

KA LEO O PALAMA

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Palama Settlement Open House

State and County dignitaries, local agencies, schools and community residents were invited to attend an Open House for Palama Settlement on Friday, April 27, 1990 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The major attraction for this Open House was the dedication of Palama's newly founded Computer Center which was funded through the generous contributions of The Atherton Family Foundation, Oceanic Cablevision Foundation, Samuel N. and Mary Castle Foundation, Cooke Foundation, Ltd., McInerny Foundation, The Junior League of Honolulu, Inc. and Alexander & Baldwin, Inc. Representatives from these foundations were recognized in a dedication ceremony which began at 1:30 p.m. with the blessing of the Computer Center, given by the Reverend David Twigg of Kaumakapili Church. A representative from the Governor's office, Deputy Director Tom Yamashiro of Budget and Finance, spoke to the guests on the importance of education to our community's youth. He also delivered a personal message from Governor Waihee commending Palama Settlement for its service to the youth and families from the Kalihi-Palama Community. Palama Settlement's volunteers and special guests were recognized in a short ceremony at 3:30 p.m.



Board President, Donna Tanoue, Reverend David Twigg of Kaumakapili Church, and Executive Director, Kathleen deSilva at Palama Settlement's Open House and Computer Center Dedication.

Throughout the Open House, Palama's programs and facilities were open to the public for view, and Palama's staff was available to answer any and all questions. Strong Carter Dental Clinic, Honolulu Neighborhood Housing Services, Na Loio No Na Kanaka (The Lawyers for the People), and Kaiser Health Plan Foundation also presented agency displays and answered questions for the guests in attendance. A light buffet and refreshments were provided.

Note From the Executive Director

Palama Settlement has been a bevy of activity over the past three months. A Community Easter Event was held on April 12, 1990 with over 400 community residents attending, and an Agency Open House followed two weeks later. Palama staff worked very hard to make both events a tremendous success.

Our Computer Center is in full swing now with youth from our

Pakolea and In-Community Treatment Programs making great progress in computer competency using a wide variety of educational software.

We are especially grateful to Alexander & Baldwin for their generous donation of \$5,000 for the purchase of a Macintosh Computer and Laser Printer for the Computer Center.

In Recreation, swim classes for three local elementary schools were conducted and youth and adult volleyball leagues are in full swing.

Planning and Registration for our Summer Educational Program and Pakolea Football season are under way and we look forward to the next three months with a great deal of excitement and anticipation.

Easter Community Event

On April 12, 1990 over 400 people from the community enjoyed an Easter celebration on Palama Settlement grounds. The fun began with the arrival of Mr. Bunny and Cheryl the Clown. Youngsters from 3 to 12 years old eagerly lined up for the Easter egg hunt, which was held on Palama's field. Nine children found "special eggs" and received Easter baskets, overflowing with candy, as prizes.

The Hyatt Regency Hotel generously donated staff and food for the occasion. They set up barbeques and cooked and served hot dogs, hamburgers and soda to



Mr. Bunny and friends enjoy food and entertainment at Palama Settlement's Community Easter Event.

all the families who attended this event. Entertainment was provided by the Maile Aloha Singers, who donated their time to sing and dance for this enthusiastic audience.

Thanks to the Hyatt Regency Hotel, the Maile Aloha Singers and the hard working Palama staff. This was one of our most successful Community Events.

\$6,000 Needed for Cheerleader Uniforms

Registration for the 1990 Fall Pakolea Football Program is underway. One aspect of this program is the Cheerleader division, which consists of 36 Pee Wee, Junior Pee Wee, and Midget girls who range in age from 8 to 14 years old. These young girls attend all Football games and display a tremendous energy, excitement and enthusiasm for the games. They are a major contribution to our Pakolea Program. Their dedication to Palama Settlement and hard work in learning the routines has instilled a sense of belonging, of pride, and of accomplishment in these young girls. For the last three years, the Junior Pee Wee squad demonstrated these qualities by winning the first place award in the Pop Warner Cheerleaders Tournament at the end of each season.

The Cheerleaders' uniforms are an important element in helping the girls to maintain their sense of pride and self-esteem. The quality of their participation at the games and in competitions is increased with the knowledge that as a team, they "look good", as well as perform to the best of their ability. This year, the Pakolea Cheerleaders are in desperate need of new Cheerleader uniforms. We need to raise \$6,000 for new uniforms for the girls before August 1, 1990. If you know of any individuals, businesses or organizations who would like to contribute to this worthwhile purpose or who can assist us in our efforts to raise money for the uniforms, please call Nancy Deeley or Fred Filbert at 845-3945. Your kokua is greatly appreciated.

Renovations to Corbett House

Renovations have begun on the building on Palama Settlement grounds known as Corbett House. Corbett House was named after the late Judge Gerald R. Corbett who served in the Territorial Juvenile Court and later Family Court. For eleven years, it served as the site for a Family Court sponsored residential program known as "Corbett House".

The building will be the home for other critical services to the neighborhood. Peerless Roofing Company, Inc. and Mega Construction Company will begin exterior and interior renovations which will be completed in August, 1990.

