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Polynesian Cultural Center

Board Member Here This Week



Ralph Rodgers, member of the Center's Board of Directors.

Center employees will recognize the familiar figure of PCC Board of Directors member, Ralph Rodgers, in the community this week.

Accompanied by his sister Margo Inkley, a researcher, and Newell Daley, Chairman of the BYU Provo Music Department, Ralph Rodgers is working with Kalili Hunt helping to plan the Center's 20th anniversary activities scheduled for next year.

While here, the team is also researching at the Bishop Museum and conducting interviews as they gather historical material pertinent to the Center's beginnings.

It is a pleasure to have an old friend back with us again, and we join with the Center management and staff in welcoming Brother Rodgers. "Afio mai!"

PCC Float An All-Night Job Tonight

With the 1982 Aloha Week Parade only a day away, the PCC float is quickly taking shape in the storage area down at Pier 2. The base, an 18 foot flat-bed truck, was driven down Monday, and crews of workers have been busy assembling the frame for the thousands of flowers that will add the finishing touch.

The construction of the float has been under the direction of Bishop Tony Haiku. The flowers came from Bishop Watanabe of Aiea Ward, owner of Watanabe Floral. Meadow Gold Dairy has provided the Center

with a milk truck to keep the flowers fresh until today when they will be added to the float.

Laura Colbert, coordinator, wishes to remind anyone interested in participating in the festivities to be on hand at Pier 2 in Honolulu. The float will be in parade position in Ala Moana Park by 6:00 am tomorrow morning, and ready for judging by 7. The parade will begin at 9, and follow a route down Ala Moana Boulevard past the Hilton Hawaiian Village, turning at Fort DeRussy onto Kalakaua Avenue. From there the parade will continue through

Waikiki to its final destination at Kapiolani Park.

All interested volunteers are urged to call Laura Colbert at ext. 3045.

The float's colors are red and orange, the Hawaiian colors of the Alii. Between 3 and 4,000 yellow chrysanthemums will be used to provide the gold, the same number of carnations and torch ginger will provide the red. Between 1 and 2 thousand lavender and white orchids will accent the float, along with fishtail ferns and baby's breath. The results will be spectacular.

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New Faces



Ann Pikula

Ann Pikula is the newcomer in the Theater offices. Born in Australia and raised in New Zealand, Ann came to CCH as an Elementary Ed

maior. She later married Latanoa Pikula, a BYU graduate doing Master's work at UH. They have four daughters. Ann is Relief Society President for Hauula 3rd Ward.

Ann's is a familiar face to many of us here at BYU and PCC. She worked for two years with BYU's Purchasing Department as a Secretary, and was one of the first haole's to dance in the night show with the Maori Section. Most recently she has been employed at Rainbow School as a Teacher's aide, and at Hauula Elementary with the Title 1 Program.

Ann's favorite pastimes include sewing, swimming and talking, not necessarily in that order. She is looking forward to life in the new Theater offices.



Cherie Laumer

Cherie Laumer is the Center's new Assistant Personnel Trainer/Artist. Working under Trainers Art Hanneman and Vai Laumatia, Cherie is the illustrator behind such pieces as the "Theme of the Month" posters and other visual aids used in new employee orientation and training seminars.

Originally from Australia, Cherie has an Associates degree from Ricks College in Idaho. She worked for two years with an Advertising Agency in Australia and served a mission for the Church in Sydney. Now a senior Art Major at BYU-Hawaii Campus Cherie worked with BYU graphics for a year before coming over to PCC. She was married August 14 in the Hawaii Temple to Robert Laumer, also a BYU student.

. . . . New Places



Inna spruces up the office



Logo gets to work

Village Operations announces the opening of their new office complex in the Center. Originally slated for the new Administration Building, Village Operations Manager Haunanai Kaanaana felt that a Center location would be much more convenient for the Village Chiefs and other personnel. As a result, the cheerful new offices are completely refurbished and ready for business!

Village Operations is holding an Open House party on Friday, October 1st, from 8:00-10:30 am.



Haunani Kaanaana

New Jobs

The Business Office was the scene of some new promotions this week. Warren Lowe, Accounting Department Manager, has been promoted to Assistant Controller replacing Les Steward. Judy Kapu, accountant, has been given additional responsibilities as her position has been expanded to Accounting Supervisor. Both are pleased with their new positions, and looking forward to much growth with the Center Business Office. The Update congratulates Judy and Warren on these new changes.

MEMO

A memo this week from the General Manager's office reminds Center personnel that a work order is required before banana leaves, plumerias, hibiscus, ti leaves, and other plants can be picked from the Center farm.

Such a work order must be requested at least a day in advance, and personnel will not be allowed to pick these plants unless they have cleared this request through the Maintenance Department.

The requesting of these items will follow the same procedure used when requesting work to be done by the Maintenance Department.

