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President’s Message

Aloha, Waimea Alumni & Friends. Thank you again for your tremendous support of the Foundation.

2014 is a special year for the Foundation. It has been a time of reflection and re-dedication to the goals of the organization.

Incorporated as WAFF (Waimea Alumni & Friends Foundation) in 1983 by members of the Class of 1937 and supporters from the school and community, the Foundation was active for a few years but was struggling until 1993 when concerned alumni and friends got together to re-start the organization. Re-named WAFF (Waimea Alumni & Friends Foundation), the Foundation will be celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2014.

Major Accomplishments:

- The Foundation has provided grants to Waimea High School to support campus improvement and special school incentives.
- Our carnivals have allowed school-related groups to raise more than $15,000 annually for their organizations.
- Scholarships have been awarded annually to deserving seniors.
- A Strategic Plan has been adopted. Goals and Objectives are being met.
- A website (waimeaualumni.org) has been established.
- Our by-laws have been revised.
- A budget plan has been adopted.

Challenges:

- We are working to meet the 2020 goals of our Strategic Plan, particularly in strengthening our finances.
- One concern is networking with all alumni classes. As yet, there are still a few classes that are not in our directory. We are looking for contact information for the following classes — 1952, 1954, 1957, 1971, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1985, 1986, 1988, 1990 through 2012. If you have an updated class mailing list, please send us a copy @ PO Box 478, Waimea, HI 96796 or email to: info@waimeaualumni.org
- We are hoping to broaden our base of Board members.
- We are also trying to establish class contacts for each class — individuals who are willing to serve as Board members or as a contact for getting volunteers.

Upcoming Events:

In celebration of our 20th Anniversary, the Foundation voted to hold a special Mahalo Dinner in place of our annual hula. The event, our Blast from the Past, will be held on Saturday evening, September 6, 2014, on the front lawn of the campus. Dinner will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m. Special alumni chefs will help to prepare the evening’s meal. Tickets for the event will be $35, with all attendance eligible for special door prizes and a trip for two.

The feature of the evening will be the recognition of many, many groups and individuals who have given so much to make the Foundation what it is.

There is also a golf tournament scheduled as part of this celebration. We hope you will all plan to join us for these special events. (To order tickets or sign up for the golf tournament, see the flyer on page 6.)

In closing, I would like to thank my hard-working fellow-officers and Board members for the support throughout this past year.

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Waff Scholarship Recipients & Board Members 2014

L-R Row 1: Tyler Yamamoto, Edelelna Aqumado, Melanie Sacca, Regina Minier, Tierra Teter, Zayn Minia.
Row 2: Roy Miyashiro, Mahiko Anguay, Joni Patricio, Byron Hiraoa, Katie Hardwick, Adela Ohnainag, Blanche Suga, Alvin Kyono, Lise Hiraoa, Naoko Ho, Lyn Tamahine, Basilio Puertas
2013 Spirit AWARDEES

Katsumi “Gutty” Oyama
Dennis “Mo” Kauai
Gwendolyn “Nani” Ching Hill
Alison Kanahale
Anthony “Tony” Vea

Katsumi “Gutty” Oyama ..... Class of 1956
Graduated from Waimea High School in 1956. Employed on Kilauea Atoll in the Marshall Islands. Lived on the Worldwide in Waimea all of his life. Joined the Waimea Senior Center and actively participates as a member, leader and coordinator of many events. Actively supports and volunteers at Waimea High School Athletics and all community sporting events. Assists coaches and players both on and off the playing field as needed. Involved in the Waimea Community and referred to fondly by the “Mayor of Waimea Town.”

Anthony “Tony” Vea ..... Class of 1979
Recognized for the countless hours given to the school, church and the community. Shared his cooking skills with the IBO&T’s Awards Recognition Dinner, Menzies/Booster Club’s Menzies Legacy Hall of Honor Dinner, Food Booth at WSHS football games. Assisted the West Kauai Lions with their hull chicken fundraiser and the Waimea Hawaii Moose with their bazaar, bon dance, machi making and other events. Active involved with WAFS’s annual hula and carnival, providing, cooking expertise, construction skills and constant support.

