

# “Pupukahi I Holomua”

Unite to Move Forward

Mary Kawena Pukui

## WAIMEA ALUMNI & FRIENDS FOUNDATION

SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2023



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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha WHS Alumni and Friends,

This year was a transition period for Waimea Alumni and Friends Foundation as we resumed most of our activities. We began with the Menehune Mingle in July 2022, at Waimea High School, followed by the Pancake/Silent Auction/Plant Sale fundraiser in March 2023. We recognized our 25 scholarship recipients with a Drive Thru activity on May 9th and participated in the Reality Fair for WHS juniors on May 12th. Our monthly WAFF meetings were regularly scheduled as we determined it was safe for us to meet; however, we're still mindful concerning Covid.

As mentioned, we kick started our Pancake Breakfast, Silent Auction, and Plant Sale on March 25th. It was a huge success and the Board of Directors, and I would like to say once more, “thank you” and express our appreciation and gratitude for your support. Your generous monetary donations coupled with our WAFF Pancake Breakfast fundraiser yielded scholarships for 25 WHS seniors in the amount of \$41,500. We were also able to purchase two new electronic scoreboards for the Clem Gomes gym in July 2022. Big thanks to Jon Kobayashi and Richard Jim for installing the scoreboards.

At our April WAFF meeting, we decided to postpone the 2023 Spirit Awards Luau and General Membership Meeting to a later date in 2024. Erring on the side of safety, we will continue to monitor and assess the Covid numbers in 2024. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to navigate through the Covid uncertainties.

Congratulations to these outstanding twenty-five (25) Waimea High School seniors who are recipients of the 2023 WAFF Scholarships:

Jade Aguinaldo, Keilana Ando-Aana, Maeani Arbilera, Kasey Carveiro, Kaizen Castillo, Makala El Saieh-Rowe, Matthew Fontaine, Matthew Gabriel, Jeremiah Harper, Kale Kakuda, Tehillah Matsusaka, Hope Newton, Kylene Parongao, Kayla Prigge, Clarenz Ringor, Mar Heinrich Ruiz, Safina Sandblom, Keisha Suga, David Tsuchiya, Kimberly Vidinha, Kanale Viquelia, Charlz Visitacion, Areck Yamamoto, Tevai Yorkman, and Haley Zina. We recognize their parents, family, teachers, counselors, coaches, administrators, friends, and community members for their mentoring, guidance, and support. In addition, we thank Scholarship Chair Lynne Tamashiro and committee members Brenda Denny, Esther Estes, Jerry Nishihira, Janice Nitta, and Blanche Suga for their hard work.

Our newsletters are posted on the waffkauai.org website for your reference in addition to the mailed copies. Blanche has also been emailing newsletters to our alumni. If you know of any alumnus who prefer emailed copies, please let them know to contact Blanche Suga with their email address. Also, keep sending us your class reunion photos and we will include them in next year's 2024 WAFF newsletter. We've seen an increase in class reunions this year.

In closing, we would like to encourage you to join our WAFF 'ohana in our efforts to support WHS and the students. Between June of 2022 and May 1st, 2023, we have welcomed 75 new WAFF memberships. Would you like to be part of the Waimea Alumni and Friends Foundation? Please consider completing and submitting the enclosed WAFF Membership Form if you decide to be a member. We will keep you posted regarding future activities and 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.

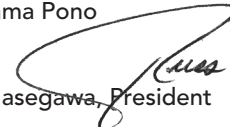
**‘A’ohe hana nui ke alu ‘ia**

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

Mary Kawena Pukui

E Malama Pono

Russ Hasegawa, President



### WAFF TREASURER'S REPORT

**April 30, 2023**

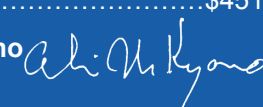
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**April 30, 2023**

GWN Securities Inc.....\$372,611.48

Total Assets.....\$451,587.83

Alvin Kyono  
Treasurer





## Principal's Message Mahina Anguay

Welina mai WAFF!

As the 2022-23 school year comes to a close, I'd like to reflect on the many accomplishments and successes achieved by Waimea HS students, staff, and community.

