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PALAMA SETTLEMENT RECEIVES EARLY CHRISTMAS FROM THE HARRY & JEANETTE WEINBERG FOUNDATION, INC.



Attorney Reuben Wong; Gailene Wong Staff for Weinberg Foundation; Guy Fujimura, President of Board of Trustees of Palama Settement; Alvin Awaya, Trustee of the Weinberg Foundation and Bob Rath, Trustee Emeritus, Palama Settlement.

CHRISTMAS came early for Palama Settlement this year! October 29, 1992. On this day, Palama Settlement was presented with a check of \$1,200, 000. 00 from the Harry & Jeanette Weinberg foundation, Inc. at a special luncheon held at the Sheraton Waikiki, Niihau room.

Members of the Board of Trustees, staff and friends were guests of the Weinberg Foundation presentation luncheon.

The Foundation has given the grant in two parts: \$200,000 to be utilized immediately for capital improvement projects for the gymnasium, Youth Building, Tenant

Building, Corbett House, resident cottage and the installation of a pump and irrigation system for the multi-purpose playing field.

The Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, Inc. is a Maryland based non-profit charitable organization created in 1959 with assests valued at \$ 900 million.

The Foundation is funded by Mr. Harry Weinberg. The Trustees are his brothers, Mr. William Weinberg and Mr. Nathan Weinberg of Baltimore, Maryland; Mr. Bernard Siegel of Baltimore; Mr. Robert Kelly of Scranton, Pennsylvania and Mr. Alvin Awaya of Honolulu, Hawaii. A major purpose of the

CON'T WEINBERG GRANT

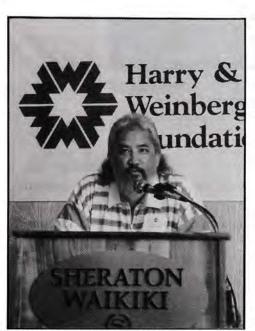
Foundation is to provide grants to charitable organizations to help the poor and needy.

Palama Settlement was selected to receive this grant, because of its contribution to the social human welfare concerns for the people of the Palama/Liliha Community. We hope that through the improvement of our facilities, we may be able to provide more programs and activites for the people of this community.

It is the vision of Palama Settlement to make its facilities and programs available to all residents from children to senior citizens. We hope that the environment will be such that Palama will be a place where families will come together and enjoy the company of others, where children can develope healthy and wholesome minds and bodies and where there will be unity and understanding within the broader community.

The Luncheon was highlighted by a moving presentation of the Harry Weinberg story by attorney Reuben Wong. Mr. Rick Ribuca, a participant of Palama's program, also gave a short personal history about growing-up in Kalihi, how at the age of 5 he came to Palama and how the programs at the Settlement "kept him out of trouble" during his teen years. A couple of years ago he returned to Palama with his three young sons, volunteering his services while his children participated in our programs. He has since become an employee of Palama and told of how his three sons have in the short time, benefited while participating in our programs.

Accepting the grant for Palama Settlement were Guy Fujimura, President of the Board of Trustees and Bob Rath, Trustee Emeritus.



Rick Ribuca, spoke of his experience as a participant and how his three sons are now benefiting from Palama's Programs.



Receiving the check from Gailene Wong, staff from the Weinberg Foundation, are Guy Fujimura, President and Bob Rath, Trustee Emeritus, Palama Settlement Board of Trustees.

MORE PHOTOS OF SPECIAL PRESENTATION LUNCHEON....



According to Bob Rath, ".... best thing that happened since peanut butter & jelly!"



They all felt like a million bucks! L to R: Bob Omura, E. D., Guy Fujimura, Pres.; Rick Tsujimura, Past Pres.; Bob Rath, Mel Kaneshige, Sam Hata, Vernon Hirata, Glenn Kimura, Stanley Tokumaru, Mark Hastert, Wally Weatherwax, Cyrus Tamashiro & George Okuhara (Palama Settlement Board of Trustees & Friends)

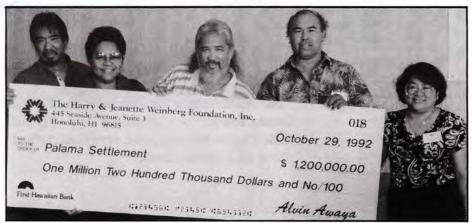


Meanwhile back home, the staff was jumping for joy. (Torris Matuu, Rick Ribuca, Rosie Yano, Peter Pasigan, Rosa Sandoval, Ed Nakamura, Rosalinda Reyes & Amy Fujii)



right:

