Students shine in Nashville

The Phi Theta Kappa Pacific Region chapters had a lot to sing about at the 84th Phi Theta Kappa International Convention in Nashville, TN, April 4-6, 2002. Attending the convention were four members from Alpha Lambda Theta, Windward CC, two members and one advisor from Alpha Kappa Psi, Kapi‘olani CC, one member from Alpha Lambda Gamma, Leeward CC and the Pacific Regional Coordinator, Kapi‘olani CC. One of the highlights of the convention program was a performance by Kim Char Meredith, Pacific Regional President, Windward CC. She performed three musical selections before the convention audience of 3,700. Her performance was a smashing hit.

Another highlight was the presentation of 1,001 red, white, and blue origami cranes that the Pacific Region presented to the New York Region in commemoration of the Sept 11 tragedy. Mary Miura, Pacific Regional Vice President. Leeward CC spearheaded this project and assembled the display of cranes. Along with the cranes, a plaque describing the origination of this tradition stemming from the Hiroshima bombing was presented to the members and the New York Regional Coordinator. All the Hawai‘i chapters participated in the folding of the cranes.

To top this, the Pacific Region brought home six awardees included, (l to r) John Morton, Kapi‘olani CC; Abe Flores, Jr., Regional Financial Secretary; Mary Miura, Regional Vice-President; Charlotte Toguchi, Regional Coordinator; Kim Char Meredith, Regional President; Linda Letta, Alpha Kappa Psi Advisor; Dawn League-Pablo, Alpha Kappa Psi Chapter Officer.

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Our name says it all. The University of Hawai‘i Community Colleges are responsive to the communities we serve, providing comprehensive programs at low tuition, and open doors to all who can benefit. Looking over the stories of success, partnership and community involvement in this newsletter; it is obvious that many people in our state benefit from our institutions.

This is due to your hard work and diligence. So, in addition to congratulating our exceptional Phi Theta Kappa students and counselors; and, in addition to honoring and thanking our community partners; and, in addition to congratulating the many students who will graduate this Spring, I would like to congratulate you—the faculty, staff, administrators and community members who keep our mission and goals alive and vibrant.

The success of our students, the depth of our community partnerships, and the impact we have within our communities are accurate measures of our success. Please keep these achievements in mind as we struggle with ongoing change within our system, in our communities and across the world. We are good at what we do. This is our legacy for the future of Hawai‘i.

We have experienced many changes over the past few years. We have withstood poor economic times and endured a national crisis. At various levels we have reorganized, streamlined, studied and reviewed. Throughout all the changes, our commitment to our mission has remained strong. We are a system of community colleges that other community colleges look to for ideas and solutions. We are recognized nationally and internationally for our excellence.

This year, the students, faculty and staff throughout the University of Hawai‘i system have been hard at work updating the University’s Strategic Plan. In the process, we reaffirmed the unique, yet complementary mission we fulfill within the broader University mission of providing quality public higher education for Hawai‘i’s people. There is a growing need for education beyond high school, and re-training throughout our lifetime and career. How will people get that education? From us, of course, if we remain committed to our mission.

At a conference in 2001, former American Association of Community Colleges President David Pierce commented on the future of the community college. "We may change even more," he said. "By 2025, we may not recognize what is then called a 'community college.' We may be very different, like we were different in 1950 and in 1901. But that's one of the hallmarks of us—the flexibility to change.”

We have created a climate of opportunity and service to our students, and we've accomplished this through ongoing change to meet the diverse needs of the communities we serve.

Have a great summer!
Herkimer County Community College in New York recently honored Leeward CC Provost Dr. Mark Silliman and inducted him into its Hall of Honor. Silliman and his family attended the induction ceremony in March on the Herkimer campus. A plaque was placed in the Alumni Hall, with a biography of Silliman’s civic and professional accomplishments.

