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Polynesian Cultural Center

King Kamehameha Festivities:

PCC Honors Hawaiian Hero

The Hawaiian Village will be hosting an exciting day's activities this Thursday, June 11th in celebration of King Kamehameha Day. The day will begin with a special devotion for village workers at 5:30 a.m. with a special speaker and the sounding of the Conch from the Hawaii Mountain where standing will be King

Kamehameha and warriors.

From 7:00 to 10:00 a.m. there will be demonstrations and displays in the Hawaiian Village. Included in these will be: lei making, spice making, poi pounding, weaving displays and other Hawaiian art collections for viewing. There will also be an interesting display of Hawaiian fruits and vegetables.

At 1:30 p.m. a program will be presented by the PCC Halau, Laie 6th Ward Choir and other performing groups including Hawaiian Village workers. In preparation for the Canoe Pageant, there will be a Canoe Decoration Competition at 2:45 to 3:30 p.m.

Don't miss this great day of celebration in the Hawaiian Village!!!!

Update

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Employee Of The Month : Wanda Smith



Photo by Earl Milham

Wanda Smith has been chosen as Employee of the Month for the Reservations Department.

Wanda's supervisor says that she was chosen as employee of the month because she is able to work very well under stress without letting the pressure get to her. She is a very responsible employee in the way she carries out all duties. She relates well to all that she works with and is very punctual.

Wanda is from San Francisco, California and is the only girl in her family which accounts for her great interest in sports.

Friday was Wanda's last day at the Center and she will be returning to San Francisco to be with her family.

The reservations department and all the Center will miss Wanda, a very valued employee.

Exciting New Service For Travelers

Now for North Shore residents, there is a new Travel Service conveniently located at the site of the Polynesian Cultural Center. It is PCC Properties, Inc. Travel Service. For your convenience they will be open Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 5:00. You may call 293-9257 for qualified assistance or if you wish to come in personally there is ample parking and a Travel Service entrance at the main gate of the Center.

PCC Properties, Inc. Travel Service offers all of the varied travel services on the market as well as several special mainland, south pacific and interisland packages. They are a full retail travel service with a qualified staff of Travel Industry graduates efficiently assisted by the most widely used travel computer system available.

Directing the new travel service is Finau Pilimai, who has had eleven years of experience with Continental Airlines in ticketing, baggage, lost and found, ground transportation of large groups, international & domestic flights and many other aspects of travel arrangements. Working with Finau are William Bucasas, Blanche Soga, and Ruel Lacanienta.

PCC Properties, Inc. Travel Service has been open since January of this year but they are announcing a special OPEN HOUSE for all North Shore residents and anyone else interested in this exciting new service for those with travel needs, PCC Properties, Inc. Travel Service will host their OPEN HOUSE on Friday, June 19th.

Temple Visitors Center Performances

Hawaiian Village Chief, Joe Ah Quin will present a fireside this Sunday, June 7th at the Hawaii Temple Visitors Center. The Fireside will begin at 7:00 p.m., all are welcome.

BYU-Hawaii performing group Showcae directed by Greg Tata will present a musical fireside, Sunday June 14th at 7:00 p.m. at the Hawaii Temple Visitors Center.

BYU Graduates Honored

The BYU-Hawaii/CCH Alumni Affairs Office would like to announce the Graduation Banquet in honor of those graduating seniors from December 1980 through June 1981. The Banquet will be held on June 19th in the Aloha Center. Graduates will be admitted free and their guest may purchase tickets from the Office of Alumni Affairs. Reservations should be made by calling 293-3648. Commissioner Henry Eyring of the Church Education Department and other distinguished guests will be speaking at the banquet. Following the banquet there will be a formal Ball in the Aloha Center Ballroom.

Hosting Dignitaries:

Throughout the year the Center hosts many dignitaries and famous personalities. It is a rare opportunity to exchange cultures and conversation with people from around the world. This week, Saturday, the Center will be hosting Mr. I. Sutedja, former parliament member from Indonesia, now Director of the Indonesian Dance Academy and Director of the Academy for Hotel Management and Tourism. We welcome Mr. Sutedja of Indonesia with, Aloha!

The Visitors Write Letters:

Mr. Haile Pokipala
Polynesian Cultural Center
Laie, HI 96762

Dear Mr. Pokipala:

Finally, I am expressing our thanks for an absolutely delightful evening at the Polynesian Cultural Center.

