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Polynesian Cultural Center



## Tongan Cultural Day



Tongan Chief Alamoti Taumoepeau

*Chief Alamoti T. Taumoepeau  
and the  
Tongan Village Employees  
cordially invite you  
to join in the celebrating of  
TONGAN CULTURAL DAY  
Saturday, December 5, 1981  
Scheduled Village Activities  
1:40 p.m. - on going*

*MALO E LELEI*



Photo by Vernice Pere

## Employee Wins The Coveted Crown

The honor of Miss No Hoa Pono for this year has been bestowed upon PCC Reservations employee Maria Fonoiomoana who will be the recipient of more than a crown and roses but will also receive a large educational scholarship.

Also honored at the pageant was former Gateway employee May Kwong who was chosen as second runner up.

Cindy Cowell (1st runner up), Maria Fonoiomoana (Miss Na Hoa Pono), May Kwong (2nd runner up), and Shelly Soenpiet (3rd runner up).

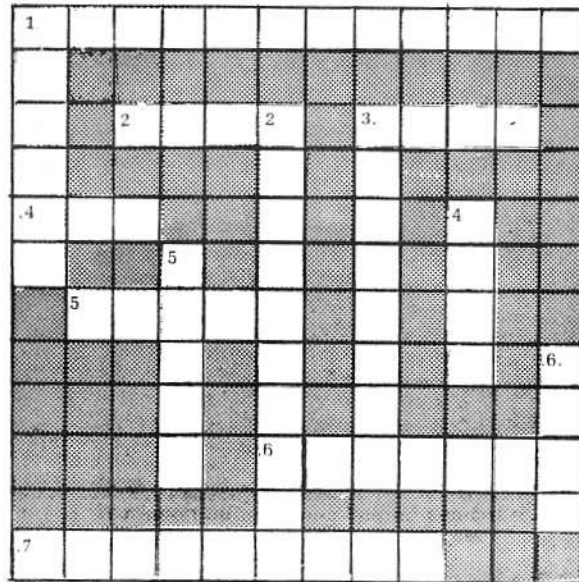


# CENTER NEWS

## Happy Birthday

Verdetta Kekuaokalani	November	26
Jane Kuamoo		26
Puese Finai		26
Meliame Unga		27
Maii Toanimatang		27
George Tollefsen		27
Sophia Campbell		27
Susan Christensen		28
Arthur Hannemann		29
Jose Varela		29
Cynthia Stephens		29
Migao Tevaga		30
Jack Uale		30
Paul Nihipali		30
Parkinson Scott		30
Molonai Iongi		30
Sione Fitiseanu		30
Judith Arcansalan		30
Alice Logan	December	1
Vernice Pere		1
William Ernestburg		1
Tammy Chai		1
Uitili Fehoko		1
Inoke Fohe		1
Haunani Kaanaana		2
James Nuimatalolo		3

## Puzzle



## Thanksgiving

### Across

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Day
2. Vessel pilgrims came in
3. What we eat
4. \_\_\_\_\_ of corn
5. Show gratitude
6. Journeyer
7. \_\_\_\_\_ sauce

### Down

1. Thanksgiving fowl
2. Desert made of jack-o-lantern
3. Favorite TV sports
4. Harvest the \_\_\_\_\_
5. Cranberry \_\_\_\_\_
6. Sweet potatoes

## Pre-Christmas Sale

Get your Christmas presents now! Shop Polynesia is having a special pre-Christmas discount sale for all employees. Sale starts immediately and will extend through Christmas.

Please be aware that the 40% discount is a privilege extended to PCC employees only. It is not to be extended to friends, tourists, and non PCC employees. Only your immediate family (your children, your spouse, and your parents) may use the discount and then ONLY when accompanied by you. No exceptions.



## ADMISSION ★ DISCOUNT ★ for Family Week

The Polynesian Cultural Center -- is offering a special general admission discount to Fiftieth State residents during Hawaii Family Week, Nov. 21 through 28th.

During "family week," Hawaii residents can purchase the regular \$12 general admission ticket for \$2.50 per person, up to a maximum of \$10 per immediate family.

Also available at this time are 1982 "Lei Alii" passes for both individuals and families, good for unlimited admission to the Center's grounds.

