Ulupalakua Thing
The 2002 Maui Agricultural Trade Show and Sampling begins at noon at the Tedeschi Vineyards and Ulupalakua Ranch, Kula. Proceeds benefit Maui CC programs.

April 22-23 - Ecological Ethics, Activism and Justice Conference.
Focus is on United Nations World Summit on Sustainable Development. Maui CC student lounge. Call Joshua Cooper at 984-3331.

WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE
April 5 - Cosmic Perceptions
Public shows at Windward CC’s Imaginarium, 7 and 8 pm. Tickets are $5 for adults; $4 for anyone with a UH system campus ID; $3 for children 12 and under.

April 26 - Blessing and Open House
Windward CC’s new humanities building blessing with entertainment both day and evening to showcase the visual and performing arts programs at the college.

DON’T MISS THE UH COMMUNITY COLLEGE SHOWCASE
On April 20, from 10 am to 2 pm, the UH Community Colleges will take Center Stage at Ala Moana Shopping Center. Entertainment by the Leeward CC Guitar Ensemble, Windward CC ‘Ukulele Ensemble, Leeward CC’s Kanikapila Singers, demonstrations, information and lots of fun. For more information, call 956-3862.
Tom “Pohaku” Stone says he is grateful for the experiences and instructors at Windward CC who opened his eyes to the value of learning about his heritage. The rest of us should then also be grateful to Windward CC, for Pohaku’s contributions to sustaining Hawaiian culture and history are profound.

Hawaiian Studies lecturer at Kapi‘olani CC and UH Mānoa Windward CC graduate

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remembering what I had heard from my grandfather as a youth.” His grandfather intertwined stories of sliding down hills with friends on ti-leaf stalks and banana stumps with legends of ancestors who rode mountains on the papa holua.

“I then decided I needed to make a sled to develop my understanding of holua. Once I began lashing the rough sennit, I knew I wanted to rediscover the old ways,” declared Pohaku.

He studied specifications from Bishop Museum’s collections, talked with Hawaiian woodworkers, and relied on the help of friends in the community, including Anne Campbell (now his wife and a librarian at UHM Hamilton Library) and Kilohana Duarte.

“Without Kalani, who opened my eyes, and Anne and Kilohana, who supported all those long hours of wandering the islands, all that I have today would not be.”

Once he had finished the sled, he took it to the Big Island and rode for the first time. “Through this learning process, I had become very passionate about our native culture. I knew I wanted to become an educator,” Pohaku stated.

“I believe I can serve as an inspiration to the students I encounter, because I know what it is like to struggle. We place a lot of labels and demands on native students to learn, but rarely take the time to look at where they are coming from. Many of these native students, including myself, learn in a very different way, so I try to be sensitive to that.”

Pohaku realized that the open doors at the community colleges gave
Community College alumni

him a chance he might not otherwise have had. “Community Colleges provide an opportunity for students to find their place (academically and socially), to form lifetime bonds, to explore, and challenge themselves. There are many at Windward CC, like Floyd McCoy, who taught us that there is no such thing as failure, and Winston Kong, who encouraged us to achieve our academic goals, that have become my friends.”

Pohaku continues to explore his ancestors’ past to add depth and meaning to our lives today. He has important words for current and future students. “There is no such thing as ‘I no can.’ You can accomplish anything you want. Don’t do it just because you are trying to please your parents, or your friends. Enjoy what you learn—because it only gets better.”

A STELLAR PERFORMANCE

Leeward CC Staff
Development Coordinator Cindy Martin reached for the stars and was greeted with an enthusiastic response from Leeward CC faculty and staff. When the Aloha Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association called for help on a “star-folding” project, Martin placed a call for campus volunteers. The ACAA had set a goal: 20,000 paper stars to represent the 20,000 people in Hawai‘i afflicted with debilitating Alzheimer’s.

