



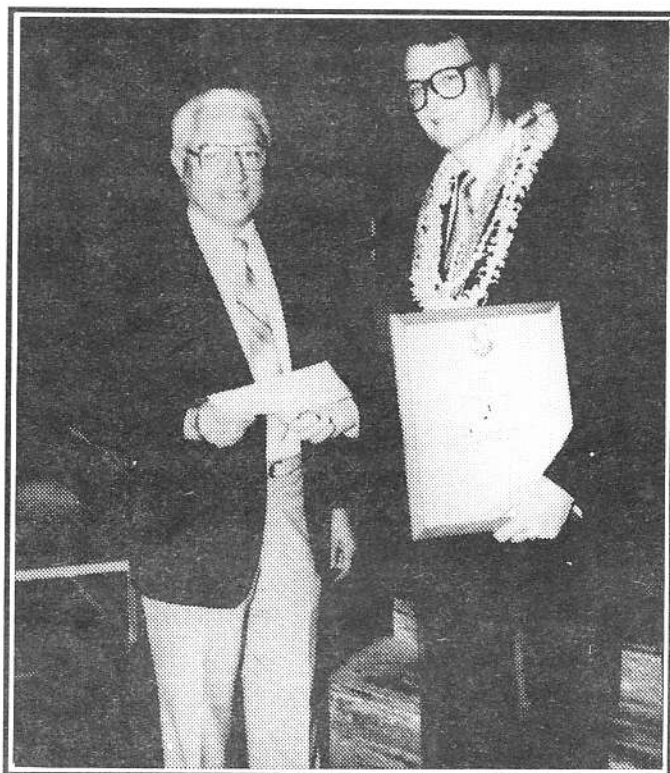
Polynesian Cultural Center

# UPDATE '90

Employee Newsletter

Friday, February 16, 1990

## Dr. James A. Smith Honored as 1990 David O. McKay Lecturer



*Sr. Vice President T. David Hannemann presents Dr. James A. Smith with a check for \$1,000 as the 1990 David O. McKay Lecturer*

As part of the BYU-Hawaii Founders Day celebration, the traditional David O. McKay Lecture was presented on Thursday, February 8th. The speaker was Dr. James A. Smith spoke on the topic "Music: The Power and the Glory Forever.

Dr. Smith has been the Choir director at BYU-Hawaii since 1976. His specialty is choral and vocal music and he directs the Concert Choir as well as the Seaside Singers. He is also the founder of the Laie Choral Union, which has performed the masterworks of choral/orchestral music for the community over the past 14 years.

Dr. Smith and his wife, Linda are the parents of six

children. The oldest son is currently on a mission, the oldest daughter is a freshman at BYU-Hawaii.

In the lecture, Dr. Smith maintained that music is a participative experience. While the creator of a musical piece and the performer of that piece may agree what the music is supposed to do, a factor Smith called "inexactness" is important in music, because it "leaves room for the imagination of the listener to work... to be an active participant. He must struggle as the creator did, to find the pattern, the significance.

As part of the honor, Dr. Smith was presented with a check for \$1,000 by the Polynesian Cultural Center. This program is just part of a whole package of educational programs that show the Center's dedication to the quality and necessity of good education. Other programs include the Sterling Scholar Awards, the Junior Guide Program, the Teacher of the Year Program, and generous donation to the local schools and PTSA organizations.

Also as a part of the David O. McKay Lecture, it was announced that the 1991 Lecture will be given by Dr. Jesse Crisler, Chairman of the Division of Literature, Language and Communication.

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*Happy 35th Birthday  
BYU-Hawaii!*

**Deadline for the next  
UPDATE is Tues. Feb. 27.**

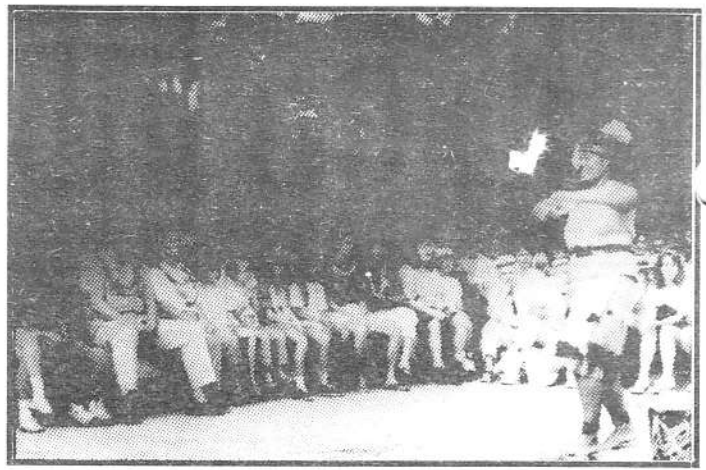


# Former General Manager Returns for Visit

The Center had a real treat this last week as former Center General Manager and Laie Stake President Bill Cravens returned to the Center on Monday, February 12th. Cravens, and his very large family, were welcomed and escorted on a special tour by Vice President David Hannemann.

Since leaving the Center in 1983, the Cravens have had 2 more children, bringing the grand total to 14. Brother Cravens has been doing financial planning and other financial service in California. They stopped here in Laie on their way to American Samoa where they will run the South Pacific Traders store which is a part of their family business.

As part of their tour, the Cravens were treated to a special canoe tour. At each village there was a special welcome from an old friend and former employee. The comment was heard from the family that it still feels like home.



**Village workers from Samoa greet the Cravens and present a special number from the Taupo.**



**In the Hawaiian Village the family boarded a canoe to visit the rest of the villages.**



## Village Corner

# Maori Village Celebrates Waitangi Day!

Saturday, February 10, 1990 was scheduled to be the Maori Village cultural day. On that day, the village treated guests to special performances all day long in the Whare Runanga. That day, however, was just a small part of the activities.