Hawai‘i CC Prof Selected for Fulbright Seminar

Hawai‘i CC’s Trina Nahm-Mijo has been selected to participate in the Fulbright-Freeman Summer Seminar in Thailand and Burma this summer. Sponsored by the Center for Southeast Asian Studies at UH Mānoa, the goal of the seminar is to enhance the curricula in Asian studies at colleges and universities with significant numbers of minority students and few Asian studies courses.

Good Neighbors

Honolulu CC’s Human Services Club fulfilled some of the needs of the Institute for Human Services with a Toiletry Drive in April. Faculty, staff and students donated soaps, shampoos, and other toiletry items to support IHS in its efforts. IHS is O‘ahu’s only emergency homeless shelter and cares for up to 350 men, women, and children every night.

Windward CC Artist at the Academy

Works by Windward CC Associate Professor Snowden Hodges are on exhibition at the Honolulu Academy of Arts through June 16. Hodges’ show, “Florence and the Labors of Hercules,” features large charcoal, conté crayon, pastel and watercolor works inspired by a sabbatical to Florence, Italy a few years ago.

Hawai‘i CC Students Win Best of Show

The student team of Hawai‘i CC’s West Hawai‘i food service program posed with trophies after winning for their Best of Show entries in the 4th Annual Hilo Culinary Classic. The annual event invites current state-wide college and high school students, graduates of culinary arts programs, and industry personnel, chefs, bakers, and restaurateurs to participate.

Maui CC Lecturer Elected to National Peace Org.

Joshua Cooper, director of the Hawai‘i Institute for Human Rights and lecturer at the International Training Center for Teaching Peace and Human Rights, was elected to the national Board of Directors for Peace Action. Peace Action is the nation’s largest grassroots peace and disarmament organization. Cooper will serve on the International Committee focusing on the United States record of ratification for international instruments of peace, ecology and human rights.

Kaua‘i CC Teacher Honored in Teacher’s Who’s Who

Albert L. Spencer, associate professor in accounting at Kaua‘i Community College, has been nominated again to be honored in Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers. The only students invited to submit nominations are those who have distinguished themselves by being recognized for excellence in Who’s Who Among American High School Students or The National Dean’s List, two of the most prestigious publications in the nation honoring the best and brightest high school and college students respectively. Only 5 percent of our nation’s teachers are honored in each edition of Who’s Who and less than 2 percent are included in more than one edition.
international awards and three of Hawai’i’s chapters were in the Top 100 chapters. With more than 1,300 chapters in the organization, this is quite a feat.

The awards are as follows:

The 2002 Shirley B. Gordon Awards of Distinction, given to an outstanding community college executive officer, was presented to Dr. John Morton, Kapi’olani CC.

The 2002 Distinguished Chapter President Award was presented to Reed Ratliff, Alpha Kappa Psi, Kapi’olani CC.

The 2002 Distinguished Chapter Officer Award was presented to Dawn League-Pablo, Alpha Kappa Psi, Kapi’olani CC.

The UH Community Colleges also received Hallmark Awards. Alpha Kappa Iota, Honolulu CC, received a Scholarship Hallmark Award. Alpha Kappa Psi, Kapi’olani CC, was recognized with a Leadership Hallmark Award. Only 10 chapters (out of over 1,000) are recognized with these awards.

A Distinguished Chapter Award was received by Alpha Kappa Iota, Honolulu CC.

The 2002 Distinguished Region Award was awarded to the Pacific Region.

The Phi Theta Kappa Chapters are ranked and the Top 100 are also honored. Three of the UH Community College chapters are in the top 100. They are: Alpha Kappa Iota, Honolulu CC; Alpha Kappa Psi, Kapi’olani CC; and Alpha Lambda Theta, Windward CC.

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**UH Community Colleges entertain and enlighten crowd at Ala Moana celebration**

A pril 20 was a rainy day across O’ahu, but you wouldn’t have known it at Ala Moana Shopping Center. The talent of students, faculty and staff shone brightly throughout the day at the UH Community Colleges Showcase 2002. In addition to an array of entertainment, representatives from various programs at all the O’ahu campuses were on hand to answer questions, provide demonstrations and enlighten visitors about the Community Colleges. This was one of many events during April that celebrated Community College Month. Chancellor Tsunoda, who made opening remarks at the event stated, “Mahalo to all. You did such a wonderful job. I am grateful to all of you for coming out on a Saturday to share your talents with the community.”