WAFS Treasurer’s Report June 10, 2014

Checking Account Balance B 5/21/14 $37,875.50

CWN Securities Inc.

Balance of April 2014 $174,114.12

Transactions (J-J/May 2014 $171.64
Investment Balance As of May 2014 $174,825.76
Total Assets B May 2014 $212,707.24

The food times were endless and the crowd was well fed and entertained. Each year, students and alumni return to help and support the WAFS carnival. This is the Maunakea Spirit and Pride that is demonstrated throughout the house.

Upcoming WAFS Events

BLAST FROM THE PAST....September 6, 2014....Waimea High School Campus....8:00 pm

WHS Alumni Chefs will prepare dinner to celebrate the Waimea Alumni Friends Foundation’s 30th Anniversary

WAFS GOLF TOURNAMENT....September 6, 2014

WAFS CARNIVAL....February 6, 7, 8, 2015

2014 WAFF Carnival

Pleases as Usual

Committee Chairpersons

Blake Pueo & Eddie Tella - Construction

Irene Matsuda - Country Store

Sheryl Ikeda - Entertainment & Publicity

Lisa Hiewa & June Yamaoka - Food

Alohi Hoopes - Movie Manager

Alino Tago - Security

Aolea Oshiro - Silent Auction

Construction - Electricians, Plumbers

John Jackson, Anthony Kauai - Setup & Clean up Crews

SALMON GROUP - Class of 1956

Fishing Saucer & Class of 1999

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Entertainment - Friday

WHS JROTC Maneuver Pistol Color Guard

WHS Maneuver Marching & Concert Band

WHS Alumni Cheerleaders

Waimea Canoe Club’s Band

Team Tako, WHS Ukulele & Hula Class, 3rd Jr.

Entertainment - Saturday

WHS Canoe Club’s Band

Second Nature Crew, Haleakule Hula O Hakilii, Maui Cultural Center, Hoalii Hula

Equipment, Services, Supplies & Manpower Donors

Jon Attaman, DOW, Garden Isle Disposal, Pioneer, Syngenta, Raincoats, Paint & Supply, St Thomas Ss.

Business Partners

Paul Yamasaki, Gardena Development Corporation

Cuvier Construction

Kai’s Custom Construction, Federal Credit Union, Kai’s Credit Adjusters, Ltd.

Kai’s Island Marketplace, Kai’s Auto Center, Garden Isle Disposal, Inc

Business Donors to Carnival

Silent Auction, Security, Store, and Lucky Numbers

Alina Pua, Tropical Tiki Tending Adventures

Marie Celebre, Go Ulee, Sheetz Ozone, Girard Tanigawa, Kamehameha Aloha & Healing LLC


Rob Sugar, Auditing of Kauai, Snitch’s Family Luau, The Mane Event, Olomana Tiki Room

Kauai Hanalei Resort, Half Moon Bay, Queen of Tiki, Kauai Coffee, Dairy Queen, Lappert’s Hawaii, First Hawaiian Bank (Wailuamai), Kauai Grill, Kauai, Costco, Matsonia, Eva Lee, Walls Plantation Cottages, Jj Ghana, Taco Bell/Pizza Hut, Trapana Island Therapy, Aloha Island Therapy, Country Store Contributors

Ut & Nihon Alabardo, Jerry & Ellen Alabardo

James Cameron & WSH ELL Chair, Tracy Cameron, Millo Pacheco, Guy Ishioka, Kauai Rainbow, Pak Nita, Dean Nonaka, Dennis Okamoto, Lynn Nita, Aaron Snyder, Steve Ushara & WSH AG Department, Pete Jordan, Robert Roberts, WSH Canoe Club, Country Store - Manager of 1982 & 1995