One of the highlights of the year was our school's D2 state football championship win in December. Our athletes and coaches worked tirelessly throughout the season, demonstrating discipline, teamwork, and determination, and their hard work paid off in the end. We are incredibly proud of their achievement and grateful for the support of our fans and community. We also wish our softball girls best of luck in the state championships next week as they also recently swept the KIF.

Additionally, we are excited to report an increase in enrollment this year. Waimea HS has become a popular choice for families in the area due to our rigorous academic programs, the wide range of Early College course options, exceptional extracurricular opportunities, and supportive teachers, staff and community. We are thrilled to welcome so many new students and families to Waimea.

Furthermore, we are proud to report that our students are well-prepared for post-secondary education and are pursuing higher education opportunities at an exceptional rate. Recent data released by the University of Hawaii's P-20 shows that Waimea had the 7th highest college going rate in the state, only beaten by large Oahu schools from affluent communities! Again, this is a testament to the hard work of our staff and the dedication of our students to their academic pursuits.

Lastly, we are pleased to report that our students performed exceptionally well on last year's SBA test, with scores that were the best on the island. This achievement reflects our teachers' commitment to academic excellence and the high standards we set for our students. We are proud of their achievements and know that they will continue to excel in all their future endeavors.

I want to thank our students, staff, and community for their hard work, dedication, and support throughout the year. We look forward to continuing to work together to provide our students with the best possible education and opportunities for success.

With much aloha, *Mahina*

## WAIMEA HIGH SCHOOL CLASS REUNIONS



Waimea High School  
Class of 1965



Waimea High School Class of 1966



Waimea High School Class of 1967



Waimea High School Class of 1968



Waimea High School Class of 1968



WAIMEA  
HIGH  
Class of '71

Mahalo for your generous support!



## 2023 TRUST FUND DONATIONS

### Platinum Partner (\$1,000)

Marilyn M. Asahi (FR)  
In Memory of Teddy K. Asahi (41) & Tamiko Tanaka Asahi (FR)

Alna Mihal Mecham (65)  
In Memory of Jon & Marilyn Derby

Dr. Mitsugi Nakashima (47)  
Déjà vu Surf Hawaii

Lynn Ouchi Hiratsuka (65)  
In Honor of Class of 1965

Isabel M. Parraga (65)

### Blue Partner (\$500+)

Lynn Ouchi Hiratsuka (65)  
In Honor of the Class of 1965 75th Birthday  
Russell S. Okihara (73)

### White Partner (\$200+)

Wendell T. Dang (73)  
Nancy & Randall Hee (FR)  
In Memory of Marilyn & Jon Derby  
Daniel Izuka (56)  
Alice Kawakami (FR)  
FRIEND of Class of 1967  
Susan Kagawa Miura (66)  
In Memory of Ruby Takanishi (64)  
Wendy Moriwake (78)  
In Memory of Kazuto (38) & Setsuko Moriwake

Joyce Akagi (58)  
Itsue S. Okada (45)  
Jan Okinishi (75)  
Judy Mukai Sand (59)  
In Memory of Merle Mukai (63)

### Partner (Any Donation)

Linda Rabina (71)  
Rochelle Date Braun (83)  
Thomas K. Chinen (58)  
Jose Costales Jr. (62)  
In Memory of Patrick Costales (63)  
Frank DeCosta (71)  
Dennis Duarte (67)  
In Memory of Tony Divina (67)  
Curtis Kimura (71)  
Rachel Sakoda Kishida (63)  
Barbara Nishihara Kutis (60)  
Lanning Lee (FR)  
In Memory of Henry C. Lee (38)  
Ralph Tawata (38)  
Diane Kiyonaga Pavao (73)  
In Honor of Class of 1973  
Lynne Kabutan Scott (71)  
In Memory of Toshio Kabutan (37)  
Alvin Seto (65)  
Class of 1965 in Memory of Pat Baniaga (65)  
Shandon Takayama (71)  
Marianne Baniaga Upward (73)  
In Memory of Pat Baniaga (65)  
Liane Voss  
In Memory of Joe Matsukawa (49)  
Glenn Yoshimoto (67)  
In Memory of Norman Yoshimoto (55)

