

# ka peo o bapawa

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# A SUMMER OF FUN

There were 215 children enrolled in the first session of the Palama settlement Summer Enrichment

Program. The program started on June 17 and ran through August 2. The second session started August 5 and ended on August 30. There were 75 children enrolled in this session. From all accounts everyone had a wonderful time.

The program started at 8:00 in the morn-

ing and ended at 5:00 in the afternoon. A hot lunch was provided for each child during the first session.

The theme for the program was Discovery '91. This title described exactly what the program was about. The children were exposed to a wide variety of activities and experiences including arts and crafts, music and dance, swimming, sports and games, visits to the li-

brary, computers, and cooking. The younger children held several slumber parties at the Palama gym.



Heh...did we have fun tossing the water balloon. Lawrence, Tiffany, Maria, and Shao displaying their balloon tossing skills.

The older children spent several nights camping out at Palama Uka. While they were camping out the children participated in an outdoor skills program. All of the groups went on a number of excursions including; Bishop Museum, Dole Cannery, Hawaii Nature Center, Sand Island, and Magic Island.

Several different organizations shared their time and resources with the children at Palama Settlement during the summer. The firemen from the Kuakini Fire Station came and brought their

firefighting equipment. The Search and Rescue group came and demonstrated their equipment. The Honolulu Police Department provided identification materials for the children. Also, we participated in the Library's summer reading program.

The program was fortunate to get youth workers from Alu Like and WorkHawaii. These young people were a great benefit to the program and we thank them for all they did.

EVERYBODY HAD A GREAT TIME AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO DOING IT ALL AGAIN NEXT YEAR.

(More pictures on the following pages.)



And what an ending we had. We just laughed at the Junior Leaders putting on their skit....they were really funny!!!





"The Sisters" doing their famous act.



Don taking his swing under the watchful eyes of Verna.

...and I think that's one of the Leaders being fooled by the pitch. But he tagged the next one.

> Edsley Hicks working on his paper mache.





But some of us had to work..."I mean we had tons of rocks in these wheel barrows when we waz going the other way--and we waz'nt smiling then!!"

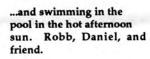


Greg receiving his certificate of appreciation from Verna Keyes, Recreation Director and Jason Young, Summer Fun Coordinator.

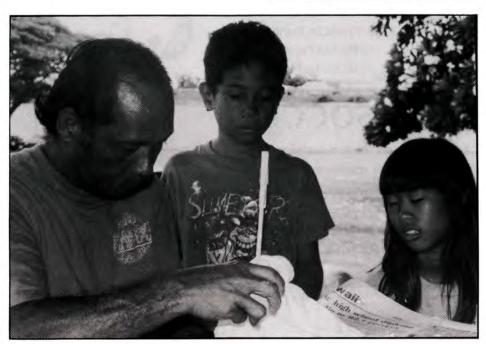


# **HIGHLIGHTS**

...just having fun hamming-it-up before we get ready to go. Anna, Marlene, and Mihana - sumer-time pals.







Francis Akana, staff, teaching Orlando and Sheri-Lynn the fine points of making a message holder.

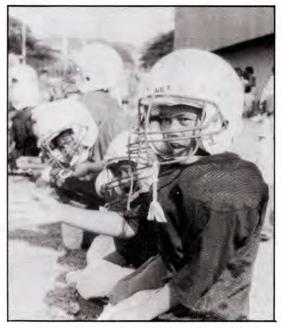
#### PAKOLEA PROGRAM

The Pakolea program is back in full swing. Football and cheerleading practice started August 1. The Learning Center started September 4. The program will run until the middle of November. This program is unique because the participants must first earn points in the Learning Center, which they attend twice a week, in order to participate in Pop Warner football or cheerleading. We have three football divisions (Junior Peewee, Peewee, and Midgets), and two cheerleader divisions (Junior Peewee and Peewee). There is a total of 96 participants in our program at the present time.

Our parents also get involved by volunteering to help out with various duties. We appreciate all the help they have given to make this a successful program.

The program has an entirely new staff. Dede Dunstone is the Program Director. Jason Melind takes care of the Junior Peewee team, David Watson is in charge of the Peewee team, and Edna Ibana takes care of the the Midget team.

We are all looking forward to a great season.



Jesse Basques waiting on the sidelines at a recent scrimmage with Waianae.

### FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

At Kaneohe

Sept. 7 - 8:00 AM Jr. Peewee 10:00 AM Peewee 12:00 Midget

play Koolauloa at

Sept. 14 - 8:00 AM Jr. Peewee 10:00 AM Peewee 12:00 Midget

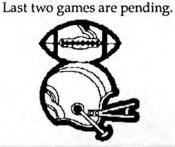
play Kailua at Halawa

Sept. 21- 8:00 AM Jr. Peewee Peewee-BYE Midget-BYE play Waimanalo at Waimanalo Sept. 28-8:00 AM Jr. Peewee 10:00 AM Peewee 12:00 Midget play Aiea at Farrington\*

> Oct. 5- Jr. Peewee-BYE 10:00 AM Peewee 12:00 Midget

play Kailua at Farrington\*
Oct. 12- 8:00 AM Ir. Peewee

10:00 AM Peewee 12:00 Midget play Kahaluu at Farrington Oct. 19- 8:00 AM Jr. Peewee 10:00 AM Peewee 12:00 Midget



### **SAYSO SOCCER**

The SAYSO Soccer season will be using Palama's field every Saturday for practice as well as their games. Registrateion was done by the individual schools (only in the Kalihi area) and are geared towards families which would not be able

to afford to pay the national dues. Mr. Fred Rames spearheaded this effort and is presently asking the foundations for the financial support. Last year he made the first attempt and is following through this year.

All the youngsters will be uniformed. Several fundraisers will be held to help this group of around 250 children.

#### AND...HEREEEEEEES DAVID WATSON!!!!!

David joined our staff in mid-May as a Youth Worker in our Pakolea Program.

Just prior to moving to Hawaii, David worked as a radio announcer for KPLM radio station in Palm Springs, California.

He grew up and attended high school in Muskegon, Michigan. After graduation, he spend four years in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was stationed in San Diego, California and Osaka, Japan. During his tour of duty, David played football for the base teams. He developed into a fine football player and was selected as an All-Marine wide receiver.

After his discharge from the Marine Corps, David attended Arizona State University on a football scholarship. After three

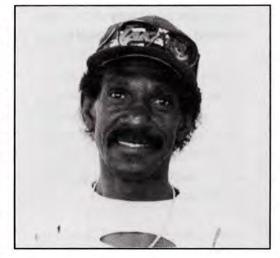
years of varsity football at Arizona, he signed a pro contract with the Montreal Allouettes in the Canadian Football League. He played for six years for the Allouettes as a punt returner and wide receiver.

Dave has been quite busy since being employed at Palama. He was a group leader in our Summer Fun Program. It was a very rewarding experience for him as well as the children in his group. Not knowing how the children were going to relate to him, David was appre-

hensive at first. However, after the initial week, you couldn't tell who was having the most fun - the kids or Dave. In fact, it was such an exciting and heartwarming experience for Dave that he decided to treat his group to a pizza party on his last day with the group.

Dave is now entrenched in his first love — working with kids in the sports program — utilizing his personal experiences as a child and into the adult years playing and coaching football in working with the youngsters at Palama.

David is married and the father of three grown children.



David and his Junior Leader, Cindy with the kids at the pizza party.



David and his Summer Fun group.

#### IN-COMMUNITY TREATMENT PROGRAM

During the months of April through August, the In-community Treatment Program continued to provide academic and counseling services to it's clientele.

The health class with Mildred Leung (Queen Emma Health Clinic), and the guidance class with Sandy Mitomi and Hiedi Falk (Kaliki Y.M.C.A. Outreach Department), continued on a weekly basis with videos, lectures, and academic hand outs.

The program was also given a presentation on street gangs. Ex-Los Angeles gang members (Crips), E. M. Gaudeza, Eddie Garcia, and Ray Palacious, gave a presentation on decision-making and the negative aspects of the street gang. The emphasis was to discourage street violence and participation in the gangs.

In the area of academics, program staff implemented a weekly social studies class. Group instructional classes were offered with topics on map work, geography skills, countries and states, and historical events.

Program participants were also introduced to a College Awareness Presentation. Academic counselor, Arnie Yaruada, Honolulu Community College, provided the students with information on college opportunities and requirements.