Carnival Games

School Organizations Running Games

WHS JROTC, H.S. Spanish Club, H.S. Spanish Club, H.S. English Club, WHS Band, Hawaiian Invitational, Language Arts, Class of 2013

Food Booth - Chairpersons

Mieko Kiyama, Chris Kiyama, Price Ricks, (Photos) Paul, Lisa Hiewa, Nona Lano, Anna Hinkawa (Dinner Plates), Leila Kobayashi (Dinner), Food Prep Crew, Kauai Sausage/WSH Food Services, Shellfish

Food Booth - Mary Marquart Chairpersons

Andele Embeles - Class of 1967

Keith Sugai - Class of 1995

Irene Matsuda - Class of 1968

Dinner Plate Chairpersons - Class of 1975, Anna Hinkawa - Project Grille Forking

Sakuma Sake (Photos) - Class of 1994

Jodi Sato & Sherry Ganter - Class of 1989

June Patricio - Class of 1969

Sonja Akiyama - Class of 1970

Aikane Kakahe - Class of 1971

Sakuma Sake - Class of 1971

Aikane Va - Class of 1999

Water/Popsicle - Jeff Loshia - Class of 1994

16th Annual Blood Drive - Class of 1966

James Yamada - Class of 1970

Lanae Miyamoto - Food Prep

Dishwashing Crew

WHS Coaches, Annie Laro, Thomas Miyahara

Games

Club Advisors

Wu Gilchrist (UH) Tiki Tending Adventures

Sheryl Aylon (Lang Arts Dept)

Julie Neihoku (Spanish Club)

Kristin Haga (Boys Club)

Jama Cameron (UHES) Sheephee Oil Basketball

WAFS Board of Directors

Alice Brown, Milmed & Bobby Fuentes, Kae Hartland, Robert Okamoto, Lisa Hiewa, Naoko Ho, Leila Kobayashi, Mieko Kiyama, Roy Miyahara, Irene Matsuda, Edwin Higashi, Gaye Nita, James Nita, Aolea Oshiro, Juna Patricio, Brenda Sugii, Lynn Tanimoto

We apologize if we have inadvertently omitted your name. Please accept our sincere apology for your contributions.
Check any of the following as appropriate:

I would like to purchase tickets for the Fall Golf Tour on Saturday, September 6, 2014 at $25 each Pick-up at ticket table.

I would like to participate in the WAFF Golf Tournament Saturday, September 6, 2014, at 7:30 a.m. Poppy Bay (Myrtle) Three-Man Scramble $110 Contact: leo.fr@yahoocom 639-2099

I would like to make a nomination for 2015 WAFF Split Award. My nomination letter is included.

I would like to be a part of the (Membership, Finance, Volunteer, Communication) Committee.

Please email my newsletter instead of mailing a hard copy. Please make check/money order payable to WAFF. Mail filled out form with check/money order to: Waiamea Alumni & Friends Foundation P.O. Box 476 • Waiamea, HI 96796-0476 • web: waffkauai.org

Edendira Rose Aquinaldo received the $500 WAFF Scholarship and plans to attend Washington State University to pursue a degree in pharmacy. “My goal is to be a pharmacist so I can help others as much as I can in order to apply for a Scholarship. When I become a productive member of society, I hope to give back to my community and help those who are in need of medical attention, as a pharmacist.”

“I believe that as a person, I’m a mixture of different personalities that define me as a person. I believe that whatever I do I should represent the best of who I am. What makes a Hawaii Island is the different cultures and living our life to the fullest, willingness for learning and sharing knowledge, green/blue environment and fruitfulness (tropical fruit), purple (beaching things and ocean) each has a meaning that represents me.”

Melanie Sacca received the Class of 1948’s $500 Scholarship and plans to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa, plans to obtain a Bachelor’s of Science in Biology by 2018. I will further my education at the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy and graduate with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2022. By becoming a pharmacist in Hawaii, I would be able to do what I love and going back to the community which I have been living in throughout my life.