Chatting with Alvin Awaya, Trustee for the Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, Inc., (Center) are Guy Fujimura, Palama Board President and Rick Tsujimura, past president.



left:

Staff participating in the special presentation luncheon at the Sheraton Waikiki were Duval Dutro, Verna Keyes, Rick Ribuca (speaker), Vince DeBina & Rosa Sandoval

GUY FUJIMURA ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR PALAMA SETTLEMENT IN 1992 - 1993



Newly installed president Guy Fujimura addressing Board, staff & guests at the Annual Dinner Meeting.



Accepting the Appreciation Plaque for Mr. Ryotaro Sugi were his son, Sumihiro Yamada and attorney Richard Fukuda

GUY FUJIMURA was elected to be the new president of the Board of Trustees at Palama Settlement for the year 1992 -1993. The election was held at the Board's Annual Meeting held at the Pacific Beach Hotel on May 28, 1992.

Guy succeeds Rick Tsujimura who served as president during the past year which he stated was filled with changes, excitement and productivity. Guy complimented Rick for his leadership and accomplishments through a most difficult year. He also acknowledged staff for their hard work, loyalty, dedication and working together in bringing about positive results this past year.

Guy, who is Secretary-Treasurer of the ILWU, Local 142, is also on the Board of the Aloha United Way and various other boards and committees in this community. He brings to Palama a wealth of experience, new insights, challenges and leadership to continue to make Palama a better place for the Community.

Other Officers elected and Chairpersons appointed were: Russel Nagata, 1st V.P. and Chair of the Program Committee; Meredith Ching, 2nd V.P. and Chair of the Building & Grounds Committee; Donna Goth, 3rd V.P., Treasurer and Chair of the Budget & Finance Committee; Wallace Weatherwax, Secretary & Chair of the Education & Scholarship Committee; Davis Yogi, Chair of the Personnel Committee; James Boersema, Chair of the Publicity & Community Affairs Committee; Bob Rath, Chair of the Fund Raising Committee; Rick Tsujimura, past President and member of the Executive Committee.



Representative Romy Cachola visiting with Gailene Wong and her husband.



Donna Tanoue (past president 1990 - 91) and Rick Tsujimura (out-going president) talked about up-coming events.

CON'T ANNUAL BOARD MEETING.....



ABOVE: to Mrs. Cecilia Blackfield

The highlight of the evening were the recognition of staff, volunteers and donors. There were about twenty volunteers who attended and were recognized for their contributions to the various programs. Mr. Ryotaru Sugi, the famed Japanese actor and T. V. personality was recognized for his generous donation to Palama and the Community. Mrs. Cecilia Blackfield received a plaque honoring her contributions in creating the Leland Blackfield Youth Activity Center and purchasing equipment for Palama's Baseball Program.

Bob Rath, Trustee Emeritus was applauded for being selected the Outstanding Volunteer Citizen for 1992. Bob was recognized for his long and untiring efforts in support of Palama Settlement through his work on the Board of Trustees, in developing community support and the genuine interest and concern his has displayed Bob Rath presenting the plaque for the staff and programs at Palama.

There were also five new people elected to serve on the Board of Trusteess: Glen Kimura, George Okuhara, Moses Kealoha, Joel J. Maimon, and Dwight Yoshimura. Eight present board members were re-elected to serve their second three-year term.



Jessica Rogers & Priscilla Toyama (staff) enjoyed the evening Board Meeting.



Pictured enjoying the social hour are Board members Rex Johnson, Davis Yogi and Joseph Goldcamp.



Enjoying the music by the Na Kolohe Kapunas (The Rascal Seniors) are George Okuhara, new board members; Liz Omura and Masaru Oshiro, Board Member.

....AND THEN THERE WAS HALLOWEEN AND THE LONG LINE INTO THE HAUNTED HOUSE....SCARY GHOSTS, WITCHES AND FUN



Rick Ribuca with his microphone, directing the people to stay in line as they wait their turn to get into the Haunted House. Other volunteers kept order outside, where the line extended out to the sidewalk.



