# UPDATE 87



### **Announcement**

Ralph G. Rodgers, Jr., President and General Manager of the Polynesian Cultural Center, to-day announced that inasmuch as his present contract with the Polynesian Cultural Center ends in 1988, he has decided to relocate in Salt Lake City, Utah as of July 1, 1988.

Elder Marvin J. Ashton, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Polynesian Cultural Center and a member of the Council of the Twelve Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, has asked Mr. Rodgers to accept a position with the Center as Technical Consultant, which would include the responsibilities of artistic direction and future development and the oversight of cultural and theatrical presentations and other future product enhancements yet to be announced.

The Center's Board of Directors expressed their gratitude to Mr. Rodgers for the fine work that he has done while serving as general manager and president. Under his direction, the Center has strengthened its financial position, increased its support of the programs of Brigham Young University-Hawaii, and regained its position as the preeminent cultural and educational tourist attraction in the Pacific area.



President Ralph G. Rodgers, Jr.

#### IMAX Image Maximization

There's a new word we will all know very soon. It is actually an acronym for Image Maximization and refers to the newest film process in existence in the film-making industry today.

The word is IMAX, and has come to refer to movies of giant proportions and the movie theaters built especially to show them. An IMAX film is usually between 35-60 minutes long. The film used is 2½ X 2½ inches, and projects on to a screen 90ft high and 130ft wide. Imagine a 9 story building. That is how high an IMAX movie screen is.

An IMAX theater comes equipped with 12 track Dolby stereo sound and seats 900 people. All this special equipment provides a lot more than just a movie. In an IMAX movie, a viewer feels like a participant in the action on the screen as the large visual images impress upon his senses and affect them.

There are some 65 IMAX theaters and films around the world. Some of the best known films include "The Grand Canyon", "The Dream is Alive" filmed in outer space with the crew of the Challenger spacecraft, "Niagara", "To Fly", and a new production, "The Alamo."

Mormon movie maker, Keith Merrill, who won an Academy Award for his documentary, "The Great American Cowboy", is named as co-producer, along with Ralph Rodgers, of the PCC film which will premier in the newest IMAX theater next year on our grounds.

This theater will be located where Yoshimura Store now stands and extend into the Tongan Village area. Soon guests will be able to take a break from walking, put their feet up, and feel as if they are actually **experiencing** Polynesia at the movies!



#### Yoshiies Taking A Walk

Actually, Yoshies is crossing the road! In preparation for construction of the IMAX theater, Yoshimura store will be crossing the road for relocation in the garden patch on the restroom end of the Marketplace building.

In addition, the present Canoe Tours boarding dock will be closed and boarding will be from the opposite side of the lagoon which is now used for disembarking.

All plans for the new project which will start early next year allow for the smooth operation of existing activities so as not to disrupt the present guest program. As the date nears, alternate arrangements for Tongan demonstrations and activities will be provided ensuring that all employees will continue with their present duties uninterrupted.

#### Guests Express Thanks

October 15, 1987

Dear Sirs:

Upon my visit to your establishment my partner and I met one of your employees. We were very impressed with his hospitality and kindness. He gave us the name of Junior. We would like to receive his full name and home address as we would like to send him a package (and invitation) to visit us and enjoy our hospitality. He was one of the canoe pushers. We were enlightened and very impressed. He made our stay on your island a very enjoyable one. We would like to send him our thanks.

Sincerely yours,
Anna Szazy
David Roof
President, San Jose Chamber of
Commerce

Canoe Tours manager, Delsa Moe, identifies Junior Fuimaono as the guide who earned these thanks. Congratulations Junior!

#### Security Bulletin

Lately, a number of employees have reported break-ins and theft of their personal property from their lockers located in the employee building. All employees are reminded that we discourage anyone from bringing in large amounts of cash and valuables (i.e., jewelry, checks, etc.). It is evident that some people are skilled in picking locks or using other methods in getting into others' lockers. It is highly unlikely that anything will be returned. We ask for your assistance. If you see anything or anyone suspicious please contact Security at 3111 or 3025. If you believe you have had something stolen please report it to Security immediately.

