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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha WHS Alumni and Friends,

One of my favorite quotes is from Charles Swindoll who says, "Life is 10% what happens to you, and 90% how you react to it". As I reflect on the past year, the word **RESILIENCE** resonates with me. Though we are somewhat emerging from the pandemic crisis, it warms my heart to know how we have rallied and persevered on Kaua'i; moreover, how we continue to experience the outpouring of aloha and support.

The Board of Directors and I would like to again express our appreciation and gratitude for your steadfast support. Although we were unable to hold any WAFF events including fund raisers, generous monetary donations from all of you helped to purchase an Elkay vandal proof water bottle filler station and 100 Chromebook covers for WHS in addition to the 2021 scholarship opportunities for WHS seniors.

Our Scholarship Committee is led by Lynne Tamashiro, bolstered by Janice Nitta, Brenda Denny, Jerry Nishihira, Esther Estes, Roy Miyashiro, Blanche Suga, and me. Thank you to our committee members, Treasurer Alvin Kyono, and Secretary Katie Hardwick for their yearlong commitment.

Kudos and congratulations to the twenty-one (21) Waimea High School seniors who are recipients of the 2021 WAFF Scholarships:



## 2021 WAFF Board Members



L/R sitting: Russ Hasegawa, Blanche Izumi Suga, Katie Okihara Hardwick, Alvin Kyono

Row 2: Janice Nitta, Brenda Yoshimoto Denny, Michal Kanahele Nakashima, Lisa Sueyasu Hiraoka, Naoko Ho, Placido Valenciano, Lynne Hashimoto Tamashiro, Irene Iwai Muraoka, Roy Miyashiro

Row 3: Leo Anguay, Jerry Nishihira, Tommy Muraoka, Alice Hayselden Brown, Pua Mundon Gonsalves, Basilio Fuertes, Jeff Emoto, Clayton Sakahashi

Missing from Picture:

Caryn Hasegawa Sakahashi, Brycen Hiraoka, Joni Hamada Patricio, Allison Fujii Toma, Mahina Gonsalves Anguay, Les Tamashiro, Adela Ochinang Vea, and Esther Visitacion Estes Mahalo

Your continued support and donations helped to fund the 2021 Waimea High School seniors with 21 scholarships this year!

WAFF purchased an ELKAY water bottle filler so that students can always have a cold drink to focus better in class and stay hydrated.

The High School needed 100 Chrome Book Covers to protect their new tablets and WAFF stepped up to the calling.

WHS seniors David Bagaoisan and Aden Gerico Ringor worked on revamping the WAFF Website. David will be attending UH Hilo majoring in computer science and Aden will be attending the Naval Academy in Los Angeles.



Visit us at our website at: www.waffkauai.org

## "Pupukahi I Holomua" Unite to Move Forward Mary Kawena Puku

# WAIMEA ALUMNI & FRIENDS FOUNDATION SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2021

Ashlyn Agena, Vittorio Altomare, Mayson Broyles, Braelyn Cayaban, Kylan Constantino, Keanu Dotario, Zsa Zsa DuBose, Kieren Henderson, Morgan Joy Igaya, Kealiimalu Kaawa, Leland Kaohelaulii, Geon Kittredge, Larissa Kobayashi, Tali Moe, Kepler Niccore, Cailin Pasion, Julie Jane Remigio, David Rickards, Raelee Samio, Talia I.A. Schmidt, and Kaye Serapio. A BIG MAHALO also to their parents, family, teachers, coaches, friends, and community members for their guidance and support.

The 2021 Summer Newsletter is shorter due to the cancellation of our WAFF activities, fundraisers, and class reunions. We will be posting our recent newsletters on the WAFF website in addition to the mailed copies. In the coming years, please send us your class reunion pictures and we will try to include it in our newsletters. Thank you Blanche Suga and photographer Roy Miyashiro for your contributions on our WAFF newsletters.