The treaty of Waitangi was signed in 1840. It is a recognized treaty between the Maori and the British. Actually the treaty was called for to protect the land and usage rights of the Maori people. With this treaty, the people of New Zealand became British subjects. It is an annual celebration in New Zealand.

According to Maori Village Chief, Barney Christy the activities were held all week long in an effort too bring the whole Maori community together in spirit.

Other activities included, daily visits by different villages; a Friday night dance (called a BOBHOP); a Saturday morning devotional (Special thanks to Marge Christy who prepared the food for the devotional); and a Sunday evening Fireside. All of the activities were a great success and it was a good opportunity for new workers to get acquainted with the local Maori community.



**Village workers put on a special presentation for the guest to celebrate Waitangi day.**



**Village workers board a canoe and make the "rounds" of the villages to show thanks for their visits earlier in the week.**

## SPECIAL THANKS

A special thank you goes out to Jean Tehira and Melissa Duncan for their work in the village on Waitangi Day. Jean and Melissa normally work for Guest Services as Guides. On Waitangi day, however, they both came in (on their day off) to help out in the village.

All through the afternoon you could find Jean teaching people about the Poi Balls and Melissa was in the hut teaching about the Tititorea. Mahalo for the extra effort.





## **Village Corner**

### **Villagers Learning in the Villages**

Recently, a group of girls in the Fijian village have taken an interest in the handiwork of their culture. With this interest, Jessie Maiwiriwiri saw an opportunity for teaching. According to Jessie, "I wanted the girls to learn how to make these things with all natural materials. Nowadays we sometimes use yarn to decorate the outside. With these girls help we used the hibiscus fiber to decorate the outside of the mat".

Jessie said that the girls were eager to learn these skills. She also mentioned that it would be nice to see a lot more of this kind of exchange go on in the villages. "I love to teach them the things that I know how to do. Sometimes the kids who live in the city don't get to learn these skills.



**These girls are learning about the  
Handicrafts of their culture.**

**From L to R Ana Naga, Marala Lee Ho, Jessie  
Maiwiriwiri, Penilette Sokia, and Kiri Nlaglevu**



## **Mission Home/Chapel Update!**

### **New Missionaries**

We would like to extend a special welcome and Aloha to Elder and Sister David and June Crockett who have been at the Center for about two weeks now as replacements for the Treglowns.

As with many couple missionaries, the Crocketts have just barely finished a mission with the Natural Resources Division of the Church. They spent 18 months cataloging and documenting water wells in the Wyoming, Utah, Arizona area. Elder Crockett is a retired Geologist and has great interest in this area.

They are from the Salt Lake City, Holiday area. The Crocketts are parents to four sons, who have all served missions. They are the proud grandparent of 18, fourteen of which are daughters.

So stop by the Mission Home/ Chapel are and get to know this couple and welcome them into our Polynesian Cultural Center Family.

## Editor's Corner

### Heaven

or ...

John Doe died and regained consciousness in the next world. He looked out over a vast expanse of pleasant country. After resting comfortably for a while in a delightful spot, he began to get a little bored. He called out, "Is there anybody here?"

An attendant, appropriately dressed in white, appeared and said, "What do you want?"

"What can I have?" asked John Doe.

"Whatever you want."

"May I have something to eat?"

They brought him delicious dishes, even the things he liked best on earth. Mr. Doe was having a wonderful time eating, sleeping, and calling for more good things.

But presently he wanted something more. He called for games. They came in profusion. Then he called for books and read with excitement and pleasure. He called for anything that struck his fancy and received it abundant measure. But at last his boredom caught up with him, and he shouted, "I want something to do!"

The attendant appeared and said, "I am sorry, but that is the only thing we cannot give you here".

By this time John Doe was so frantic for something to do and in his terrible frustration cried out, "I'm sick and tired of everything here; I'd rather have gone down here!"

*Where do you think you are?*  
asked the attendant.

# EMPLOYEE MENU

### Friday, Feb. 16

Hamburger  
w/onion & gravy  
Seasoned Corn  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Monday, Feb. 19

Teriyaki Pork  
w/ Natural Sauce  
Seasoned Peas  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Tuesday, Feb. 20

Beef Curry Stew  
Potato Salad  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Wednesday, Feb. 21

BBQ Chicken  
Peas & Carrots  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Thursday, Feb. 22

Fried Hoki Fish  
W/Tartar Sauce  
Tossed Salad  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Friday, Feb. 23

Deep Fried Chicken  
W/Gravy  
Green Peas  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Monday, Feb. 26

Teriyaki Wings  
and Drumsticks  
Natural Sauce  
Mixed Vegetables  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Tuesday, Feb. 27

Pork Chop Suey  
Peas & Carrots  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Wednesday, Feb. 28

Chicken Curry Stew  
Macaroni Salad  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Thursday, Mar. 1

Fish Newberg  
Tossed Salad  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

### Friday, Mar. 2

Hamburger  
W/Onions  
Seasoned Corn  
Steamed Rice  
Cold Drink

**\*\* This menu is subject  
to change without  
prior notice.**

# Occupying This Space in the Next **UPDATE** The Return of **TRIVIA!**

## **IMAX<sup>®</sup>** **UPDATE**

### **The digging is done!**

In case you haven't noticed, the digging for the IMAX<sup>®</sup> hasn't gotten any deeper in the last week. The digging is finished and now the preparation begins for the concrete. Those steel bars that make up the structure at the bottom are 1 3/8" thick. According to Project Manager, Robert Heywood, the concrete will be poured this weekend.