We hope we will be able to put an end to this matter and would appreciate any help that you can give.

We welcome the following employees to our Super Security Team:

Hiketeru Tevaga Day Shift

Vaitulu Taulafoga Graveyard Shift

Julio Gaceres Graveyard Shift

The Security department expresses gratitude to Liufau Tuifua (Swing Shift Supervisor) who was patrolling during gusty winds recently and noticed imu fires that had been left burning and unattended in both the Tahitian and Samoan villages. Liufau extinguished both fires, thus preventing possible damage to the huts.

Thanks are also extended to **Sione Schaunkel** who spotted some youths breaking into a guest's car while patrolling the parking lot. As Sione gave chase the group fled, but his alertness prevented a robbery and protected our guest's property.

"Mahalo" for a job well done to Liufau and Sione!

We have been having a problem with motorcycles and mopeds blocking Fleet Service areas. Effective immediately, all motorcycles must be parked in the employee parking lot. All mopeds must be parked at the bike rack. Security will begin to enforce this.

#### Mahalo For Mahalo

What do you get when you combine 2.400 meat sticks, 600 taro balls, 1200 curried chicken pieces, 1200 pineapple bars, 40lbs of Bay Shrimp and 40 gals of otai? You get the year's best "Mahalo Party" in Honolulu's tourist industry!

President Rodgers thanked all those employees who worked to prepare last Friday's event attended by 450 Waikiki industry people. The night was fabulous fun for everyone and an example of what we might do on a regular basis for future evening entertainment.

Thanks go to Tony Haiku and his crew who transformed each village into romantic settings with lights behind the waterfalls and in the trees. Also to Delsa Moe and Pule Galeai who organized the canoe boys and village workers into "spooks" for a night canoe ride that was both scary and hilarious.

Emosi Damuni and other village workers welcomed each guest and entertained them during their dinner. Nona Enesa and her Snack Bar employees handed out ice cream bars for the canoe ride, Christy Aldanese and the Sales and Marketing gang joined Bryan Bowles in welcoming the crowd and expressing our thanks for their support this year.

Joe Berardy and Special Projects placed 150 paper sack lanterns along the pathways and added a glow to the village walk that matched the evening, while the Gateway crews began their work two days before, preparing seafood salads, raw fish, drinks, and platters of fruit and vegetables.

Guests at the event commented, "When the Polynesian Cultural Center puts on a show it is really first class!"

### **HOST has** the **MOST**

Shop Polynesia celebrated their 3rd Annual Halloween Costume Contest on Saturday, Oct 31st. It was quite a sight to see, and also lots of fun. The winners were:

#### 1st Prize Winner \$50.00

Moon Man McNite (From the McDonald's Commercial) Sterling Smith

#### 2nd Prize Winner \$37.50

Wolfman of Hale Kuai Lawrence Apo

#### 3rd Prize Winner \$25.00

Between the Shower Curtains John Dorff

#### 4th Prize Winner Buella of Hut 2 Mayla Marsing

These folks will be selecting their prize from the "Gallery Collection" Catalog, which is part of an incentive program provided by HOST. Congratulations to everyone who participated!

Congratulations go to Melinda Myers on being selected our Most Valued Performer for October. Melinda has demonstrated friendliness and smiles to our customers and is always there when you need her. Her positive attitude and team effort has earned her \$50.00 in cash.

Recently, a customer came in the shop and very nearly fainted...she could not breathe. Fili Matagi quickly called First Aid, then took the guest to a place where she could sit down. She stayed with the guest, calming her and her husband in a relaxed cheerful manner while administering cold packs to her forehead and massaging her shoulders until First Aid came.

Fili made what could have been an embarrassing and terrifying time a much easier time for this guest who appreciated the time and care Fili took.

With Christmas only a month away, Shop Polynesia extends a 40% Discount on all allowable items in our Shop.

This discount applies to all PCC & BYU employees holding a valid PCC or BYU Identification Card. This discount does not apply to Gold Card Members.

