



# EMPLOYEE UPDATE

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## Manager 'Bridges' cultural gap at festival

Theater Manager Cy Bridges will leave for Papua, New Guinea this weekend to participate in the South Pacific Festival of Arts, which will run from June 29 through July 12.

Cy and more than 30 other cultural specialists were chosen to represent Hawaii at the festival by a committee composed of such well-known figures in the local Hawaiian community as "Auntie" Sally Wood and Napua Stevens. Those in Hawaii's halau; selected from dozens of applicants, come from all over the state.

Held every four years at a different South Pacific site, the festival allows experts from the various island groups to meet and share their knowledge and talents in such areas as crafts, music and dance.

Cy and Baden Pere (head of our Cultural Education Department) also participated in the 1976 festival, which was held in New Zealand.

Besides promoting cultural enlightenment and sharing, the festival may have important long-lasting ramifications as far as PCC is concerned. The knowledge, observations and experiences Cy will bring back next month will be valuable input for the Center's ongoing evaluation of its cultural activities.

The South Pacific Festival of Arts is the second major cultural conference that representatives from PCC have attended this year. In April, Baden Pere, along with his wife Vernice and Cy and Iraani

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Decked out in leis and a fern wreath around his head, Cy Bridges uttered an ancient chant as the "alii" entered the Hawaiian village during our Kamehameha Day celebration two weeks ago.

### July 4th holiday

Coming up next Friday, July 4, is Independence Day -- another paid holiday full-time PCC employees are eligible to receive.

However, the Center will be open that day, and if you will be working, please be sure to see your manager or supervisor to schedule compensatory time off on another day. Your "make-up" holiday must be taken within 30 days.

On July, 4, 1776, the Second Continental Congress formally adopted the Declaration of Independence, which proclaimed the 13 American colonies politically independent from Great Britain.

### Cheer our PCC volleyballers to victory

Our women's team beat Rainbow Coaches/Moana Tours in travel industry volleyball league action at St. Louis High School gym last Thursday night. On Tuesday, they lost by heartbreakingly close scores to Hawaiian Scenic Tours, making their record 4 wins and 2 losses after about three weeks of league play.

The gals are scheduled to play Hyatt Hotels at 8:30 p.m. on Monday, June 30, and United Airlines at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 3.

The men's team has been idle the past two weeks. Their next game will be against Enoa Tours on Tuesday, July 1, at 8:30 p.m. Currently, their record stands at 1 win and 3 losses.





# Pacific conferences: a cultural awakening



About 15 dancers from the 35-member halau that will represent Hawaii at this year's South Pacific Festival of Arts gave an impressive performance at our Kamehameha Day celebration two weeks ago. These talented dancers were chosen from dozens of applicants and come from all over the state.

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Bridges took part in a week-long convocation in the Cook Islands. Vernice is active in the Institute for Polynesian Studies and Iraani works in our Accounts Receivable Department.

Our group was invited to attend the conference by Dr. Ron Cromcombe, director of the Institute of Pacific Studies at the University of the South Pacific--Fiji campus. Cromcombe visited PCC last year and was very impressed with the way we are meeting educational, religious, economic and cultural needs all at one time.

At the Cook Islands conference, PCC's representatives led seminars and discussions on the Center and the factors that have contributed to its success. Topics examined included tourism, business procedures, the influence of the Mormon Church and PCC's strongest "product" -- our island people and their rich cultures.

A few recommendations that are being considered as a result of the Cook Islands conference are:

1) Teaching other Polynesian languages besides Hawaiian at the

Center.

2) Encouraging Pacific Islanders to contribute more in the creative arts area, particularly writing (possibly organized through the Institute for Polynesian Studies).

3) Continuing PCC involvement at South Pacific cultural conferences and developing exchange programs with authorities met at such meetings.

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If you choose to take advantage of the direct deposit service, you'll be issued a pay stub by your depart-

## BYU--H Calendar

Printed below is a brief calendar of BYU--H activities scheduled from today through next Thursday, July 3. More information on these and other campus events is available at the Student Activities Office in the Aloha Center or by calling 293-9211, extension 219. Details also are available in the latest issue of Ke Alaka'i, BYU--H's newspaper.

### Friday, June 27

● Stake Night. Campus wards will be sponsoring various activities beginning at 9 p.m. Check with your Young Adult representatives for details.

### Saturday, June 28

● BYU--H Stake Hukilau, Hukilau Beach, 8 a.m.

● Movie, "Spartacus," starring Kirk Douglas, auditorium, 2, 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. Admission charge.

### Wednesday, July 2

● Movie, "Airport '77," auditorium, 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. Admission charge. (Note: during the summer, movies will be shown Wednesday as well as Saturday nights on campus.)

ment each pay period as a record of your earnings.

One important note -- when you go to the Personnel Office to sign up, please be sure to bring your bank account number with you. Personnel employees need your account number to process the appropriate forms.

## Free movie tonight!

PCC invites you to another free movie night tonight in the old theater. All the fun begins at 7:30 p.m., and the full-length feature will be "Robin Hood." Remember to bring your PCC identification card, for it'll be the admission ticket to the show for you and your guests.