

NEWSLETTER

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"Examine Our Conscience"

(Conscience applies primarily to that which is felt within one self)

One day I was talking to someone I regard as a good friend on the telephone, when the question on what did I think of resident participation in our community came up. I was somewhat caught off balance; to tell you the truth, I was ashamed to say that the resident participation wasn't what it should be. Do you know as residents of the Palama area you have an obligation to your community? At one Council meeting only a handful of residents show their interest. Why? yes, why- Are you not aware of the importance of your being there? or are you satisfied with your surroundings. STOP and let's examine our conscience, ask yourself--am I satisfied with the environment my children have to grow up in? Can I be helped under the E.O.A., (Economic Opportunity Act) How? Who do I see? Are there benefits for myself as well as my family? Can you as an individual answer all these questions? I doubt it because before the Council started and even when the actual meetings were held, I was sort of suspended in the air. It took me a long while to get the hang of it, for example; someone very close to me said, "What in the heck are you gonna get out of it?" My answer was even if I don't get paid for it, the satisfaction of helping get things started was payment GALORE. Most of us today think in terms of money. Everybody likes money but to me the most rewarding thing is to actually see the children and people in this

Community receive something for nothing. Here it is now for the taking, why don't you take the advantage of it? Is it pride? Lack of education? or are you a chap that always say, "What I care let the darn fools do all the work." Then you sit down and gripe because you did not like the decisions that was made.

Come off Buster lets all get on the ball and try, I do mean try to attend the next Council meeting and especially to all Palama & Harris Pre-School parents, let's have a 100 per cent showing.

I hope and truly wish that I'll get to meet each and everyone of you at the next meeting. Come up and say "hello" or even if you come up and tell me to drop dead, I'll know at least there was some light shown in my column.

Until then "May God guide, and steer you in the right path."

Mo Yaw

ANTIDOTE

"QUOTE"

Once there was a little boy, who wanted to know where babies came from. So he asked his Mother this question. "Where do babies come from?" His Mother answered by saying, "Son, didn't anyone tell you, the stork brings them. Still confused, he went to his grandmother. "Grandma, where do babies come from?" She said, grandson didn't anyone tell you, the stork brings them. Finally he asked his great-grandmother

and great-great grandmother. They both told him that the stork bought them. So he went to his room and wrote in his diary.

DEAR DIARY:
There hasn't been a normal birth in my family for four generations.

"UNQUOTE"

Susie Kama

PALAMA PRE-SCHOOL CLASSROOM
ACTIVITIES

Since the beginning of the school year, there has been a great improvement in the children's work and play habits. At the beginning they were shy, bashful and insecure because of the new surroundings. But as time progressed, they have learned to become less dependent in all phases.

In creative art, they have found it most interesting because, they now know that painting is more than just dipping and dabbing. In this way, they have been able to express themselves. The children looks forward to circle time, which is storytelling, singing, listening to records, and finger-playing. They have also learned to give their full attention to the Teacher.

The morning session had an unexpected visitor on January 18, 1966. He was Mr. Ronald Field, from the San Francisco Regional Office. At the time of his visit the children were having circle time. He observed for a short period of time and left.

As a parent, I feel that this program has helped and will help all the Parents and children in the community.

Ruby N. Kaneao

PALAMA PRE-SCHOOL
PARENTS' GUILD

On January 24, 1966, a PPG meeting was held at the Parish hall. With just a few parents there, the meeting was carried on.

Reports were given on the Chinese Auction funds by Mrs. Thelma Nitta, and how part of it was spent. Total balance of fund is now, \$105.82 which half of it goes to Harris.

Mrs. Kazu Vossbrink, reported on new parents for the pre-school. Mr. Lui Fuata gave a report from the C.A.P. Advisory on the budget. Mr. Richard Kapoi, made a report on the work shop and the meeting that was held recently for fathers. He also reported other meetings that he had attended.

The By-Laws were printed, read out and voted on.

Jean Nishida

VIEWS of Rev. Rodrigo Estrada
on "Education to Life"

"This is an Education to Life. We do not care if the children cannot handle paints. The basic thing is for the children to recognize the other children as a person. This helps them to understand themselves.

In the room, I think there should be lots of freedom. For instance, freedom of movement given by the teacher, for free expression. This process goes also for the parents who may discover new attitudes and ideas as they relate to the Preschool.

I really am very happy that the E.O.A. has made it possible for us to have this preschool. Its long overdue. It gives the community a real opportunity in having a voice in decisions that affect them.

I think we are providing a very high quality preparation to the children before they enter the Public schools.

It would be interesting to be able to compare the performance of a few Preschool children, with those who were not able to have this kind of preparation, when they enter school for the first time."