## 2023 WAFF Donations

72 WHS Class of 1972  
65 Merle Yasunaka Asato  
71 Marilyn Billingsley  
83 Rochelle Date Braun  
71 Joy Azeka Canute  
69 Romy Castillo  
95 Aaron Chun  
88 Ronda Chun  
73 Wendell Dang  
64 Brenda Yoshimoto Denny  
In Memory of Jon Derby  
71 Rose Ballaibe Doi  
In Honor of Class of 1971  
64 Kiyoto Fujita  
56 Kay Izumi Hill  
In Memory of Lauren Uyeda  
55 Nancy Chikahiro Hironaka  
FR Warren Ishida  
64 Vivian Iwamoto Lee

FR Liane Voss  
In Honor of Joe and Florence Matsukawa  
FR David Mecham  
71 Jeff Mission  
58 Allen Mlyakado  
59 Mel Dela Cruz Muratake  
71 Paul & Sue Kajihara Nozaki  
67 Chris Odo  
Russell Okihara  
75 Jan Okinishi  
89/84 Christie & Kyle Parongao  
65 Isabel M. Parraga  
72 Nolan Rivel  
65 Alvin Seto  
In Memory of Dennis Mori Class of 1965  
90 Michael & Crystal Chun Shimatsu  
66 Rodney & Jackie Shimatsu  
In Memory of Lauren Uyeda  
58 Edwin & Hazel Shintani

65 Blanche Izumi Suga  
In Memory of Jon Derby  
95/98 Keith & Jill Suga  
In Memory of Lauren Uyeda  
50 Sallie Ballaibe Tomimoto  
63 Aaron and Kathy Suga Uyeda  
In Memory of Lauren Uyeda  
71 Ricky Watanabe  
47 Shirley Itamura Yamada  
71 Kathryn Yamamoto  
52 Saeko Yoshitake Yoshida  
55 Shuka Yoshikami  
75 Renita Agu Yoshikawa  
In Honor of St. Theresa School Class of 1971  
67 Glenn Yoshimoto  
81 Cheryl Niitani-Yoshioka  
87 Kris Sueyasa Young  
FR Thrifty Mart  
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## Pancake Breakfast, Silent Auction, and Plant Sale A Big Success! Mahalo!

The 3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast, Silent Auction, and Plant Sale were held on Saturday, March 25th in the Waimea High School cafeteria. The plant sale was held outside the cafeteria.

Special thanks to these generous donors who provided items for the Silent Auction and Plant Sale: Home Depot, Kaha Lani Resort, Sheraton Kauai Resort, Big Save, Da Booze Shop, Kauai Coffee Co., Costco, MCS Grill, Kapaia Stitchery, Kauai Island Brewing Co., Port Allen Sunset Grill, Michelle Kaauamo, Kauai Chocolate Co., Captain Andy's, Kalaheo Café and Coffee Co., Holo Holo Charters, Lawai Beach Resort, Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort and Spa, Poipu Bay Golf Course, Koloa Landing Resort-HoloHolo Restaurant, Kokee Museum, Nancy Nakama, Menehune Quilters, Roy Buduan, Blue Dolphin Charters, The Cliffs at Princeville, Hilton Garden Inn, Ultimate Nails, Taylor Sakimae, Aunt Lili'oi, Kat's Hair Art, The Mane Event, The Imu Hut, Kauai Cookie, Gina's Anykine Grinds Café, Vicki's Fabric, Joy Ogata Miyamoto, Adele Sugawara Ching, Edwin Vea, Flo's Cookies, Gather FCU, Mary Ann Taea McMillan, Pua Gonsalves, Steven Iban Domingo, Melody Miyamoto Walters, and Patricia Taea Quijano.

Board Members and friends who helped with the preparation of the Pancake Breakfast, Silent Auction, and Plant Sale included: Joe Keller, Caryn Sakahashi, Clay Sakahashi, Brenda and Jim Denny, Esther Estes, Katie Hardwick, Lynne and Les Tamashiro, Roy Miyashiro, Scott Kimata, Tom and Irene Muraoka, Scott Suga, Gayle Caoagas, Allison Toma, Janice Nitta, Alvin Kyono, Lisa Hiraoka, Naoko Ho, Joni Patricio-Hamada, Steven Iban Domingo, Misty Tsukayama, Jill Suga, Liz Hahn, Peter Kruse, Clayton Ueno, Randall Francisco, Basilio Fuertes, Adela Ochintang, Danette Vea Wise, and Russ and Marilyn Hasegawa.





