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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S BOX

### MERRY CHRISTMAS AND TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY TO ALL

The month of December traditionally brings back many memories of good times and good feelings toward our friends and neighbors. And at the same time, the celebrated festivities help strengthen out spiritual values of thanksgiving. I guess these conditioned behavior stems from our early childhood days when life was so simple and naive, and they were.

For me, this month adds a new meaning as my term of office as President terminates after two solid years of service.

I must admit, I thoroughly enjoyed every minute of it, i.e., the role of the President.

It was truly a privilege to serve.

And if the achievement of the past was important and meaningful to us, then I do stand tall and say, "We did it ourselves." To the officers of the Club, the Board of Directors, chapter members and our own executive staff, Bob Sasaki and Tad Sakai, my sincere "mahalo" for the support and understanding I received for our many causes. May the years ahead bring further successes and help expand the horizon a step beyond our noted history.

To start the new year on a sound basis, the Board elected the following members to serve as officers for calendar year 1987:

President: Ronald Yamashiro (232nd Engineers)  
1st VP: Charlie Oda (Cannon)  
2nd VP: Akira Fukunaga (Anti-tank)  
3rd VP/Treasurer: Richard Ogata (522-B)

Bob Sasaki will continue to serve as the Executive Secretary; George Nakasato as past-president of the Club. A great bunch, and they desire our support. A word about Richard: Because we were not able to "find" a treasurer, he agreed to serve on an interim basis... that's my definition of a commitment. Prior to this, he was our treasurer for the past three years.

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## PRES. MESSAGE/continued

### UPCOMING EVENTS AND ISSUES FOR THE '87

One of the major events on a national level is the upcoming Japanese-American exhibit at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History in Washington, DC. This theme is centered upon, "Justice to all: Japanese-Americans and the Constitution." It is a bold move and certainly one in which it could help bring about a better understanding of the role played by the Japanese-Americans in our American history. For those who are interested, the date is still October 1st, the opening day; and special programs have been arranged at the Institution.

Two major international goodwill events will be held in Honolulu during the Summer/Fall months; namely, the Hawaii-Japan Sumo Association Tournament at the Blaisdell Center, held sometime in late June; the Hawaii-Japan Goodwill High School Baseball Series in Honolulu and the neighbor islands in late August. These events are flagged now since we co-sponsored these events during the past years. More information about these plans as they materialize.

The notion of a Hawaii-Japan Cultural Center at the site of the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce building is now being conceptualized as a developmental plan. This means that an agreement has been reached to move ahead with the \$10 million long-term project. Various organizations, including Club 100, 442nd and other community organizations were invited to participate in this large capital improvement venture. What should be our commitment (land and \$\$\$) to this proposal? How? When? These are some of the questions we need to address in the months ahead and try to reach a rational decision. More about these issues in '87.

Finally, many thanks to those who participated in the Hawaii-Bruyeres reception at Club 100. This affair was co-sponsored by Club 100 and the 442nd and was organized to visit with the 28 visitors from Bruyeres. Pierre Moulin, a long-time friend, led the group. Over 250 people attended according to Bob Sasaki. Subsequently to our visit, the group travelled to Kauai, Maui and Hilo, Hawaii.

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## IN MEMORIAM

JAMES KOMO

James Komo, an active member of George Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on October 5, 1986.

## IN MEMORIAM

SHIRO MORIOKA

Shiro Morioka, an active member of 3rd HQ, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on October 14, 1986.

## IN MEMORIAM

KAZUMI INO

Kazumi "Kanini" Ino, an active member of George Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on October 27, 1986.

## IN MEMORIAM

YASUO AMINE

Yasuo Amine, an active member of King Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on November 21, 1986.

## IN MEMORIAM

EDWARD TSUBATA

Edward Tsubata, an active member of HQ3rd Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on November 28, 1986.



The following story is a reprint, courtesy of Hawaii-Herald newspaper.

# COMING "FULL CIRCLE"

## JEWISH WAR VETERANS

by Karleen Chinen

The group lunching in one of the gazebos at the Pagoda Floating Restaurant on September 5, seemed an odd one--six nisei men and three persons of Jewish American ancestry. What could these people possibly have in common?

Ron Shimron, consulting curator of the Jewish War Veterans (JWV) museum in Washington D.C., perhaps summed it up best. "We have come full circle," he said. "We have the nisei who actually freed the first German concentration camp." The informal luncheon gathering, hosted by the JWV, honored the men of the 522nd, who have begun to document what they saw at Dachau 46 years ago. Shimron said he was very interested in sharing that information in exhibits both in Washington and in Israel.

The story of the liberation of Dachau by the 522nd Field Artillery of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team in April 1945 touches the hearts of many Jews. But it is a story not widely known, largely because of the character of the liberators themselves.

But Dan Valk wants to change all that. The New York state administrative law judge was in Honolulu to attend the 91st annual convention of the Jewish War Veterans organization, held earlier this month in Waikiki. He learned of the nisei soldiers' involvement in liberating Dachau just last year after dropping a line to Tom Kawaguchi, his commanding officer during the Korean War. "It was not known at all. Almost no one on the East Coast knew it. I still wouldn't know a thing about it had I not tried to contact Tom Kawaguchi last year," said Valk, who last saw his old c.o. 30 years ago.

Kawaguchi, along with 442nd vet Chet Tanaka, had been instrumental in the publication of "Go For Broke: A Pictorial History of the Japanese American 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Team, as well as the formation of Go For Broke, Inc., dedicated to documenting and preserving artifacts and memorabilia of the AJA's role in World War II.

"He sent me one of their bulletins from 'Go For Broke,' and it just happened to be one that had a little squib in it about the liberation of Dachau. I got interested in that portion of it... Although knowing Tom, thinking back, it was probably done intentionally," laughed Valk. He purchased a copy of "Go For Broke," reading with extra interest an excerpt from 522nd vet Ichiro Imamura's

diary about the liberation of Dachau.

"I took the book from that point and started making a little noise, getting the Jewish War Veterans interested." He says the East Coast nisei relayed the story to expressed "disbelief, shock and surprise. They said, 'why was this story kept quiet for 40 years?'" The more than four decades of silence was the result of an order the nisei soldiers had received from their superiors.

"We had been ordered not to give out rations to the Dachau prisoners because the war was still on and such supplies were needed to keep our own fighting strength up, but we gave them food, clothing and medical supplies anyway. The officers looked the other way. These prisoners really needed help and they needed it right away. They were sick, starving and dying," wrote Imamura in his diary (Go For Broke, 1982). Fearing a court martial for disobeying orders, they had allowed their humanitarian act to go unrecognized.

Imamura's story of the liberation of Dachau was published in the JWV national magazine, along with a sidebar article authored by Valk. "It is so ironic that Americans--people born in America whose families were placed in concentration camps solely because of their ancestry--liberated relatives of another people who were also in concentration camps solely because of their ancestry," he wrote.

Valk received the published article shortly before leaving for Hawaii. He sent copies of it to Kawaguchi, asking him to pass on several copies to Mrs. Imamura, whose husband had passed away in the meantime. "Let her know it wasn't all for nothing," he ended his note to Kawaguchi.

Recognition of the nisei soldiers' role in liberating Dachau left many in Jewish community with feelings of warmth and appreciation for the AJA's. Valk said he has heard that several major Jewish organizations have been apprised of the Imamura article and are now "climbing on the bandwagon" in favor of the reparations bill currently in congress. He noted that JWV has voiced its support for redress for Japanese Americans interned during World War II. "We have a history of trying to right the world's wrongs, but I think Dachau gave it the impetus to really get behind," said Valk.

"We want to say, 'A mistake was made. It took 40 years. Justice does move slowly.'" Valk is concerned that a U.S. Supreme Court decision on Fred Korematsu's appeal of the internment order has never been overturned in the nation's highest

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by June Ohara

I was happy to receive TOSH SUYEMATSU's permission to share his journal of a most unfortunate accident. Tosh as most of you know is a distinguished attorney and judge from Cheyenne, Wyoming. Masami and I have discovered that Tosh is also a very talented musician, a home project-do-it-yourself builder, antique collector and a writer.

When we received his letter the past summer, I was truly inspired. While we complain, Tosh remains so positive with so much thanksgiving and tops it with a beautiful sense of humor. I hope you too will find it inspiring, if not interesting as you read Tosh Suyematsu's journal.

## ANATOMY OF A NOSE DIVE INTO THE PATIO

MARCH 30, 1986

Not feeling well today. Groggy from lack of sleep caused by tooth infection and headaches. Breakfast was poorly ingested because of teeth discomfort. Laid down and napped on couch for 1 1/2 hours. Then decided "times a wasting" (this being a weekend), so I decided to scavenge some firewood from the upstairs construction and went up the ladder to obtain same. Noting that the sun was out and weather clearing I then decided to finish the caulking on the outside of the South wall of the second story where it rested on the first story roof.

After about 20 minutes on my hands and knees caulking the bottom of the wall, I raised up at the southwest corner on the lower roof's ledge and without warning suddenly blacked out (approximately 18 feet off the ground).

My next awareness was staggering inside the house assisted by Ellen to the bathroom, stunned and semi-conscious, to clean my bloody visage. In retrospect it appears from the pool of blood on the concrete patio that I had lain unconscious for 5-10 minutes before subconsciously re-entering the house.

The blood gushing from my nostrils could not be staunches so Ellen called the (volunteer) Burns Ambulance who quickly responded and transported me, still in shock, to the Cheyenne Hospital. Examination and X-rays at the hospital revealed initially, multiple fractures of the right brow, cheek, eye socket and nose. After analysis and evaluation by a plastic surgeon and ophthalmologist, I was then admitted pending necessary surgery.

MARCH 31, 1986

Resting in the hospital undergoing additional X-rays and further evaluation. Lacerations and emergency stitches to lips were tended to. Pain killers and palliatives administered. Plasma and intravenous injections administered for shock, and careful monitoring made for symptoms of brain concussion and other possible injuries. Complete body X-rays revealed no broken limbs or other serious bodily injury notwithstanding many bruises and contusions to same. Face subject to considerable swelling.

APRIL 1, 1986

Resting more comfortably. Unable to eat normally because of pain limitations of mouth, jaws and facial fractures. Intravenous feeding continued with limited sustenance of liquid diet through a straw. Doctors waiting for swelling of face to reduce.

APRIL 2, 1986

Surgery on facial injuries. Fragmented bones of right brow, cheek and upper jaw hinge were wired together and relocated. Septum (nose) was re-centered. Eye socket was 90% shattered so a plastic one was re-structured and an "orbital platform" was created to support the right eyeball which was, fortunately, undamaged. Surgery trauma was somewhat discomforting. Pain killers and palliatives continued. Face all black and blue with residual swelling.

APRIL 3, 1986 - April 7, 1986

Resting and recuperating despite discomfort and difficulty of nutrient intake of semi-liquid foods. Evidence of brain concussion negative.

APRIL 8, 1986

Discovered that mouth could not close because of mis-alignment of upper teeth. Additional X-ray and further surgery scheduled. Facial swelling starting to subside.

APRIL 9, 1986

Second surgery to re-align upper teeth and effect occlusion of molars and alignment of incisors. Jaws wired to force teeth back into alignment. Surgery trauma resulted in considerable post surgery discomfort. Food intake reduced to strictly liquid diet with a straw. Eyes continued to be in mis-alignment subject to strain and headaches. Nose and sinus area continued to bleed and drain.

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GREAT LOSSES

by Harold Fukunaga

Normally we give some passing comments to persons who passed away; however, we lost 2 of our members within the past couple of months, so we should talk more about them, than normally.

James Komo, our long time active member, died after a long period of illness. In spite of his illness, he attended many of our meetings and functions, until the last few months when he was hospitalized. Jimmy was in the 3rd platoon during his military days and worked for the Federal government at Hickam Air Base for many years, before retiring. He loved to play golf, as evidenced by his presence at the Ala Wai Golf Course with his retired buddies, including Loui Yoshiwa, on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. I'm sure they will miss him as much as we will. Dr. Roy Machida our 'G' Co. friend from Los Angeles, attended Jimmy's funeral services, along with many 'G' Chapter members.

Kazumi Ino, another of our active 'G' Chapter members before his illness, died during the same period. Kazumi, called "Kamini" by his friends, weathered a long illness. He was hospitalized in several hospitals during that long period and finally passed away at Tripler Hospital. He was in the 4th platoon when he was in 'G' Co. and worked as a carpenter after his discharge from the Army. He was a regular attendee at our chapter meetings before his illness. All of us will miss him.

Shozo Tadaki, a Hilo resident and a former 'G' Co. clerk, passed away recently, as noted in the newspaper obituary recently.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM FRED IDA & EDDIE OCHIAI

Fred Ida and Eddie Ochiai contributed some news to this reporter. I thank them for their effort.

FRED'S NEWS

The 442nd retirees golf club went to Kilauea Military Camp in September. I had originally planned to ask 'G' Co. Hilo to come up for dinner, but understandably they did not allow it. However, on the day we were scheduled to return to Honolulu, I ran into Iwao Kojiro at Sumidas in Hilo. He was on his way to see a therapist, because he was rear-ended, but other than that everybody in Hilo was okay except Shozo Takaki, who was very ill--(Shozo passed away a few days ago). I also ran into Toshimitsu Kondo. He has had an open heart surgery and more recently knee surgery.

The transplanted Chicago buddhead, Carl Ogawa was in town to visit his brother, who is very ill. We had lunch at Lau Yee Chai. Carl was of the impression that Ralph Yempuku owned the joint. The Ogawas now have a new address:

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They moved to Los Angeles a couple of months ago.

EDDIE'S NEWS

Included in the group of 28 French visitors who came to Honolulu on September 30, 1986, to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the sister-city relationship between Bruyeres, France, and Honolulu were two old friends of 'G' Company: Madam Marguerite Vilnand and Mademoiselle Lucette Georges. They got to know 'G' Company members when they sat at the 'G' Company table at the Hon Kung Restaurant where the 442nd Veterans Club hosted a dinner reception in 1976 when the first group of French visitors came to Honolulu from Bruyeres.

The 442nd Veterans Club and Club 100 jointly hosted our French visitors at a Cocktail Party Reception at Club 100 on Thursday evening, October 2, 1986. Taketo and Judy Kawabata, Eddie and Emily Tamanaha and Eddie and Grace Ochiai attended the function and renewed acquaintances with Marguerite and Lucette and exchanged "miyages" like they do in Japan.

NEW OFFICERS

The November's chapter meeting was a lively one, because of the election of officers. It was like a game of "hot potato." Cries of "I don't want it" were heard through all of the election process.

Taketo Kawabata was nominated for the presidency, but he cried out, "I can't accept it, because I'm not physically able to do the job." He was questioned, as to why he was working at the City Building Dept. if he were physically unable to be the president. After much discussion, his request to delete his name was accepted. A motion to retain the present set of officers was defeated, after Eddie Ochiai pleaded that one year of service was enough and others should be given the chance. So, Fred Ida nominated the 3rd choice, saying that Harold Fukunaga hasn't served the presidency for a long period, so he be given the chance. Before any protestation could be made, the nomination was closed. If there was a "railroad job," this was a classic one. Well, anyway, the following will lead the chapter in 1987:

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by Sunshine Fukunaga

Thanks to timely contributions from far away correspondents, this VOID gets filled this issue. Pardonnez-Moi.

The most prolific, of course, is our good friend TAK HATTORI, 5309 Maricopa Street, Torrance, CA. Truly enjoying his retirement from TRW INC. Tak and lovely wife Sumi took a grand 8,820 mile tour of the States in their Motorhome. Even a 442nd Association Barbecue at its new club house in L.A. couldn't hold them.

We first visited our daughter in Utah and saw Scott, our fourth grandchild. Then we traveled to Mt. Rushmore, Rapid City, South Dakota, then across the country near Chicago where my niece and sister live. We crossed the Canadian border at Detroit to a town about 40 miles from Windsor, Ontario to visit friends of Sumi. From there it was back across the border to Detroit and down to McMurray, PA., to spend a week with my brother.

Then it was to Lake Placid, N.Y. Vermont and New Hampshire.