(l to r) Pōmaika’i Loo joins his father, slack key master Ron Loo of Windward CC, along with WCC staff member Luke Solaterio on stage. Kapi’olani CC service learning students staff the table, while Honolulu CC occupational and environmental safety students put on a “safety gear” fashion show. The Kanikapila Singers (LCC) “wow”ed the audience with their perfect harmonies and stellar performance.
Leeward Community College hosted the 2002 statewide Chemistry Olympiad on April 19. Leeward CC Chemistry Professor Bob Asato hosts this annual event where students from across the state come to Leeward CC to take a national written exam and lab practical. Top scoring students may qualify for the U.S. National Chemistry Olympiad team that will compete in the International Olympiad. Dr. Asato was impressed with this year’s participants, saying Hawai’i has “extremely bright” students.

SkillsNET: new resource for employers and educators

On April 3, 2002, a new community resource was announced in a kick-off ceremony at Kapi’olani Community College. The Hawai’i SkillsNET Community, a partnership of the Department of Education, the University of Hawai’i and Hawai’i’s business and industry, spearheaded by the Office of the State Director for Career and Technical Education, have created a convenient Internet-based resource that will help Hawai’i employers solve the puzzles of business. Employers can use the SkillsNET Job Profiling program to identify skills gaps for their businesses. Housed at Kapi’olani CC, the Hawai’i SkillsNET Community will also provide data to aid both the DOE and UH in determining competencies needed by business and industry.

Hawai’i CC takes part in island clean-up

Mālama ‘Aina Community Cleanup Day was declared by Hawai’i County Mayor Harry Kim as an island-wide cleanup day. On March 16, about 70 Hawai’i Community College faculty, staff, administrators and students took part in the college’s annual community service project by taking part in the cleanup in Hilo, at the Hilo Bayfront Beach Park, or in West Hawai’i, cleaning up the Three Ring Ranch Animal Sanctuary above Kailua-Kona.

In Hilo, about 30 Hawai’i CC faculty and staff piled up old tires, driftwood, and other debris for county personnel to dispose. In Kailua Kona, the students came out in force, with about 40 students joining faculty in planting trees and clearing land at the sanctuary.

Let there be light

Leeward Community College Theatre will be closed for lighting renovation, from the end of March until early summer. Completion of the project will offer a state-of-the-art digital lighting system to support the hundreds of performances offered each year at the theatre.

Check out the SCT Banner Student Portal demonstration at the following Web page: www.sct.com/industriesolutions/education/webfordemo/Students/school.html. This is a sample of what the UH system will introduce on July 1 and have in full implementation by Spring 2003.
Celebrating our partners and friends

The University of Hawai‘i Community Colleges rely on the community for support in almost every aspect of our operations. As advisory committee members, as partners in apprenticeship and internships, as contributors to curriculum and resource development, and as donors for student scholarships and other materials. To recognize these individuals, organizations and businesses, each UHCC campus annually presents a “Community Partner of the Year” award. For 2002, the campuses of the UH Community Colleges are pleased to announce the following awardees:

**Hawai‘i’s most important resource is its people, so our state’s most important investment is in the future of our people. Every day, in classrooms all across the state, we in the Department of Education see this future unfolding—from first graders learning the basics of math, to high school seniors winning science awards, to adult immigrants mastering English as a Second Language.**

As we strive to shape this future, we appreciate the many ways in which the University of Hawai‘i Community Colleges partner with us. Like the public schools, the UHCCs are open door institutions. They are in the "opportunity" business—opening doors to the future for Hawai‘i’s people.

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**Hawai‘i’s Workforce Development Division (WDD) of the State of Hawai‘i, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), was selected by the Employment Training Center (ETC).**

For over 30 years, ETC has worked collaboratively with WDD to provide quality education and training under various federal initiatives. This longstanding partnership has served the workforce development community as well as the economic self-sufficiency of special populations.