In closing, I would like to encourage you to join our WAFF 'ohana in our efforts to support WHS and the students. Please consider completing and submitting the enclosed WAFF Membership Form. We will keep you posted regarding future activities/events on our website: waffkauai.org. WAFF meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month in the Waimea Neighborhood Center starting at 6:30 pm.

## 'A'ohe hana nui ke alu 'ia

(No task is too big when done together by all) Mary Kawena Pukui

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Russ Hasegawa, President

## WAFF TREASURER'S REPORT

April 30, 2021 Checking Acct Book Balance.....\$43,627.07 April, 30, 2021 GWN Securities Inc..... ..\$334,112.71 Total Assets..... .\$377,739.78

Alvin Kyono a. M. Kyono

# Congratulations TO OUR 2021 WAFF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

#### THIS YEAR WE WERE PLEASED TO AWARD \$25,000.00 TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS!

Ashlyn Agena, daughter of Blaine and Ginny Teragawa Agena ('90) of Hanapepe, received the Jerry NIshihira Scholarship for \$1,000. She plans to attend Colorado Mesa University in Grand Junction, Colorado to major in Kinesiology, pursuing a degree in Physical Therapy. Ashlyn believes, "with the support of family, friends and the community we are able to strive for the impossible and succeed".

Vittorio Altomare, son of John ('91) and Narlyn Altomare of Hanapepe, received the KF Scholarship for \$1,000. He plans to attend Washington State University in Pullman, Washington, to major in Construction Management, pursuing a career with a construction company or architectural firm. "The best feeling is helping those in need, and I enjoy giving back to the community."

Mason Broyles, son of Curtis ('80) and Jocelyn Broyles, received the \$1,000 WAFF Scholarship. He plans to attend Southwestern Community College in Los Angeles, California, pursuing a career in Business. Mason believes, "Having faith in the Lord and constantly putting in the work, can take you wherever you want to go."

Braelyn Cayaban, daughter of Fred ('84) and Georgette Galicinao-Cayaban('86), received the Yuso & Lillian Ishida Health Professions Scholarship for \$1,000. She plans to attend Colorado College in Colorado Springs, Colorado, to major in Molecular Biology/Pre-Med, play basketball and pursuing a career as a Pediatrician. "I would like to serve the people of Hawaii as a community health leader with pride, leadership and unity."

Keanu Dotario, son of Stanley ('84) and Lydia Ornellas of Kalaheo, received the \$1,000 WAFF Scholarship. Keanu plans to attend Kauai Community College to major in Carpentry or Maintenance, Electrical/ Plumbing, pursuing a career in Construction or Maintenance. "I enjoy working on cars and building things with wood and other materials."

Zsa Zsa DuBose, daughter of Tracy and Lisa DuBose of Kekaha, received the George & Doris Crowell Memorial Scholarship for \$1,000. She plans to attend Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas, majoring in Economics to become a Certified Business Economist. "I am inspired by economics because it is a broad subject that utilizes deductive reasoning and data analysis to explain society's actions."

Kieren Henderson, daughter of Wesley and Cherisse Henderson, received the \$1,000 WAFF Scholarship. She plans to attend Yavapai College in Prescott, Arizona, majoring in Business Office Professional to become a Real Estate Agent. "I have learned, we should never take life for granted, even the little things in life means so much."

Morgan Joy Igaya, daughter of Marlon Igaya ('96) and Glenda Tejada, of Hanapepe, received the Takeshi Fujita Society Elementary Education Scholarship for \$1,000. Morgan plans to attend George Fox University in Newberg, Oregon, majoring in Kinesiology to become a Physical Therapist. Morgan's mantra is. "Always strive for the best and never settle for less."

Kealiimalu Kaawa, son of Francis and Ranelle ('96) Kaawa of Lawai, received the Guillermo & Ignacia -Estacio Scholarship for \$1,000. Malu plans to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa to major in Natural Resource Management, seeking a career in Forestry Management. "Natural Resource Management is my passion, so I feel choosing this career path, won't ever feel like work. It is my way of life!"