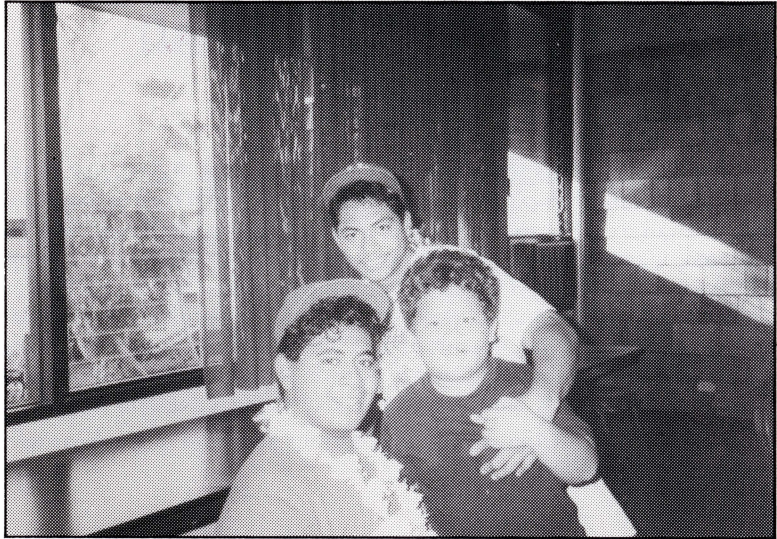
Palama Settlement will be contracting for new tenants for the building. Any organization interested in renting space may call 845-3945 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Pakolea Plus St. Louis Equals College

In 1981 when Tupu Alualu and Silia Malepeai started with the Pakolea Football and Basketball programs, they probably had no idea that they would continue on to attend St. Louis High School, play on its ILH championship teams and then go on to the University of Oregon in pursuit of higher education and a better life. In addition, with the help of Susie Cooke, a Volunteer Academic Tutor who took a direct interest in their futures, they have continued to build their academic and athletic careers and are about to take on the next challenge—a college education at the University of Oregon. They both have come to realize that the key to success, if properly used to open the door to education, can only be turned by those who have the personal commitment to do so. They now believe "You can do anything you want to do!" These two former Palama Scorpions are on their way to bigger and better things and we wish them well. Congratulations Tupu Alualu and Silia Malepeai!

Palama Scorpion Team Plays in 1990 Boys and Girls Club Tournament

Coach Wally Eberhart took his Palama Scorpion Basketball team to the 1990 Boys & Girls Club Basketball Tournament at the Honolulu Boys/Girls Club, April 10 - 13, 1990. Team members Darolyn Custodio, Justin Furtado, Benedict Garan, Jack Nagaishi, Elijah Neverdon, Emanuela Tuiasasopo, Freddie Kealoha, Matini Lautalo, Frank Afa, Shane Lino and Lionel Ha'o played well, winning one game and finally losing two hard-played games.



Silia Malepeai and Tupu Alualu with Pakolea basketball player, Kekoa Dias. Silia and Tupu recently returned to Palama Settlement to encourage participants to work hard at their studies.

Recreation News

Recreation is moving full speed ahead. Here is the listing of some of the classes that are being offered starting in April. Some of the classes will be offered during the Fall season and we invite you to register early. For more information, call Verna at 845-3945.

Swimming & Exercise Programs

Our new water Community free swim schedule is Monday through Friday from 2:30-5:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. Other swim classes offered:

- Water Adjustment Class
- Beginning Swimmers Class
 - Water Aerobics Class
- Floor Exercise Class for Adults
- Special Senior Lap & Swim Class

Summer Enrichment Program

"Global Adventure 90"

K - 5th Grade

June 18 - July 27, 1990 from 8:30-5:00 p.m.

Arts & Crafts, Creative Development, Excursions & Outings, Educational Experiences, Computers, Sports, Games, Swimming

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

After Summer Care "Discovery" Program

K - 5th Grade

July 30 - August 31, 1990 from 8:30-5:00 p.m.

Arts & Crafts, Sports, Games, Swimming, Cooking, Excursions, Songs, Computers

REGISTRATION: JUNE 18 THROUGH JULY 20, 1990

1990 Palama Basketball Banquet

The Basketball Banquet was held at the Empress Restaurant in the Chinese Cultural Plaza, on Friday, March 23, 1990. Guest speaker was Nu'u Faaolo, NFL running back. Also attending with him was his fiancée, Carolyn Sapp, Miss Honolulu 1990 and Minnesota Vikings Defensive Lineman, Al Noga. Decorations consisted of donated basketball posters and Palama game jerseys. The visiting professional football players assisted in the presentation of the Most Improved Scholar and Scorpion of the Year trophies. Kaiulani de Silva honored all volunteers, coaches and parents who helped to make this a successful season.