“As I thought about what local ethnic food dish I would be, I decided that chicken pandles with long rice was the one to go to. The chicken, the most important ingredient, is the part of me that associates with my Filipino heritage and culture. And like chicken is shared and appreciated by everyone around the world, including me. Another essential ingredient is the pandles. This green, unpeeled fruit represents the tamarind, the delicious place where I was born and raised, and continues to grow in culture. The long life of this delicious symbolizes the long life I plan to live, as well as the warmth and love I hope to have in the future. Finally, all the other ingredients are vegetables such as sili, ginger and chicken broth represent the little things that “season my life” and make my life more unique and interesting. Together, all of these ingredients are surrounded by the sauce which represents the sea that holds all the individual parts of the dish into one.”

Zapir Mirza also received a $500 Scholarship from the Class of 1948 and plans to attend the University of Hawaii at Hilo pursuing a BS in Administration of Justice. “In my future I saw myself with a career in the field of law enforcement. I love Hawaii, it’s home. It would be an honor for me to serve and protect my home and keep it safe.”

“If I could be any local ethnic food dish, I think I would be the Hawaiian lula-lau. The connection I make is that the outer leaf wrapping represents the community; family, friends, teachers, etc. They surround around the meat, or whatever you want inside. That represents me. The wrapping keeps everything together and prevents me from falling apart. To cook a lula-lau, it must be steamed for a very long time, hours. That takes patience and preparedness. This is what the community is helping me to do; patiently preparing me for the future.”

Regina Miner received a $100 WAFF Scholarship and plans to attend Point Loma Nazarene University. “My goal and aspirations are to become a Cardiologist/Di- urese and to start a cardiac care center on Kauai to encourage education on the island of Kauai through scholarships and youth tutoring. I aspire to one day accomplish these things because I am very passionate about helping people and the human heart fascinates me the most.”

“If I could be any local dish, I would simply be pork from Island Market. One makes me like Island Market does and on the island knows that. I am favored in countless ways depending on what your mouth desires. I can be eaten as an appetizer, snack or meal. Anyone can take me to the beach, to

The community and culture we have on Kauai is truly one of a kind and I strongly desire to remain myself back on Kauai after college, working there as an Occupational Therapist.”

Tierra Tetor also received a $1000 WAFF Scholarship and also plans to attend Point Loma Nazarene University, pursuing a degree in Psychology and a Masters in Occupational Therapy. “The community and culture we have on Kauai is truly one of a kind and I strongly desire to remain myself back on Kauai after college, working there as an Occupational Therapist.”

“If I would be any local food dish, I would be Islandama Waipahu Poke. The beauty of this dish is not just in the final product, but also in the struggle which takes place during the catch. I can relate to the Aloha who continues to fight for his life even though he has been hard worked and joined in the process. Through hardships, I have learned to never give up on the goals I set for myself, just as the Aloha does not give up fighting. In the end the Aloha is mixed and flavored with different spices and seasonings. However, all these additions to the dish do not change the basic flavor of the fish, but simply strike the original flavor. As I live through life, I am exposed to all sorts of people and will be faced with different choices and situations. Just as the Aloha does not compromise its flavors for the add ins, I will not compromise my morals and values base on the people and world I am surrounded by. Instead, I will let them add to my character and be the spice in my life.”

Tyler Yamamoto received the $300 Daniel Sigg Memorial Scholarship and plans to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa, pursuing degrees in Computer Science and Education. “My dream job would be working in government, building new developments or on the development of artificial intelligence and virtual reality technology, while teaching others to code through the use of coding-inspired courses.”

“If I could be any local ethnic food dish, I would be a spam musubi, because the spam symbolizes the core. The spam represents my roots here in Hawaii and all of the family and Friends that have made me what I am. The rice, which surrounds and encloses the spam represents my educational and life experiences. These experiences collected around the cone and stick with me. It represents my plans for the future and the guidance I have received from others, which blends itself with what I have learned and it will hold me together, as I journey through life.”