## ☆ Volleyball ☆ Schedule

This weeks volleyball schedule:

### MEN

**December 1st**  
Coral Kingdom  
7:30 p.m.

### WOMEN

**December 1st**  
Budget Rent-A-Car  
7:30 p.m.

**December 3rd**  
Grayline  
6:30 p.m.

All games will be played at Paoa Gym!

## Photo Orders

If you have ordered photos from the Malietoa exhibit please pick them up in the Public Relations office (Vernice Pere or Loni Manning) Administration Building. The deadline for ordering photos has already expired.

Students Takeover Again

# PAAC Director Surveys Conference Site

Brenda Lee Foster, Executive Director of the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council visited the Center last week with her assistant Wanda Sako in an effort to arrange the program and facilities for PAAC Club conference planned for February 25th of next year.

The PAAC is an organization designed to supplement high school curriculum with conferences, programs and exchanges which will educate students as well as adults in the different aspects of the Asian and Pacific cultures.

Last year Kahuku High PAAC members hosted the conference at the Center where nearly 200 student club members from around the islands learned about the different Pacific cultures represented in the villages from their host students of Kahuku who literally 'took over' the Center for a morning as guides, demonstrators, canoe paddlers and cultural experts.

Many friendships and cultural bonds were built from this experience. PAAC leaders and past participants are hoping for even more such experiences at February's reunion conference.

PAAC executive Brenda Foster and her assistant Wanda, in conjunction with their work in PAAC have the opportunity to work regularly with the World Affairs Council, the East West Center, and other research and foreign policy making bodies.

They also conduct workshops for teachers and accompany student tours to Asian and Pacific countries.

Mrs. Foster has traveled extensively in Asia and the Pacific and is a fluent speaker and translator of the Mandarin language.

PCC Education Director Baden Pere will be finalizing the details and arrangements for the February conference.



Photo by Loni Manning

Wanda Sako, Baden Pere with PAAC Director Brenda Foster.

## For Your Safety's Sake

Each week the recently formed 10 member safety committee meets to discuss ideas that will make the center more safe for visitors and employees. These ideas and safety hints will be published by the committee in the Update for your information.

The safety committee members include:

- Bob Guest - Chairman
- Pat Peters of Maintenance
- Kalili Hunt of Village Operations
- Kosena Fonoimoana of Safety
- Wayne Mack of Security
- Jack Uale of Theatre
- Simi Niumatalolo of Food Service
- Tele Hill of First Aid
- Vernice Pere of Public Relations
- Sam Langi of Operations Division



Members of the Safety Committee: Standing - Max Purcell, Kosena Fonoimoana. Sitting - Pat Peters, Tele Hill, Sam Langi.

Photo by Loni Manning

# NEWS

## Stakes Split, Administrator Called

"Prayer is the key for the day and the lock for the night", says former Laie Tour Guide Lata Fale. Lata was one of four speakers at the Saturday session of the BYU-HC Stake Conference who were asked to present ideas on "Bringing the lost back into the fold". Also speaking on this subject was tram driver Newman Soloai who states that, "... we all need friendly love and fellowship, ... people don't lose their testimony but confidence in themselves."

Also on the program was Cultural Orientation employee Neil Rose who spoke on the subject of "Response To Activation".

The main speakers for the Saturday conference included Regional Representative, Elder John Baird and presiding authority Thomas S. Monson who addressed the topic of "Membership Activation", by relating personal experiences of success stories in their own wards.

The 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning session saw the Cannon Activity Center filled as BYU-HC Stake mem-

### Carl Fonoimoana



bers sang "The Spirit of God Like a Fire is Burning".

Elder Monson presided as the proposal to divide the stake was unanimously sustained by the 1,940 members present (over 100% of the Stake population). President Shumway will continue to preside over the BYU-HC Stake (singles) with Weston White as 1st councilor and PCC Assistant to the General Manager, Carl Fonoimoana, as second councilor. Former PCC Education specialist Howard Lua was called as a new high councilman.

Elder Monson addressed the membership on the subject of "recognizing opportunities when we are called and serving willingly."

## Employee Notice



If you had a payroll deduction for your turkey you may pick it up at the purchasing warehouse between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Wed November 25th. Please show your I.D. to receive your turkey.

