



EMPLOYEE UPDATE

Polynesian Cultural Center ☐ October 16, 1980

PCC pays tribute to nine 'living treasures'

A devotional service honoring nine exponents of Polynesian culture will be held in PCC's main theater tomorrow from 8 to 9 a.m.

The nine honorees, recipients of the Center's new Living Treasures Award, were selected for the outstanding contributions they have made to perpetuate their cultural heritage.

The program will include the presentation of commemorative plaques to the honorees and a message from Elder Marvin J. Ashton, president of our Board of Directors and member of the Council of the Twelve Apostles.

It is hoped that this service will set

the precedence for an annual recognition of other such cultural "living treasures" at PCC in the future.

Those who will be honored in tomorrow's program are:

- Lagalaga Alo, master of weaving arts, Samoa
- Epanaia Whaanga Christy, master of carving arts, New Zealand
- Ana Fanene, master of weaving arts, Samoa
- Eugenia "Ma" Logan, master of weaving arts, Hawaii
- Sarah Moanikealaonapua-makahikikina Wood Naluai, master of the hula and performing arts, Hawaii
- Isireli Racule, master composer, musician and builder, Fiji

● William "Pop" Sproat, master of oral traditions, Hawaii

● Mauga Tapusoa, master of oral traditions, protocol and music, Samoa

● Tevita Alamoti Taumoepeau, master of oral traditions, protocol and music, Tonga

Plan on attending the devotional to help pay tribute to these cultural authorities!



Fijians celebrate in fine style

Our Fijian village's Cultural Day last Saturday was a festive celebration enjoyed by hundreds throughout the day.

Highlighting the day's activities were the formal afternoon musical program and the "Pageant of the Long Canoes" decoration and performance contest, in which New Zealand and Tahiti emerged as winners.

For a complete pictorial account of all the festivities, turn to pages 2 and 3. (Incidentally, coming up on Saturday, November 1, will be Samoan Cultural Day. Be watching for details on that celebration in future issues of the Update.)



VIP guide Ropeti Lesa (left) welcomed Dr. Michael Kelly, lord provost of the Scottish city of Glasgow, to the Center on Monday. Dr. Kelly, in Hawaii for a week-long visit to aid the effort to save the Alexander Young Building on Bishop Street, is a champion of historic preservation in England.



Fijian Chief Timoci Sigavata participated in the festivities in full ceremonial costume.



Fijian ladies exhibited their poise and grace as they gathered to enjoy the formal Fijian Cultural Day near the Tongan village.



General Manager Bill Cravens chats with Capt. and Mrs. Shaw, honored guests during Saturday's noontime kava ceremony. Capt. Shaw is commander of the cable ship "Enterprise," which is in port from her home base in Fiji.

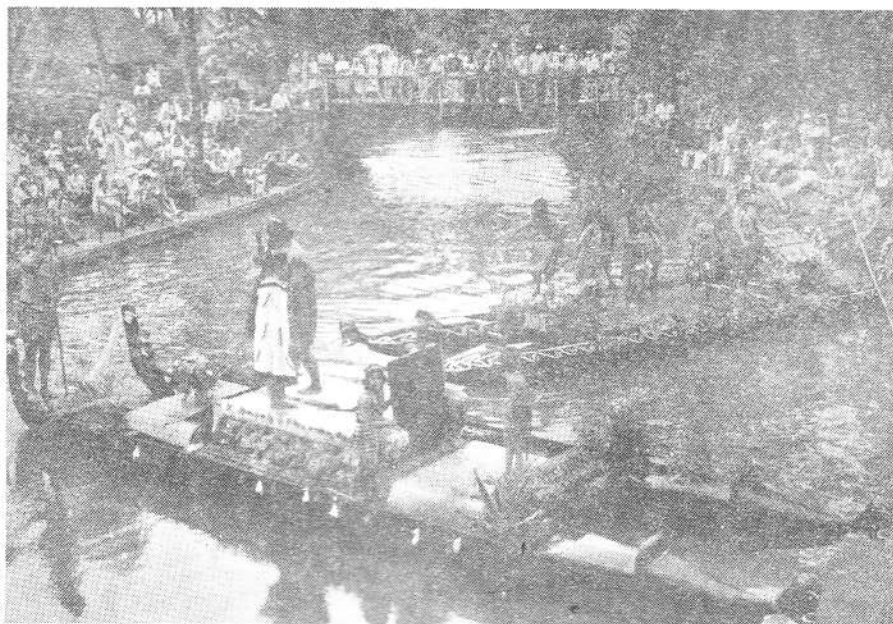


It was the warriors turn to show off their style in a dance away as these Fijian youths in colorful costume

Bula



in this traditional fan dance. Crowds of visitors
program, held at 1:45 p.m. in the celebration area



Proud winners of the canoe pageant's decoration and performance contest were these
Maori villagers and their eye-catching entries. In addition to fresh ferns and flowers, the
Maori canoes displayed beautiful woodcarvings in its first-place effort.