Vampire Joseph Perry was dressed for the occasion.



And this "mummy" of a buddy came out of his tomb just to scare the little kids.



Bat Boy Micah with his Vampire sister Ashley, who came all the way from Transylvania via Palamaville to visit him.

....AND WILL THE REAL WITCH(ES) PLEASE STAND UP



Olgajean Mays, Adult Education student shows us what a real witch looks like. She helped in the Haunted House.



...And these gals....the're just the "good witches of Palamaville" watching over the ticket sales and casting their spell on those who don't pay. (Rosie, Amy, Rosalinda, and Rosa.)



"Let me tell you, donuts never tasted this good in the Bat Cave," said Batboy Micah Dutro.



There was "The Ghoul" John Silva.



Lereyce Rayray taking a sweet princess bite.



Janelle Rogers and Pomai Patac, having fun and almost "broke my jaw biting the apple."



Ah ha!....Look who got the last bite.... Of course, it's Dracula Brian Wallace!

PALAMA SCORPIONS HAD AN EXCITING FOOTBALL SEASON IN THE MILITARY HAWAII YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUE

After a long association with the Pop Warner Football Program, Palama entered the Military Hawaii Sports League this past football season.

Palama fielded teams in three divisions: Termites; Peewees and Midgets with approximately 30 youngsters on each team. We also had two cheerleading teams, one in the Termite division and the other in the Peewee division.

This year, a real effort was made to get back into the "Pakolea" format--one that attracted hundreds of youngsters and parents in past seasons. Pakolea, based on behavior management principles, is designed to assist youngsters in their academic, social and athletic performance. The participants must also, as a team, perform a community project. Cheerleaders also had to conform to the same requirements as the football players.

High priorities of the Hawaii Sports League were the certification and conduct of coaches. This was to ensure the protection and safety of coaches, participants, lessen the probability of liability, promote safety and encourage a fair amount of playing time for each child. Winlose records were not kept or recognized in the league to emphasize the goal to have fun while playing.

All in all, it was an exciting, fun and successful season. Coaches and players worked hard. Parents & the Palama Booster Club helped to cheer the teams and assisted the program in fund-raising. The staff was taxed to its limits in providing the necessary support, managing the Pakolea program, locker rooms and equipment.

The season ended with the 1st Annual Scorpion Bowl held at U. H. Cook Field on December 5, 1992 and the Awards Banquet at the Hale Koa Hotel on December 13, 1992.





Peewee head Coach Dennis Shiraishi giving the players a pep-talk.



Assistant Peewee Coach Mackey advising the boys on how to play defense.



The head referee explains rules & code of conduct to Midget team captains before kick-off.

(left) Midget player Clint Shiraishi about to be tackled after a long gain.

SUMMER FUN AND TEENS HAVING A SENSATIONAL TIME



Group Leader Cynthia surrounded by the kids in the group.

Summer time was a very busy time for Palama this year. We had over three hundred fifty children participating in our Summer Enrichment Program this year. The program was well organized with Vince DeBina, Recreation Director serving as its coordinator, 8 group leaders, and 36 Jr. Leaders assisting in the program. The Junior Leaders were assigned to Palama by Alu Like and Work Hawaii. It was a long and tiring experience for the Leaders and Jr. Leaders but a fun filled time for the children. Their activities included field games (soccer, softball, dodge ball, etc.)

game room, movies, computer work, arts & crafts, music, dance and swimming. The children were guests of the Variety Club at the State Farm Fair. The highlight of the program were the Water Olympics that was held at Palama, the Field Olympics held at the Sand Island State Park, and the Fun Fair held at Palama Settlement.



Group leader Gina Dutro and her kids cheering their team on.



The "Little Kids" enjoying their own wading pool.

A new program started this year was called, "A Summer Sensation." Thirty teenagers 13 - 15 years of age had a very exciting and well-rounded program. The main theme of this year's program was "The Environment: Sensitivity & Awareness Through Exploration." And it was just that! They went on countless excursions to get in touch with nature, the environment, camping, arts & crafts and participated in group discussions directed towards building their self-esteem and leadership skills.

TEENS HAD "A SUMMER SENSATION (AL)" TIME.....