Marie Kapoi

RIDDLE

Ques: How do you spell rat?

Ans: R-A-T

Ques: I don't mean rat! I mean rat now.

Ques: What is black and white? black and white? black and white?

Ans: A black and white penquen rolling down a hill. Sue

HARRIS PRE-SCHOOL CLASSROOM

The children in Mrs. Inouye's room, have learned a great deal. They enjoyed working & playing together. Willing to enter in new activities, taking part in discussions and learning good daily health habits. Each child tries to take care of his personal belongings. They also have learned to accept constructive criticisms. They have adjusted themselves to be able to be away from their parents. If a Preschool child can do most of these things, and do it well, they are prepared for kindergarten.

The Preschool, is under the direction of Mrs. Fumi Inouye, assisted by Miss Nancy Stanley and two teachers aides, Mrs. Muriel Onishi and Mrs. Edith Young. Mrs. Inouye and Mrs. Onishi are in charge of twenty children. Miss Stanley and Mrs. Edith Young are in charge of another twenty children. They sometimes change classroom to use the other room's facilities.

The parents are highly praised for their co-operation with the teachers in school. Each day, a parent volunteers, to help the teachers with the children and the serving of lunches. Let's see more mothers on their next excursion to the zoo, Feb. 2.

Marie Vellanueva

HARRIS PRE-SCHOOL PARENTS' GUILD

The Harris PPG, held a meeting on Jan. 13, 1966, in Building 12, Apt. A. The purpose of this meeting was to elect temporary officers for the coming year. Officer elected were: President, Judith Grace; Vice-President, Emily Kamaka; Secretary, Josephine Chai; Treasurer, Blossom Amarel; Historian Charles Kaluma.

Alvina Kahala

TYPING CLASS
(A Teacher's View)

Miss Harada (Principal), asked Mrs. Yagi (Teacher), to teach the Adult typing class. Mrs. Yagi accepted because the program sounded so interesting and exciting and also because she wanted the experience of

working with adults.

The class as a whole is progressing well. The enrollment dwindled, until 15 students faithfully attended class. Students of the typing class seem much more interested in learning. They do well perhaps because they are keenly aware of the value of an education. Miss Yagi hopes that the members will use the words they have learned in their daily speaking. She also hopes the members have enjoyed the class as much as she did.

Billie Meyers

"LOW DOWN SCOOP"

Here I am again, bringing you the low down scoop on people in our community.

Here is a man who does a lot of leg work in our community. Lately the good Lord has been kind to him, he rides now. Not often, but at least it takes some strain off his boney legs.

These babes-be on the lookout for them. Their answers to questions asked, are very wise and witty. They belong in Hollywood with their feathered hats and dark sunglasses.

This character just can't believe he's a father of seven children. It seemed just like yesterday he was in college and met a girl and zoom, a father of seven.

Here's a gal that doesn't know how to refuse people. Just remember dearie, there's a limit to what a human mind and body can do. Health comes first before the work.

Well, I hope you guess their names, in case you have not, the names are as follows: Father Phillips, Susie Kama and Momi Yaw, Rev. Rod Estrada and Mrs. Kazu Vossbrink.

Judith Grace

ANTIDOTE

William: Hannah, will you marry me?
Hannah: No, but I'll always remember you've made a good choice.

Mo Yaw

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CAP MEETING

The Palama CAP Council, held their fourth meeting on Wed. the 26 of January.

The first report was given by Mr. Lui Fuata, on the current status of Palama CAP projects, budget of 1966-67.

The first project cp# 1 Palama Preschool asked for \$48,387 but were drop to \$20,000. Mr. Fuata asked that we be given at least \$8,000 more, because most of the equipments the school has now, belonged to Palama Settlement and that they could be taking back anytime. So Palama was granted \$8,000 more, due to Mr. Fuata's efforts.

Then, Rev. Bonsey asked the Council that the Advisory Board be recognized as the Advisory Committee, for the Palama Community. After a long discussion, the committee was accepted.

Project Fish and Poi, was then brought up by Mr. Rudy Villamil. Project Fish and Poi, is a self help plan to help persons of social security pensioners and other indigenous persons living in the Palama CAP area, who are unable to provide adequate meals for themselves. This plan, proposes the establishment of a non-profit restaurant for the needy pensioners, and indigenous persons. This plan was accepted by the council.

Mr. Charles Mitsuyama and Mr. Roy Kagawa spoke to us on the Youth Opportunity Center and what they were doing to help the young teenagers to find themselves in the community and also help them find jobs.