Leland Kaohelaulii, son of Winna ('95) and Carlie ('97) Kaohelaulii of Hanapepe, received the \$500 Scholarship from the Class of 1958 and \$500 from two anonymous donors for Technical or Vocational Training. Leland plans to attend Snow College in Ephrain, Utah majoring in Automotive Mechanics, and aspiring to play professional football. "Playing football taught me how to be a better man in life and how to work as a team. Always chase your dreams and never give up on anything!"

Geon Kittredge, son of Daniel and Desiree ('01) Kittredge of Waimea, received the \$1,000 WAFF Scholarship. Geon plans to attend Kauai Community College, majoring in Electric Technology/Computer Sciences. Committing his life to Christianity, "this baptism is what made me the person I am today, a person who will try his best to complete whatever task he needs to do.'

Larissa Kobayashi, daughter of Jon ('86) and Leila Maeda-Kobayashi of Kalaheo, received the Jerry Nishihira Scholarship for \$1,000. Larissa plans to attend Pacific University at Forest Grove Oregon, majoring in Biology/Pre-dental, aspiring to become a Dentist. "My dream is to one day open up my own dental practice on the Westside of Kauai."

Tali Moe, brother of Falefia Moe III ('05) and Fiana Moe ('04) of Kalaheo, received the \$1,000 WAFF Scholarship. He plans to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa and major in Natural Resource Management, aspiring to play pro-football. Knowing academically where I was in the past is always a reminder for me to work harder in the classroom. "I am not just a good football player, I am also an academic student athlete."

Keppler Niccore, daughter of Ward and Jennifer Niccore of Kalaheo, received the \$1,000 WAFF Scholarship. Keppler plans to attend Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California, majoring in Clinical Psychology or Applied Math, pursuing a career as a Family and Child Therapist or a High School Math teacher. A key aspect of my life is community...."I strive to bring intentionality into my relationships."

Cailin Pasion, daughter of Brandon ('97) and Felilani-Ann Pasion of Kekaha, received the Daniel Suga Memorial Scholarship for \$1,000. Cailin plans to attend Creighton University in Nebraska, majoring in Biology/Pre-Pharmacy, aspiring to become a Pharmacist. "I realize the choices I make become a crucial part of where I end up in the future."

Julie Jane Remigio, daughter of Silverio and Avelina Remigio of Lawai, received the \$1.000 WAFF Scholarship. Julie plans to attend San Jose State University in California, majoring in Animation, and aspires to become an Animator or Storybook Artist. "I realized that going after my passion is more important than hiding behind fear."

David Rickards, son of Lindsey and Jill Rickards of Kekaha, received the Kaoru & Kikumi (Nakaue) Fujita Scholarship for \$1,000. David plans to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa, majoring in Computer Science, aspiring to become a Computer Programmer or Engineer. "I am ready to take on any challenges I face and stick to it until finished."

Raelee Samio, daughter of Shawn Hookano ('91) and Roslyn Samio ('96), received the \$1,000 WAFF Scholarship. Raelee plans to attend Casper College in Wyoming, play volleyball and majoring in Athletic Training/Exercise Science and aspiring to become an Athletic Trainer. "I learned to have faith and always walk into situations with my head held high and with an open mind."

Talia Indigo Anuhea Schmidt, daughter of Jason and Michelle Schmidt, received the \$1,000 WAFF Scholarship. Talia plans to study Botany and Plant Medicine, aspiring to become an Acupuncturist. She plans to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa. "Values of aloha, malama and 'ohana that were instilled in me since birth have been extra important in these current times."

Kaye Serapio, daughter of Amado and Rebecca Serapio, received the \$1,000 WAFF Scholarship. Kaye plans to attend Arizona Christian University at Glendale, Arizona, play basketball and majoring in Business Administration. "I have realized, what I can do for others hold much more significance than what others can do for me."

Kylan Constantino, son of Fernando ('84) and Frances ('85) Constantino, received the Misae Tokushige Takanishi Memorial Scholarship of \$5,000. He plans to attend the University of Hawaii at Hilo, majoring in Japanese Studies & Computer Science, pursuing a career as a Japanese language teacher. "The idea that I am never done improving is my main motivation.

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