Participants from the Summer Sensation Program listen to one of the staff from the State Mariculture Research Center give them an orientation of the center's work. Other excursions included the Hawaiian Electric Waiau Plant, Wind Farm, Board of Water Supply Halawa Shaft and Oceanic Institute at Makapuu.

Teenagers enjoying the cook-out at Camp Palama Uka. During the course of the summer program, the group went camping on five occasions learning outdoor skills, crafts, water conservation, making traps to catch crawfish, and learning camp songs.

Pictured here cooking their breakfast are Jan Furtado, Kaeo Furtado and Casey Kaohi.





Clint Shiraishi, Kaeo Furtado,
Casey Kaohi and Julie Harrington
struggling, hauling a bundle of bamboo
harvested from Tantalus.
Frequent trips were made to the
mountains to get bamboo, ti
leaves, and fun at "Jack Ass Ginger".
(A fun spot long forgotten by today's
youngsters).

The State's Division of Aquatic Resource Division provided education equipment for the fishing events.

PALAMA YOUTH BASEBALL TEAM 1992 CHAMPIONS OF THE POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE MUSTANG "C" DIVISION



1992 PAL CHAMPIONS OF MUSTANG "C" DIVISION

1st row: Jeremy Bunda, Talosaga Uini, Marc Ribuca, Keith Watanabe Jr., Richard Ribuca; 2nd row: Robert Cui, Robb Omura, Kaipo

Avilez, Blaine Dutro;

3rd row: Gary Avilez, Asst. Coach, Keith Watanabe, Asst. Coach, Larry Desoto, Coach, Duval Dutro, Asst. Coach, Iki, Team Manager, Bob Omura, Asst. Coach.

Palama also sponsored a summer post season baseball tournament in the month of August. Teams entered in the tournament were: Kalakaua; Manoa A, Manoa B and the PALall-tournament team. The tournament drew large crowds of interested fans and parents to the Settlement grounds. Because of the success of the tournament, we hope that we will be able to continue it annually.

The Palama's "Boys of Summer" was crowned the champions of the PAL Mustang "C" Division with a 9 - 2 win - loss record.

It was an exciting season especially since it has been over 50 years that Palama has fielded a baseball program. The team consisted of twelve boys ages 8 - 10 years old. Of these, only two players had ever played baseball.

Since Palama won the league title, three coaches from our team were selected to serve as coaches for the PAL Honolulu All-Star Team that played in Kona, Hawaii in late August. Four youngsters from Palama were selected to the all-star team: Ka'ipo Avilez, Jeremy Bunda, Robb Omura and Joshua Yoshimoto.



Vince DeBina, Rec Director served as chief umpire in Palama's own summer baseball tournament.



Like in any of our other programs, volunteers and parents played an important role.

Coaches and parents support their teams by providing snacks and meals.

Keith Watanabe Jr. 's mom provided a large and nourishing lunch for the players and coaches after one of our games at Booth Park.

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ADULT EDUCATION
Open Enrollment
Computer Skills,
Basic English, Math,
Advance Math, GED
Upgrade Job Skills

ADULT LEAGUES (Call Gym for info) Basketball

Basketball Volleyball

GYMNASIUM Community Free Play 10 - 1 pm (Community) 2:30 - 5:45 pm (Youth) 6 - 9 pm (Community)

YOUTH GAME ROOM

M - F 2:30 - 9 pm S/S 9 - 5 pm

PROGRAM/ACTIVITES

AEROBICS Spring Semester Summer Semester Winter Semester (Call for Info)

YOUTH BASEBALL (Boys & Girls) Ages 8 - 14

YOUTH SOCCER (Call for info)

HOCKEY (Call for info)

SENIOR CITIZENS Daily M - F 8 - 12 (various activities)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VARIOUS PROGRAMS (Call for Info: 845 - 3945) SWIM TEAM Oct. 92 - May 30, 1993

SURF CLUB Year Round Fri 2:30 - 3:30 pm Sat 7 am - 12 pm

SWIM CLASSES (call for info)

CHINESE KEMPO KARATE
Tues/Thurs 6 - 9 pm
Instr: Prof Godin

HERBAL CLUB (SENIOR) Wed 9 - 11:30

> POOL: FREE SWIM M - F 4 - 5 pm S/S 12 - 5 pm