This is the main reason for the trip, Tak continues. The colors were fantastic and made the whole trip worthwhile. I know of no place where the fall colors equal that of Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine.

We took an all-day tour of Boston and Plymouth, MA. Another interesting tour was of Williamsburg, VA. The Great Smokey mountains were beautiful, but it rained quite a bit. The big surprise was the development around the Smokeys. Traffic slowed to a crawl and congestion was everywhere.

Because of the rain, we headed down to Atlanta and headed for home. We spent some time in San Antonio, TX, the Alamo, and Ft. Sam Houston where I was stationed on Pearl Harbor day. We drove around the Fort, saw approximately the barracks that I lived in, the parade grounds. We had to visit Brackenridge Park where I was on Pearl Harbor day. I didn't know about the attack until I returned to the barracks.

It took the Hattoris five weeks to complete this dream trip.

Several months earlier on the way to a 50th Reunion of his high school class in Arbuckle, CA. they got together with the Eddie Murakamis and the Tom Nakatas.

After the reunion Tak and Sumi continued up North for the Vancouver Expo and a visit with Sumi's brother. A brief pause at Seattle was the occasion for a Chinese dinner with the Maekawas, Saimos, Tamuras and Mac Mamiya.

With all his traveling TAK is fast becoming Anti/Tank's "Ambassador Extraordinaire."

It was also good to hear from our Captain, Louis A. Ferris of Woodland Roads, Harrison, N.Y. 10528. A former partner with Bache & Co, the Captain is also enjoying his retirement but continues to be busy.

Things here have changed little since my last note to you and I have much more to be thankful about. The family are all in good health and that is by far the most important thing in our advancing years. I wish and hope you and all the boys can report the same situation.

I have been retired now for 10 years and seem more busy now than when gainfully employed. My picture taking at golf tournaments has increasingly taken more of my time. It has been a most rewarding occupation with one picture appearing in the prestigious U.S.G.A. Golf Journal. Must add, however, that my game has fallen to pieces and my present handicap is 18.

While cleaning out some old papers, I came across the enclosed pictures which might bring back memories to those photographed. Do what you want with them and duplicates can be made if more are wanted. Send me the bill for such services if they are requested.

"Keep well and give my best to all in the Islands."

The camera subjects include -- a smiling Florist Moriyama with a bambino. Masato Doi perched on a wall, Jits Kunichika, Masanobu Sakuma, Matsuo Kaminishi and an unknown gathered by a seawall, Harry Okouchi waiting in front of a Peira Cava sign, "Carradine" Takahashi standing alongside his jeep, Hattori in a felt hat making like a tourist, Milano scenes, a group of Sgts. including Charles Omiya, Roy Nishio, Goro Inaba and Supply Sgt. Yano, Yuko Okubo standing on a gun emplacement, pictures of the company Hdqtrs at Col de Bras, and a battered glider abandoned after the Southern France invasion.

Mitsuo Akiyama and the men on the Orchid Isle hope David "Bow Bow" Ogawa can fulfill his wish to visit Maui and Hawaii as he had planned

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LIVORNO CHAPTER NEWS by Henry Kuniyuki

**THIS IS YOUR LIFE, JERRY TORAO YAMAMOTO!**  
Yama, as he is known to his Livorno Chapter buddies, is a most colorful character. Like all of us he has had his share of joys and despairs in this world of many uncertainties. He first saw the light in Manoa as the third offspring of Yoshiichi and Kimiko Honma Yamamoto on October 17, 1921. Jerry has three brothers and four sisters. After graduating from McKinley High School, in the class of 1939, he attended University of Hawaii briefly. Due to family financial situation he left the university to work as a stock clerk at the prestigious H.F. Wichman Company, the jewelry firm located then on Fort Street.

In 1943 Jerry married Alice Shizuko Ishihara. Upon the start of World War II, Jerry volunteered for service in the U.S. Army. He was inducted into army life after the "originals" where he was sent to Camp Shelby, so found himself taking basic training at Schofield Barracks. After basic training he was appointed Acting Corporal to escort inductees to Camp Fannin, Texas. He was assigned to the Specialist Training Battalion thereat. Upon completion of Clerical Specialist Training, Jerry was sent overseas to the European Theater as a replacement to the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

While awaiting permanent assignment to the 442nd RCT he and five others in the replacement pool were sent on a water detail to George Co. up in the front lines. His comrades included Morio Omori, George Toguchi, Hideo Noguchi, Henry Yuasa, and a Uyehara whose first name he could not recall. Unfortunately, the water-detail group was captured by the enemy in the Carrara Mountain in Northern Italy. After they were first interrogated at the German's Fort Bastion they were escorted to the enemy's rear echelon. Enroute thereto these brave POW's jumped the three guards and escaped to the 442nd position. While in the enemy encampment they were able to observe the locations of their heavy artillery which was pounding the 442nd bivouac area. For their fine intelligence work Jerry and his water-detail ex-POW's were awarded the bronze star medal. Originally the silver star honors were being considered but the final decision resulted in the bronze star presentations. After this harrowing incident Jerry was assigned to Charlie Company, followed by stints in 2nd Battalion Headquarters. His final 442nd RCT assignment was to Service Company, with detached service to Regimental Headquarters Company's Personnel Section. Jerry was honorably discharged as a sergeant.

Jerry worked as a painter before starting his own painting contracting business in 1950. Jerry Yamamoto Painting Contractor establishment was dissolved in 1980 when Jerry injured himself on a job. At the peak of his contracting business Jerry had seven employees.

In addition to his wife, Alice, the joys of his life included three children and four granddaughters. His son, Lawrence Tadao, is a Soil Conservationist with the United States Department of Agriculture, stationed in Lihue, Kauai. Larry resides in Kapaa, and has a daughter, Alissa, who is nine years old. Jerry's older daughter, Beverly Masako Onaha, is the Director of Nursing at Kapiolani Childrens Hospital. She has two daughters, Cheryl, 20 years of age, and Tammi, 15 years old. Jerry's youngest daughter, Patricia, is working at Kalani High School Cafeteria while attending U. of Hawaii's School of Travel Management. She resides with Jerry with her seven-year old daughter, Alison.

After his forced retirement in 1980, Jerry has kept himself real busy involved in community activities. On November 3rd of this year Jerry's volunteer work with the Kotohira Jinsha Temple was officially recognized with a coveted Certificate of Appreciation, presented to him personally by the High Priest from Kyoto Headquarters. In spite of his physical disabilities Jerry has assisted in the Kotohira Temple's huge remodeling project, which also involved twenty workers from Japan. In addition to serving on the Kotohira Jinsha's Board of Directors, Jerry is also the long-time President of Otake Chiho Jinkai. Otake is located in Hiroshima Prefecture, in the vicinity of Hiroshima City. Jerry has visited his Otake roots on several occasions, and was given royal reception thereat. In turn, he has entertained visiting Otake officials in Honolulu.

The saddest day in Jerry's life was on June 26, 1982, when his dear wife, Alice, passed away. Widower Jerry has also kept busy taking advantage of his many talents such as woodworking skills, culinary interest, and orchid/impatience horticulture. Recently he ordered an unassembled grandfather clock with German movement from the mainland and completed the project to his personal satisfaction. The finished product, which started as a \$900 unassembled puzzle, is valued conservatively at \$3,900. Jerry plans to order another grandfather clock kit, now that he has been able to solve the complicated assembling problem. It was also noted that he has been able to repair the badly damaged ceremonial drums of Kotohira Jinsha.

Jerry's garage workshop is filled with other finished koa products such as picture frames, canes

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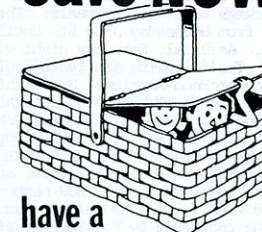
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by Toku Kaneshige

As we rush to send in this report to meet the November 30th deadline, we are thankful for two things. First, the dirtiest of all State elections that we've seen is over with and secondly, that our one year term in office as the chapter news reporter comes to an end.

The dinner/meeting held at the Clubhouse on September 13th was a huge success. Chairman Larry Ishida had catered an excellent Japanese dinner that was enjoyed by all. The following attended: M/M HERBERT ISONAGA, M/M LARRY ISHIDA, M/M MIKE SUGAI, M/M JIMMY SAKAMOTO, M/M MORISO TERAOKA, M/M MASA YAMAMOTO, M/M RICHARD NAKAMURA, M/M KENNETH SARUMATARI, M/M KATSUKI TANIGAWA, M/M KAZU TOMASA, M/M TOKU KANESHIGE, Mrs. HIRO (HISAKO) HIGUCHI, Mrs. HAROLD (AILEEN) YONEMORI, TAKASHI OKEMURA, YOSHI SUGI, MORRIS MASUNAGA, QUANTO WATANABE, and LIPPY HIGUCHI. After dinner, the "captive audience" was treated to karaoke and other musical entertainment by our two talented entertainers, Kazu "Pro" Tomasa and Larry Ishida. We noticed that they have learned some new songs-which means instead of a one hour show, now they put on a one and a half hour show. We really appreciate the musical entertainment and their effort to entertain the group.

The October 10th and November 11th meetings were attended by about a dozen regular members and nothing really earth shaking took place. However, lots of beer, sodas, and pupus were consumed as usual. It appears that the members are eating more and drinking less these days. Maybe the "road blocks" have something to do with this or perhaps the guys are just getting older and can't drink as much as before.

The 1988 Reunion in Reno now appears to be the big chapter project these days. President Mike Sugai has made arrangements for the Hawaii members to stay at the Comstock Hotel for a terrific 5 nights package that include meals. The Reunion will be from Wednesday June 8th until Sunday the 12th. As usual, Saturday night will be Sayonara night. The following are tentatively listed to attend the Reno Reunion: M/M Toshi Hayama, M/M Larry Ishida, M/M Herbie Isonaga, M/M Toku Kaneshige, M/M Richard Nakamura, M/M Taka-shi Okemura, M/M Jimmy Sakamoto, M/M Mike Sugai, M/M Yoshi Sugi, M/M Moriso Teraoka, M/M Kazu Tomasa, M/M Yoshi Watanabe, M/M Masa Yamamoto, and Sueo Higuchi. We hope that former HQ2 members living on the outside islands as well as many mainlanders now being contacted by Nob Togioka of Kingsburg, California, can get together for the first big HQ2 mainland reunion. We attended the last two reunions in Los Angeles but the main-

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by Tomomi Hamada

The Holiday Season is upon us and plans are being made for the celebration. Mike Chapter is no exception. Ralph Tomei announced that the Mike Chapter Christmas party will be held on Sunday, December 14, at the Club House. He said that the party will start at 5:00 p.m. Come early and enjoy the friendship not to mention the libations to the Season. Lots of talk story will be anticipated as members have become grandparents and pictures will be on display.

Instead of the regular monthly Mike Chapter meeting which is usually held at the Clubhouse on the third Tuesday of each month, the members and spouses had a dinner meeting on October 18th. The guest speaker was Ray Sumikawa a former veterans counselor for the state of Hawaii. Mr. Sumikawa gave a very informative talk much appreciated by the approximately 49 people who attended.

Our deep condolence to Dennis M. Makiya who lost his brother, Clifford J. Makiya. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

Hiroshi and Grace Yanashiro visited with their daughter in California. Yori Inouye will be joining the ranks of the retired in December.

The Aloha Council annual dinner was held at the Club 100 on Saturday, September 27th. The 442nd Ukulele Club entertained during the cocktail hour rendering Hawaiian songs, hula and instrumentals. It was a busy week for the Ukulele Club because on Tuesday, October 2nd they entertained at the cocktail party held at Club 100 for the approximately 25 Bruyeres visitors. The Club members were also busy stringing leis to present to the visitors.

The 442nd Ukulele Club's Christmas party will be held on Monday, December 15th at the DAV Youth Pavilion. Jane Ueoka is general chairperson. Larry Ishida and Kay Hirayama are heading the refreshment committee; Hichi Matsumoto the program committee. Again a lavish spread and outstanding programs are being laid out.

Installation of the 1987 officers will be held at the Christmas party with George Nakasato as the Installations Officer. The 1987 officers are Paul Matsumoto, President; James Kanemori, Vice President and Yoshio Shibuya, Treasurer.

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by Joe Shimamura

# REUNION 1986

It's getting to be an annual affair that gets mellow as the years roll by. San Francisco's Reunion 1986 once again turned out to be a most successful affair. The 24 Oahuans whose good luck it was to be able to make this trip were: RICHARD & PAULINE ODA, RUSSELL & MARY OMOTO, ED & PAT OGATA, JAMES & CHARLOTTE OURA, SEIICHI & SALLY SAKAIDA, HIROSHI & MARYJANE SUEYOKA, SANDY & MARY TAKESHITA, JAMES & MASAKO YANAGIDA and the singles of SHINSEI HIGA, WALTER HEIRAKUJI, KENT KAJIWARA, GERARD KAJIWARA and CURTIS M. NOBORIKAWA. TETSUO HAMADA was the lone representative from the Big Island while PAUL & VIOLET OKAMURA held up the colors for Kauai. The Valley Isle came thru with TADASHI & MILDRED OKUDA, TOSHIO & MISAIE KUBOTA, TAD TAKAMATSU, ROGER KATSUTANI and CORA & CLARENCE MATSUMOTO. Joined by 28 French visitors from Bruyeres and Biffontaine area. It all turned out to be one well put together, terrific affair. The Big America Kingsmen & Queens who were able to join us were, GEORGE & KAY ABE, TAKAJI & JUNE GOTO, HARRY & BETTY HOSHIKO, TOM & MARY KAWANO, SANJI KIMOTO, KIYOSHI & MIDORI YOSHII, STANLEY SAKUMA and his new Mrs. (Minnie), NOBUO & MINNIE KIMURA, JIMMIE TATSUDA, HARU & ALYS SAKAJI, TOM & SALLY TAKAHASHI, TOM YAMASHITA, EMILY KAWAGUCHI, HARRY NAKABE and the Hancho himself RUDY TOKIWA and TAKO and all the way from Louisiana KIMIO & KIMIYE WATANABE. From Sacramento, ROBERT KAWAGUCHI and his wife LILLIAN and from Seattle, DICK NAITO and his new Mrs. who were enroute to L.A. In Reno, to meet FRANK & YURI MATSUDA and GEORGE & NANCY UCHIMIYA. Renewed old acquaintances from France in the way of PIERRE MOULIN, SERGIE & MONIQUE CARLESSO, JEAN BIANCETTI, MARGARITE VILMARD, LUCETTE GEORGE and CAMILLE and CHRISTIAN to name but a few. An all day bus cruise to Carmel and Monterey, a visit to the Napa Valley winery, down to Fisherman Wharf by cable car, whooping it up at the race track, making like the tourist and going on a city tour, reminiscing the days of old with a visit to Alcatraz penitentiary, these were the events that had all the visitors on the go for 4 days in the bay area. A well put together night affair climaxed each day's events, such as all you can eat pot-luck dinner at the Christ United Presbyterian Church, next door to the hotel where registration took place with each family given that unique specially made goodie bag. Dinner at Spenger's Seafood Restaurant in Berkeley where we got to meet our French visitors and dined on the choice of Captain's Plate or Sirloin of Beef, which sure was "ono", and the final night banquet at Yamamoto's Restaurant attended by over a 100 individuals was a classic dinner that had just too much to eat and ended up

taking home the left overs in doggie-bags. Thanks to the hustling efforts of the bay area K-s led by that Hancho himself RUDY TOKIWA, we really went first class all the way for this one.