Through the DLIR’s Workforce Development Division grants, the Employment Training Center has served thousands of students by providing hands-on employment and basic skills training in various vocational programs. ETC continues to work with the Workforce Development Division, most recently being awarded $300,000 as a training provider.

**GENIC Corporation, a subsidiary of Shiseido Inc., Japan, was selected by Honolulu Community College.**

GENIC is an outstanding international partner which, under the leadership of its President, Mr. Norio Morisugi, has worked with Honolulu CC to provide short-term training for groups of Japanese salon owners, managers, curriculum developers and stylists for the past three years. Starting June of this year, GENIC Corporation will expand its partnership with Honolulu CC to provide training at the college as a capstone educational experience for graduating students of beauty schools in Japan. GENIC also donated $20,000 to Honolulu CC in 1999 to upgrade a cosmetology classroom.

**Chief of Naval Education and Training, Department of the Navy - United States of America certified Kapi‘olani Community College as a non-traditional training site in 1999, and has been an important partner ever since. The Navy’s Local Training Authority Office has worked closely with Kapi‘olani CC to implement training programs, particularly in culinary arts. Classes such as Public Quarters Flag mess and General Mess Operations have been established and have attracted not only Navy cooks,**
ends in the community!

but cooks from other military branches as well. The military reported that, after graduating from Kapi‘olani CC courses, some of the cooks entered navy culinary competitions and won awards. Kapi‘olani CC has also been asked to develop a pilot for distance-delivered education courses for troops that have been deployed.

The Contractors Association of Kaua‘i (CAK) has been an outstanding partner with Kaua‘i Community College. Together, they have successfully created four facilities maintenance training sessions that are proving invaluable to Workforce Investment Act (WIA) participants. CAK provides industry professionals to work as instructors and provides materials and tools for “hands-on” projects that students complete as part of their training. This facilities training concept has spurred a new partnership between the Rural Development Project (RDP) and the Kaua‘i CC Apprenticeship Program as well. Some of the work projects have also resulted in beneficial improvements—such as a new storage building—at Kaua‘i CC. CAK’s industry contacts have also been helpful in finding jobs for participants, thereby fulfilling the ultimate objectives of WIA and the college.

Ka‘ala Farm, Inc. is Leeward Community College’s selection for Community Partner of the Year. A grantee of the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education’s Native Hawaiian Community-Based Education Learning Centers, Ka‘ala Farm provides subsidies to UHCC campuses that make it possible for native Hawaiian students to attend institutions such as Leeward CC. In partnership with Leeward CC, Ka‘ala Farm provides cultural workshops as outreach and helps to recruit native Hawaiians into higher education. They also promote culturally integrated retention activities to assist native Hawaiian students in achieving academic and professional success. From the fall 2000 to spring 2002 semester, 213 students have been provided educational assistance packages totaling $79,000.

The Fairmont Kea Lani Maui and VIP Foodservice, Inc. were selected by Maui Community College for their long-time support of the college’s culinary arts program. The Fairmont Kea Lani Maui gives students access to the hotel’s facilities, equipment and support staff; provides apprenticeship and service learning opportunities; employs graduates; donates equipment; participates in fund-raising activities; and assists during accreditation visits. The hotel’s executive chef has served on the MAUI CC Culinary Arts Foundation for 15 years. It has donated facilities to students for educational visits; taken part in special events; served as a resource for other contributors; hosted meetings and receptions; and served on the Maui CC culinary arts advisory committee.

The Windward Orchid Society, based in Kāne‘ohe, is Windward Community College’s Community Partner of the Year for 2002. Working with Windward CC botany professor Inge White, the Orchid Society has donated equipment and funds for the past 19 years to help support tissue culture and other botany activities.

The Orchid Society also has provided plants for students to gain research experience in Kuhi Lā‘au, Windward CC’s plant identification lab. The lab provides a free community service and practicum for the college’s botany students. The biotechnology program continues to benefit from the Orchid Society’s generosity and support in encouraging students to pursue careers in botany, orchidology and horticulture.