During the months of July and August, program staff worked with two students who were interested in attaining their General Education Diploma (G.E.D.). Currently one student has passed his exam and the other student is taking preparation classes at Kaimuki Adult Community School. Testing is scheduled for October of this year.

#### COMPUTER CENTER

The Computer Center was very busy this summer. An average of nearly 250 people a week used the computers during June, July, and August. This included children from the Summer Enrichment Program, In-Community Treatment Program, neighborhood children who came on drop-in basis, and Palama staff. The students were able to use a wide variety of educational software during the time they spend in the Computer Center. The staff generally use the computers to prepare reports using

Appleworks wordprocessing software.

The Macintosh computer has also been used quite-a-bit this summer. We have used it to prepare our own newsletter and the newsletters for the Kam/Kaahamanu Tenants Association. The Macintosh has also been used to establish databases for student records, Pakolea registration material, and educational materials. The assignment sheets for the Learning Center portion of Pakolea were produced on the Mac and saved on disk for future use.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Neighborhood Development has a variety of different duties, amoungst them is working with the tenant associations of Mayor Wright, Kam/Kaahumanu, and Puahala housing. Mayor Wright housing is preparing to celebrate the 21st anniversary of their tenant association. Also, Mayor Wright has been successful in its Neighborhood Watch program and its Mom's Club.

Kam/Kaahumanu has just taken on a new project. The tenant association is producing a newsletter which is distributed to the tenants of the housing project to inform them of the latest news and upcoming events.

Puahala has also taken on a new project. They have adopted four bus stops on School Street. The City and County of Honolulu donated the supplies needed to maintain the bus stops. The association, along with the Teen Club, has re-painted and cleaned up the bus stops during the month of August. The adoption is for a period of one year.

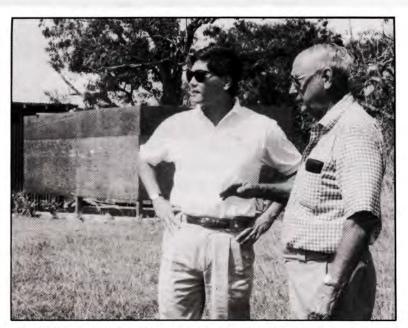
Each housing project mentioned is taking an active role in making their housing, as well as the community, a better place to live. Keep up the GREAT job each and everyone of you.

Senior citizen participants at the Palama Settlement Meal Site enjoy a variety of activities besides having a nutrious meal at lunch. These include Hula, lei making, arts and crafts, music and singing, cards, mahjongg and socialization.



Senior participants Yuie Hamakado, Angeline Mersurburgh, and Janet Zane displaying their leis.

# Members of Palama Settlement's Board of Trustees Sub-Committee on Palama-Uka make a site visit.

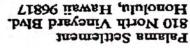


Chris Kanazawa, Board member and Chairperson for Palama-Uka Sub-Committee with Board Member Bob Rath.



Duvall Dutro, Palama Settlement's Support Service Administrator inspects the water tank.

In August, Chris Kanazawa, Board member and chair of the Palama-Uka Sub-Committee, Bob Rath, Board member, Duvall Dutro, Support Service Administrator and Bob Omura, Executive Director made a site visit to Palama-Uka. The Board is presently assessing the needs of the camp and the long-range plans of Palama Settlement's Recreational Camping program.





#### WATER PROGRAMS

The following water programs will be available. Registration will be on a first come firts serve basis. For more information call 845-3945.

#### WATER ADJUSTMENT CLASS

(for youngsters afraid of the water)

September 16 to September 27, 1991

2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Classes run Monday through Friday (2 consecutive weeks)

Fee: \$20.00 per child Limited to 10 children

#### BEGINNER SWIM CLASS (for

children)

September 30 to October 11, 1991

2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Classes run Monday through

Friday (2 consecutive weeks) Fee: \$20.00 per child

Limited to 12 children

## WATER AEROBICS FOR SENIORS

September 16 to september 27, 1991

9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Classes run Monday through Friday (2 consecutive weeks)

Fee: \$10.00 Limited to 20

### BEGINNER SWIM CLASS (for adults)

adults

September 30 to October 11, 1991 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Classes run Monday through Friday (2 consecutive weeks)

Fee: \$20.00 Limited to 10

All the above listed programs are instructed by a Certified Red Cross Instructor. All the above classes are limited in size. First come first serve. For more information call Palama Settlement at 845-3945.