



EMPLOYEE UPDATE

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PCC's halau to perform at Ocean Festival

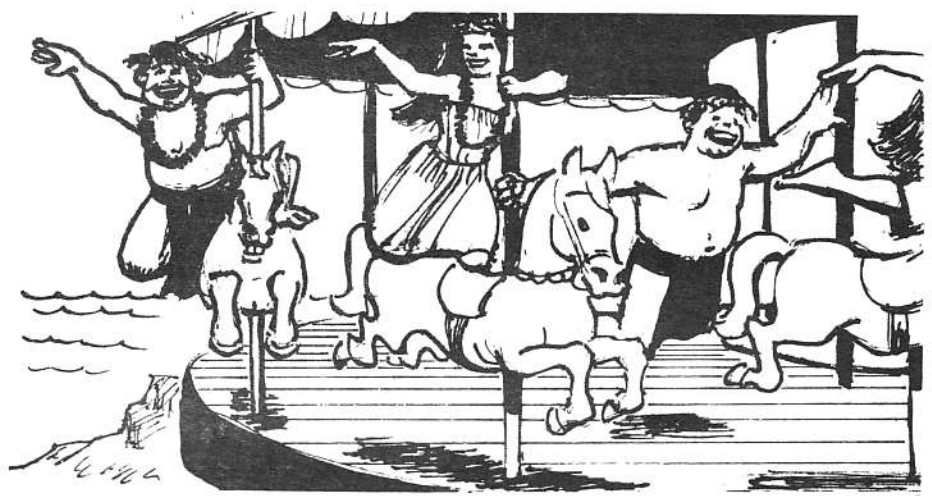
PCC's halau will be one of the featured performing groups at the Kuilima Ocean Festival, a pageant of displays and activities that will take place at the Hyatt Kuilima Hotel today through Monday, August 29 through September 1.

Our dance troupe's show will be presented on the midway stage tomorrow from 5 to 6 p.m. and you're encouraged to come out and support our group if you've got that time free.

(Incidentally, although our halau has already closed its membership to women, "kumu hula" Bill Wallace says that the group still needs more male dancers. Please contact him at extension 116 or 117 if you're interested in joining the halau.)

The Ocean Festival fairgrounds will open each day at 11 a.m. and close at midnight. The admission charge is \$2 per person.

In addition to performances by other local entertainers such as Nohelani Cypriano, Audrey Meyers and the Aliis, scheduled activities include an E.K. Fernandez midway of rides and games, canoe



races, a beauty pageant, and an arts and crafts village.

The festival is being sponsored by the Festivals Hawaii Association, a

non-profit community service organization, to raise funds for a host of North Shore community groups.

Mexican TV focuses on Polynesia

Our villagers and performers had the chance to share a part of their culture before a television celebrity and videotape camera on Tuesday.

The camera crew was from Channel 4 in Mexico -- a government-sponsored station. They were

filming portions of "Siempre en Domingo" (Always on Sunday), a very popular Mexican show hosted by well-known TV personality Raul Velasco.

"Siempre en Domingo" begins at 3 p.m. Sunday in Mexico and runs for seven straight hours. It is cabled to Los Angeles, Houston and a few other major American cities with large Spanish populations.

Besides the usual interviews, discussions on world affairs and variety show acts, the September 7 segment of "Siempre en Domingo" will feature a travelogue on Hawaii which was planned with the cooperation of the U.S. Travel Service based in Mexico and the Hawaii Visitors Bureau.

Labor Day holiday on Monday

Coming up on Monday, September 1, is Labor 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.

Labor Day honors America's working force. The first Labor Day celebration was held in New York City on September 5, 1882. Twelve years later, President Grover Cleveland signed a bill declaring Labor Day a national holiday. It has been observed on the first Monday in September since that time throughout the states.

Work progressing on administration building

Construction crews have been working fast and furious on the new administration building coming up on the BYU--H campus. According to Gary Wood of the school's Public Affairs Office, the building should be completed by January 1981.

Housed in the double-winged, two-story structure will be administration and business offices for both BYU--H and PCC. In addition, there will be conference rooms and offices for the college's Student Services and Continuing Education departments.

The building, as yet unnamed, covers 38,000 square feet. Construction began in January of this year. *PCC Emp. Update Aug 20, 1980*

PCC movie night next Friday

Next Friday, September 5, will be another free movie night at PCC. The featured film will be "The Golden Voyage of Sinbad" starring John Phillip Law. Show time will be at 7:30 p.m. in PCC's old theater.

Friends and family are welcome, so be sure to mark this movie night on your calendar! And don't forget your PCC identification card -- it'll be the "admission ticket" into the theater for you and your guests.

BYU--H Calendar

Friday, August 29

● Aloha Dance, ballroom, 9:30 p.m. Admission charge. Only those with BYU--H student identification or guest cards will be allowed to enter the ballroom.

Saturday, August 30

● Movie, "Hero At Large," auditorium, 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. Admission charge.

Monday, September 1

● Labor Day holiday!

Tuesday, September 2

● Fall semester begins.



General Manager Bill Cravens (right) picks out a point of interest on an artist's conception of the new PCC/BYU--H administration building presently under construction. Discussing plans for the structure with President Cravens is J. Elliot Cameron, the newly-appointed president of BYU--H.

Center to appear on Mexican TV

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Television audiences all over Mexico will enjoy shots of our canoe pageant, evening show and village activities in addition to an interview Velasco conducted with

Aloha, Bode!

BYU--H and PCC will be losing one of their best to the University of Hawaii--Manoa Campus. Bode Uale, who has worked four years at the Center, will begin studies at the University of Hawaii's law school this fall. Tomorrow will be his last day of work at PCC.

Bode has capably filled several positions during his years at the Center. He was a host-busboy in the Dining Lanai (our former restaurant), a tour guide, a cart driver and assistant manager of Cultural Orientation. Most recently, he supervised the sales guides and ticket takers at the front entrance.

For your dedicated service, we say good-bye to you with a warm aloha and mahalo, Bode. And all the best to you as you begin this new chapter in your life.

guide Benjamin Orrego, who accompanied the group on their tour of PCC.

The September 7 show also will include shots of Velasco at such island attractions as Iolani Palace, the Fern Grotto on Kauai and the volcano area on the Big Island.

Mexico is a new visitor market that Hawaii hopes to tap. With many other destinations competing for vacationers' time and money, Hawaii is looking for new places from which to draw visitors.

In 1979, the state had only about 2,000 Mexican visitors (our average evening show attendance for one night!). With activities promoting Hawaii such as Velasco's show, it is hoped that this figure will at least double in the coming year.

Commented Velasco during one portion of the filming at PCC, "This is a fabulous place! What the Mormon Church and Brigham Young University--Hawaii have done in bringing students over here to gain an education and work at the Center is a wonderful concept. All you people in Mexico must come to Hawaii to see and enjoy the Center for yourselves!"