The word for the... community college is “opportunity.” The community college gives just about everyone a fair chance to succeed not just at college—but at the kind of college that places vocational-technical training on a status with other learning. The academically talented as well as the technically talented flow through the open door. The University of Hawai‘i Community Colleges are outstanding examples of this valuable, uniquely American institution we call ‘community college.’

Dale Parnell
Former President
American Association of Community Colleges

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A broken-down car—perhaps a nuisance to some of us—could mean financial disaster to a family that relies on a car for transportation to work. Lisa Derby, a Honolulu Community College student and single mother of two, overcame this problem by obtaining a $3,000 auto loan through Consuelo Foundation’s Ways to Work family loan program.

Lisa went to Consuelo Foundation when a recent promotion presented her with an immediate need for reliable and flexible transportation. While studying for her associate degree in Early Childhood Education, Lisa worked hard as a student assistant and was then given the opportunity to become a secretary at Honolulu CC for the ECE program. Newly responsible for coordinating activities on multiple campuses, she needed a reliable car to travel to Kapi’olani and Leeward CC, as well.

“My biggest challenge was worrying about how to get to work,” said Lisa. Her car had a history of breaking down, and she was spending $20 on gas every few days to keep it running. Cyndi Uyehara, Lisa’s supervisor, also recognized the problem. “She lives in Ewa…so she definitely needs a car.”

Lisa now is the proud owner of a 1993 Geo Storm, purchased with a $3,000 loan from Ways to Work. She’s spending less money on gas, and less energy on stress. With the program’s help, Lisa is also improving her credit history by paying old debts and making regular loan payments to American Savings Bank.

“I am so enthused to have Consuelo Foundation initiate this most unique program to Hawai’i,” said Patti Lyons, President and CEO of Consuelo Foundation. “Ways to Work has the distinction of being the first program of its kind in Hawai’i. It also has the advantage of being backed by years of experience through development and replication on the mainland.”

Constance H. Lau, President and CEO of American Savings Bank, stated, “Ways to Work gives families access to better jobs and education, helping parents make a better life for themselves and their children.”

PROGRAM PURPOSE

The Ways to Work family loan program provides loans that help parents on O‘ahu to keep their jobs, get better jobs, or stay in school. Ranging from $500 to $3,000, the loans may be used to help qualifying low and moderate-income families purchase a used car, pay for car repairs or child-care, or finance certain other needs. To qualify, customers must have enough disposable income to make monthly loan payments; be employed at least 19 hours per week for 6 months prior to application or be a post-high school student with verifiable income; have a household income below 80 percent of Honolulu Area Median Income; and be a custodial parent and O‘ahu resident.

Loan decisions are made by a committee of volunteers from banking, social service, and government professions. Borrowers repay the loan at a modest interest rate, and all loans are funded, closed, and serviced by American Savings Bank.

The program’s strategy is to offer parents tools and resources that they can use to achieve employment and income security. In Hawai’i, 22 percent (66,000) of children under age 18 live in working poor families. Nationwide, children and youth under 18 have a higher poverty rate (16.2%) than any other age group, according to the Census Bureau. The National Center for Children in Poverty reports national statistics that are equally sobering. For information, call Dave Washburn at Consuelo Foundation at 532-8088.
LCC creates new Hawaiian Council

The Opening Protocol for the 19th Annual Excellence in Education Conference marked the first public appearance of Pūko’a No Nā ‘Ewa. Walterbea Aldeguer, clerical from Leeward CC at Wai‘anae, offered a moving pule and set the tone for the annual conference.

Na ‘Ewa is a newly formed council whose members are native Hawaiian Leeward CC faculty and staff.

Student representatives will also be included. The council grew out of a need to address system and college issues regarding native Hawaiians, particularly in terms of how they impact students.