# Congratulations TO OUR 2023 WAFF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Congratulations to the 2023 graduating seniors who applied for and received scholarships through the Waimea Alumni & Friends Foundation! This year we again received a generous donation from the EZ Street family of \$21,000. This enabled WAFF to award 21 \$1,000 scholarships to each student bound for a 4-year college. Captain Andy also generously donated \$2,000 scholarships to three students who plan to attend Kaua'i Community College. These scholarships were in addition to the 10 scholarships WAFF has given in the past.**

**Some applicants were awarded 2 scholarships. This was based on a scoring rubric that judged how well the students met the criteria in the application.**



**Jade Aguinaldo** received a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship. Her goal is to become a pediatric nurse practitioner after getting her degree at the University of Hawai'i in Mānoa. She is the daughter of Stacie Agena Aguinaldo (class of 1992) and Joel Aguinaldo.

**Keilana Ando-Aana**, who plans to attend KCC to become a nurse practitioner, received a \$2,000 scholarship from Captain Andy's Sailing, Inc. She is the daughter of Terrine Ando (class of 2004).

**Meani Arbilera**, who is bound for Weber State University, received an EZ Street Scholarship of \$1,000. She will major in Radiologic Sciences. She is the daughter of Dayne (class of 1998) and Mynalei (class of 2000) Arbilera.

**Kasey Carveiro**, who is also a recipient of a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship, will major in Business Administration at Boise State University. She hopes to become an interior designer with her own business. She is the daughter of Sheri Carveiro.

**Kaizen Castillo**, who aspires to become an electrical technician and will study at KCC, was awarded a \$2,000 Captain Andy's Sailing, Inc. Scholarship. He is the son of Zeal (class of 1995) and Peggy (class of 1987) Castillo.

**Makala El Saieh-Rowe**, heading for Hiram College to major in Computer Science, received a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship. She plans to eventually return to Kaua'i to work in Information Technology. Her parents are Rupert Rowe, Jr. and Malaika El Saieh-Rowe.

Another EZ Street scholarship of \$1,000 was awarded to **Matthew Fontaine**, who will attend UH Mānoa to major in Mechanical Engineering and minor in Marine Biology. He is the son of Sean and Rosabel Fontaine.

Also attending UH Manoa is **Matthew Gabriel**, whose \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship will help him pursue his studies in Computer Science. He would like to eventually be a video game or software developer. His parents are Salvador (class of 1979) and Florcita Gabriel.

**Jeremiah Harper** will pursue his major of Kinesiology at George Fox University with the help of his EZ Street \$1,000 Scholarship. His goal is to become a strength and conditioning coach at the college level. Jeremiah is the son of Charson and Janna Harper (both class of 2004).

**Kale Kakuda** was the recipient of 2 scholarships, each in the amount of \$1,000. They are the EZ Street Scholarship and the second, a WAFF Scholarship. He plans to major in Biology with the goal of becoming a doctor of internal medicine or an otolaryngologist. His parents are Jeffrey Kakuda (class of 2005) and Ashley Shimono (class of 2005).

Attending Grand Canyon University to major in Psychology is **Tehillah Matsusaka**, who was awarded a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship. She would like to become a youth counselor. Her parents are Clifford (class of 1987) and Cheri Matsusaka.

**Hope Newton**, who has been accepted in the Aerospace Engineering program at the University of Texas, Austin, was awarded 2 scholarships. They are the Dan Suga Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,500 and an EZ Street Scholarship for \$1,000. Her "fascination by space and the possibilities of the universe" has led her to participate in internships with the University of Hawai'i, Mānoa and NASA at University of Texas. Hope's parents are Kevin and Ashley (class of 1993) Newton.

As **Kylen Parongao** heads for Saint Martin's University to major in Exercise Science, he will do so with an EZ Street \$1,000 Scholarship. He would like to become a sports trainer or strength and conditioning coach. He is the son of Kyle (class of 1984) and Christie Domingo (class of 1989) Parongao.