With a memorial service at the Peace Plaza on Sunday, September 28, at 10:00 a.m. it was on to Reno by bus with SHIGEO NAKAMURA of the Valley Isle winning the jack-pot for the time of arrival contest. It was 3 nights of gambling and eating at the El Dorado Hotel for the Hawaii delegation and the Sundowner Hotel for the state-siders and French visitors who showed you their empty coin purse anytime you asked them how they were making out at the gaming table. With SHINSEI HIGA and PAULINE ODA hitting it big the initial day, it wasn't a total loss for the Reno invaders. A good time was had by all, win, lose or draw, as we took leave of this gambling mecca on October 1st, destination San Francisco for departure to all points. Our sincerest mahalo for a job well done, especially to the hosting California crew led by who else would do it RUDY TOKIWA, GEORGE & KAY ABE, TAK & JUNE GOTO, HARRY & BETTY HOSHIKO, TOM & MARY KAWANO, HARU & ALYS SAKAJI, SANJI KIMOTO, KIYOSHI & MIDORI YOSHII, STANLEY & MINNIE SAKUMA, TOM & SALLY TAKAHASHI, ROBERT & LILLIAN KASHIWAGI, and the two old faithfuls, EMILY KAWAGUCHI and HARRY NAKABE. Our thanks also to NOBU & MINNIE KIMURA, KIMIYO & KIMIYE WATANABE, DICK & MRS. NAITO and last but not least TAKO.

Our sincerest thanks also to ERIC SAUL, honor-arymember of Company 'K' and DAVID & LANI DING who gave up their busy schedule to spend some time with us. This 'K' get-together is getting to be an annual affair and it seems to be getting better and better as the years roll by. Now that it's all over, boss-man RUDY TOKIWA can go ahead and have that vital surgery done on his back, something that has been put off for quite a while. May yours be a most speedy recovery as the K-men of Big America would surely be lost without your presence. In bringing to a close this October report, our special thanks also to DUKE TOKIWA, RUDY'S brother who was always in there quietly pitching in and seeing that all goes well with the K-men.

## POT-LUCK EXTRAVAGANZA

October 11th found the delegation from Bruyeres and Biffontaine entertained by the K-men for a most extravagant pot-luck dinner, you name it, we had it as far as kau-kau was concerned. It must have been good, because going for seconds without hesitation was the order of the night as the eatingest time was had by all who were able to attend this Nuanu gathering. Generously giving their all to see that no one went home hun-

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gry were; WALTER HEIRAKUJI, CHARLIE & KAY IGARASHI KENT KAJIWARA, ROBERT & DORIS NAGATA, RICHARD & PAULINE ODA, ED & PAT OGATA, JAMES, CHARLOTTE and WAYNE OURA, daughter PHYLLIS and husband CALVIN, HIROSHI & MARYJANE SUEOKA, CURTIS NOBORI-KAWA, SANDY & MARY TAKESHITA and SHINSEI HIGA. Eat up, drink up and sing up was the happenings for this night of happy laughter with adjournment finally taking place at 11:00 p.m. Departure day found the K-s out in full force being the majority with leis galore and fond farewells were said as many of the departing guests wept unashamedly as they boarded Western Airlines for the first lap of their long journey, destination Los Angeles, and over the continental U.S., across the blue Atlantic to land in Stuttgart and home sweet home in the Vosges.

Thank you SALLY & SEI SAKAIDA for those beaucoup pineapples and all the extras that were so thoroughly enjoyed by the guest from France and the hosting state-siders. Till the next one, keep 'em rested.

SAYONARA '86

45 days before St. Nicks Day and 2½ weeks before Gobbler's celebrations with this K-report most probably being the final one as we bring to a close a most productive year. As our very best from Minneapolis, NOBU "BRAVOGAR" KIMURA puts it, "Yes indeed, it was the best reunion as the year passed by, we are all getting older and what a happy moments these reunion brings. The big one in September is now history and the K-s can chalk this up as another most successful reunion. With that super-duper K-crew in Big America led by that ichiban organizer RUDY TOKIWA, we just can't go wrong. A good time was had by all and we would like to extend our sincerest mahalo to the unbeatable Stateside K-men for a job well done.

A long distance call by Prexy, J. OURA, all the way to Minnesota, found NOBU & MINNIE KIMURA our good samaritan, playing host to DOMINIQUE BULANCETTI who had a layover in Minneapolis enroute home to Biffontaine, France. Arriving in Minneapolis on a perfect day, DOMINIQUE was well taken care and starting off with a shower, a short nap and taken on a tour to see the best that this fair city had to offer by NOBU & MINNIE and her two daughters, who promised DOMINIQUE that they will one day pay her a visit. We are assuming that a tired but happy DOMINIQUE did make it safely home as we await some kind of news from

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by Terry Ihara

BEN & DAISY TAKAYESU are pulling their roots and moving over to the Island of Maui to be closer to their three sons and their families. To celebrate this moving which is to take place within this calendar year, (BEN & DAISY in absentia) hosted a catered dinner at the 442nd V.C. clubhouse on the evening of the monthly October 14th meeting. It was a gala affair where 48 members and spouses enjoyed the TAKAYESU's most generous farewell tribute. BEN will still retain his apartment complex in town which he will use as an office as well as a home away from home when he's in Honolulu. Hopefully Chapter members can still get his help whenever needed as Maui is only 20 minutes away. The following members and their spouses were there to help BEN celebrate the affair: NOBU & BETTY YONEDA, SAB & TOKIE OUCHI, TADAO & SAKAE YOSHIMOTO, MASAMI & MARILYN DOI, SHIGERU THOMAS & JUNE OOKA, GEORGE & DORIS TANDO, TOSHIO & HAZEL OKAMURA, GEORGE & HARUKO OYAMA, JOHN & BEA TSUKAMOTO, HIDEO & BETTY TAKAHASHI, SHIGE & SALLY YOSHITAKE, WAICHI & CHIYONO TAKEMOTO, MASAO & KAY SUGIHARA, GLENN & MIYO NAKASONE, HIROSHI & ROSE OKADA, KOZUN & MILDRED NAKATA, NAOTOMO & HAZEL MATOI, NOBORU & HIDEKO, UESUGI, ALLAN TANAKA, HIROSHI OTAKE, MITSUGI YAMADA, EDWIN GOYA, RAYMOND SHIROMA, RAYMOND SHIGEYAGA, RALPH YAGI, YOSHIWO YAMAKI, DON MASUDA, BOBBY MAEDA, TERRY IHARA and SHIGE TAMASHIRO.

WAICHI & CHIYONO TAKEMOTO's son ROY is now a full fledged lawyer. He recently passed the State Bar Examinations. He is a graduate of the University of Hawaii Law School. BEN TAKAYESU hurt his back recently bending over and has been taking shiatsu treatments regularly to relieve those strained muscles. ALLAN TANAKA's wife JANET had open-heart surgery in late September and that is why he came solo to BEN's farewell dinner. CHICKEN and ROSE YAMADA are now the proud grandparents of a new baby girl, born to daughter FAY KOMATSU. DON & ALYCE MASUDA are also brand new grandparents. Their daughter DONNA KAM presented her husband and her parents with a son, KELSEY KAM on August 17. GLENN and MIYO NAKASONE's daughter-in-law DAVINNA, wife of son EARL, also came through with another grandchild for the NAKASONES, this one named AMBER EMIKO NAKASONE and born on October 31, 1986.

LEFTY SUGIHARA, chairman of the tournament committee of the recently held EASY COMPANY REUNION in RENO, has submitted the results of the two-day tournament which are given below;

September 2 at WILDCREEK COUNTRY CLUB  
First Place: Tie, LAWSON & MINEKO SAKAI  
net score --68

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Third Place: CHARLES ARAKAKI - net score 74

September 3 at LAKERIDGE COUNTRY CLUB

First Place: LEFTY SUGIHARA - net score 73

Second Place: Tie, LAWSON SAKAI, GEORGE MORITA, NOBU TAKASHIMA, GARY OKAZAKI, KAY SUGIHARA  
net score 76

7th Place: Tie, MAS KARIYA, TOM TAKATA, YUKI AIHARA - net score 78

The winning scores were noticeably high which is an indication of the difficulty of the course.

You can see by the list of prize winners Hawaii players did not do so well. Playing on a strange course will always be a problem except the good ones like Lefty, Lawson and Mineko do well all the time. Mineko, in addition had some very good biorhythm numbers and therefore she was very lucky at the machines, be it poker or the one arm bandits. Besides, Lawson is a real golf enthusiast and takes golfing trips all over the country and world. Continuing on LAWSON, he wrote that he will be in Honolulu on December 12 and 13, after a week of golf on Maui. In that letter he provides valuable information about the forthcoming SMITHSONIAN CELEBRATION and the EASY COMPANY REUNION in DENVER, in late September, 1987, immediately preceding the SMITHSONIAN thing in D.C. He feels that in Denver the Reunion can have its big affairs at the NISEI POST MEETING HALL. In Washington, he already has 50 rooms blocked out for EASY travelers for the SMITHSONIAN AFFAIR. He says the hotel is within walking distance of the SMITHSONIAN and all events in the Capital area. The reservations are for Sept. 30 to October 1st. In Denver he suggests one day of golf and one day of sightseeing, Sept. 28 and 29. He will be going to Denver to cement things further in a few weeks. Being in the travel business LAWSON knows exactly what is needed to make a trip such as that proposed a meaningful as well as a fun thing. Good work LAWSON and thank you.

It should have been reported earlier when Lefty's golf results were given that SHIGE and SALLY YOSHITAKE's names were not included among those going to RENO in the July, August, September newsletter.

Now to the October monthly meeting of Easy Chapter. The writer admits having forgotten completely, meetings of the Chapter as well as many other important functions. It's a disease of growing old. On the occasion of the Chapter's October monthly meeting 19 members waited patiently outside the locked clubhouse for STOOKA to open the door so the group could get in and hold

its meeting. Seven forty-five and no STOOKA so a telephone call was made to the OOKA residence. Lo and behold, STOOKA was still there and the records to arrive at the clubhouse inside of twelve minutes and the meeting started and everyone was happy. STOOKA is welcome to the club of forgetful men who will continue to forget things unless the wife or someone else serves as a reminder. Incidentally, that 2nd Tuesday of October was a very rainy day and for 19 members to show up at a meeting when the best place to be was in the home, in front of a television set, needs mention here as true devotion of a group of men responding to the call of their leader.

KOZUN NAKATA is now back home resting. Over a month ago KOZUN's two daughters were called home because it was a touch and go situation. After his open heart surgery he had problems with his kidneys which put his life in a very precarious situation. KOZUN being a strong willed person with lots of intestinal fortitude was able, to the surprise of his doctors, fight his way back to a point now where it will only be a matter of time before he will be back with us just like new.

Concerning the 1987 RENO REUNION and SMITHSONIAN CELEBRATION TOUR, tentative scheduling will take EASY HAWAII from Honolulu on September 27, via UAL directly to DENVER, leaving HNL in the early evening and arriving DENVER at about 5:45 in the morning of Sept. 28. Spend Sept. 28 and 29 for sightseeing and golf, and depart at about 10:00 a.m. for Washington, D.C., Dulles Airport on the 30th of September, arriving in D.C. about 3:30 p.m. the same day. The stay in Washington will be for 4 days and on Monday morning October 5th, enplane for LAS VEGAS, remaining there until the 8th, departing Las Vegas on the morning of the 8th for Los Angeles and home to Honolulu in the early afternoon.

MORE NEWS ABOUT MEMBERS

Lefty and Kay Sugihara son Craig's wife presented them with another grandchild, a son, some six months ago. Craig the epitome a young, successful businessman is opening up another shop in the Pearlridge Shopping Center. He specializes in surfboards and beach and recreation related goods.

Glenn Nakasone has brought long eggplant for distribution to Chapter meetings on several occasions.

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by Robert Sasaki

This assignment as temporary reporter for Love Chapter has gone into overtime twice too many, so this is sayonara. Was enjoyable, but was getting to be rather tiresome, not only for the writer but the readers also.

Our duly elected president, Hideo Nakayama (Florist turned Politician), was inaugurated in an auspicious ceremony at our November dinner/meeting. He has promised to climb the highest mountain to outdo our lame duck leader, Paul Matsumoto. It should not be too difficult, as he has Yoshiji Aoki as his VP and our trustworthy treasurer, Tad Sakai, assisting him. Omedetto to our newly elected and we expect big, tremendous things to come in the year 1987.

#### TOURISTS AND KANKO-ITES

Roger Stairs, son of former 3rd platoon Lieutenant George Stairs, was a surprise visitor to our land of paradise in mid October, accompanied by spouse Debbie. Although the Stairs were on an abbreviated schedule, Roger was able to reminisce with Joseph and William (no relation) Oshiro over World War II tales he inherited from his dad. According to Tad, who was akamai enough to inquire about George's whereabouts, our former haole officer is a retired resident of Mt. Pleasant, Pennsylvania. Not unlike our own retirees here, George is a part-time sportsman, specializing in hunting and fishing when he is not beholden to the grandchildren, numbering eight. Anyone interested in contacting Lt. Stairs, his address is:

George R. Stairs  
RD #1  
Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666

Those substituting the warmth of Hawaii for a touch of frigid climate were Dyna Matsuda, dancho of a Autumn tour group to Japan, Hideo Nakayama, Mabel and Wallace Kawamura, and Lily and Robert Sasaki, who also were Nihon bound for the traditional Momiji adventure. Hide was one of approximately 16 tourists in the group that visited Ura Nihon cities. The Kawamuras and Sasaki were in a kanko numbering 21 that toured the Tohoku cities of Honshu. Wally was official photographer (he acted like it) of the group and must have taken a thousand pictures. Can't complain about his talent though. The photos came out pretty good, except those taken at dinnertime when he already had too much Sake. One good thing about Japan in Autumn is the food (meibotsu everywhere). You eat and eat and eat some more, then walk and walk and walk some more. Impossible to gain weight.

#### NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST

Our Kobe Shoji, until now only known for his famous son, Dave, successful coach of our University of Hawaii Wahine volleyball team, has finally made it on his own. Dr. Shoji received the Distinguished Service Award from the Hawaiian Sugar Technologists at its 45th annual conference recently. A veteran of the sugar industry in Hawaii, Kobe presently holds the position of vice-president/ chief agriculturist for Alexander & Baldwin, Inc. It must be nice to be recognized for one's own accomplishments without having to latch on the shirrtails of famous sons, huh, Kobe. Congratulations, old friend.

Speaking of successful children, the local papers were in full print about Michael Oshiro's promotion to the rank of Senior Master Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force. Master Sergeant Oshiro's present station is in England. In case you did not know, Michael is the Chonan of Nancy and Joseph Oshiro. (Joe, a onetime 3rd platoon and one helluva soldier could not attain the rank of sergeant for all his heroics). I wonder how many stripes Michael outranks his Dad? Like father, like son, only smarter and more famous, huh Joe?

#### A LIVING LEGEND

Tommy Kakesako, after years and years of dedicated service to our local DAV organization has finally been recognized. The new DAV Rehab Center, located at the Keeli Lagoon complex, was officially dedicated on December 7th, at a ceremony in which the newly constructed facility was named the Tommy Kakesako Rehab Center. Modest and unassuming as he is, Tommy's recognition as the greatest booster of the DAV program in Hawaii should help to inspire others to follow in this wonderful guy's footsteps. Pardon this editorializing, but LIKM chapter's number one priority now should be to see that the Kakesako building is adorned with an appropriate (and expensive) plaque.

#### SICK CALL

Our ever-hustling Fumio Ohashi was forced to slow his pace recently, victim of a hernia condition. The operation was a success and he is now in a take-it-easy recuperative program. He won't tell us but we wonder if the doctor has curtailed his beer habit. Take care, Fumio.

Another first squad member of our third platoon family was placed on sick call. Clarence (Hekka) Oka of Maui underwent by-pass operation at Queens on November and is now recuperating. We do know Hekka is not one to havesomethings like this slow him down, but take it easy, old buddy.

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By George Nakasato

#### AN UPDATE: REUNION '87

The 3-day Reunion program is well underway as plans were updated again, adding a touch of glamour and excitement to the affair. The dates are still solid, July 2nd (Thursday) to the 5th (Sunday), at Pagoda Hotel. For the golfers, Chairman Bill Tanaka has arranged a series of tee-off times at such courses as Makaha, Olomana and Pearl Country Club. The first day play, of course, is a warm-up day, to be followed by a 2-day tournament at two separate courses. Non-golfers need not take the back seat, however, as interesting tour plans are being organized.