Kap CC’s on-line conference

Since 1996, Bert Kimura and Jim Shimabukuro at KapCC’s on-line conference Hawai‘i Community College have annually coordinated the Teaching in the Community Colleges Online Conference, a professional education event conducted entirely over the Internet. This year, UH Community College faculty and staff can participate for free. The registration fee will be paid by the UHCC staff development fund.

So, if you are a UHCC staff member and would like to take part in this important conference that takes place May 21-23 in a virtual environment, contact Sharon Fowler at fowlers@hawaii.edu for more information.

Leeward CC continues to reach out to high schools in its service area. The second annual Department of Education Get Together at Leeward CC showed an incredible increase in participation this year. On February 13, more than 275 DOE faculty, representing nine Central Leeward district high schools, attended the afternoon gathering.

Coordinated by Elena Bumanglag, 40 Leeward CC faculty conducted tours and met with their DOE counterparts to work on articulation concerns and potential partnerships in diverse areas.

Another DOE opportunity occurred as 270 high school students invaded the Leeward CC campus on Discover LCC Day. The March 7 event, coordinated by Leeward CC Student Services, offered student-led tours, interactive demonstrations and free lunch for the eager visitors. Leeward CC dance students performed works in progress, TV Pro students led studio tours, and a student in the Philippine Studies program provided information on attending college.

TASTE OF HILO BENEFITS HAWAI‘I CC

A check for $8,703.29 was presented to Hawai‘i Community College Provost Sandra Sakaguchi from the organizers of Taste of Hilo IV, which was held in January, 2002. The event is a fund-raiser for the College’s food service program in Hilo and is organized and sponsored by the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Hawai‘i (JCCIH). From left to right: Marvin Min, Taste of Hilo Chair; Barry Mizuno, President JCCIH; Hawai‘i CC food service instructors Iona “Manny” Ka‘apana, Rodger Sakamoto, and Allan Okuda; Jere Usui, First Vice President, JCCIH; and Provost Sakaguchi.

LCC TREATS HIGH SCHOOLS TO COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

A virtual guest book...a live radio DJ “broadcast”...dinner for a dollar...and free pizza—such attractions created a festive atmosphere for over 500 prospective students and community members at Leeward CC’s 4th Annual Open House on April 11. Leeward CC faculty and staff offered more than 40 activities, demonstrations, exhibits and tours that showcased college programs and provided a chance for one-on-one contact with campus visitors.
LeeWARD JOB FAIR
CONNECTS
STUDENTS AND
COMMUNITY

More than 35 employers from public service, travel industry, nonprofit organizations, banking, and the military participated in Leeward CC’s Job Fair in April. Employers interviewed applicants, shared information about job openings, and even offered positions to Leeward CC students. Business technology faculty and counselors were on hand to review resumes and give job search and interview tips. The Job Fair was organized by Pam Haight and Sandy Hoshino, faculty in Leeward CC’s newly created Job Placement Center.

In fall 2002, Vermont sculptor Kate Pond will build a new sculpture at Kapi’olani CC. ALL ONE, a seven foot steel sculpture, is Pond’s interpretation of the Chinese and Japanese character that means “person” or “humankind.” Other sculptures in her world series are in Quebec, Canada; Oslo, Norway; and Sendai, Japan. The last in the series will be built in New Zealand. ALL ONE will be installed in October and dedicated in November. For more information about the project, contact Kapi’olani CC Professor Michael Molloy at molloy@hawaii.edu.

Kaua’i CC preps for busy summer

Kaua’i Community College is gearing up for a busy summer of events with a National Youth Sports Program beginning May 27 on campus. From there, the campus moves on to the Future Flight Program, when 38 students in grades 3-6 will build rockets and miniature solar cars. That program takes off on June 17-21. The Health Academy is next, when the nursing program will introduce about 30 young teens to health fields July 1-19. Then, July 21-31, the Culinary Arts Summer Program, with about 17 participants from Hong Kong is set to take place, followed by a week of exploration for 35 nursing students and an additional 20 Okinawan high school teachers who will visit the campus during the last week of July and beginning of August.