**Kayla Prigge** was awarded the \$1,000 J. Nishihara Scholarship and an EZ Street Scholarship of \$1,000. Her goal is to attend Hiram College to major in Exercise Science. Kayla plans to become a physical therapist. She is the daughter of John James and Angela Aguinaldo (class of 1998) Prigge.

**Clarenz Ringor**, who will be attending Kaua'i Community College, received a \$2,000 Captain Andy's Sailing, Inc. Scholarship. After obtaining a degree at KCC he would like to further his education at the Oregon Institute of Technology, getting a degree in Electrical Engineering. His parents are Andrew and Wilma Ringor.

The recipient of the \$1,000 George & Doris Crowell Memorial Scholarship and a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship were awarded to **Mar Heinrich Ruiz**. He will be majoring in Political Science at the University of San Francisco. Mar has won honors in the History Day competition, which led to his interest in politics and government. His parents are Mario and Teresita Ruiz.

**Safina Lei Nalinnea Sandblom** was awarded two scholarships. She received a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship and the \$1,000 Kaoru & Kikuni (Nakaue) Fujita Endowed Scholarship. She plans to major in Exercise Science, ultimately becoming a physical therapist. She is the daughter of Erik and Marissa Matsuda (class of 1997) Sandblom.

This year, for the first time, WAFF awarded a \$1,000 Lauren Uyeda Memorial Scholarship. It went to **Keisha Suga**, who also received a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship. All will be applied

toward her education at University of Washington, where she plans to major in Graphic Design and Media. A long-term career goal is to work for a film company like Disney as an art director or production designer, where she has a creative outlet. Keisha is the daughter of Keith (class of 1995) and Jill Shimatsu (class of 1998) Suga.

**David Tsuchiya** plans to study Environmental Engineering at the University of Nevada Reno. He received the \$1,000 Naoko and Yoshihara Ogata Scholarship and a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship. His career goal is to "help develop products that are environmentally friendly to help maintain our ecosystems and natural resources." His parents are David and Lorna Tsuchiya.

At Pacific University, **Kimberly-Ann Vidinha** will use her \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship award to major in Business Administration with an emphasis on Marketing. She hopes to use her skills to help local businesses and non-profits that focus on outreach. Her parents are Harold and Wendy Vidinha.

**Kanale Viquelia** will attend the University of Nevada, Las Vegas to pursue his major of Electrical Engineering. He was a recipient of the \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship. Kanale would like to move back to Kaua'i and one day work at the Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative. He is the son of Levi (class of 1994) and Gezmynn (class of 1998) Viquelia.

**Charlz Visitacion**, who will attend the University of Hawai'i at Hilo to major in Computer Science, received a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship. His career goal is to become a web or game designer. He is the son of Arnel and Alicia Visitacion.

The \$1,000 KF Scholarship for a student pursuing an engineering degree and \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship were both awarded to **Areck Yamamoto**, who will pursue a degree in Electrical Engineering at the University of Nevada, LV. He hopes to obtain dual degrees in Electrical and Biomedical Engineering, which will allow him to discover solutions for sustainable electricity and nerve stimulation-based medical technologies. His parents are Vance (class of 1981) and Anne Yamamoto.

**Tevai Yorkman**, who plans to pursue a degree in Education, was awarded the Misae Tokushige Takanishi Scholarship, established by the children of Ms. Takanishi, who taught at Waimea High School. The \$5,000 award will be distributed over a period of 4 years.

Tevai will be attending Utah State University to pursue a degree in Early Childhood and Special Education. She is the daughter of Joshua (class of 1994) and U'ilani Corr-Yorkman.

**Haley Zina** was awarded a \$1,000 EZ Street Scholarship, coupled with the Yuso and Lillian Ishida Health Professions \$1,000 Scholarship. She will attend Oregon Institute of Technology to study Pre-Medical Imaging Technology. She hopes to return home to help fill the demand for healthcare workers on Kaua'i. Haley is the daughter of Paul and Marites Fernandes (class of 1996) Zina.