The Hospitality Room in the Penthouse will be chaired by our reliable Goichi Suehiro and his committee of non-golfers. As to the evening affairs, the Welcome and Sayonara Teahouse dinners will be opened to volunteer participants who wish to "test" their vocal chords. And the singing platform is free. (Are you ready, Yasu Deguchi?) All in all, the plans are moving along as expected. Registration and reservation information will be forthcoming in our next newsletter. In the meantime, let me say again, chalk down the date of July 2 to 5. You will be happy you did!

#### A FOXY SEPTEMBER AFFAIR

The regular monthly meeting in September was shifted to the Iris Room, Pagoda Hotel; and it was organized as a dinner meeting. The spouses were invited as guests of the chapter. Following a dinner of prime ribs and mahimahi, Prexy Joe Tanaka opened the meeting and extended to all spouses his appreciation for their continued support to many of our chapter activities, including the recent State Reunion in Hilo. He further invited them to volunteer (again) and participate in our upcoming State Reunion '87 in Honolulu. They nodded in agreement. (How could you do otherwise after a free dinner!?)

Reunion Chairman George Nakasato followed with a tentative description of program events, ideas, and planning issues related to the Reunion. Keeping spouses aware of reunion plans, including committee work, at this early stage, is quite important in any planning scheme, stated the Chairman.

A partial list of those who attended: Yoshi & Clara Shibuya, Joe and Sharon Tanaka, Mich and Shinako Takata, Shige and Rose Higa, Kats and Grace Nakamura, Tommy & May Tamagawa, Kiyo & Yukie Takeuchi, Barney & Phyllis Miyagi, George & Myrtle Nakasato, Mary Muranaka, and Roy Kubo.

#### SWINGING GOLFERS TEE-OFF AGAIN

Bright and early on November 22nd, twelve brave souls travelled to Mililani and participated in the annual Fox Chapter President's Golf Tournament. It was a clear and warm day, a surprisingly good day for golfers. Last year, according to Mich Takata, it simply rained and rained in Mililani. However, this year, it was picture perfect, and it brought forth this winning circle of honorees of the day:

1st Place: Dan Horikawa (net 65)  
2nd Place: Mich Takata (net 68)  
3rd Place: Bill Tanaka (net 70)

Front 9: Hichi Matsumoto (net 33)  
Back 9: Bill Tanaka & Barney Miyagi (net 34)

Where or where are the solid swingers... Yoshi, Shige?

#### THIS AND THAT AND MORE

Yoshi Shibuya announced that his retirement date finally arrived; it will be in December... Earlier, Ronald Oba made a similar decision, a retirement in December. Upcoming Christmas party is set for December 6. Invitations were extended to East-West Center students: Anond Snidvongs (Thailand), Shahed Khan (Pakistan), Migumi Sata (Japan), and Mya Kywe (Burma). Entertaining East-West Center students is always a traditional affair of the Chapter. Ron Oba reported from Hilo that Roy Masuda's mother died on October 27 at Hilo Hospital. Our sincere condolences to Roy and members of his family... And finally, it is a time of the year to extend our best wishes and good tidings to all...

#### RON OBA'S FABLES FROM HILO

Rain, Rain, Go Away  
Do Come Back A Nother Day  
We Want To Gol Fu

The rainy season has arrived and the Hilo Muny has been closed a couple of times already. The beauty is that we can still call Volcano or Sea Mountain for starting

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times when it rains in Hilo. It never rains down Punaluu way.

Sadao, Bob, Wataru and Yuki still push Hoxie around town every Tuesday and Thursday. They were interviewed by Channel 9 and were on TV several times, written up in the Tribune Herald; and now a grateful, sympathetic observer, Mr. Kaoru Sunada approached the group one morning and donated \$20.00 for their coffee breaks! The group is recognized all over town and has developed a heart-warming reputation in Hilo and throughout the State. Me Ke Aloha Pumehana.

Kikuye and Wataru Kohashi visited their daughter and husband, Lois and Mike Sinclair, in Seattle, Washington. The Sinclairs had just bought a large house. Kimie Miyashiro accompanied them, and they drove to the Vancouver Expo, a two and half-hour drive. During their 10-day visit, they ate lots of crabs, dug for clams and hunted for mushrooms under the pine trees and logs. They had a wonderful time. Elaine Okutsu left Yuki home and once again went traipsing to Las Vegas, and she reported, "I lost my pants and left it there." She said it was cold coming home. Harry and Florence Matsuo went to Japan with the Hilo Hongwanji Fujinkai. Harry stated that they visited Hokkaido and enjoyed Aomori the best because it was different than most cities.

Robert and Sadao Honda visited their son Richard and daughter Anna Honda in Fairfield, CA, and continued on to the Expo, a 2-day trip by auto. They also visited Matt Mikami in Seattle, then to Haru Imai's and to Orange County to visit cousins Mr. and Mrs. Fukuda, and on to Laughlin, Nevada, to jingle some money, where a new group of casinos are flourishing.

Jane Samura also visited Las Vegas for the first time and came back empty. She visits Hilo Hospital with Mrs. Keiko Sato every Friday to display floral arrangements on the third floor. The patients and employees appreciate their beautiful arrangements. Dr. James Mimura and his family of office staff are again coming to visit Honolulu and the Hilo gang over the New Year's Holidays. They especially enjoy the New Year celebration in Hilo, the old-fashioned feasts and open-ended fireworks.

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by Sadaichi Higa

Recap of things that happened during the year.

Mac Nishimoto from Seattle, Washington, who had a heart by-pass operation came to town on a recuperation trip and also visited Maui for his niece's wedding. He is back to his old routine of walking down to the YMCA every morning for his workout.

Manabu (Colorado) Hirasaki from Camarillo, California came for a visit with his wife, Sumie. It was just a spur of the moment thing for them.

Louis Hashizumi--we lost a very good friend and buddy. Louis passed away during the past year. He was an amiable person. He was one person who never got angry. His famous words when things didn't work out or there was any disagreement were "Wait a minute, let's talk it over." We met for the first time when we were assigned to Charlie Battery. He seemed like a quiet fellow at first but as I got to know him, he turned out to be quite a talker. He never seems to run out of things to say. He was very good in any sport he took up. We'll miss him.

Henry "Tets" Kobayashi a regular at the meetings suffered a stroke recently. He is now on the way to recovery. We hope him well and be able to attend our monthly meetings.

Tee Sugita of Sierra Madre, California, also was in town with his wife, Kay and his sister-in-law for rest and recreation.

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# SERVICE CHAPTER NEWS

by Alex J. Oka

The Summer issue of Kuakini Friends--a publication of Kuakini Health System had a nice article about TAKAO ITO's son Dr. Thomas Ito. Dr. Ito, a Urologist, was responsible for soliciting contributions from Kuakini's physicians for the Foundation Capital Fund Drive. His involvement in the drive resulted in a new record for medical staff contributions. Congratulations Tom.

Continuing with the news of the Ito Family, TAKAO's daughter is now Mrs. Jerry Won. The merry reception was held at the China House Restaurant with thirty Service Chapter members and wives participating in the celebration. The reception was truly a cosmopolitan affair starting with the traditional Lion Dance with drums, cymbals and gongs and included the oriental Banzai.

In the meantime, TAKAO ITO has kept busy since his retirement as principal of McKinley Community School for Adults by helping wife June in the real estate business and by escorting tours to Las Vegas for Jackie's Travel.

Received note from May Mabe of Westminster (Denver) that she had recovered from a gall bladder operation. Mentioned that this operation was more painful than the previous heart surgery. She is fully recovered and enjoying the pleasures of her two granddaughters. In the meantime, husband George is thinking of retirement. Hang in there George--they can't force you to retire even when you reach 70.

NOBORU TANOUÉ also had gall bladder operation and was up and about in no time at all. "Nobrega" after retiring from his second job, is busy fixing things around the house. His one year old project is to paint the house. Hurry up Nobrega, the house will keep growing on you. TANOUÉ after his retirement from the federal government worked for the State Harbors Division patrolling the waterfront. Wife MASAKO is with duty free enterprise.

Our sympathies to BESS SAITO and family of Torrance. Husband SHO, after a long illness has gone to join his two brothers of the 442nd. SHO was at the Vets Reunion on Maui in July 1985 to be with the gang once more. SHO was a Truck Master for the 171st and rejoined Service Company in Italy after the war ended. He was purposely kept back at Camp Shelby until the war ended because his two brothers had already made the supreme sacrifice. Brother Calvin of K Company was killed in the battle for Hill 140 in Italy; and Brother George of H Company was killed in the battle for Bruyeres in France. Our appreciation to the SAITO FAMILY for their sacrifices and contributions during and after the war that has made it possible

for the likes of us to be enjoying life.

James and Martha Miyake just returned from escorting a tour with Jim and Martha were PHILLIP and MARY ICHINO of Pasadena, HARRY and LILLIAN KOMATSU of Gardena and TED and CLARA YAMATE of Princeville. Phil and Mary were in town just prior to the tour to meet with the "Teamsters" bunch of Service Company. Phil, during the war, was a warrant officer in charge of the drivers and mechanics. He had a tough job because the "teamsters" were the "rascals" of Service Company. Joining Phil and Mary at dinner were Chapter President, MASAJI KUROZUMI; Vice President, SAM YAMADA and wife FRANCES; Treasurer, DIXON YAMASHITA; TERRY ITAKI; MIKE INOUE; BILL and BETTY TOMA; YOSHIO YATAGAI; KIYOSHI MURAOKA; NOBORU and MASAKO TANOUÉ; ALEX and JEAN OKA; RALPH and GRACE CHINAKA, and JAMES and MARTHA MIYAKE.

First stop on the tour, after transferring plane at Tokyo, was Seoul, a shoppers paradise. HARRY and LILLIAN KOMATSU flew directly from the West Coast to Tokyo. Itaewon Shopping Plaza was loaded with bargains such as leather goods, Reebok Running shoes, and "Members Only" jackets. After spending all their money in Seoul, the tour returned to Tokyo for some serious sight seeing to visit Nikko, and the Great Buddha of Kamakura. Harry and Lillian went on their own to go to Niigata to pray at his father's grave. From Tokyo it was Taiwan and then to Hong Kong for more shopping and sightseeing. Then the visit to Bangkok was "homecoming" for the Miyakes. Jim and Martha were in Bangkok for many years while working for the Federal State Department. The next stop was Singapore for more sightseeing and shopping and the last stop being Bali to rest and recuperate. The return route was Hong Kong, Tokyo and to Honolulu. The West Coast tour members flew direct from Tokyo. Jim and Martha are with Sandys Travel Adventures and their next escorted tour is New Zealand and Australia.

While we are on the subject of tours, RALPH and GRACE CHINAKA of Sandy's Travel Adventure have arranged for the Smithsonian Institute Commemoration Tour to begin on September 29, 1987. The tour will include Washington, D.C., New York City, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Vermont, Boston, Orlando, EPCOT Center/Disney-World, and Las Vegas. There is a early sign up discount for deposits made by January 1, 1987.

Herbert Sasaki, supply sgt. of Service Co. is now residing in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. He is interested in establishing a 442nd monument at Camp Shelby. This project is estimated to cost 20 G's. During the last chapter meeting, the majority were not in favor of such a project.

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MEDICS CHAPTER NEWS by Herbert Akamine

The Pacific Citizen reported that Donald Kazama died of cancer on September 21. Kazama was one of several University of Washington 442nd Medics. They included deceased members George Sawada, Minoru Masuda, Squeaky Kanazawa, and survivors Dick Nomura, Vic Izui and Hideo Noma.

According to the Pacific Citizen Kazama left a legacy of community service contributions, as well as 24 years of service to JACL. He was active in education, desegregation and civil rights groups, including Coalition for Quality Intergrated Education, Seattle Public Schools Bilingual Advisory Commission, Urban League and the Seattle Human Rights Commission. As Seattle JACL chapter president in 1970, he laid the foundation for the issue oriented activities of the chapter.

In 1972, he served as Pacific Northwest District JACL vice-governor. In that position, he was instrumental in obtaining federal civil service retirement credit for Japanese Americans interned during WW2, and was active in affirmative action training programs.

Kazama's concerns about the elderly population led to his active participation as a member of the National JACL Aging and Retirement committee until his illness in early July.

He served as chair of the Nisei Aging Project Community Advisory and Resource Committee, and was involved in city, county, state and national boards dealing with the concerns of the aging. Last year, Kazama was honored as Senior Citizen of the Year by Senior Services of Washington, a coalition of senior-citizen groups.

Born in Donald, Washington, in 1913, Kazama graduated from Stadium High School in Tacoma and received his bachelor's degree in pharmacy from the University of Washington in 1936.

He joined the staff of the Veterans Administration Hospital after receiving his master's degree in social work, also from the University of Washington, in 1950. He was the assistant chief of the hospital's out-patient services when he retired in 1976.

Surviving are his wife Sally, daughters Nancy and Patrice, sons Larry and Alan, and sister Ruth, all of Seattle.

We received this letter from Mrs. Ginette Drahon whose husband, the freedom fighter Jean, was well-known to many 442 members.:

After the month of August elapsed, I finally have the courage to tell you very sad news. Jean died on August 22, after 8 months of illness. He had 3 strokes, paralysis of speech, left leg and arm. He returned home on May 30, regained speech, walking with difficulty but not by himself.

But his condition worsened. He saw himself so diminished. It wasn't possible for him to stay in a wheelchair. He, who was so alert, couldn't make any effort to improve his condition. It was a huge ordeal for me to undergo. But it's necessary to resign myself and carry on despite all.

How are you? I hope that your health is good. You will soon have the Bruyeres group. I hold such a good memory of our 2 trips to the Islands and especially a great feeling of friendliness toward you two. You welcomed us so well.

It's for this that I wished to write you this note. Dear friends, I leave you very affectionately.

OBITUARY: M. JEAN DRAHON

We learned with sorrow of the death of M. Jean Drahon in his 79th year. Retired from the Bridges and Roads (Dept.), he lived at #18 Avenue de Lattre-de-Tassigny.

Born in Bruyeres on June 19, 1908, he joined his destiny with that of a young milliner, Ginette Studer, who became the forewoman of the Bruyeres workshop of Hats by "Mary Jacques" a business which her spouse reopened under the name of "Chez Ginette." The couple raised one son, Marc, an official of the E.D.F., living in Bleret.

Jean Drahon, who was the brother of M. Rene Drahon, former mayor of Bruyeres who died on Nov. 10, 1967, had had a military career which ended as chief warrant officer. Incorporated on Oct. 15, 1929, in the 158th Regimental Infantry, he served in the 27th regiment of Algerian sharpshooters, then as chief sergeant accountant in the 9th Zouaves in Algeria. Reentering the capital (Paris) in October 1942, he served there, staying to handle the Allied disembarkment of 11/11/42, in North Africa.

4/1/43, he reentered the ranks of the F.F.I. recalling that he served to guide the American troops and the Hawaiian liberators at the time of the battle of 10/44. After the liberation, he began to put his accounting abilities into service at the Water and Forest Bureau, then in the Bridges and Roads Dept. The departure of Jean Drahon will be felt very much by the numerous Bruyeres societies which he contributed to, helping especially

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by Charles Watanabe

With this news report it will be the last for the year 1986. If you have any problems better forget it and save it for 1987.

Now let me go back a little bit and catch up to the present activities of HQ3rd.

The meeting held for the month of September 1986 was held at the residence of Sam Furuya, Keolu Hills, Kailua. A pleasant drive via Pali Hwy and over the mountains to the other side of the ocean.

Despite the many times I have been there to the Furuya's, I still cannot orient myself to find Humula Street. Why I don't know, never had problem when using the old Kailua road.

It's always a pleasant evening going to the Furuya's---lots of goodies and varieties --the eyes are much bigger than the stomach. The affair was a pot-luck dinner and as usual always ending up with more food on the table than one can consume. Of course, the main dish on the menu was the salmon from Albert and Ida Kariya via Seattle, Washington. "THANKS" to Al and Ida Kariya.

I don't know where he gets everything but Sam sure had lots of pupus during cocktail hour. Lots of crab legs, poke, tako, dried meat and sashimi etc. A fish lovers delight.

