

EMPLOYEE UPDATE

Polynesian Cultural Center

February 1, 1980

Maori village gets set for Waitangi Day



Frankie Stevens

Guest performer at our Waitangi Day celebration next week Saturday will be popular singer Frankie Stevens, who comes from New Zealand. Frankie currently is playing a gig at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel in Waikiki. PCC's first cultural day of 1980 is just about a week away. Our brothers and sisters from New Zealand are preparing for their Waitangi Day celebration, which will take place on Saturday, February 9. The special presentation of traditional songs, dances and chants will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the Maori village.

As an added treat, popular island singer Frankie Stevens will render "God Defend New Zealand," New Zealand's national anthem, and will be the featured soloist for "Terina," a number composed by our cultural specialist, Tommy Taurima. Frankie currently is entertaining at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel's Monarch Room.

Honored guest for the Waitangi Day celebration will be Sir James Henare, who was knighted in 1978 by Maori Queen Dame Te Atairangikaahu for his distinguished record as a government and military leader and humanitarian in New Zealand.

This year marks 140 years since 50 Maori chiefs, led by a man named Waitangi, signed the Treaty of Waitangi making New Zealand an official domain of the British crown.

Waitangi Day is traditionally observed on February 6 as a national holiday in New Zealand. PCC celebrates the occasion on the Saturday nearest this date.

BYU--H Calendar

Friday, February 1

- Concert by Annapolis Brass Quintet, auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, available at the door, will be \$2 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12 years old.
- Women's basketball team faces Shasta College, gym, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 2

• Movie, "Pink Panther Strikes Again," auditorium, 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. Admission charge.

●Women's basketball team meets Shasta College, gym, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 6

Men's basketball challenges Chaminade University, gym, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 7

● Homecoming Pageant, auditorium, 9 p.m. Admission charge is \$1. All seats are reserved.

A bit of PCC sunshine to warm the soul

Despite the torrential rainstorm that hit the islands a few weeks ago, visitors were able to find a bit of sunshine when they braved the wind and heavy downpours and came out to PCC.

For example, Mrs. Pat Simmons sent this note from Newberg, Oregon: Just had to write to let you know how much we enjoyed the Center. We went on the urging of a friend of ours. She said we mustn't miss it. She was right. We were there last Thursday, the day it rained all day and night, but we really enjoyed ourselves.

"Your young performers made us



forget the downpours with their smiles and pleasing performances. Delightful! Hope to see it in the sunshine."

It would've been easy to let the miserable weather dampen our cheer also. But, thanks to those of you who shared warm smiles and handshakes in the chill, those guests who spent a rather wet visit with us had a good time...an enjoyable time that wouldn't have been possible without your sincere caring and going the extra mile.

That's the spirit of love and mercy Christ taught that we should have. That's the true spirit of Polynesia!

Immigration problems? Help is available!

Nolan Reed's official title at BYU-H is International Student Adviser. Working out of the school's Student Services Offices, he is a valuable friend that many foreign students don't realize they have -- especially when they have concerns about their immigration status.

If you are a foreign student, Reed is your liaison with the U.S. Immigration Office downtown. As such, he can solve most of the problems you encounter as an alien in this country.

As an example, Reed cited a case where two students had come to Hawaii with the wrong type of visas. Normally, when discovered, they would have been required to return to their homelands immediately.

But, Reed said, he was able to discuss the situation with Immigration officials and get forms to change their status. The students were allowed to stay once everything was cleared up.

"Perhaps a lot of these students don't realize exactly how much I can assist them," Reed said. "So they go straight to the Immigration Office in town -- many times when I could have handled it right here. I'm working for them. I'm their advocate."

Reed is available for counseling Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. His office is located at the Student Services Department in the Aloha Center. Call him at 293-9211, extension 210 to make an appointment.

3-on-3 tourney standouts

Congratulations to the following teams for placing tops in PCC's three-on-three basketball tournament, held last Saturday at the BYU--H gym.

WOMEN'S DIVISION

1st place: Terina Paewai, Nola Poutoa, Taeao Lolotai

2nd place: Leeann Johannson, Lori Kaw. Daisy Dial

3rd place: Ronel Akiu, Rissi Akiu, Keau Johnson

MEN'S DIVISION 5'11" AND UNDER, NOVICE

1st place: Silas Fontes, Levani Damuni, Mosula Purcell

2nd place: Vae Soifua, Falani Soliai. Sam Ili **3rd place:** Pele Leiataua, Peter Tailele, Ross Mau

MEN'S DIVISION 5'11" AND UNDER, OPEN

1st place: Toalei Toelupe, Jeff Gillette, Randy Williams **2nd place:** Robsin Chong, Tino Satele, Rene Doria

MEN'S DIVISION 6' AND UP, OPEN

1st place: Jim Ballou, Roy Aumua, Frank Kamae

2nd place: Allen Anae, Dean Almodova, Pea Hill

3rd place: Johnny Moors, Fiti Fonoti James Purcell

PCC gals compete in USVBA tourney

A team of gals from PCC and Laie community will compete tomorrow in a USVBA (U.S. Volleyball Association) tourney beginning at 8:30 a.m. at Klum Gym, University of Hawaii—Manoa Campus. There's no admission charge to the event. Come out and root for our girls if you can!