# Our Lifetime MEMBERS

## LIFETIME MEMBERS

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 55 Folgencia Domingo Abrams  
 61 Larry Agena  
 66 Nolan Ahn  
 61 Wallace Akagi  
 69 Anson Albarado  
 79 Vincent Albarado  
 92 Misty Uilani Smith Albarado  
 51 Agonio Albino  
 55 George Alvarez  
 71 Calvin J. Amulacion  
 65 Melvin Ando  
 78 Mahina Gonsalves Anguay  
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 69 Mitchel K. Apo  
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 71 Aileen Amaki Arakawa  
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 55 Winifred Leong Au  
 66 Priscilla Badua  
 64 Ronald Badua  
 66 Edward Bal  
 87 Frances Ferrara Basuel  
 81 Elsie Batangan  
 83 Rochelle Date Braun  
 70 Gwen Nonaka Bueter  
 60 Alice Hayselden Brown  
 73 Judy Cabanting  
 78 Manuel Cabral  
 78 Sharon Lau Cabral  
 76 Elpidio Cadavona  
 89 Kristie Nitta Canavan  
 71 Joy Azeka Canute  
 73 Tom Canute  
 60 Rose Yoshida Cashin  
 67 Michael Castillo  
 69 Romy Castillo  
 66 Glenn Ceballos  
 49 Marie Batis Ceballos  
 44 Jane Uyeno Char  
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 58 Thomas K. Chinen  
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 47 Sadié Kabazawa Doi  
 72 Stanley Doi  
 77 Steven Doi  
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 72 Elena Balao Doronio  
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 72 Crystal Kanna Egen  
 68 Gail Hashimura Emoto  
 68 Jeffrey Emoto  
 45 Hiroshi Enoki  
 58 August C. Eriandiz  
 50 Salvador Esona  
 73 Esther Visitation Estes  
 48 Edna Abreu Estrella  
 87 Frances Basuel Ferrara  
 89 Patrick "PJ" Ferrara Jr.  
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 76 Janet Kagawa Fong  
 73 Randall Francisco  
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 66 Kathleen Teshima Fujii  
 50 George Fujii  
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 64 Kiyoto Fujita  
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 67 Nelson Fukuhara  
 64 Diane Inouye Fukuyama  
 86 Rosalind Galinato  
 51 Elaine Hanashiro Ganeko  
 52 Elizabeth Corpuz Gee  
 48 Ritchie Genry  
 64 Jill Ragocos Gerken

53 Mary Mateo Gentry  
 47 Renji Goto  
 60 Linda Smith Gut  
 56 David Hamada  
 58 Ernest K. Hamada  
 49 Dr. Paul Hanashiro  
 53 Stephen K.Hanashiro  
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 60 Gordon Harada  
 55 George Alvarez  
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 71 Russ Hasegawa  
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 46 Mabel Kawakami Hashisaka  
 50 Valentine Hataishi  
 67 Karen Munechika Hatley  
 69 Evelyn Fuji Hawkins  
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 58 Robert Higashi  
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 89 Julie Ibara  
 74 Wayne Ibara  
 48 Sakiko Miyashiro Ichinaga  
 62 Janice Kawane Ignacio  
 67 Xaviar Ignacio  
 53 Elpidio (El) Igne  
 68 Liz Kimoto Ilda  
 45 Tad Tadao Iimura  
 45 Charles Ijima  
 80 Russell Ijima  
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 53 Paulina Basa Ikeda  
 58 Kenneth Ikemoto  
 51 Seizan Inamine  
 47 Tamiko Nonaka Inoue  
 58 Howard Inouye  
 65 Stanford Inouye  
 55 Wallace J. Inouye  
 66 Janice Ishibashi  
 FR Dr. Warren Ishida  
 53 Harry Ishihara  
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 43 Ralph Yoshio Ishii  
 63 Brian Iwata  
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 68 Cynthia Izumi  
 91 Jonelle Pavao Jardin  
 56 Mazie Matsuda Johnson  
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 63 Alwyn Kakuda  
 52 Donald Kanagawa  
 79 Daniel Kanekuni  
 79 Renee Matsuda Kanaekuni  
 47 Itsue Okamoto Kanemura  
 55 Alvin Kaneyama  
 FR Daijo Kaneshiro  
 79 Jacqueline Kanna  
 75 Trish Oshiro Kanna  
 94 Leah Karratti  
 50 Lawrence Kashiwabara  
 52 Lillian Katsura  
 63 Dennis Kauahi  
 60 Rufus Kaukani  
 58 Kerry Kawado  
 62 Gail Nitta Kawamura  
 76 L. Masae Kawamura  
 63 Wilfred Kawamura  
 58 Wallace Kawane  
 52 Herbert Kimata  
 65 Warren Kimokeo  
 81 Gregory Kimoto  
 64 Walter Kimoto

