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Polynesian Cultural Center



Winton Ria and Doe Horomona perform a haka for the visitors.

Blood Drive

On Tuesday January 29, the Blood Mobile of Hawaii will be here in the Center to draw blood for our annual contribution.

Location for the Blood Drive will be the old business office from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Employees and families are welcome to participate in this worthy project.

Whaikorero on Maori Marae



Mr. John Ellsworthy and his wife enjoy the speechmaking and dancing as they are hosted by Baden Pere and Jane Poestch.

The Center's Maori Village was the scene of a traditional marae welcome this past week as a distinguished New Zealand Government guest visited.

Mr. John Ellsworthy, Minister of Lands and Forests, headed a delegation on its way to Vancouver, Canada, for talks. His party visited the Center and he expressed sorrow that the visit was as brief as it was.

Tight travel scheduling did not allow the group the relaxed time they would have liked in order to browse through the villages and activities offered here.

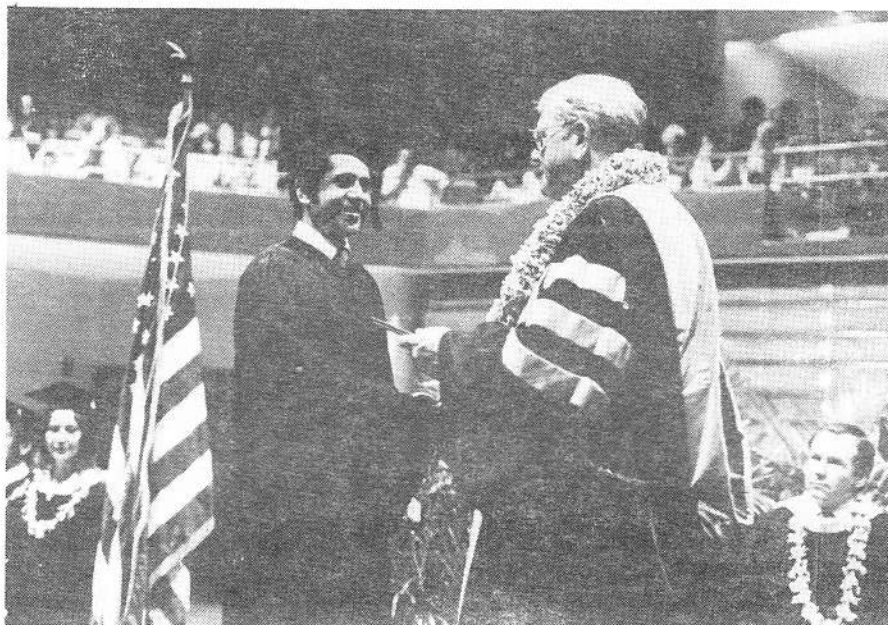
They were accompanied by the Air New Zealand representative and other guests, and Chief Kario Mete and the Maori Village employees presented an impressive program of whaikorero and entertainment.

Mr. Ellsworthy commented that he had most recently attended a marae function in Horowhenua, New Zealand, and he observed that the Center's display of Maoritanga was very impressive in comparison.

Thanks go to Chief Mete and his staff for representing Maoritanga on behalf of all Center Maoris to the credit of both the Center and its Maori community.

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Ken Coffey, an illustrator with Cultural Presentations, receives his B.A degree from President J. Elliot Cameron in this year's ceremony.

Graduation Day was a special day this year for many Center employees and their families.

It was good to see that the idea of the Center works as well as it does. We tell Center visitors that student employees are able to work at PCC in order to put themselves through school and gain the education that is unavailable in their homelands.

It was evident at this year's BYU-H graduation that this principle is a working fact. A great many members of the Church from Asia and the Pacific have reason to be grateful for the opportunities available to them because of the existence of the Center and the vision of its administrators.

In this regard, we can all be grateful for a prophetic vision that first appreciated the benefits that could bless the lives of Church members scattered over the Pacific. It was Mathew Cowley, the Lord's apostle, who first envisioned our day. He would be pleased with the reality of his vision if he were to see the Center now. More than the existence of physical facilities, however, he would be overjoyed at the individual growth and progress of young Polynesian students as they work and study towards "Graduation Day."

To all of you, Update joins the administration and staff in extending our congratulations. We are proud of you!!!

Memo from Cultural Education

Every summer we teach the songs and dances of the Pacific to the children of employees and their community relatives and friends.

The program is FREE.

Admission is also free if you enter through gate 4, and all classes are held in the old theater.

Please note that the announced schedule has changed to accomodate summer school students. Classes will now be offered from 2:00 to 5:00 pm every afternoon on weekdays, and on Saturdays from 8:00 to 10:00 am.

Brother Kama Ailing

William Kama, Assistant Chief of the Hawaiian Village, is in Queen's Hospital with leukemia.

Employees who would like to donate blood for Brother Kama may do so. Please call Tele Hill for details.

Happy Birthday

Falefitu Masoe	June 25
To'atautasi Tapusoa	25
Piuela Vailea	25
Atoni Petero	25
Faitau Tipa	25
Alisa Toelupe Alisa	26
Patrick Fonoimoana	26
Silas Fontes	26
Fuki Kida	27
Feao Heimuli	27
Randy Price	28
Ilaisaane Anau	28
Ukilei Taomia	28
Edward Benson	29
Ma Corazon Roxas	29
Peggy Monson	30
Pela Tapusoa	30
Tipera Felagai	30
Sharon Harris	30
Kim Jessen	30
Sonya Teshima	July 1
Togamau Simeona	1