Marie Kapoi

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

On Jan. 19, 1966 a meeting of the Advisory Committee was held at the Kaumakapili Parish Hall. Present at the meeting were the five professional people, representing agencies who are working in the Palama area, and also the resident recipients, representing the parents from both Palama and Harris Preschools.

The first thing on the agenda was, the presentation of the By-laws for the committee; after this was thru, the clarification of request was made to the exe-

cutive Board of the Palama Community Action Council, and this committee's relationship to the Palama Community Action Council.

A report was given by the Pre-Schools, concerning the budgets for the next fiscal year, beginning April 1, 1966. Discussion was made on the equipment needs at the Palama Community Presch Preschool.

Another thing that was on the agenda, was about the expansion of Preschools in the Palama area under Act. 89-;0. This simply means Federal Education Act.

Roberta Infiel

HOUSEHOLD HINTS
(Spots & Stains)

Candy: (other than chocolates)
Soak in hot water or rub with clean cloth dampened with very hot water.

Chewing Gum: Rub with piece of ice and scrape of gum.
If stain remains, sponge with carbon tetrachloride or other solvent.

Cream: Soak in cold water. Wash in warm suds. Rinse well.

Perspiration: Wash in hot suds, rinse. Bleach in sun.
If stain remains, use Hydrogen Peroxide.

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PFA CHRISTMAS PARTY

Another year has passed with "Palama Friendship Association" completing their yearly duties and services to the community, and ended it with the Xmas party. With the generous donations from the big merchants and the help of the little stores, the mothers of P.F.A. worked together putting their time and effort to make this Xmas party possible for the children in the Palama area. Although the program didn't begin till 1 p.m., children were there from 11 a.m. in the morning. By 1 p.m. people were as far back at the front gate. A puppet variety show was first, on the program, put on by Mr. and Mrs. Glen Piper, which was interesting, fascinating and enjoyable. Following it, we had Mr. Harvey Ragsdale, who furnished the M.C. and the music boys doing few musical selections and caroling

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songs. Here, the younger set needed no invitation for this part of the program, and were whooping it up, doing the popeye, the twist and whatever you may call it, they were doing it. Lucky numbers, were also given out with the help of Kenneth Ling who was our santa claus for the day. Packages with goodies were given out at the door. All in all, I hoped everyone there enjoyed themselves.

Hannah Gasper

MAYOR WRIGHT HOUSING
Father's Meeting
January 10, 1966

Meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by Richard Kapoi. Staff members present: Palama Settlement-Kenneth Ling, Aggressive Service; Janet Nakashima, Program Services Coordinator Apt. 12-A; Rudy Villamil, Community Organizer; and Shungo Okubo, Community Services Supervisor; Mayor Wright Housing: Kazumi Tarumoto, Housing Manager and Mrs. Irene Fujiwara, Tenant Relations Advisor; Police Dept. Lt. Detective Murakami, Crime Prevention Bureau and Detective Ed Corrie. Fathers present: Mr. Gomes, Yaw, Fuata, and Kapoi. Lt. Murakami mentioned that crimes committed by juveniles in the Palama area were rated second highest on Oahu.

Detective Corrie, advisor for all Security Patrols, felt that Palama should form a Security Patrol using fathers from the Palama area as well as other areas. Mr. Gomes presented interesting points regarding juvenile delinquency in Mayor Wright Housing. He felt that something should be done about this problem. Mr. Yaw presented an interesting speech on glue sniffing and narcotics.

Problems presented to Mr. Tarumoto were: abandoned cars, poor lighting in the hallways, lack of non-skid flooring on the stairs, overflow of trash containers, and rubbish in the parking areas. The above problems and possible solutions will be discussed at the next meeting.

Another meeting will be planned to further discuss the problem of juvenile delinquency and the organization of a security patrol. Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Richard Kapoi

ENGLISH CLASS

The Adult English class started on January 25, 1966 at the Apt. 12-A, on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Mr. Matsuo is our instructor for ten successive weeks. There are 21 members in the class.

When the members enter the room, Mr. Matsuo greets everyone with a smile and says, make yourself comfortable and be at ease. Then he starts off by giving us, words or sentences to write, teaching us parts of Speech and learning to break up long sentences in parts.

I feel as the weeks go by, we will learn a lot more from our Instructor. We, the members would like to welcome Mr. Matsuo, for taking this course to teach us.

Susie Kama

NOTICE

We, the Staff, would like to thank Judith Grace for helping in distributing the Newsletter, while our circulation manager is inactive.

ANNOUNCEMENT

All Mother's intended in learning the HULA, registration will be taken in February. Call 813860, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. DO NOT CALL AFTER 1:00 p.m.