What was on the meeting agenda? All I can think of was discussing the reunion in Reno, in 1988. Other things were the future of the club and medicare and etc. Whatever you cared to talk about....no big deal. Conversation lasted late into the night. As you know, we are all getting older and the word late these days means no later than 11:00 p.m.

Those at the Furuya's open-house were: David Kaiura, Sam & Michi Sasai, Erni & Grace Uno, Shigeru Goto, Takeshi Nakamura, Sam & Harumi Furuya (Host), Janet Matsuda, Charles & Clara Watanabe. Missing were Irene Nakamura and Janet Goto, who never misses these functions.

Now for the month of November, the meeting was held at the clubhouse.

HQ3rd had another session with Dorothy Matsui going back to the days of our youth and the meeting lasted till quite late---later hopped to Macdonalds with more bull-slinging there.

Not much by way of meeting report. If anything good you will know about it. This meeting turn-out was good and I counted eight members.

(usually six), whatever happened, it must have been the full moon. HQ3rd usually ends the year with the last meeting in November.

NEWS OF BIT AND PIECES

Before I forget make mention Erni Uno invited members to spend the nite of December 19 at his home for some traditional Christmas cheers. Kuawa Street Aiea Heights.

Hope to see you all there.

Sam & Michi Sasai are off on a European tour. Did not see Sam at the meeting so he must be away. Hope his vegetable garden is doing O.K. Or is it going to pot?

David Kaiura returned from a trip to Canada, Nova Scotia. Wherever that is.

Bill and Yaeko Kuwata are planning on a trip. Where? Better ask them. Care to join?

Reading the obituary column, former HQ3rd members names were mentioned. Joe Koseki and Shiro Morioka. Most of us do know Shiro Morioka. Much sympathy to the families.

If I know Erni he probably have his house decorated already (11/29/86) with Christmas cheers.

Janet Matsuda was at the Furuya's open house, was good to see her.

Sick Call list, Pappy Iwamoto must be doing O.K. and Eddy Tsubata still in Beverly Convalescent Home. Drop in whenever.

The following are the officers for 1987:  
President -----Erni Uno  
Vice Pres.-----Hajime Matsuura  
Treasurer-----Takeshi Nakamura

Created a new position (Cook & Food Details) for David Kaiura, who will be responsible and coordinate all food details for the chapter.

With the New Year just around the corner we hope it will be a much better one than 1986.

TO ALL A HAPPY HOLIDAYS.

END





STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION as of October 31, 1986

Oct 1985	ASSETS	Aug 1986	Sep 1986	Oct 1986
	Loans, Delinquent 2 - 6 Months.....		5,378.62	6,533.63
	Loans, Delinquent 6 - 12 Months.....			
	Loans, Delinquent 12 Months or More..			
724,996.78	Sub-total, Delinquent Loans.....	(none)	5,378.62	6,533.63
	Loans, Current and Not Delinquent....	826,099.64	825,729.78	833,028.64
724,996.78	Total Loans Outstanding.....	826,099.64	831,108.40	839,562.27
	(Less Allowance for Loan Losses)...			
320,270.95	Cash in Bank.....	280,363.93	314,933.29	323,545.39
97,057.31	Investment Securities, at cost.....	90,192.02	88,975.16	87,291.96
576,533.75	Savings/Time Deposits in Banks/S&L...	704,579.27	674,905.87	674,905.87
704.55	Furniture & Equipment, net.....	749.92	602.43	602.43
31,711.00	Interest Receivable.....	35,257.50	30,466.00	34,244.00
2,528.78	Deferred Expenses.....	10,638.04	10,044.22	9,800.39
	Unapplied EDP Disb. Exceptions.....			
2,383.90	Other Assets.....	1,448.00	1,448.00	1,448.00
15,184.66	NCUSIF Deposits.....	16,400.15	16,400.15	16,400.15
1,771,371.68	TOTAL ASSETS.....	1,965,728.47	1,968,883.52	1,987,800.46
	LIABILITIES/EQUITY			
1,477.96	Deferred Credits-Insurance.....			
9,000.00	Dividends Accrued/Payable.....	18,000.00		9,000.00
	Unapplied EDP Credit Exceptions.....	1,716.04		
1,159.73	Accounts Payable.....	752.58	760.42	744.42
1,581,513.38	Members' Savings Shares.....	1,739,640.23	1,758,419.21	1,765,554.13
75,000.00	Regular Reserves.....	75,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00
68,840.92	Undivided Earnings.....	110,654.57	110,654.57	110,654.57
34,379.69	Net Income/(Loss), Current.....	19,965.05	24,049.32	26,847.34
1,771,371.68	TOTAL LIABILITIES/EQUITY.....	1,965,728.47	1,968,883.52	1,987,800.46
	STATISTICAL DATA			
	No. Accts. Delinquent 3 - 6 Months.	-	3	5
	No. Accts. Delinquent 6 - 12 Months.	-	-	-
	No. Accts. Delinquent 12 Months + ...	-	-	-
227	No. Accts. Current, Not Delinquent...	232	230	232
550	No. Savings Accounts.....	543	542	543
630	No. Savings Potential Members.....	610	610	610
81	No. of Loans Made Year-to-Date.....	71	80	84
4,043	No. of Loans Made Since Organization.	4,124	4,133	4,141
367,105.	Amount Loaned Year-to-Date.....	391,832.	428,493.	468,904.
5,945,673.	Amount Loaned Since Organization....	6,378,556.	6,415,217.	6,455,628.
10,254.	Amount Charged Off Since Organization	10,254.	10,254.	10,254.
3,811.	Amount Recovered on Charge-offs.....	3,811.	3,811.	3,811.



INCOME & EXPENSE STATEMENT for the Period/Month Ended October 31, 1986

Cumulative 1/1-10/31/85	Cumulative 1/1-10/31/86	ACCOUNT TITLE	Month of Aug 1986	Month of Sep 1986	Month of Oct 1986
		OPERATING EARNINGS:			
60,129.16	63,454.72	Interest on Loans.....	6,905.15	6,943.87	6,629.87
65,921.25	76,273.87	Income on Svgs Accts.....	7,496.94	6,821.15	6,135.29
12,836.97	3,579.76	Income on Securities.....	827.75	654.65	834.61
3.25	3.00	Fees and Charges.....	.50	.25	.50
112.45		Other Earnings.....			
139,003.08	143,311.35	TOTAL EARNINGS.....	15,230.34	14,419.92	13,600.27
		OPERATING EXPENSES:			
( 983.46)	1,435.41	Provision for Loan Losses.			
1,607.92	675.97	Conference/Travel Costs....		163.98	
520.97	1,000.00	Association Dues.....	100.00	100.00	100.00
1,000.00	838.60	Office Utilities.....			270.60
650.00	134.98	Postage/Communication Costs			
668.80	600.26	Member Educ/Publicity.....			
1,512.55	1,119.14	Stationery & Supplies.....	143.13	42.08	
2,377.21	2,355.81	Subscriptions.....		82.41	143.40
365.43	391.11	EDP Accounting Services....		374.02	
1,939.32	2,044.34	Depreciation-Equipment....		147.49	
		Surety Bond Premium.....	205.33	205.33	205.33
1,488.32	3,807.83	Members' Shares Insurance..			
991.09	1,936.55	Borrowers Insurance.....	492.97	( 282.70)	482.62
799.34	943.71	Life Savings Insurance....	259.61	( 406.04)	261.80
625.00	377.00	NCUA Supv/Exam Fees.....			
4,293.85	3,739.87	Annual Meeting Expenses....			
1,969.79	1,880.76	Miscellaneous Expenses....	300.00	300.00	300.00
		Staff Benefits/Taxes.....	427.64	208.72	38.50
20,828.13	23,281.34	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES...	1,928.68	935.29	1,802.25
118,174.95	120,030.01	NET OPERATING PROFITS.....	13,301.66	13,484.63	11,798.02
1,856.25		Non-Oper. Gains/(Losses)...			
(85,651.51)	( 93,182.67)	Less Dividends Pd/Credited. ( 9,000.00)		( 9,400.36)	( 9,000.00)
34,379.69	26,847.34	NET INCOME/(LOSS).....	4,301.66	4,084.27	2,798.02

Clarence T. Taba  
Manager-Treasurer





by Stanley Kaneshiro

# SEASON'S GREETINGS

It's the season again to wish each other good health, good cheer and happy holidays. Chapter members and spouses will be at Victoria Inn on December 13th for the annual Xmas party. There'll be carolling led by Jane Ueoka, games by Gladys Nakahara, Xmas craft displays by Martha Inouye and hundreds of dollars of prizes for bingo and lucky number winners. Hope to see you all there to close out 1986.

## 1986 RECAP

There were times of sadness: Isamu Naka, Rodney Oyama, Sadao Baba and Lefty Adachi. But there were also times of joy. Gashouse and Saiko tied the knot, Les Ueoka graduated from law school, Toshio Nishizawa able to see the golf balls after eye surgery and so on. For most of us, we have much to be thankful, counting our blessings. Chapter officers for 1986 should also be recognized for they did a good job. Much MAHALO go to Richard Ogata, President; Walter Inouye, Vice President; Hideo Nakamine, Secretary; and Lester Kato, Treasurer.

## 1987 PLANS AND PROGRAMS

1987 should also be an exciting year. Your Chapter officers have already been elected and they are as follows:

President-----Fred Hirayama  
Vice President-----Joe Obayashi  
Secretary -----Shoso Kagawa  
Treasurer -----Mike Hara

The Smithsonian tour in the fall will command much attention. Kats Miho, tour hanchon, is now working on the details and all planning to join this tour should attend Chapter meetings or contact Kats.

For golfers, the Kauai Invitational will be on February 14th and 15th and if you're planning on this, you should call the clubhouse ASAP. There'll also be the 442nd anniversary tournament in March and the AJA Veterans Council Tournament during the summer. 1987 will also herald in an official 'B' Chapter Golf Club.

1987 will also be a year of planning for the 1988 IWR in Reno, Nevada, so, again try to attend as many meetings as possible.

Mother Club officers have also been elected and they are as follows:

President-----Rodney Yamashiro (232nd)  
Vice President---Charles Oda (Cannon)  
2nd Vice Pres.--- Akira Fukunaga (A/T)  
3rd Vice Pres.---Richard Ogata (522B)  
Treasurer-----Richard Ogata (522B)

## MEETING NOTES

Attendance at meetings has been picking up with outside presentations of interest to members. Some 40 members, more or less, were at the October meeting, including spouses, to watch the movie "Yankee Samurai," produced by Israeli filmmaker Katriel Schory. Chet Tanaka of Go-For-Broke Inc., who brought the video tape, explained that the movie was produced by Schory because of the similarity in persecution suffered by Japanese Americans and that of the Jews. The November meeting with nearly 20 members had Arnold Hirotsu and Garrett Yanagihara of Planning Services Hawaii, Inc. They presented information on insurance they now have for long term stay in care homes which is not covered by Medicare.

## DACHAU LIBERATION

Information on the 522 FA Bn. participation in the liberation of the Dachau Concentration Camp has spread and the search is on for more information. The Hawaii Herald article in May 1986, by Ben Tamashiro resulted in the large and active American Jewish Veterans Organization, inviting a few 'B' Chapter members to their annual banquet in Waikiki as honorees. Their annual banquets are held in different cities in the U.S. Keynote speaker at this banquet, on September 6th, was our own Senator Inouye. FA members at this important Jewish organization banquet were: Hideo Nakamine, Richard Ogata, Don Shimazu, Shoso Kagawa, Fred Hirayama and Stanley Kaneshiro. Also at the table was Chet Tanaka, representing Go-For-Broke, Inc. Filmmaker Katriel Schory and the American Jewish Committee are also interested in incorporating the FA's Dachau liberation story in the film Yankee Samurai. With all this interest, a research project on the untold stories of the 522 FA Bn. has been established. Committee chairmen are Don Shimazu, research, Joe Obayashi, documents/photographs, Ted Tsukiyama, correspondence; Fred Hirayama, hospitality; and Go-For-Broke, Inc., advisor. Able, Charlie and other mainland chapters are expected to be represented on the various committee.

Any member who has any information or experience he would like to contribute or relate for the research project should contact Hideo Nakamine or the 442nd club secretary.

## CHAPTER GOLF

More golfers and more games, that's the 'B'

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Chapter golf story for the past few months. The 'B' Chapter golf club will also be officially established beginning 1987 with by-laws and officers.

Following are the results or winners for the last three months. Net scores are in parenthesis. Golfers, note that Yagami has more than one-third of all wins, counting six par 3's.

## September

Overall-----Horie (66)  
Front Nine-----Muramaru  
Back Nine (tie)----Obayashi  
Uehara  
Par 3's-----Uchigaki  
Miho  
Yagami (2)

## October

Overall-----Nakahara (69)  
Front Nine-----Yagami  
Back Nine-----Okubo  
Par 3's-----Uchigaki  
Takata  
Yagami (2)

## November

Overall-----Muramaru (70)  
Front Nine-----Miho  
Inouye  
Back Nine-----Yagami  
Kaneshiro  
Uehara  
Yagami (2)

November was also turkey shoot day with 18 players and winners were Muramaru (70), Yonashiro (71) and Miho (71), Inouye (72), and Tsukiyama (72), Tanna (73), and Kaneshiro (73). A surprise and welcomed participant for November was Allen Nakamura (Hdqtrs) from the West Coast. He was back for a class reunion on the Big Island. Did not get his score but many say he's a good striker.

Much thanks to Rocky for these stats and much mahalo to Roy Okubo of HIOC for the connection. Our hats off also to Toshio Nishizawa and his assistant Rocky for directors par excellence.

Here's wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year---Mele Kalikimaka and Makahiki Hou.

END



by Mino Suzumoto

Starting off on a somber note once again and HAROLD WATASE's mom passed away during the interim. Memorial services were held at Hosoi Garden Mortuary. A number of our chapter members, bless them all, were noted there, scattered among the congregation. The senior Mrs. WATASE was 89. May her soul rest peacefully.

BEA MATSUMURA, accompanied by her FRED, quietly slipped into town to attend her dad's funeral. Services were held at Hosoi in late Nov., just days before this column went to press. The late Mr. DAIGORO OGATA, by coincidence, was also age 89. Here again, representatives of Co. 'I' were in attendance. May his soul rest in peace. As an aside, Mr. OGATA was staying at the MATSUMURA's Gardena home, in September of 1983, when I myself had the occasion to invade their privacy with an overnight stay in their guest room (in between a Labor Day week Las Vegas-San Diego jaunt).

Sad tidings out of the San Francisco Bay area has BETTY SAKAMOTO, wife of Itemite HENRY SAKAMOTO (Union City, CA. and a close associate of KAZ MUTO), succumbing to breast cancer. Was always a quiet, but, staunch supporter of Co. 'I' and we shall miss her. Last visited our island state during the 442nd 40th anniversary celebration in 1983, as I recall. May her soul too, rest in peace. The vital statistics in this last paragraph was contributed by BOZO NISHIOKA, immediately upon his return from a recent mainland trip)... At this time, on behalf of Pres. TERRY ARATANI and Itemites everywhere, may I convey our deepest condolence to the remaining next of kins of all 3 families.

Our "Congratulations!" to TOGO NAKAGAWA, who, as of 4:00 p.m., Thursday December 3, 1986, will be sworn in as a Judge of the Family Court of Hawaii. Now, if he will only be more consistent in attending our monthly meetings.