Don't Forget

The Temple Visitors Center concert this Sunday night featuring Joseph Ah Quin.

Scheduled for 7:00pm, the concert is open to all PCC personnel and their families.

For more information contact Elder Wardle at the Visitors Center.

BYUH Courses for Adults

BYUH is offering a number of adult courses this Fall. Among them are such classes as Dance Action, Laie Landscaping, Rapid Reading, and Staff Aerobics.

If you think you are up to all or even one of these, contact the BYUH Continuing Ed. office, ext 3780.

Congratulations

Pam Su'a, who appeared in the last issue of Update, gave birth Wednesday, September 22, to a baby girl--Jaime Afiafi Su'a.

Jaime weighed in at 7 pounds 3 ounces at 12:30 p.m. app. Congratulations to her parents, Pam and Vatau.

Cultural Orientation Employee of the Month



Eloise Kamauoha

Cultural Orientation announces that their Employee for the Month of August is Eloise Kamauoha. Eloise is a Sophomore at BYU-Hawaii majoring in Education. She worked for the Samoan Village as a guide for one year and then transferred to

Cultural Orientation where she is now a V.I.P. guide and obviously appreciated by her department.

An interesting fact about Eloise is that she is one of six members of her family involved with PCC and BYU. Her father, Bishop Ed Kamauoha, is a Researcher with the PCC gives me is a Researcher with the Center, her mother is BYU's Housing secretary. She has one sister and two brothers at both PCC and BYU.

Eloise reports that "working at the PCC gives me an opportunity to understand, learn, and appreciate the different cultures represented here. As I associate with the employees here my knowledge grows".

She also reminded Update that congratulations are in order to Dale and Crystal Ward on the birth of their new son.

Introducing:



Elder John H. Groberg

Elder John H. Groberg has been a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy since April 3, 1976.

A graduate of Brigham Young University, he received a Master of Business Administration degree from Indiana University. He did specialized course work at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Since his call to be a General Authority of the Church he has served as Area Supervisor in Hawaii and the Pacific Islands. At that time he was a resident of Honolulu.

Elder Groberg has served his Church as a Regional Representative for seven years, president of the Tonga Mission and a bishop in Idaho Falls.

Elder Groberg now lives in Bountiful, Utah where he is Managing Director of the Church Genealogy Department. Last week Elder Groberg was called as the Executive Administrator for the Hawaii-Pacific Islands region.

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Center Sponsors Soccer Program

If you happen to drive past the front field of BYU on a Saturday morning you'll notice that it is filled with little colored dots running up and down chasing a bright orange ball. In the center of the field dozens of bigger dots will be jumping, whistling and stamping as the ball shoots past. All this commotion can be directly attributed to the AYSO, or American Youth Soccer Organization.

Sponsored by the PCC, who has purchased the equipment and paid half of all player costs for each child, the Laie soccer teams have already begun their first season with the AYSO. With 180 kids in the new Laie Region they are definitely off to a good start. Divided into four divisions according to age, teams of 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12 year olds play twelve games per season; 6 against outside teams and 6 against each other. This first year is a probationary year so girls will be allowed to play on mixed teams with the boys. Beginning next year the girls will have their own teams.

Ben Nihipali, PCC cash room



Everyone's Favorite Referee!

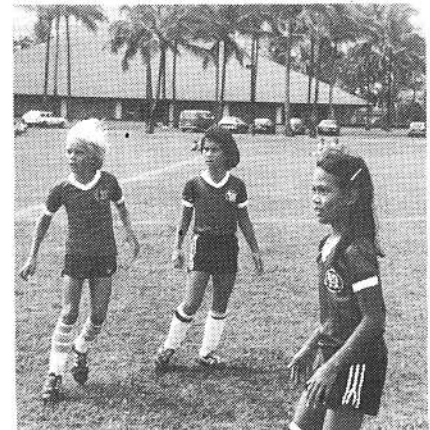
manager, spearheaded the organization of the Laie Region after his own son played with the Sunset teams. He sees the experience as invaluable for the kids. They learn the basics of good sportsmanship and play for the thrill of the game rather than simply to win. Each player is guaranteed a chance to play half a game each week. In soccer height and weight don't count nearly as much as an earnest desire to play, so

every kid can be a star!

The AYSO is headquartered in California. There are 6,000 kids in Hawaii involved with AYSO, 4500 of them live on Oahu. The photos are a pretty good indication that Ben and his coaches will have a wonderful future with the Laie kids. AYSO treasurer Rubina Forester expressed her gratitude to the PCC for making it possible for the community children to take part in the Soccer program. Without the Center's generous donation, Laie's children would not have the opportunity to become involved in one of the fastest growing sports in the nation.



The Unicorns: Coach Neumann, one of several student coaches.



Briar Forester, Stephany Nihipali and unidentified opponent