Martin’s office quickly filled with bags full of folded stars, resulting in 10,000 lovingly folded stars to present to the ACAA.

Phi Theta Kappa Pacific Region Awards

The annual regional conference was hosted this year by the Phi Theta Kappa chapter at Hawaii Community College. Each of the community college campuses from across the state was represented by a contingent of Phi Theta Kappa students with a total of 60 students and advisors in attendance (advisor Linda Letta with students shown above) at the day long conference. Some of the top awards follow:

Hallmark Awards
- Scholarship
  - Alpha Lambda Gamma – Leeward CC/Alpha Kappa Psi – Kapi‘olani CC
- Leadership
  - Alpha Kappa Psi – Kapi‘olani CC
- Service
  - Alpha Kappa Iota – Honolulu CC/Alpha Kappa Psi – Kapi‘olani CC
- Fellowship
  - Alpha Kappa Iota – Honolulu CC/Alpha Kappa Psi – Kapi‘olani CC

Individual Awards
- Distinguished Chapter President
  - Reed Ratliff, Alpha Kappa Psi – Kapi‘olani CC and Patricia Rowan, Alpha Lambda Theta – Windward CC
- Distinguished Chapter Officer
  - Dawn League-Pablo, Alpha Kappa Psi – Kapi‘olani CC
- Distinguished Chapter Member
  - Robin Schutte, Alpha Lambda Theta – Windward CC
  - Bartly Wilson, Alpha Kappa Psi – Kapi‘olani CC
- Distinguished Chapter Advisor
  - Dr. Gailynn Williamson, Alpha Lambda Gamma – Leeward CC
- Most Helpful Administrator
  - Dr. Mark Silliman – Alpha Lambda Gamma – Leeward CC

Writing
- Non-Fiction
  - Abraham Flores, Jr., Alpha Kappa Psi – Kapi‘olani CC: “The United States Supreme Court: Upholding traditions in the religious community”
- Poetry
  - Kim Char Meredith, Alpha Lambda Theta – Windward CC, “Ho‘ala Hou”
  - Mary Miura, Alpha Lambda Gamma – Leeward CC: “Daughter”

Art
- Mixed Media
  - Abbie Neves - Alpha Lambda Theta – Windward CC: “Kea‘ahala Stream”
Daimler Chrysler partnership includes Viper

The Chrysler Apprenticeship Program (CAP) has changed its name to College Automotive Program (CAP as before). CAP is a trilogy consisting of the Daimler Chrysler manufacturer, local Daimler Chrysler dealerships and Honolulu CC.

The dealership selects students in their second semester and provides work-site training and experience. The dealership pays $500 for each semester the student completes, and upon graduation, the student has a two-year agreement to work full time, develop into a productive technician and pass a national certification in all eight areas of automotive repair. The dealership then awards the student $2,000 for completing this objective. The Daimler Chrysler Corporation donates to the school, vehicles, equipment, tools, books, training aids and a scholarship fund.

Two years ago Daimler Chrysler donated $10,000 to be used to ensure the success of Honolulu Community College’s automotive program. More recently, Honolulu CC received a Dodge Viper with a new retail value of $70,000, and a popular new vehicle, the PT Cruiser. The students and the college benefit, because Daimler Chrysler helps the college produce highly-trained entry level technicians.

Fulbright offers lecturing/research grants in 140 countries

Through the Fulbright Scholar Program, college and university faculty and administrators have opportunities to lecture and conduct research in 140 countries in AY 2003-2004. There are awards in 37 different disciplines and professional fields and a variety of subdisciplines. Traditional Fulbright awards are available from two months to an academic year or longer. A new short-term grants program, the Fulbright Senior Specialists Program, offers two-to-six-week grants as well.