The Co. 'I' Christmas Party comes rushing around the bend (Victoria Inn, Sunday, Dec. 14, 1986). Matter of fact, should be consumed by the time this periodical gets into your hands. Here, then, are the committed Itemites and Itemites at heart in the order they signed up, or called in: Mits & Sumi OSHIRO; Richard & Nobue OSHIRO; Bill & Peggy NAGANUMA, plus one or two guests; Motomi SHINDO; Tommy & Maria UEMEDA; Ralph & Jeanette ARASHIRO; Mamo & Margaret SHIROTA; Hiram DOI; Hide & Violet MATSUMOTO; Masa & Helen NAKAMURA; Kiichi & Michi KATO; Fred & Evelyn OISHI; Donald & Barbara KAMEDA; Champ SUZUKI with Bella NAGATOSHI; Kazu & Winifred TAKEKAWA; Tad FUJISHIGE; plus 4 guests; Kenneth & Betty OKUMA; Terry & Elsie ARATANI; Bruno & Ellen YAMADA; Mino & Dot SUZUMOTO;

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Mits & Yuki YAKUMA; Walter & Jane FURUKAWA; James & Patsy OKIMOTO; Ele GONZALES & DORA CHUNG; Joe & Evelyn HANZAWA; Danny & Mary YAMASHITA; Togo NAKAGAWA & Gloria CHUNG; Larry & Marian ISHIKAWA; Sidney & Yoshiko OSHIRO; Tommy HARDIMOTO; Fred HAYAKAWA; Harold & Frances WATASE. General chairman for our gala festivities: CHAMP SUZUKI. Yours truly have been asked to be the M.C. and will also be in charge of decorations. Members of my "committee": RALPH, KIICHI, FRED OLSHI, KENNETH, TERRY, CHAMP, HAROLD WATASE, RICHARD OSHIRO, TOMMY UMEDA.

Just in case you're coming on with the yen to travel within the next few months, or even well into 1987, I'd advise you to see BRUNO. Here, for your picking, is his traveling schedule: Hilo, March 27-29, 1987; Japan tour, 17 days starting April 7, Hokkaido; Ura Nihon; New Zealand-Australia tour in early October, probably about the 3rd of the month. Then too, he takes a group of golfers to Kauai annually, every mid-February. But, for now, in conjunction with our Big Island counterparts, he wish you'd concentrate on that Hilo 'I' Company Reunion. If you have any questions contact him. (Note to WILSON MAKABE: No, we haven't forgotten you, or the June 8th to the 12th Nisei Veterans Reunion in Reno, come 1988). So, here's the latest communication sent in by HIROSHI ARUGA & Company:

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many months ago.

A severe accident last May abruptly halted all travel plans. Ogawa was traveling near Novato Calif., with two friends to go abalone fishing when a boat being pulled by a pick-up truck jack-knifed right into his auto's path. "Bow Bow" suffered a broken wrist, broken leg, crushed knee cap and facial lacerations. After sometime in hospitals in Petaluma and Diablo he recuperated at his sister's place in Walnut Creek. Hope your ordeal is over "Bow Bow" so you can finally get to see your Hawaii buddies in Hawaii.

Saw Kazuo Kiyonaga the other day driving a car at King and Ward Streets. The traffic light lasted long enough for me to determine that our most eligible bachelor has retired from Union Carbide and will forsake Tarryton, N.Y. for Honolulu, Hawaii.

BEST WISHES FOR THE HOLIDAYS AND BEYOND.

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Talked to Doc (Mitsuru) Miyamoto the other day and he confirmed our last report about his heart attack. He underwent the balloon version of correcting the arterial blockage and is doing quite well.

HOME, HOME SWEET HOME

Hapa (aka Kazuo) Fujimoto, after 25 long years of civilian service (and bachelorizing) at Johnson Island, has finally come home to a retired, blissful life with his ever-loving Mabel. The absence was not like those oldtime picture bride situation as Hapa used to come home almost every three months, but Mabel must feel safe and secure to have her man around again. One thing for sure, the grandchildren must be jumping with joy, what with soft-touch Grandpa home. Welcome Home, Hapa.

Also home in time for Thanksgiving was Wenona and Tracy Sakai. Not a permanent homecoming, but just for several days of rest and relaxation and sister Claire's home cooking. Tad was complaining about costing him money, but you can tell he was happy as can be, having his family together again.

The Aokis, Betty and Yoshiji, travel so much, we almost missed reporting about their latest adventure. As I heard it, they went to mainland China, Thailand, and other unfamiliar parts of the orient. Maybe we should prevail upon Yoshiji to write about their travels for our next edition. Okay, Yoshiji?

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landers did not have a HQ2 Chapter there.

Our deepest sympathy to Willie Thompson who lost his beloved mother in September. There are still a few Chapter members that have parents living at the present time.

By the time this comes out, we should be back from our 8 nights Las Vegas vacation. The Honolulu Marathon on December 7th and our annual Xmas Party on the 13th should also be all over. Yes, for the first time in 11 years and 10 finishes, we decided to rest this year. Maybe we'll start on our second 10 straight next year.

As the year comes to a close, the 1986 Chapter officers (Westsidiers) would like to wish one and all a VERY HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON. The Central district members will take over the chapter in 1987. Stay healthy. ALOHA.

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To: All ITEM CLUB, 442nd members and guests  
Subject: "I" COMPANY, 442nd 1987 HILO REUNION  
From: ITEM CLUB - HILO

A State-wide reunion of Hawaii Itemites is scheduled for Friday, March 27, 1987 through Sunday, March 29, 1987 in Hilo. You are cordially invited to this three-day affair. We recommend that you register early to be assured of a room at the hotel.

The Annual 442nd Veterans Banquet is scheduled on MARCH 21, 1987, Saturday, in HONOLULU. ITEM CLUB-HONOLULU is in charge of this festivity. For Mainlanders who wish to incorporate the 3-21-87 banquet with that of the state-wide reunion in Hilo, you may wish to contact:

Henry Yamada  
P. O. Box 30996  
Honolulu, HI 96820

Our program will begin with a dinner on March 27, 1987 and end after a tour of the Volcano-Puna area on Sunday, March 29, 1987. Precise program is outlined on the following page.

You will be quartered at the beautiful Hilo Hawaiian Hotel situated at 71 Banyan Drive. The cost will be \$40.00 per nite, tax included, for double occupancy; \$37.00 for singles. Portage will be by individuals. Fifty rooms have been "blocked off" from the evening of March 27, 1987, with check-out at noon March 29, 1987.

Arrangements have been made for golfers to play at the Volcano and Municipal Golf Courses on March 28-29, 1987.

Bus or vans will be the mode of transportation for all participants. Hilo members will provide personal cars to drive you to downtown Hilo for shopping or to visit friends.

In order to meet hotel obligations on time and to know that you will participate in the 1987 reunion, we must ask you to submit your registration sheet and check by January 15, 1987 to:

ITEM CLUB - HILO  
c/o Hiroshi Aruga  
472 Kehaulani St.  
Hilo, HI 96720

If you intend to come earlier than scheduled, please let us know. Come and enjoy Hilo and the Big Island's ideal weather and hospitality.

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ITEM CLUB 1987 STATE REUNION at HILO  
MARCH 27-29, 1987  
PROGRAM

Friday, March 27, 1987:

- 2:50 p. m. - Arrival at Hilo Airport.
- 3:00 p. m. - Registration and check-in at Hilo Hawaiian Hotel. Refreshment at hospitality room. Transportation will be provided for shopping or visitations.
- 6:00 p. m. - Dinner at Hilo Hawaiian Hotel.
- 12:00 a. m. - Hospitality room closes.

Saturday, March 28, 1987:

- Rise and Shine - Breakfast on your own.
- 8:00 a. m. - Board bus or vans at lobby. Sightseeing tour - Akaka Falls, Waipio Valley, and Wind Farm and Museum at Waimea. Pit stop at Parker Ranch Shopping Center. Box lunches along way. Golfers to depart for Volcano Golf Course. (Lunches to be arranged). Return to Hotel by 5:00 p. m.
- 6:00 p. m. - Board cars for ride to AJA Hall.
- 6:30 p. m. - Dinner at AJA Hall. Memorial Services for our buddies before dinner. Karaoke performances after dinner.
- 12:00 a. m. - Hospitality room closes.

Sunday, March 29, 1987:

- Rise and Shine - Breakfast on your own.
- 8:00 a. m. - Board bus or vans at lobby. Sightseeing tour - Kilauea Volcano National Park, Chain of Craters Road to scenic Kalapana and Puna, stopping at Akatsuka Orchid Gardens. Box lunches along way. Return to AJA Hall by 3:00 p. m. for refreshment. Golfers to Hilo Municipal Golf Course. (Lunches to be arranged). They will meet at the AJA Hall for refreshment after their game.
- 4:00 p. m. - All visitors to leave for Hilo Airport (Luggage will be at the airport).
- 5:00 p. m. - Aloha time - depart for your various destinations.

And before signing off "Here's wishing Itemites and Itemites at heart everywhere, an old fashioned Merry Christmas (!) and a fantastically Happy New Year!"

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by Hichi Matsumoto

## 442ND VETERANS CLUB PRESIDENT - RODNEY YAMASHITA

About time another one of our chapter boys can go ageru da deko. The 232nd Engrs/Band Chapter, gaman sete went "suck wind" for too long, boy. Big Ben Ono was the pioneer and went break the ice in 1951 and were followed by Walter Matsu-moto in 1954 and then Tommy Kiyosaki in 1971 was the last one until now.

Not demanding, but this, we want done by our newest president, right away and no wait until bambai. That is to get hot and get his yoka otoko shashin where it belongs, on the Wall of Fame, alongside all the members that were presi-dents. Because to us, the Wall going look some sabishii and no going look right, no more him.

With him in there (president), like our old folks used to say, korede anshin seta. Being so long, we wanna savor it for awhile. No, this is definitely not the end of the line because quali-fication-wise, get mada mada good and capable people. The only thing they need is, you gotta poosh 'em lilibit, ushiro kara, that's all.

Serving as Mother Club President and doubling up more and more as "chaplain" at parties and other functions, ain't no big thing for him be-cause he get da smarts. Like the old saying, practice makes perfect. His blessing of the food which we are about to partake, sounds more and more and could pass for a real haole bonsan. In fact, he's so proficient at it now, he says it machigai nashini in Japanese when the occasion calls for it, and in parts in kanji (imiga waka-ran hi-faluting words) too and by heart with no static.

Our Honorable President is da-kine guy that even 25 hours in a day attemo, tariyasen bai. Besides being heavy into ballroom dancing, strum-ming da ukulele and singing Japanese Enka songs, he is president, general manager, sales representa-tive and delivery boy too, for Chelsea House, a candy outlet. Ahem, Nora is the chairman of the board. Didn't we tell you, no work is too big or too da-kine for him. And whatever he ventures into, he no hold back nothing and enryonashi give 'em his all. Him and work see eyeball to eyeball. To him, idle hands only help the axis.

## 1987 CHAPTER PRESIDENT - RICHARD MURAKAMI

Richard Murakami is the first to be chapter president for the second time and the only one with a cluster. No, not everybody served as presi-dent, due to some guys not cut out for "desk"

jobs and excels in the "field," being far more valuable, doing whatever their specialty. Which proves that all men are not made of the same stuff. Whoever said all men are created equal, for sure never been inside of a nudist colony, the for men only area, especially.

The kanshinna part about our die-hard atara-shii daitoryo is hitoride, comes out from far away Ewa Beach. Naturally, when he atsumaru with his Pearl City friends, from there tsure ga aru that's why, they form a car pool. But the thing is, are-made yo. Tsutomete, faithfully month after month, kazega fuku ban mo, amega furu ban mo, meeting ni dete kuru. The only time he misses is when him and wife Lily go traveling. And dis bugga, he get da-kine itchy feet that one minute no jitto seto-raren that's why, yoh travel suru.

Richard is one knowledgeable and akamai son-of-a-gun, but the most stand-out thing about him is, he possesses the wasuren kind memory, just like one elephant. For him anything ippen hear setara, he no forget. Good kind stuff or da-kine he no show any kind hiki.

We predict, with him at the helm, the meet-ings to come going be longer than futuna time yorimo. Not that he likes to hear himself talk but likes to report things in detail and accurat-ely with none of that, "I think so" and go hotto-kasu and let 'em hang. You know da-kine dohka naruyo attitude. Things like that he no care too much and will not condone.

Not whole-cheesing but he'll be wearing two hats, the president's and parliamentarian's. The chapter's policy been, dekiru dake go spread the duties around, what with so many able hands but sometimes shoganai no. Him holding dual roles no going hamper him in any way because, him da-kine guy nani yattemo he makes it look easy like eat-ing apple pie. Da-kine problems look hard for us, he make 'em look routine. Doesn't that tell you something?

## 1987 CHAPTER VICE PRESIDENT - KIYO KIMURA

That is 1,000% correct, him Kiyo Kimura for chapter VP. No, not any kind mistake here. Sure, seems not atarimae him hot da top banana but stay in the unfamiliar #2 role. There is a pololoi reason back of it. If you wanna believe us or not up to you, but he is being "groomed" to be our chapter president for 1988 (1987 the "break-ing in" period) to coincide with the 1988 Nisei Veterans Reunion scheduled for Reno, Nevada. Simply put, for da kurabu no tame, he is being "red-shirted."

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And you must know by now, with him at the topside directing traffic, nobody going know what he going come up with and what kind Reunion the reunion going be. We know going be some good but in what way. So, if you wanna be part of it and like to be one of the guys who can say, "I was there," no fool around, get hep and commit yourself early. Like they say, a word to the wise is sufficient.

This VP job, the work load part especially, going be some duck soup and motte koi for him. The chapter's job description for the VP, like the old folks would say, shireta mon. Mainly, being boss man for the chapter Christmas party, something made to order for him. And along the way moshimo at any time, anything kyokutto should come up and him too busy (making TV commercials), he no need to kotowaru any, because our New Leader could handle 'em, because when come to duty, home or club, he no shirk nothing.

Whoa, choito mateya, korya natchoran do. All this good words supposed to be for our new VP but knowing him, he won't mind sharing.

1987 CHAPTER SECRETARY AND TREASURER

Masao Yamasaki and Monte Okamoto, respectively. Like we said nanben demo kazoeraren hodo in the past, they are the best by far. Trivia question, who was before them. You dunno eh, us guys too. Anyway, not knocking those who served before them but just wanna give credit where where credit is due.

Like you miss a meeting or two and wanna catch up and be up-to-date, no sweat, just go read up on the minutes. It's yours for the asking. Chanto everything kuwashiku kaite aru in black and white and typewritten too. In a way, good for da mimiga far people. Eh boy, not trying to da-kaine but dandan da-kine people fueite kiyoru.

Our finances too, you like know just how rich (or poor) we stay, the book at your disposal, if you like examine. The chapter thankful amr arigatai for members like Masao and Monte. And the thing is da two guys sometimes even lilibit demo haratatete monku dashitara make us feel good but that no nai. Just thinking aloud but uchiga like that serene nara good ga, oh well you can't have everything. Be satisfied with what you have, bambai bachi ga ataru bai.

CHAPTER MEETING - SEPTEMBER

After a couple of dull, no more action kind chapter meetings, we got back on track again and

this night's meeting had lilibit of the old time flavor and atmosphere. By that, we mean a good enough time was spent on business matters. No fooling, we have our serious side too, you know.

Several of our mainland Engrs. buddies (all transplants) were reported to be seen in and around town konaida. Some were "visible" and some "invisible." For one, Larry "invisible" Inagaki of Bowie, Maryland, called Walter Matsumoto on the telephone inuru maeni, most likely just prior to boarding the plane at the airport. You know da-kine short and snappy, hello and goodbye. Henry "Invisible" Toma of L.A. was here too, we heard. That's all we know and no more, him to awan dattake

Hisashi "Visible" Kubota, our hill billy bon ami and correspondent from down Tennessee you all, kao don miseta. He joined in the premier showing of Roger (George Yamada's son-in-law) Eaton ka totta video tape of last year's Maui Reunion, which was viewed at our clubhouse. Hisashi is one guy kuru tanbini no miss, he makes it a point to meet with the boys. Some guys seem like they hold back and make lilibit enryo, thinking us guys no samatage naru. You guys no think like that even for a minute, we are many strong here, not to mention okane wa amari nai but we have all the time in the world. Of course, you get none of that we go hirogeru the red carpet kind treatment but more likely an old fashion chop suey dinner with beer enryo nashi nomareru hodo. That always went over big with the boys.