Why not come in and browse! Make your shopping list for that Special Someone in your life. Mark your calendar and reserve your shopping days for Shop Polynesia on **December 7 through 12**, and Happy Shopping!

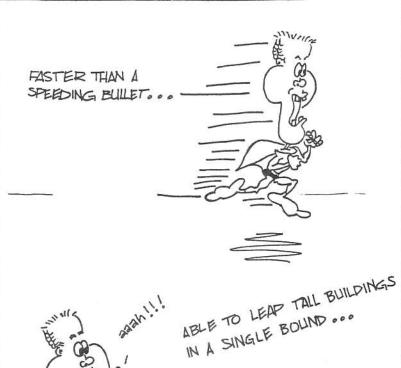
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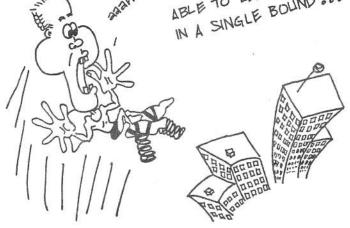
Please help us welcome a new employee to the HOST team. Her name is **Luana Atoa**, and she has recently returned from serving a mission in Italy.

Luana will be goin thru a 3-day Sales Associate Training Skills Program this week. Please stop by and make her feel welcome...she'll even converse with youlin Italian.Welcome aboard, Luana! We hope your stay will be long and fun.



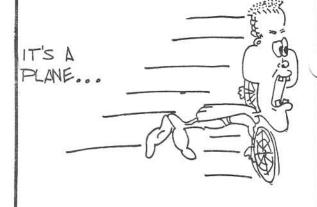
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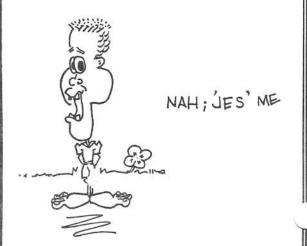










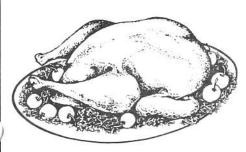


#### Da Best Dressed

What's purple and yellow and heard all over? It has to be the Spontaneous Activities music group!

If you didn't notice this group before it's probably because of their old, faded uniforms. You'll notice them now in standout Polynesian print shirts of purple and yellow or black and yellow teamed with white lavalavas and shell necklaces.

And guess what? -- The group sounds as good as it looks!



### Personnel Personals

There is a need to re-emphasize our policy regarding transfers. Both PCC and BYU agree that there can be no transfers during a semester or term. Students may not transfer between PCC and BYU or between departments without the approval of the Executive Committee.

As Christmas approaches departments may find the need for adjustments in their staffing as students are allowed to transfer jobs only during school breaks such as the Christmas break. As the last day of BYU classes is December 11, applications for student job transfers will not be taken until then.

Job additions are allowed during semester breaks and a student may add extra hours by increasing their current work hours or adding another position. Please be aware, however, that a student must remain in their current, or first, position for the remainder of the semester or be terminated from all positions held.

## Disability Information

When an employee wants to go on TDI, the employee must meet certain requirements prior to the form being issued.

Any employee who is not a student and meets the eligibility requirements, whether hired on a part-time or full-time basis must be provided TDI coverage by his employer. Each employee must have worked at least 20 hours or more or earned not less than \$400.00 in the four complete calendar quarters proceeding the first day of disability. DISABILITY CONT...

Any questions pertaining to this matter, please call Maka Obina at the Personeel office, extension 3191. Mahalo.

### "Let's Talk Housekeeping"

Congratulations to **Donna Hodges**, wife of **Sale Hodges** of the Custodial Day Crew. Donna was baptized a member of the Church recently. We love you and welcome you!

Welcome, also, to the following new employees who have joined the Custodial clan:

Aaron Tuck Keala Aikau Erminda Teano Krista Kunze Edwin Reed Julie Padua Peni Kioa Kathryn Pitt Weston Enos

#### Graphics Grows

Welcome to our two new employees in the Graphics Department, Mary "Lisa" Murray, and Crystal Lafeuers. Lisa is our new Clerk/Typist and Crystal is joining our team of Graphics Assistants.