New sculpture for Kap CC

In fall 2002, Vermont sculptor Kate Pond will build a new sculpture at Kapi’olani CC. ALL ONE, a seven foot steel sculpture, is Pond’s interpretation of the Chinese and Japanese character that means “person” or “humankind.” Other sculptures in her world series are in Quebec, Canada; Oslo, Norway; and Sendai, Japan. The last in the series will be built in New Zealand. ALL ONE will be installed in October and dedicated in November. For more information about the project, contact Kapi’olani CC Professor Michael Molloy at molloy@hawaii.edu.

YOUR SUMMER CALENDAR

April 26-May 8 - A Sense of Place
Iolani Gallery, Windward CC. Tues-Sat., 1 to 5 p.m.

April 17-May 10 - Student Art Show
Koa Gallery, Kapi’olani CC. Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

May 3 - Imaginarium Show
Public shows at Windward CC’s Imaginarium, 7 and 8 p.m. (always the first Friday of the month), $5 for adults; $4 with UH system ID; $3 for children 12 and under.

May 3 & 4 - Ceramic Sale
Windward CC, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., featuring the work of talented Windward CC art students. Pick up handcrafted mugs, vases, plates and serving dishes at bargain prices in the new ceramics studio.

May 4 - Taste of the Stars
6-9 p.m., Leeward CC’s The Pearl. A stellar event featuring a martini bar, wine vendors, specialty coffees and 18 of Hawai’i’s best chefs. Silent auction, dining under the stars, jazz entertainment and emcees, $80 per person. Call The Pearl at 455-0475 for reservations.

May 4 - Orchestra Spring Concert
7:30 p.m., Kaua’i CC Performing Arts Center. Free

May 9 - Kaua’i CC Bands Spring Concert
7:30 pm, free.

May 12 - Mother’s Day Brunch
Kapi’olani CC’s Mother’s Day Brunch Fundraiser, Ka ‘Ikena Dining Room 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. seatings. $29.95 per person. Call 734-9499 for information and reservations.

May 23 - Ke Ola Hou Ka Honua
A theatrical production in Hawaiian by Kekula Niihau O Kekaha, 7:00 pm. For tickets, call the box office at 245-8270.

May 23 - The Kaua’i Chorale Spring Concert.
For tickets, call the box office at 245-8270.

June 24-26 - Aprica Childcare Institute
The University of Hawai’i–Aprica Summer Childcare Institute, East-West Center, focuses on the importance of raising warmhearted children—from childbirth—to create a peaceful world. For registration materials, visit the Summer Institute Web site at: http://programs.kcc.hawaii.edu/~uhaprica/.

May 2002
Student artwork exhibited at Chancellor’s Office

The Chancellor’s Office on Dole Street has been given the privilege of displaying an intriguing exhibit of student artwork. The exhibit is composed of works of art by UH Community College students statewide that were entered into the League for Innovation in the Community College’s Visual Art Competition 2002.

This year, Maui CC, Leeward CC, Windward CC, and Kapi’olani CC submitted 20 entries for juried consideration; from these entries, five were selected to represent Hawai‘i at the national competition in St. Louis, MO at Sinclair Community College later this spring. This is the sixth year that students from the UH Community Colleges have participated in the League for Innovation for visual arts.

The art works include stoneware, a digital design, photographs, oil paintings, a ceramic figure, a graphite pencil drawing, a pastel portrait, watercolor paintings, acrylic paintings, and a raku art form.

David Behlke, the director of the Koa Gallery from Kapi’olani CC, organized the display which will be up until mid-May.

If you have the opportunity, please stop by and see these wonderful and interesting works by our talented students.

Those who have visited the Chancellor’s Office for meetings and other events, have been very impressed by the quality and beauty of the works.

(clockwise from left) “Figurine” by Richard Young, Kapi’olani CC; “Strapped” by Jeffrey Hepfer, Windward CC; “My Heritage” by Erin Yamada, Kapi’olani CC; and “Glass Balls” by Larry S. Valdez, Windward CC.