After all these too many to count years, chapter meeting night, Pupu Entrepreneur Gary Kawate, begrudgingly went hike the pupu and beer fee, one whole dollar. Imagine. One man's opinion, it was long overdue. He felt so kinodokuna of the boost in price, he go ask (like taking a poll), okay or what, fearing some guys going huhu and make some kind monku. Never happen. Kono ossan, toki doki monku don tariya garu (shibai yo) but him da-kine ningen with all heart.

CHAPTER MEETING - OCTOBER

Before anything else, shitsurei itashimasu for not attending the October chapter meeting. Always dreaming in becoming instant millionaires (like many others), we cut out and went prospecting with the Kiyosaki kankodan to you must know where. Mokotta: No. Deposit (excuse for going back?) Some. Wisser? We hope so. Okay, so much for that baloney.

Anyway, this is the findings of what transpired at the meeting, from scrounging something here and something from elsewhere. The Chapter's officers for 1987 have been lined up by nominating

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committee chairman Walter Matsumoto and Associates. As has been our tradition through the years, they will make their "deboot" at the chapter's Christmas party. Yes, it will be at Victoria Inn, our party hall away from our clubhouse.

A most pleasant surprise of the evening was "Sgt." Kosuke Imori, 1st squad, 1st platoon, "Reporting for duty, Sir." Being here in town, tsuideni went yoru and visited with the boys. He stay looking as good as can be expected and mira no yohni lilibit makule natte, perhaps a step slower at the most, otherwise stay in da-kine mamana shape. The noticeable thing about him is, mukashi yorito less huge, da karada yo. For health reasons most likely. Rodney Yamashiro and Juju Nakasone, smaller guys than Kosuke tatta konaida made it seem more big than him now. Not that Kosuke that much komonatta but them two, Rodney and Juju, they just keep on growing, not tate but yoko ga yo.

Now fully retired, Kosuke's present plans call for some traveling and spending more time with da magos.

CHAPTER MEETING - NOVEMBER

The last meeting all pau and history now and ended on a good note. December no more, only Christmas party. It's been da-kine year that the boys mamemada already looking forward to another year just like the past one.

Business discussions were at the minimum, with the upcoming Christmas party taking up most of the evening. Barney Zenigami's services was "volunteered" by a voice from the rear to take care of the "paper work," like who and how many coming, catering the food and the usual other kind stuff. Good man this Barney, he rather accept than fight. He's akamai plus.

The chapter will treat the following members and their "dates" (wives most likely): Fred Ara-shiro, Gary Kawate, Hichi Matsumoto, Jimmy Nakamura, Monte Okamoto and Masao Yamasaki. The citation reads something like, "for continuous meritorious services through the years." You know da-kine, over and above the call of duty kind stuff. Make no bones about it, had boo-coo just as deserving.

Without our permanent and lifetime Sgt.-at-Arms S.T. Fujioka, not goofing off but not feeling quite up to par as of late, at times get plenty da-kine iran chatter, but nothing our president couldn't handle. Oi, S.T., hayo genki natte dete koi. The boys miss you cracking the whip, but more so your company. He's been one of the main stays through thick and thin, since the inception

of the club.

This night was the last for chapter president Rodney Yamashiro. Being kicked upstairs, the next one he'll be conducting is the Mother Club's Board of Directors Meetings. Eh, this guy he stay with the big boys now.

For the two outgoing officers (president and vice Pres.) and the two holdovers (Secty and Treas) thanks for job well done. Not for people like you no more club....we mean the good kind like ours.

TESTIMONIAL FOR EDDIE KANAYA

Eddie Kanaya's former music pupils en masse, honored him with a supposedly to be surprise testimonial banquet at the Hilton Hawaiian Village, Papa Room with 250 people in attendance---members of the family, friends, former students, etc.

Testimonial speech was given by Richard Lum, retired Band Director, University of Hawaii, Professor Emeritus. Superb entertainment by former students; Carol Kai, Linda Green, Lambert Lum, Allen Won and others. All professionals today. His greatest thrill was meeting students from 32 years ago and up, who are now school teachers, band directors, entertainers, people in the professional field and the list goes on. Received a plaque with words:

For Distinguished Service For Music Education in Hawaii---Dedication and Understanding Patience from your Students, Colleagues and Friends, August 10, 1986.

You know dis kine hush hush no tell anybody, the main boy especially stuff, the hardest thing to keep from leaking out. Anyway, this most memorable event and evening for the Kanaya family and for Eddie especially, made both (morning and afternoon) newspapers and late evening TV news too. How about that. Konna (Eddie), deko don agena hatta bai. Back home in Kumamoto, da-kine hy-bolic language translates to something like, hey, this is one cool guy.

Maybe this blowing him up thing stay slightly on the exaggerated side but, honest to goodness, Eddie seems just as busy and fully occupied today in "full" retirement (giving private lessons) like when he was teaching full time at Washington Intermediate School. That's (being popular and well liked) for being a regular guy that could relate with the kids. Another thing that makes him so da-kine with all his pupils, past the present is, like who da guy said, he is wisely, short on advice and high on praise.

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An accomplished musician, he was selected to be a member of the prestigious and elite Honolulu Symphony Orchestra and was associated with them for many seasons. A very talented as well as dedicated musician, he learned to master several instruments and his beloved flute is his ju-hachi-ban. For those of you not too sugoi in Nihongo, the fancy-nation kind word (ju-hachi-ban) means something like, mah doh yutara iika, but you know what we trying to tell you, eh.

Through the years, whenever his knowhow, expertise or whatever was needed, regardless of when, no if or buts or any kind monku, he always made himself available and gave the club and the boys (ladies too) many many hours of his valuable time. Get compensated with some kind of dachin in return? No way, man, money never ever crossed his mind. With him, it's always been from da kokoro kara and from deep down inside.

One of the many standout traits and utskushii part about our Eddie is, in no way at anytime does he expect any of us guys to go up anywhere near to his level but gladly meet us at our da-kine. He's a pro's pro and feel comfortable at no matter what level.

He may be just Eddie to some, Mister Kanaya or Kanaya-san or Kanaya-sensei to others, but to us, he always will be revered and known as "Maestro" the man who oozes with class with a capital "C."

#### RETIREE - CALVIN YASUHARA

Inquisitive Reporter: Eh, Calvin (calling his attention), heard you just retired from your job.

Calvin: Sure, what you think, I work long enough, boy. I no play whole cheese, I like give the other young guys chance too, man.

I.R.: What you going do now since you retired (ouch, what a stupid-head kind question).

Calvin: I going play golf every chance I get and everyday too, WHA HA HA. You know Calvin's trademark, his hibikusurukind boisterous laughter (very piercing man),

Calvin, only a mere rookie yet in being an inkyosan, so if he going do what he says, he going do and him da-kine guy going do just as he says he going do, golf going be his "life", until the novelty wears thin. Odds and ends, major or minor chores shikatanashi got to be put on hold (hopefully for only chottoon aida) until things come back to pre-retirement days.

Kono Calvin no yatsu is one big (sewa armari tako naiga but da yoko ga da-kine) and powerful

son-of-a-gun of a man that's why whenever he cream the golf ball, oh my goodness, da poor bugga (ball) come palahu. For those of you not too akamai in the Hawaiian language, palahu yutara, lopsided. Hokano place no mon we dunno but small kid time in Kalihi, the word pakun meant the same but used on a lesser scale.

This, we guarantee you, like money in the bank With him playing golf "every" day, the handicap osoroshii yohni going come down and drastically too. He get the necessary shots alright, but niente the all important consistency. That's why from tournament to tournament, it's just the same old story. The score go up and down just like one yo-yo. His main forte is driving to show and usually puts on a good show. But where the ball ends up, nobody knows, dokosan hatte iku that's why. One good thing about him is, when he hit'em out of bounds, no need make any kind attempt to look for the ball because da bugga stay far out somewhere in the next county. When you say a guy get potential, you talking about this man.

Now (since his retirement), we wonder if his good buddy and part time employer, Tommy Hirao of Nisshodo Store going get to see him like before or not. Calvin was /is a steady helper at the shop for years and years. One thing for sure, him anytime iro nara, going be some easy finding him.

With him joining da ukupaila retired guys, leaves only a few, very few still working for their daily takuan and rice. The day (Thursday, Engrs. golf tournament) of this "interview," he was saying he missed one day (playing golf) this week already. Kawaiiisona. When Calvin called it quits from working forever, he was with the city government, in the traffic division.

#### GOLF

Walter Matsumoto, the old pro (in experience and playing time, that is) shot an eye-popping, unimaginable and look like no can happen again 75 (no typing error) at Fort Shafter, his home course. No, the 75 not net but gross where you count all your strokes and no minus nothing from the total score. Deko ageta. Another brother, a steady in the foursome was the bearer of this outa-sight and fantastical news. The informant no hanashi kiku-noni, nothing would go or went wrong on that once in-a-lifetime round. The following week all hot hot and all set not only to burn up the course but tear 'em apart as well. But somehow even sukoshi demo omou yohni ikan datta. Like who the guy once said, nothing recedes like success. To which every golfer and more so the duffers know only too well. The kind of hagaii-ness and kurushii-ness

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sometimes guys put up with, only a golfer can and will endure. Walter never do too well, not even coming close. That's why this crazy game of golf is one frustrating way to try and enjoy one's self. Sometimes makes you wonder why guys keep punishing themselves so much week after week for the still working guys and day after day for the inkyosans. The glutton for punishment die-hards by now must be lilibit on the numb side. Walter is one of the earlier ones in the chapter to take up this "wonderful" game of golf. He started playing way back when had the old Palolo nine-hole course in the valley. That's prior to WWII. After the years and years and thousands of rounds, to our knowledge he no more one hole-in-one to his name yet. But that doesn't discourage him one bit. He's still trying and still loves the game and still plays with the same vigor and enthusiasm as when he first started out. Keeping a cool head at all times, which he is noted for, is one of the strong point of his game. Not spectacular, but steady, ever so steady and eventually wears you down. Like the good one they get on the TV commercial, you can pay me now or you can pay me later. In short, he doesn't drive to show but putt for dough. Plays usually on Tuesdays and Thursdays with different groups. We can shoot 75 anytime....if we pick at about the 14th or 15th hole. On an "off" day, by the 13th hole, for sure.

The magic touch hyokutto came back again. He won the 232nd Engrs. Golf Club's tournament the following week held at Makalena Municipal Golf Course with a neat net 61. The second place score wasn't even close and no worth mentioning. All he did was leave everybody in the dust.

#### SICK CALL - ARTHUR "PRIMO" KIKUKAWA

We shouldn't but feel kyukutsuna calling Primo Arthur, because him nara, to all the 232nd Engrs./Band Chapter boys, from the start was known as Primo and nothing else. That was because of his size (Primo Carnera) or the beer (Primo), we never found out. When "outsiders" mention Art or Manabu (his Japanese name) in our midst, our boys dareka to omote confused, would ask, who that.

About a fortnight ago, he went to Straub Clinic and Hospital for open heart surgery. Him one big sonovagun so anything setemo, he does it in grand style. Futsuna atarimae no mon nara, usually get just a couple or 3 or 4 by-pass, but this guy had 6. Him runner-up to Tommy Kiyosaki, another yokozuna, who holds the club record with 7.

Primo too, like some of our boys, they go for checkup and what, end up going under the knife. Yokatta for him, boy and tasukatta too because him

ga yuh noni, one artery was already 100% plugged up and a couple, liliimo or like only 10% working.

This kind operation was big news and guys used to crowd around you for stories until recently, but with so many guys get nowadays, nothing to get excited over. Our chapter by-pass Honor-Roll: Juju Nakasone, Ben Ono, Tommy Kiyosaki, Juju Nakasone, Mits Honda, some guys the name forget already, Juju Nakasone and the beat goes on. No mistake, Juju's name appearing three times, that's how many times he was operated on.

And this Primo no yatsu in so darn strong that's why recover surunoga hayai, eh. When he spped to be korogetoru in bed in agony and groaning like he supposed to be doing, nani doko-roka, nosan yutara this guy, he stay hele on not to the next room but another floor, visiting friends to cheer them up. Who said no more USO.

Jyodanni, we call him the Cockeyed Mayor of Kaunakakai, behind his back, of course. All joking aside and everything on the up and up, he is one helluva guy. Nantomonowan de, he take care you to da max. That's why da atono otagai arega mondai yo. Of course, that is something he doesn't expect or think of. He is a big man, the biggest in the Engrs., with a heart just as big.

It's people like him that makes us or should we say everybody enjoy Molokai so much. That's why too, the island of Molokai is called the "Friendly Isle." The Hawaiians, they akamai people. This is no hoomalimali but straight from the heart kind talk.

Arthur (that's Primo) is the 232nd Engrs./Band Chapter contact man on the island of Molokai. Anytime him iunara no problem because him one easy guy to locate. Once Molokai ni tsuitara, all your problems are solved because over there, him shittoran people, no more. Even the tourist know him, yet.

For several years now, inkyosan natte, he's playing it real cool like and stay makasu the restaurant (Mid-Nite Inn, eating place in Kaunakakai), to his two sons, John & Phillip. So with all the time in the world, kono futari (Primo & Cecily) mainichi champande asondoras tai.

#### SICK-CALL

Mervyn Takano, for the no can count how many times, had his foot operated on again. Richard Murakami, a supposed to be not too rascal guy, go kid him, "you no bettah go get one new feet, eh."

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JUNIOR ENGR.

One of the two drum majors for the U. of H. classy and colorful marching band is Peter Arashiro, son of Fred & Masako Arashiro, who resides in Pearl City. Peter is the standout one. But, if your mentana is not on the da-kiné side, he is on the left side of the band, as they come marching down toward the press box side of the stadium. The flashy band performs at all U. of H. football games played at Aloha Stadium, their home field. After watching Peter leading the band, all we can say is, his shosha hard to emulate and struts his stuff like a top notch drum major should. When Fred admitted to never have seen his son in action yet, mama mia, all the boys at the chapter meeting went jump on him. Wanting to get back in good graces with the boys, he promised he'll take the whole family, grandma and all, to see him at least once. Take them once this year or take them once sotsugyo suru naeni, that he never make hakkirini. Fred no need to isogu any because Peter is only a sophomore.

A MEMORIAL

The 232nd Engrs loses another good buddy in the recent passing away of Jim Hirabayashi. The following is in part which appeared in Rafu Shimpo a Japanese/American newspaper in L.A.

Suemi James Hirabayashi, 66 years of age, Monterey, CA., born Nisei veteran of World War II and a resident of Baldwin Park passed away on October 28....survived by his wife Kiyoko, three sons, James Paul, David Jon and Timothy Hirabayashi, two grandchildren.

The above was forwarded to Walter Matsumoto from Eddie Sato of Chicago.

Jim, being with the company mess, we didn't really get to know him until he started to come to the reunions regularly. He may have been a little late coming out but once catching the fever, nothing could stop him and nothing did.

At the last Nisei Veterans Reunion at Kaanapali on Maui, a guest (non-Engr.) coming into our Hospitality Room couldn't help but take notice of him immediately and mistook him for one of the host (Maui Engr.), seeing him working so hard. That was his nature.

He was truly a gentleman. Not arrogant, not flamboyant, but a pleasant, humble and down to earth person. This exemplifies his personality and character best. He never was one to say something that's white, black, just to get on the good side of a person. Jim was an industrious self made man. Before retiring from work, he was

manager of the produce department of a major super market, working himself from the bottom to the top.

Our thinking was for sure, he was all set to go to the next reunion in Reno. He will be missed Deepest sympathy to Kiyo and the remaining members of the family.

KAUAI 442 PAYS HONOR TO "YOKO" YOKOYAMA  
by Roscoe Haruki

The Kauai 442nd Vets Club quarterly meeting was held at Kauai Chop Suey with one of the best attendance in a long while. Even Ford Okada and wife Freckie showed up. Special guests of the evening were Faye, Yoko's daughter, and husband Brent Greenslade. The dinner was in honor of Seichi and Vera Yokoyama for the many years of free housing at hale Niimalu provided to the Chidori and Matsudai entertainers who have been performing at our past fund raisings. This fine gesture has been the major factor for the success of these projects. Yoko is the first member to be honored for outstanding contribution to the Kauai 442nd chapter and the timing couldn't have been more perfect as "Pop" is now 80 years young.