Awards to Most Improved Scholars and Scorpion of the Year were presented to the following:

	Most Improved Scholar	Scorpion of the Year
PINTO WHITE	Jonathan Holts	Darin Garcia
PINTO MAROON	Lori Jean Hill	Thomas Albert
MUSTANG WHITE	Vanessa McCoy	Vanessa McCoy
MUSTANG MAROON	Benedict Garan	Benedict Garan
BRONCO WHITE	Jarin Cortez Lionel Ha'o Paul Holts	Jack Nagaishi
BRONCO MAROON	Matini Lautalo	Christopher Fuamatu



Minnesota Vikings Defensive Lineman, Al Noga at Pakolea Basketball Banquet.

Pakolea Basketball

The 10-week 1990 basketball program ended March 17, 1990. Sixty-one youngsters participated on 6 teams: 8 Pinto Maroon and 8 Pinto White (ages 7-8); 12 Mustang Maroon and 12 Mustang White (ages 9-10); 11 Bronco Maroon and 11 Bronco White (ages 11-12). Volunteer coaches: Sheldon Wormley, Dana Dutro, Aaron Ho and Angie Ho--Pinto teams; Wally Eberhart, Rodney Atiga and Francis Tui--Mustang teams; Albert Cabrera, Roland Monterde, Eddie Cabico and Larry Luis--Bronco teams provided excellent adult guidance, leadership and coaching expertise to the program.

Palama Scorpions Win Island Termite Tournament

Coach Al Cabrera and Roland Monterde and their Bronco Maroon team participated in the Manoa Island Termite Basketball Tournament at Manoa and Kilauea Recreation Centers, March 28-30, 1990. This Palama team won the championship of the Class C (ages 11-12) portion. Aaron Ho was named to the All-Tournament Team and Chris Fuamatu was the Tournament's Most Valuable Player for Class C. Other team members included: Max Contado, Gordon Furtado, Edward Kealoha, Matini Lautalo, Clint Shiraishi, Jonathan Ybenez, Paul Magdadaro and Team Manager, Ike Minishima.

The Tournament First Place team trophy and Most Valuable Player trophy will remain in the Palama trophy case for one year. In addition, the First Place team trophy presented to the team will remain at Palama. Congratulations to the Scorpion team and coaches.

In-Community Treatment Program

The In-Community Treatment Program, a Family Court sponsored alternative educational and counseling program for youth, continues to celebrate its 20th Anniversary with many exciting activities. On March 22, 1990, University of Hawaii football players Mike Coulson, Walter Briggs and pro-football players Nuu Faaola and Al Noga gave a presentation to the program youth on gangs, drug prevention and the value of education. Each player spoke about their personal experiences in moving accounts of how their lives have been changed through education.

The program was also fortunate this Spring to have the services of two students from the University of Hawaii School of Human Services. Students Deanna Dunstone and Pam Masaki served their Spring practicum at Palama Settlement as assistants to the In-Community Treatment program staff. They were involved in supervision of the program youth, program planning, and individual tutoring. The students also had the opportunity to read case files, sit in on Court hearings and participate in group counseling sessions. We thank them for their service and sincerely hope that they received as much as they gave to our program.

Spotlight on Staff: ANN KOGA

At 4:21 a.m., April 22, 1990, Tamaha'ituokepuolani Koga joined Kanani and Boysie as the newest member of the Koga family. Her father, Burt and mother, Ann welcomed her with open arms and she immediately became the center of attention in the Koga household. Both Ann and Burt have been dedicated staff members here at Palama and we are proud to welcome their new addition.



Computer Center Gift From Alexander & Baldwin

Palama Settlement received a grant from Alexander & Baldwin for the purchase of a Macintosh computer and laser printer. The Macintosh will be used with the 20 Apple II GS computers in the Computer Center. It will also be used to help put together the newsletter, to publish various community event fliers and program booklets, and by the staff to develop their reports.

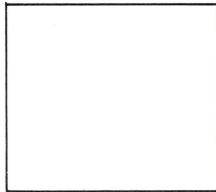
Mahalo to Board member, Meredith Ching who was instrumental in securing this grant for Palama Settlement. Both the Macintosh and laser printer will be in full use by the time our Summer Enrichment Program begins on June 18, 1990.



Kamehameha Students Assist Pakolea

Students from Kamehameha School spend several hours each afternoon, Monday-Thursday during basketball season assisting Pakolea team members with Learning Center studies. (left-Janelle Apana; right-Elizabeth Lawrence.)

Ann is our featured Palama Staff member for this issue. Ann was born at Tripler Army Medical Center and is a graduate of Farrington High School. She joined the Palama Staff as an Activity Worker for Corbett House in March 1983, where she worked until moving to Pakolea in October 1984 to handle the clerical position. In October of 1986, Ann assumed the Community Worker I position until September 1989 when she was promoted to Youth Specialist II. Until the "Small Lady with the Large First Name" came along, Ann was also serving as the Executive Secretary of the Oahu Pop Warner Football League. She is a dedicated member of the Pakolea Program, providing a depth of experience, wide range of compassion and keen sense of service to the Kalihi-Palama Community. Her cheerful disposition and warm spirit of Aloha are key ingredients that keep the Pakolea Program on an even keel; and make it one of Palama Settlement's most unique and successful programs. A big MAHALO to Ann for her fine contributions and best wishes for continued success.



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