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Polynesian Cultural Center

Waikiki Office Changes Announced



As of September 1, 1982, PCC Properties Inc., under the direction of manager Finau Pilimai, expanded to include the downstairs ticket office of the Waikiki Sales area.

In the past, Properties Inc. has worked out of the PCC main entrance office, and business has come mainly from the Laie community and the mainland where it is generated through advertising and by word of mouth.

Finau reports that the development of the Waikiki ticket office as a travel center will all his department to become more versatile than in the past.

More and more tourists are coming to Hawaii independently rather than with organized tour groups, and when they arrive here they prefer to set up their own itineraries to include as much as possible. With an office in the heart of Waikiki, Properties Inc. will be able to offer these visitors a

variety of packages ranging from a day at PCC to complete outer island tours.

Highly qualified to assume these new responsibilities, Finau has worked with Properties Inc. for two years, and come from an eleven year background with Continental Airlines. Commenting on his feelings regarding the expansion, he says, "I think it's exciting. It took a lot of vision to see this, and I credit the administration -- President Cravens and the Board of Directors -- for creating this company. I believe that as trends change, Properties Inc. will play a major role in the future of PCC."

This vision includes a major thrust to promote tours of the North Shore community, including Kuilima Hotel, Hukilau Beach, and the possibilities of luau beach parties.

New Corporate Awards Program

Have you noticed something new in the area of your time clock? Last month it was a round happy smiling sun. This month a handsome young man smiles warm greetings at you from the wall.

The drawings have been done by Cherie Laumer, assistant Personnel Trainer/Art Specialist, and are part of a new award program that began in August. Every three months there will be an established corporate

theme (this quarter it is "Smile!") which will be well advertised in the Center. The theme will exemplify the Spirit of Polynesia and the spirit of the gospel which are the main forces behind PCC. The theme will be posted by time clocks, placed in employee pay check envelopes, and articles concerning it will appear in Update from time to time as a reminder of the importance of the message.

Department managers will form a

committee to choose an employee from each division who best fits the description of the theme for that month. At the end of a three-month period, the candidates chosen by the committees will be honored at a special banquet.

This quarter it will be the employee with the most winning smile and cheerful, helpful attitude, so remember to smile as you see these happy posters with their smiling faces!

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Students got to see what the new faculty members and the faculty in turn were able to appreciate values that give young Polynesians their sense of heritage. The faculty slipped off shoes to sit cross-legged on hand woven mats in the beautifully crafted Saule House and received the honor of a traditional Welcome Ceremony. It was a rare honor and an experience offered in gratitude by the elders for the role that the faculty plays in the education of young Polynesians.

As such it represented the feelings of all the people who make up the Center family. To the administration and staff of BYU-Hawaii, "Mahalo nui loa!"



Scenes of Ceremony and Sharing a University Faculty

The shared experience of culture and ceremony is obvious in the photographs taken at last week's welcome to the new and old faculty of BYUH extended by the Center.

Students got to see what the new faculty members look like, and the faculty in turn were able to appreciate the cultural values that give young Polynesians their sense of identity and heritage. The faculty slipped off shoes to sit cross-legged on hand woven mats in the beautifully crafted Samoan Chief's House and received the honor of a traditional Tongan Kava Ceremony. It was a rare honor and an experience in sharing offered in gratitude by the elders for the role the university faculty plays in the education of young Polynesians on campus.

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Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin

Joseph B. Wirthlin, a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy of the Church, was born June 11, 1917 in Salt Lake City.

Elder Wirthlin grew up in Salt Lake City and attended the University of Utah, where he was a half-back on the football team. He graduated in 1941 with a degree in Business Management and married Elisa Young Rogers in the Salt Lake Temple on May 26 of the same year. They are the parents of eight children.

Elder Wirthlin is an Eagle Scout and served a mission to Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. He served in stake and ward auxiliary positions until he became a counselor in the Bonneville Ward bishopric in 1947. He was a later a member of the Bonneville Stake High Council.

He was a counselor in the stake presidency until he was called to be first counselor in the Sunday School General Presidency on June 27, 1971. He was set apart as an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve Apostles on April 4, 1975. He served in that capacity until he was called to the First Quorum of the Seventy in April 1976.

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New Faces in Corporate Offices



Darlene Asuega



Linda Staples

A new employee in Corporate Administration is the department secretary Darlene Asuega. Originally from "Old Laie", Darlene is returning to Hawaii after an absence of many years.

Darlene and her husband, along with their four children, came to us most recently from Los Angeles where she worked as manager for an international marketing business. Darlene is replacing Tammy Au who was with us for the summer.

Another newcomer to the Corporate Administration offices is Linda Staples, the new executive receptionist.

Originally from Stamford Texas, Linda came to Hawaii in 1977 on assignment with the U.S Navy.

While stationed in Pearl Harbor Linda was baptized into the Church, becoming a member of the Aliamanu Ward. Shortly thereafter she met and married her husband Scott. They have one daughter.

Linda came to BYUH as a full-time student in September 1981. She is currently a member of Laie First Ward, where she is Relief Society President and an early morning Seminary teacher.

Cultural Research Corner:

By Ed Kamauoha

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

There are four types of Fijian canoes?

TAKIA- Is a dug-out river canoe with six or eight paddles with the outrigger made from light timber. A vine called medri was used to bind the outrigger.

WAQA VAKATAU- Is similar to the takia but the sides of the canoe are raised up two or three spans and cross-beams are attached. With cross-beams to the outrigger, a deck is put on called waqa vakatau and they used the dumu sail.

GAMAKAU- Is a large canoe built for sailing by Tongan carpenters. Usually built out of one tree, the largest of these canoes are made from two trees, joined at mid-length and called veikoso.

If a chief or a clan desires a canoe, they take some whales teeth and other properties to have a ceremony called "buta buta". The chief provides the food for the carpenter and the carpenter provides a tata tu e ke. "The chopping is in the belly." Camakau is used to sail about the countries or visiting other islands.

WAQA DRUA (twin canoe)- Is an aristocratic canoe which is sometimes called **waqa tabu** - and originated with wealthy chiefs. A 'buta buta' is made for the carpenter. It is made from a vesi built of plants fitted together.

Aloha oe Tammy!

Our love and best wishes go with Tammy Au, Corporate Administration's summer secretary. Tammy is leaving September 12 for the Provo MTC. After two months of intense training Tammy will be inging her way across the Atlantic to the Charles De Gaulle Airport in Paris, France. Mahalo Tammy for all your hard work on our behalf!