FR Carol Kimura  
 62 Lois Kireto  
 59 James Kitamura  
 60 Joyce Namimoto  
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 85 Cynthia Garceau Nardini  
 60 Karen Izumi Naud  
 71 Kenn Kojima  
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 87 Sean Kojima  
 75 Ronald Kouchi  
 80 Scott Kouchi  
 72 Peter Kruse  
 72 Wendy Matsuda Kruse  
 66 Keith Kubota  
 45 Mitsuru Kubota  
 50 Ryo Kubota  
 48 Harumi Kudaishi Kubo  
 In Memory by Bob Kubo  
 78 Leila Kuboyama  
 68 Vivian Masaki Kunselman  
 49 Robert Kuribayashi  
 67 Karen Kutaka  
 63 Linda Ishibashi Kutten  
 66 Alvin Kyono  
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 59 Janet K. Bal Landfried  
 64 Jaames Largo  
 68 Rosaline Makua Largo  
 75 Corrine Kubota Lau  
 65 Cynthia Tomomitsu Lee  
 48 Robert A. Lee Jr  
 64 Arnold Leong  
 44 Michael Madreau  
 49 Alfonso Espino Maligro  
 60 Steven Manaday  
 49 Helen Martin Martin  
 55 Kenji K. Marugame  
 48 Bernice Namie Masaki Okino  
 In Memory by Joyce Masaki  
 51 Helen Masaki  
 46 Michael Miyuki Masaki  
 In Memory by Joyce Masaki  
 55 Setsuo Masaki  
 55 Jane Moriguchi Mateo  
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 66 Gene Matsuda  
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 64 Robert Matsuda  
 61 Glenn Matsukawa  
 49 Joe Matsukawa  
 63 Dennis Matsumoto  
 50 Barbara Waterhouse McCord  
 59 Ellen Yasunaka McDermott  
 55 Jane Okinishi McGraw  
 51 Alice Sakoda Medeiros  
 65 Alna Mihal Mecham  
 71 Dolores Metivier-Ferguson  
 57 Verna Kabazawa Mikaru  
 66 Susan Kagawa Miura  
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## New scoreboard in Clem Gomes Gym on October 11, 2022

The WAFF Board was invited to a volleyball game to see the new scoreboard in action that we purchased in July of 2022.



## May 12 Reality Fair at WHS

Blanche Suga and Tom Muraoka help students with financial literacy at the Reality Fair.



## WAFF Scholarship Drive Thru 2023

Our WAFF Scholarship Drive Thru was held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, in the parking lot, fronting Waimea High School.

The 25 recipients were recognized and awarded their scholarships with their parents present.



## Menehune Mingle

From L to R: Irene Muraoka, Russ Hasegawa, Janice Nitta, Tom Muraoka, Katie Hardwick, Lynn Tamashiro, and Principal Mahina Anguay pose for a photo at the July 28th, 2022, Menehune Mingle at Waimea High School.





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**Row 2:** Janice Nitta, Brenda Yoshimoto Denny, Michal Kanahale 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 Ochintang Vea, and Esther Visitacion Estes.

## IN THIS ISSUE

**MAHALO**

to Jon Kobayashi and Richard Jim for installing the new scoreboards in the Clem Gomes Gym.

**MAHALO**

to the community for supporting our Pancake Breakfast, Silent Auction, and Plant Sale.

**MAHALO**

to our local businesses who generously donated towards the Silent Auction.

**MAHALO**

to the WHS alumni and friends for their donations and new memberships.

*The 2023 WAFF Spirit Awards Luau and General Membership Meeting has been postponed again to a later date in 2024. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to be Covid conscious.*

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