## Introducing:



### Bruce R. McConkie

Doctrines of Salvation.

Elder McConkie has had extensive church experience, having served as a General Authority of the Church since 1946. For 26 years he was a member of the First Council of the Seventy. From 1961 to 1964 he served as President of the Southern Australian Mission with headquarters in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

Elder McConkie is a graduate of the University of Utah and holds the degrees of bachelor of arts and doctor of juris. He has served on the Church Board of Education and on the Board of Trustees of the Brigham Young University.

He served four years in the U.S. armed services during World War II, returning to civilian life with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. As a General Authority, he has served as Servicemen's Coordinator for the Church, supervising the spiritual guidance of thousands of young men in the armed services. He was also the City prosecutor for Salt Lake City.

Elder McConkie was born July 29, 1915, in Ann Arbor Michigan to Oscar W. and Vivian R. McConkie. He is married to Amelia Smith, a daughter of President Joseph Fielding Smith. They are the parents of nine children.

Elder Bruce R. McConkie -- an author, attorney, and public official -- is a member of the Council of the Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He is the author of Mormon Doctrine, an encyclopedia-type work covering more than 1100 gospel subjects, and a three volume Doctrinal New Testament Commentary, containing 2015 pages of commentary on the four gospels, Acts, The Epistles, and The Book of Revelation. He is also the compiler and editor of three volumes of the sermons and writings of President Joseph Fielding Smith, entitled,

Sidewalks Set In Cement

# Handicapped Freeway

## Give Thanks!

Pilgrims in the early 1600's seeking religious freedom from the powerful European churches journeyed to the Americas in ships. One of the more well known of these ships was the "Mayflower" of 1620. Many such groups settled on the Eastern coast of North America and began to grow crops. Some of them arriving in the late season had a long wait before receiving a bountiful harvest after which great feasting and celebration took place, a tradition of thanks that is now recognized as the National holiday of Thanksgiving celebrated on the last Thursday of November in the United States and in October in Canada. Other countries also celebrate similar holidays such as in the Philippines and in the agricultural villages of Asia and Europe.

We all have different ways of celebrating the Thanksgiving holiday and we have many different thoughts of what we are thankful for. Looking back over a long life of Thanksgivings and anticipating future ones, one elderly wrote these poetic words:

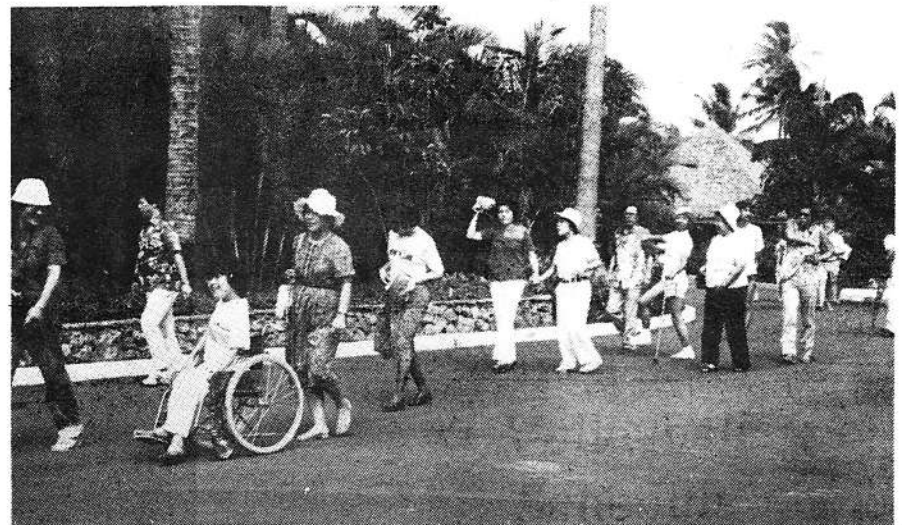
### Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread

*Food's fun. God,  
Thanks for making it  
And for giving me enough.  
If I can't have steak every day,  
It's better that way.  
Hunger hones appetite,  
And scarcity abets festivity.  
I remember reading a book about a man and a boy  
Celebrating Christmas in a cabin in the wilderness.  
Maine. I think it was.  
They opened a timed pudding and set it aflame  
And tasted ecstasy,  
Help me be grateful and not greedy.  
Feed the hungry, Lord.  
Forgive my excesses, and  
Remind me to share.  
You can't want us to spend too much time  
Thinking about food and yet  
You made so many deliciousnesses:  
Melons and pears, oysters and champagne,  
Graham crackers and apple butter,  
Almonds and cheese.  
You must have meant to please us, God.  
And You do.*



Photo by Loni Manning

Workmen follow along behind cement truck to smooth out new walks in Samoan Village.