Vinaka!



this exciting spear dance. Cameras kept clicking
exhibited their skill, strength and vitality.

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Pageant set for October 23

PCC beauties vie for Na Hoa Pono title

Six members of our PCC family are among the 13 contestants vying for the title of Miss Na Hoa Pono 1980-81 at BYU-H. "Na Hoa Pono" means "righteous companion" in Hawaiian and contestants will be judged on poise, personality, talent, achievements, appearance and other qualities deemed desirable in a Latter-day Saint woman.

The six contestants from PCC are Wiki Meha (a dancer in our evening show), Sun Hee Choi (who works in The Gateway as a cashier), Ivy Mulipola (an usher in the theater), Dianna Sperling (a Spanish-speaking

guide), Tangikiamu Malu (assistant night supervisor in the Shop Polynesia) and Tinou Godinet (supervisor of the VIP guides).

Other Miss Na Hoa Pono contestants are Jennifer Hale (who used to work in PCC's Concessions Department), Cecilia Angkawidjaja, Bonnie Gaddo, Kim DeRego, Megan Terepocki, Ethel Sammateo and Mae Mallahan.

The Miss Na Hoa Pono pageant will be held at 9:30 p.m. Thursday, October 23, in the BYU-H auditorium. Tickets, at \$1 each, will go on sale Monday at the Aloha Center's

reception desk. All seats are reserved.

Plan on attending the pageant and supporting our PCC sisters!

Pageant activities will culminate with the Na Hoa Pono Ball on Friday, October 24, from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the ballroom. Tickets for this event are \$3.50 per couple (discount extended if you have an activity sticker).

More information on the pageant and the ball is available at the BYU-H Student Association office located in the Aloha Center or by calling 293-9211, extension 219.

Former PCC dancer named Miss Samoa

Eugenia Soliai, a former PCC employee and student at BYU-H, was named Miss Samoa-Hawaii in the annual pageant held recently in Honolulu. The pageant is sponsored by the Samoan Action Movement of America.

Eugenia worked at the Center from April 1978 until June of this year. Among other jobs spread over that time span, she was a hostess in The Gateway, a dancer in the evening show and an office clerk.

During her two years at BYU-H, Eugenia was a member of the school's jazz band and Showcase Hawaii entertainment troupe. She is now a junior at BYU-Provo majoring in biological science.

Tee off at PCC's golf tourney

All those interested in competing in PCC's golf tournament are urged to sign up as soon as possible in the Recreation Department office located near Hale Kuai.

The tourney will be held next Thursday, October 23, at the Hyatt Kulima course with tee-off time set at 12:30 p.m. The green fee, which includes cart rental, is \$14.

Recreation also is taking sign-ups for PCC's new Golf Club. Registration for the club is open to all PCC employees and BYU-H faculty, staff and students.

Membership dues for the club (\$10 per year) must be paid by October 27.

All Golf Club members become eligible to receive a number of fine prizes given away to top scorers in PCC-sponsored tournaments.

Also coming up is PCC's tennis tournament, which will begin on Tuesday, November 4. There will be singles and doubles competition in both men's and women's divisions. Interested players may sign up now in the Recreation office.

Have questions on any of these activities? Call the Recreation Department at extension 153 for details.

Shops' sale ends Friday

A reminder -- today and tomorrow are the last days you can take advantage of the special sale going on at the Shop Polynesia and Hale Kuai in commemoration of PCC's 17th anniversary.

By showing your identification card to the cashier, you'll receive 40% off on everything except cameras, film and perfume (you'll receive 20% off on these items). The sale is in effect from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

BYU--H Calendar

Friday, October 17

● Jazz concert featuring singer Mavis Rivers, 7:30 p.m. auditorium. Admission charge is \$1 for BYU-H faculty, staff and students. Tickets are available at the Aloha Center main desk or at the door.

Saturday, October 18

● Double feature, "Sleeping Beauty" and "The Jungle Book," 5:30 and 9 p.m., auditorium. Admission charge.

Tuesday, October 21

● World Adventure film, "The Rhine," 7:30 p.m., Little Theater. Admission charge.

● Women's volleyball team faces Hawaii Pacific College, 7:30 p.m., BYU-H gym.

Wednesday, October 22

● Forum, 10:30 a.m., Little Theater.

Thursday, October 23

● Miss Na Hoa Pono Pageant, 9:30 p.m., auditorium.