Working on the Tour Desk for United Airlines in San Francisco, I was the lucky recipient of a Hyatt package. This magnificent package included comp. admission, dinner, and the evening show at the Polynesian Cultural Center. Patti Kim arranged all the details.

On Wednesday, April 22, my co-traveler, Val Graham, also with United Airlines, and I had reservation at your Show of Shows!

We encountered the true beautiful spirit of Hawaii from the security guards, the darling little girl who handed us our envelope, those who entertained at the different culture sites, and those who seated us.

We were overwhelmed with the size of your property and the many different cultures on display. I keep your program at my desk and now I can elaborate from experience when my passengers inquire about the Polynesian Cultural Center.

You have added two more salesmen to our staff. Mr. Pokipala, we deeply appreciated all the courtesies extended to us by you and your staff.

Sincerely yours,
Kay Cline
Tour Desk

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Have You Always Wanted To Teach?

Part-time Summer Teaching Opportunity:

Teach 2-6 hours daily in English as a Second Language to students from the Orient. Classes meet on BYU-Hawaii Campus as well as in Kaneohe and Kailua areas. TESL course work and some experience necessary.

Contact: Juanita Benioni
Continuing Education
ext. 3780 or 3785

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**"The soul is healed by being with children."
Fyodor M. Dostoevsky**

There is no doubt that the Center provides a unique experience for the thousands of adult guests who daily visit. It is particularly pleasurable, however, to witness the delight of the many hundreds of Hawaii schoolchildren as well as those who accompany their parents from the mainland and further places as they learn new things with us.

Every week the Cultural Education department responds to invitations by sending representatives to schools around the island of Oahu. These cultural specialists share information and insights into Polynesia with children of every age group.

Another function of this department is to host such school groups who arrange field trips to the Center. It is heartwarming to see pre-schoolers from kindergartens solemnly pounding lengths of bamboo to the ground then breaking into wide-eyed smiles of delight when the sound reaches their ears.

They enjoy the tram rides only slightly less than the canoe rides-- and both less than their student guide's local sense of humor. These groups do not see the night show nor the canoe pageant. They come in the early morning when there are few adult visitors.

At that time of day, the sweepers are picking up leaves in the Samoan Village, employees are arranging flowers in the Hawaiian Village, and others are shaking out mats in the Tongan Village. Then the children arrive, often in bright t-shirts with their school name across the front.

They are Japanese/Filipino/Hawaiian/Chinese/Portugese/Haole and every conceivable combination. They have one thing in common -- they all possess that wonderful view of the world which accompanies childhood, and they enjoy everything about the Center.

It is difficult to imagine a more enthusiastic or appreciative group than the children of Hawaii, unless it is the very old -- the senior citizens of our island. Certainly, seeing children in the Center on an early morning is a great way to start the day, and I agree with Dostoevsky's astute observation.