Toasting Yoko for the evening were Mino Takashima (K), Turk Tokita (H), Tsuka Murakami (Can) and Roscoe Haruki (Engr.). Out of respect for his youth, it really turned out to be a toast.

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Ron and Michi travelled to Toronto, Canada, where Ron attended an all-day educational session of the American Hospital Association. In the meantime, Michi, as always, took in the city tours, including boat excursions. According to Ron, it was their first experience to see Niagara Falls from the Canadian side, and it was beautiful.

Ron also announced that he plans to retire in December and return to his home in Kailua, Oahu. He said that their experiences in Hilo, work and golf, were enjoyable. The Hilo Fox Company families readily opened their welcome mat when they first arrived in Hilo... something to remember, the neighbor island chana. The Hilo group plans to hold a get-together at Kohashi's residence on November 29 and help the Obas remember the many happy memories of their stay in Hilo.

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# KAUAI 442nd INVITATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

36 HOLE MEDAL PLAY  
WAILUA GOLF COURSE & KIAHUNA GOLF COURSE  
FEBRUARY 14, 15, 1987

(Half of players will play at Wailua on Saturday & Kiahuna on Sunday & Vice Versa for other half)

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, February 13. . . . . Aloha Nite, Pupu Party  
6:00 p.m. Kauai Resort Hotel  
Sat. & Sun., February 14, 15 . . . . . Sat., Feb. 14, 7:00 a.m. Tee Off Time  
Sun., Feb. 15, 7:00 a.m. Tee Off Time  
Sunday, February 15 . . . . . Awards Banquet (No host cocktails)  
6:00 p.m. Kauai Resort Hotel  
Monday, February 16 (Optional). . . . . Post Tournament Play at Kiahuna Golf Course  
Tee Off Time 7:00 a.m. (See entry blank below)



### "A" FLIGHT OPEN TO ALL

36 Holes Low Net  
Governor's Award, Set of Woods (3)  
Other Merchandise Awards

### PRIZES GRAND PRIZE

Senator Dan Inouye's Trophy,  
Set of Irons and  
Governor's Award

### "B" FLIGHT OPEN TO ALL

36 Holes Low Net  
Governor's Award, Set of Woods (3)  
Other Merchandise Awards

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## 22nd Annual

### KAUAI 442nd INVITATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

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## RETIRES GOLF CLUB by Eddie Tamahana

Thursday, September 18, 1986, 31 members gathered at Makalena Golf Course. The course must have been to Bobby Hirayama's liking as he came in net 61 to walk away with top honors. Two strokes back for 2nd place was Milton Uchigaki with net 63. Another two strokes back was Harry Tokushige with 65 for 3rd. George Ikinaga was 4th with a 66 and Rusty Honda with a 67 was 5th. There were two 67' out of the running; one 68; two 69's; and four 70's. The highest net was 77. Seems like the course was easy for everyone. The best front 9 was scored by Rusty Honda 32½; and back 9 by Mike Tsugawa 30½. Closest to the pin was made by Bobby Hirayama on the front side and Neka Matoi on the back par 3.

On September 23, 1986, twenty Retirees Gold Club members went to the Big Island for a special golf safari. This trip was planned by the late Yoshi Tahara. This writer was laid up in Queens Hospital with a leg injury. However, Terry Ihara and Teiji Uehara collaborated in furnishing the following report on the trip.

## BIG ISLAND GOLF by Terry Ihara & Teiji Uehara

Twenty members from the Retirees Club made a trip to the Big Island on Sept. 23, for 4 days of golf. Scheduled to play at the Hilo Municipal upon arrival on the first day, we ended up playing at the Volcano due to too much liquid sun in Hilo. With almost perfect weather the next three days, we played once at Sea Mountain (Kau district) and twice more at Volcano.

Housed at the Kilauea Military Camp, with initial arrangements made by the late "Fat" Tahara and carried through by Herb Isonaga, the gang had a super wonderful time. Despite the barracks set-up, whereby rooms are designed to accommodate 4-6 people, we enjoyed the luxury of 2 to a room. And once we conditioned our minds that using the gang-latrines/shower meant a walk down the hall, carrying toothbrush, soap, etc., life in the barracks was comfortable enough. An exception in Yoshi Higa, who was a bit under the weather on the third day, opted to keep an empty clorox jug at arm's reach on the last night.

We were fortunate to have two pickup trucks and a station wagon, courtesy of Yoshi Higa, Jensen Takasaki and Terry Ihara. Transporting all the gear would have been a problem without these vehicles. Several coolers and a hibachi "came" with the transports, enhancing our relaxation, the Higa truck especially. Lt. Col. Herb Isonaga USA Reserve Ret. dealt with KMC for the group and Terry Ihara arranged the starting times.

Everyone seemed to have placed a high priority to "concentrate on golf" for 4 days. Nightly beer drinking and card games closed down before midnight and everyone made it to breakfast (7:30) with time to spare. Military style: Meals are served only as scheduled. In general the entire gang played well and no one looked too tired even after 4 straight days of golf. In fact after we finished our last round at the Volcano on Friday and were loading our gear for the drive to Hilo, speaking to no one in particular, one of the guys shouted, "Hey, when are we coming back again?" That could very well have been the voice of the majority. A great trip!!

Golf results: We played daily 18-hole tournaments for \$50 worth of balls each day and the main attraction, a 54-hole tournament for \$200 in cash.

Tuesday (Volcano)	Wednesday (Sea Mountain)
1st Bobby Hirayama 68	1st Hiram Doi 70
Dick Uemura 68	Sho Miyota 70
3rd Fred Ida 70	3rd Dick Uemura 71
Charles Igarashi 70	4th Smitty Koga 72
Tad Kunishige 70	5th Terry Ihara 73
	Teiji Uehara 73

Thursday (Volcano)	Friday (Volcano)
1st Yoshi Higa 71	1st Tad Kunishige 62
2nd Bobby Hirayama 72	2nd Herb Isonaga 67
Herb Isonaga 72	Bobby Hirayama 67
4th Hiram Doi 73	4th Terry Ihara 69
Steve Hirotsu 73	5th George Ikinaga 70
Fred Ida 73	
Bull Namba 73	

On Thursday, October 16, 1986, 29 players arrived at the Pali Golf Course. Teiji Chinna was the best this day as he came in with a net 70. Right in back with a 71 was Rusty Honda. Another stroke back were Yoshi Higa and Dick Uemura at 72 for 3rd and 4th respectively. Lefty Sugihara was 5th with a 73. Front 9 was won by Hichi Matsumoto with a 32½ and back 9 by Tadashi Kunishige with 31½. Closest to the pin were won by Lefty Sugihara and Masami Doi.

Thursday, October 30, 1986, 33 golfers assembled at the Ala Wai Golf Course. George Ikinaga was hot this day as he came out on top with a net 61. Two strokes back were Sho Miota and Hiram Doi with 63's. With our tie breaker system, Miota was 2nd and Doi 3rd. There were also two at 64. Charley Igarashi was awarded 4th and Lefty Sugihara 5th. Best front 9 was tied by Charley Igarashi and Jiro Shimomura at 29½. They split the prize. The back 9 was split 3 ways with Yoshi Higa, Dick Uemura and Tadashi Kunishige all coming

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in at net 31. Closest to the pin were George Ikinaga and Bull Namba. The 19th hole was held at the 442nd clubhouse. This writer was not able to golf yet but was able to help with the 19th hole by plugging in the rice cooker, start the fire of the grill, and cooking some vegetables. A short meeting was held to determine where we should hold our annual dinner/meeting. The vote was for teahouse with the officers to check out the best deal. The 19th hole was enjoyed by all with lots of food and refreshments. This writer lost the list of the people who brought all the goodies. Maybe we need a new writer. Many awards were given this day for the match play winners which just concluded after five tournaments. Match play champion was Teiji Uehara who beat Masami Doi in the final match. Uehara had to beat Harry Tokushige, Speed Tanna, Stan Yamamoto, Jiro Shimomura and Masami Doi to win it. Semi-finalists were George Ikinaga and Jiro Shimomura. In the losers bracket (those who didn't qualify and those who lost their first match), Milton Uchigaki beat Harry Tokushige in the final match to be the winner. Uchigaki had to defeat the following prior to the final: Hiram Doi, Rocky Tanna and Maui Okamura.

The tournament scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 20, 1986, at Pali was cancelled due to the course being closed. Continuous rain for the past days made the course too soggy, mushy and the grass on the greens and fairways too long. Some of our members left home early to do business before golf and couldn't be notified that the course was closed. Tournament chairman Harry Tokushige notified nearly all downtown members but went to the Pali course to notify those he missed, that the annual dinner meeting was going to be held at Kanraku.

The annual dinner meeting was held on Thursday, November 20, 1986, at the Kanraku Teahouse. Cocktail hour was supposed to start at 5:30 p.m. but because of cancellation of tournament at Pali due to closure of the course, party started about 5:00 p.m. A short business meeting was held. Reports of the officers were distributed. Those with maximum handicap of 25 and winless 3 consecutive tournaments (1st place to 5th) will be given a stroke raise even if the maximum is exceeded. However, the maximum will be 30. It was so decided by the members. Also, approved was a plan to form teams to handle the 19th hole. Kauai 442nd Invitational Golf Tournament entry forms were distributed. Terry Ihara has blocked off cabanas at Kauai Resort Hotel. Golf trip to Las Vegas is being planned by Jiro Shimomura in April or May 1987. The following officers were elected (rail-roaded) for 1987.

President-----Ed Tamanaha  
Tournament-----Rusty Honda  
Handicap-----Tom Mayeda  
Secretary/Treasurer---Maui Okamura  
Schedule -----Ed Tamanaha

Although there was no tournament this day, tournament chairman Harry Tokushige had a lot of awards to make. The winners of the match play tournament which included the champion, runner-up semi-finalist, quarter-finalist, of both the championship and losers bracket were presented their awards. Also, those who didn't miss a tournament were given balls. There were nine: Masami Doi, Yoshi Higa, George Ikinaga, Smitty Koga, Hichi Matsumoto, Milton Uchigaki, Teiji Uehara, Dick Uyemura and Stanley Yamamoto. The average low gross score went to Lefty Sugihara. The average low net score went to Rusty Honda. He received the Hi Travel Service Perpetual Trophy, presented by Hi Travel Boss's son Randy Ito. The food, refreshments and fellowship was enjoyed by all. Thanks goes to Terry Ihara for making the Teahouse arrangements and to Herb Isonaga for the refreshments.

Future golf dates for our club are:

12/18/86	Barbers Point
1/15/87	Makalena
1/29/87	Ala Wai
2/19/87	Makalena

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

## SPORTSCOPE by Bruno Yamada

## 442ND KAUAI INVITATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

More than two hundred and thirty golfers are expected to participate in the 22nd Annual Kauai 442nd Invitational golf tournament on February 14 and 15, 1987. There will also be an optional post tournament at the Kiahuna Golf Course on February 16. Tee-off time for the three days will begin from 7:00 a.m.

The grand prize for the 36 hole tournament will be Senator Dan Inouye's trophy with a set of irons. The 'A' and 'B' Flight winners will receive the Governor's award and a set of woods. On Saturday, February 14, half of the group will be playing at the Wailua Golf Course while the other half will be playing at the Kiahuna. On Sunday they will alternate courses.

The tournament this year will be played without a defending champion since last year's champion, the late Dan Aoki passed away on June 11, just four months after winning the tournament with a fantastic 128 total for the two day affair. We'll all miss his familiar face throughout the years. He was a tough competitor in all of his undertakings.

The tournament will be chaired again by Saburo Itakura and it will feature a pupu welcome party on February 13, and also an awards banquet at the Kauai Resort Hotel on Sunday, February 15.

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APRIL 10 - 11, 1986

Normal recuperation and indication of continued mending. No further hospital care required so was discharged to go home. Some drainage of surgical implantation of wires in chin and mandible.

APRIL 13-14, 1986

Infection and drainage increased from wire implantation in chin and doctor placed me on antibiotics. Weight down from 138 lbs. to 120 lbs. Jaws to remain wired for six weeks.

APRIL 15, 1986 TO PRESENT

Facial surgery appears to be healing normally. Eyes are gradually adjusting to corrective alignment although considerable strain and muscle (eye) fatigue continues. Pain symptoms subsiding from original fractures and now relegated to jaws and teeth. Muscle spasms of mouth and jaws reacting to the cramped posture of jaws. Anti-biotics taking effect and infection drainage being reduced. Ellen has been able to blend and liquefy a variety of normal foods, e.g. potatoes au gratin, calves liver and bacon and onions, beans, asparagus, etc., with supplements of Gerber's specials, and has succeeded in my regaining some weight.

MAY 27, 1986

Third surgery to remove wires from jaws and braces from teeth (but teeth are still misaligned)

Humpty Dumpty partly caulked a wall, then Humpty Dumpty took a bad fall.  
All the kings doctors, with Gerber's regimen,  
Were able to put Humpty Dumpty together again.

(Thank God for the good plastic surgeon in Cheyenne).

MORAL: DON'T GO OFF A JOB HALF-CAULKED!

s/ Tosh

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court. "This is precedent. Who knows what people will do next? At least the redress will say, "The federal government made a mistake. This shouldn't have been....They were Americans, period---of Japanese ancestry, but the first part is American."

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father JEAN. Our thanks to the N. KIMURA's for that taking care, busy as they may have been. Wherever you may be, may it be in Minneapolis or Tim-buck-too, as long as a K-man is around you know that you will be well taken care of.

## FAREWELL YASU

With tears in our heart we bid farewell to YAS AMINE who went forth to meet his maker on November 21, 1986, after being ill for a little over a year. Coming out of Lahaina, Maui, at age 18, this great warrior served his time with the 4th platoon as a machine gunner earning the respect of all who served with him. One of those rare one in a million, this wonderful individual will be missed by all who knew him. To BETTY, CHRISTINE & BURTON goes our deepest sympathy in this great loss as we bid farewell to YASU.

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Perhaps a monument of Earl Finch in Hattiesburg might serve a better purpose---a symbol of Brotherhood.

The change in the official name of the Go-For-Broke, Inc., to the National Japanese American Historical Society was discussed at the last chapter meeting. Those of us who are members of the Go-For-Broke, Inc., were in favor of the change. Those who have not participated in the project were rather indifferent. This indifference among some of our members has me puzzled. Somehow we have not been able to convince them of the significance of the goal of the Go-For-Broke Inc. and the NJAHS. It seems that there are some who want to maintain the status quo and not participate in any national projects. In discussing this subject with another Service Chapter member, who is also a contributing member of Go For Broke, Inc., he referred me to the story about the small fish pond does not want to go into a big fish pond because in the big fish pond, that same fish becomes a small fish. Enough said.

Those of us who have been thinking of membership in the National Japanese American Historical Society should act before December 31, 1986, to take advantage of the tax law on deductible contributions.

Service Chapter will be having its annual Christmas Party on December 13th at the Miyake Bangkok Palace. More about this in the next issue. HAPPY NEW YEAR AND MOST IMPORTANT--GOOD HEALTH.

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effectively in the municipal band, in which he was trumpet soloist, the hunting society, the Veterans associations, Vosges Legion, Military medal winners, and Resistance volunteers. He was secretary-treasurer and color-bearer of the C.V.R. of the District.

The religious observances for M. Drahon will be held today at 3:00 p.m. in the Church of Bruyeres.

In this sad circumstances, the Eastern "Liberty" presents from all their people, their sincere condolences.

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President-----Harold Fukunaga  
Vice President-----Taketo Kawabata  
Treasurer-----Francis Ishii

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and stools. His walking canes and other items have been donated to needy individuals and eleemosynary institutions. Although plagued by painful major knee surgeries Jerry continues a most productive and interesting retirement. This, then, is Jerry's fascinating life history which was obtained by the Chapter Reporter on a vis-a-vis (face to face) interview at Jerry's home in Pearl City. We are proud of Jerry's life Accomplishments. GOOD LIVING, JERRY!

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