The application deadline is August 1 (Senior Specialist program has a rolling deadline). For information and an on-line application, contact the Council for International Exchange of Scholars on the Web at http://www.cies.org/.
Students from Chiba Keizai College in Japan spent two weeks visiting and learning at Kaua‘i Community College in March. The group was chaperoned by Professor Shuichi Nakamura, who had returned to Kaua‘i for a second time. The program is filled with interesting classes coordinated by Kaua‘i CC’s Office of Continuing Education, directed by Barbara Bulatao-Franklin and her staff.

The classes included Japanese/English Exchange, Conversational English, Water Color and Computer Art, and more.

The program combines English/Japanese Exchange language classes with Hawaiian experiences in art, culture and community, to give students a fun, meaningful visit with many personal experiences.

Each weekend brought the students closer to Kaua‘i’s charm and grace. They were all taken in by host families throughout Kaua‘i to share and experience learning about each other, the culture, the language, and history and the various ways in which Japanese traditions have been integrated into Kaua‘i’s culture.

Local Kaua‘i families played host to the students, which Kaua‘i CC provost peggy Cha feels is one of the most important components of the program.

Two Kaua‘i families, the Arakakis and the Kashiwabara, who have been hosting foreign students for 12 years, met with others and encouraged them to welcome these students into their homes as it is a great experience for the entire family. Through their contact with the local people, the Japanese students were able to experience the similarities and learn about the differences between the cultures.

Richard and Jane Kashiwabara took in three students; Izumi Tada, Kaori Chiwaki, and Mariko Nakamura. The Kashiwabaras also have been hosting foreign students for many years.

Kapi‘olani CC’s annual International Festival, March 18 to 21, was the best and biggest yet, according to Carl Hefner, festival director. The archer shown here is Mazie Hasegawa, a kyudo student and student at UHM.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
TCC 2002 REGISTRATION
The 7th Annual Teaching in the Community Colleges Online Conference takes place May 21-23, 2002. This year’s theme: HYBRID DREAMS, will cover various aspects of Internet-mediated, “hybrid” or ‘blended” learning, such as courses with online and face-to-face components; hybrid reality: how to create an Internet course using free software; and how to develop hybrid lesson plans. Register today at: http://leahi.kcc.hawaii.edu/org/tcon2002.
Many people don’t realize that Maui Community College’s television station, Channel 54, produces programs beyond the cable television classes viewed county-wide. Maui CC’s broadcast station also produces a show focusing on issues in the community, and another one devoted to preserving memories of old-time Maui.

“On Maui,” a local news program, reports on island-wide problems, including traffic, education, water, and Hawaiian sovereignty. Similar to a big-city news station in its aim, but produced on a much smaller scale, the show is a combination of in-studio and field reporting. Media Specialist Kate Sample, the producer, director, and editor of “On Maui,” states that the show looks for “solutions to issues” within the community; its “mission is to inform and inspire.”

Kate and her crew produce a new hourly “On Maui” every two weeks. The in-studio work is done in Ka’a’ike, Maui CC’s new media building. The show has been on the air for one year, and airs every Saturday and Sunday at 7 pm on Maui. By 2003, Kate hopes for a weekly show and, in 2004, a daily show. Support comes in the form of a $200,000 grant from the Harold L. Castle foundation over a three-year period.

Another show Kate produces for the college cable station is “Preserving Our Recollections”; its purpose is to interview island elders (over 60 years old), from all ethnic populations and island-wide geographic locations. In one-on-one interviews (interspersed with vintage photographs), they share their memories of growing up on Maui. The show started airing in 2000, and airs during Christmas and spring breaks. The program’s interviewers have included Maui CC’s own Ki’ope Raymond, Assistant Professor of Hawaiian Language and Studies, and Kathryn Fletcher, Instructor of Anthropology.

Tune in to Maui CC’s Channel 54 weekends for “On Maui,” and “Preserving Our Recollections” during the upcoming spring break this month.

Crew members (l to r): Wendy Osher, Stuart Hirotsu, Jade English, Jeff King, Jodie Doolittle, Kate Sample. photo by Jill Fitzpatrick.