Japanese handicapped group on their way to the matinee show after trying out the new sidewalks in the villages.

If you heard an unusual grinding noise as you walked through the villages last week you may have been surprised to find a cement truck and several workers laying sidewalks throughout the village areas of the Center directed by supervisor Gala Kanahale.

The 11 man crew worked late into the night last week to finish the construction of the walks before the daily traffic of visitors each day.

Many elderly and handicapped groups visiting the Center have had some difficulty getting around through the gravel roadways with wheel chairs, canes and other handicaps. The new walks will make it easier and more convenient for these people to see all of the villages and attractions on their limited schedules. It will also add convenience to the Center's workers who must walk or drive electric carts from office to office.

# EDITORIAL

## viewpoint

### What Does Thanksgiving Mean To You?

Wilda Paalua --

Giving thanks to the one above and the joy and excitement of preparing and gathering with family and friends. Lots of turkey. . .

Chuck Rivers --

As a foreigner living in Hawaii it means a time of recognition of the founders of the nation. A time to honor those forebearers who had courage and initiative to leave their homes and strike out on their own for a new life. It means freedom of religion and beliefs.

Laura Colbert --

A time of reflection, thoughts of home, family and dear friends and how many houses I can hit for the special eats!

Alice Logan --

We like to look for someone in our ward that we can give Thanksgiving food or dinner to. I like to go visit my family and eat their cooking.

Keith Awai --

It is a time for the Hawaiian family (Ohana) to celebrate, get together and exchange stories and news since the last time we saw each other.

Josie Kahiapo --

Being thankful for what I have and sharing it with my family . . . Being thankful that we have the gospel to share with other people.

Sharon Ishii --

It is a special reminder of all the things that I have to be thankful for personally as well as working for the Center.

Nanette Steward --

It means time to show our thankfulness for all of the things we have.

Elliot Ozu --

A day to give thanks to our Heavenly Father for all of the things he has made available for us, besides food, such as good health, family, friends, and environment.

Alma Barril --

It is important that we take time to give thanks for our blessings.

Paula Taosoga --

Time for families to get together. All day of feasting. . . Sharing time, and 'Talk Stories'.

Ruel Lacanienta --

A day to recollect blessings we have received. To be thankful we are alive. . . Every day should be a 'thanksgiving' day not just one day a year.

Yu-fa Liu --

I don't know much about the American holiday. My friends and I plan to spend Thanksgiving Day at a professors home for dinner. In our country the peasants and farmers have an informal celebration on the different days after a bountiful harvest of the crops, where relatives get together and spend time with each other.

## BYU-HC Calendar

### Wednesday, November 25th

University Forum  
Loveland/Garside  
Little Theatre, 10:30 a.m.

Film Classic  
Auditorium, 6:30 p.m. & 9:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball  
Cannon Center, 7:30 p.m.

### Thursday, November 26th

★ THANKSGIVING ★

### Friday, November 27th

Basketball  
Tip Off Tournament  
Cannon Center  
Women's Volleyball  
George Washington University  
Gym, 7:30 p.m.

Movie  
Oldies But Goodies  
9 p.m.

### Saturday, November 28th

Movie  
"One Little Indian"  
Basketball  
Tip Off Tournament  
Cannon Center

### Monday, November 30th

Student Drama  
Little Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

## Christmas In Tahiti Half Price

Have you been wanting to go to Tahiti for Christmas? Well, now you can! A private individual in Honolulu has a round-trip ticket for sale at about 1/2 price (\$600). The ticket must be used before December 31st. For more information contact John Catllonch at 521-8080. If not there leave a message.