## Cash For Beauty

The second big "Beautify Your Home" contest is underway. This is your chance to clean up, fix up, enhance the general appearance of you home and win money besides. You can win one of seven district \$250.00 prizes or the GRAND PRIZE of \$500.00. This contest is brought to you by the Laie Community Association and is sponsored by the Polynesian Cultural Center. The first judging is January 30 and the final judging is April 30. You can pick up an entry blank at the Zion's Security office or from Delma Baldridge, 55-461 Naniloa Loop.

### Business Office Takes Turkey Time

The Business and Personnel offices will be closed November 26 and 27. If you have any business to take care of please do so before the 26th.

#### Business Notes

- Payroll office is now located on the second floor of the Employee Facility Building.
- 2. Happy Birthday to **Julie McBride**, October 23, who is with the Personnel Office.
- Congratulations to Halacy Chu: 7lb baby girl, born at home on September 20.
- Business Office welcomes aboard Alan Koff who is with our Accounts Payable department.

#### How Do You Spend Thanksgiving Day

Osamu: I reflect on my missionary days and graduation from BYU-HC.

Alii: Playing cricket at BYU field - Samoan cricket.

**Chuck Rivers:** Go to Malaekahana, if raining go back and eat dinner at home and watch T.V.

Sharon F: S L E E P...alone.

Lorin: Used to ice skating on pond in Washington, playing hockey.

Cim: read 1001 Ways to Use Leftover Turkey. Vowing to eat out next

Thanksgiving.

Val: Go motorbike riding.

Mildred: Go to girl friend's house eat, sing, and dance.

## **Christmas Home Decorating Contest**

Announcing the big Laie Community Association's Christmas Home Decorating Contest. This is your chance to capture the Christmas spirit and to share it with your neighborhood, your community, and, who knows, perhaps, the world! Decorate you home for Christmas and win cash besides. WIN \$50.00 in either of four categories: most creative, best use of natural materials, best religious theme, and best non-religious theme. Or, enter another category and WIN one of the four \$25.00 prizes given for a decorated door and/or window. Judging is Thursday, December 17, from 7 to 9 p.m. Enter this contest by filling out a form at Zion's Securities or calling 293-1440 or 293-5930.

## Thanks, George!

Last week **Eric Petersen** of the Security Swing Shift lost his wallet containing a large sum of money. Fortunately for Eric, it was found by **George Nihipali** of the Graveyard Shift.

George turned it in to the Security office but refused a reward that Eric offered. Security employees say George is "a nice guy to work with"...and honest as well. Thanks, George.

### **Update Notice**

If you can't find any news of your department in the Update, please ask your manager and/or department secretary to make sure that you are not left out of the next issue.

Update will print all news sent in by the departments, but cannot print news that is not sent in.



Nov. 25 - Dec. 5

Wednesday 25

Turkey w/stuffing and gravy, rice, cranberry, pumpkin pie, drink

Thursday 26

Closed For Thanksgiving

Friday 27

Sandwiches: Roast Beef, Turkey, Homemade macaroni, salad, soup, drink

Saturday 28

Chili Franks, Swiss Beef w/gravy, rice, oriental mix, peas, drink

Monday 30

Sweet and Sour Meatballs, Chicken Ala King, rice, tossed salad, drink

Tuesday, December 1 Newburg, Baked Chicken w/gravy, rice, drink, pasta salad

Wednesday 2

Sandwiches: Ham, Cheese, Tuna, or Egg, Homemade macaroni salad, soup, drink, tomatoes/lettuce

Thursday 3

Deep Fry Mahi w/tartar sauce, Kalua pig, rice, mixed vegetables, drink

Friday 4

Hamburger Steak, Sweet & Sour Spareribs, rice, corn, drink

Saturday 5

Braised Beef tips w/gravy, BBC Chicken, rice, mixed vegetables, drink