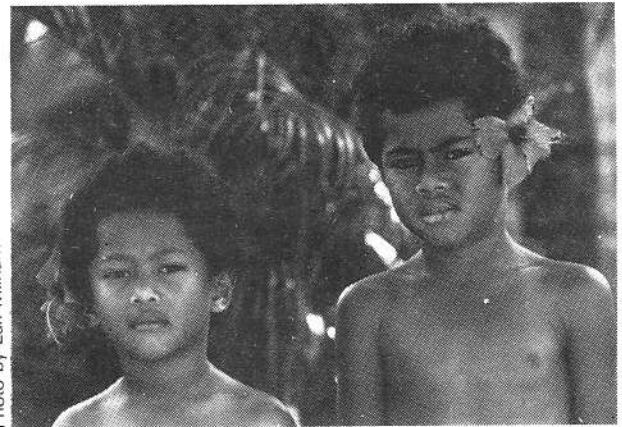


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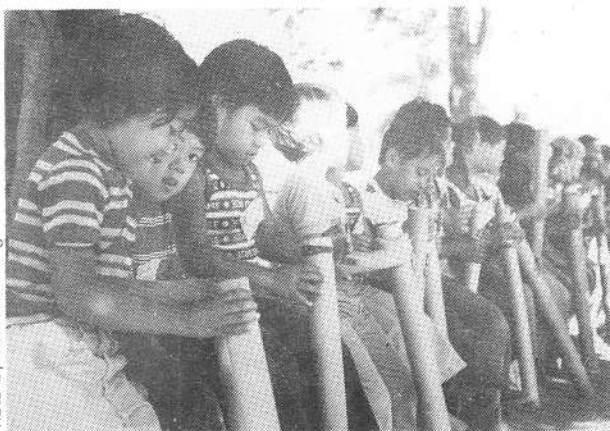
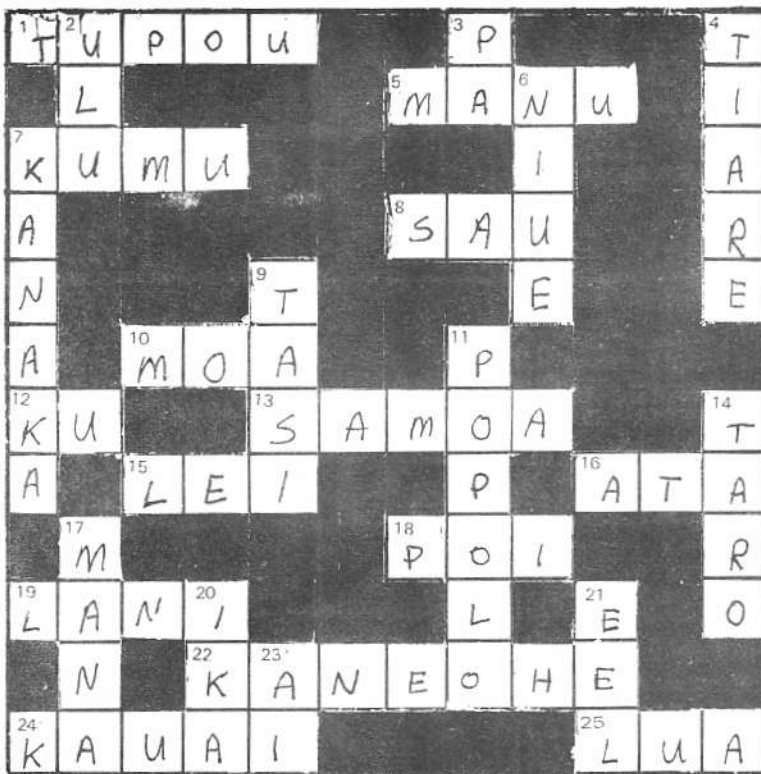


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LAST WEEKS ANSWERS



ACROSS

1. Tongan name.
5. Bird.
7. Hula teacher.
8. Come (Samoan).
10. Chicken (Tahitian).
12. Hawaiian god.
13. Polynesian island group.
15. Worn about the neck.
16. Maori queen's first name.
18. Made from taro.
19. Hawaiian word for heaven.
22. Town on Oahu.
24. Island in Hawaiian chain.
25. Hawaiian word for pit.

DOWN

2. Breadfruit.
3. Maori village.
4. Tahitian flower.
6. Polynesian island group.
7. Hawaiian Man (colloquial).
9. One. (Samoan).
11. Black (Hawaiian).
14. Edible root.
17. Prestige, authority.
20. Maori word for fish.
21. English word for Duna (Fijian).
23. Hawaiian word for food.

BYU-HC Calendar

Friday, June 5th

Stake Marrieds Ward Activity
Entertainment and Skits
7:30 p.m. Auditorium
Free Admission

Saturday, June 6th

Movie
"The Fiendish Plot of Dr. Fu Manchu"
Starring Peter Sellers
Showtimes- 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. (I.D.'s
(I.D.'s required)

Tuesday, June 9th

One Act Plays
Little Theatre
7:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 11th

Pacific Express Concert
The Air Force Rock Musical Group
10:30 a.m., Auditorium

Showcase performance
9:30 p.m., Ballroom
\$1.00 Admission

Basketball Still Big At PCC

Come cheer your favorite PCC Basketball team every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights from 6:30 - 9:30. They will be playing at the BYU gymnasium on Tuesday and Wednesday nights and in the Kahuku High Gym on Thursday.

The competition is tough and the excitement high, as the end of season playoffs draw near (June 23, 24, and 25th -- New Activities Center).

All games are free admission!! Bring your families, friends and your cheering voices. See you there!

For information about sports and recreation contact Tiloi Lolotai at 293-9291, ext. 153.

Free Friday Film Fun

Nothing to do on Friday Night?? Come to the PCC Employee Movie of the month. This Friday, June 5th, the exciting martial arts film, "The Rover", will be shown in the old theatre at 7:30 p.m. Admission for you and your family or friend will be your PCC I.D.



Cartoon by Keith McFarlane