

RENGOKAI NEWS

1971 BONENKAI

Plans for making the 1971 Bonenkai a memorable event are being finalized by the Bonenkai Committee, headed by George Kaneshiro. Note the following on your calendar NOW, so you will remember to be a part of it:

Date: Saturday - Dec. 11, 1971
 Place: Kanraku Tea House
 Time: 6:00 p.m. - Cocktails
 7:00 p.m. - Dinner
 Cost: \$6.00 (includes coupons
 for two drinks)
 Dress: Aloha Attire

Tickets have been distributed to the representatives of each sonjin kai.

Assisting George are the following committee members: Akira Sakima, advisor; Richard Zukemura, tickets and liquor; Bill Chinen, guests; Fumio Teruya, awards; Sam Takushi, finance; Jimmy Senaga, food; June Arakawa, hostesses; Seiko Oshiro, manpower; and Aaron Uyema, entertainment.

The Awards committee is requesting the aid of all in getting names of persons receiving promotions or awards in the area of sports, the Federal, State, or City Government. So that we do not overlook anyone, please call Fumio at 737-2567, if you have any of the above information. The manpower committee could also use some more volunteers. If you are able to kokua, please call Seiko Oshiro at 845-3198. George Kaneshiro may be contacted at 531-7077 or 839-2032 should you have any other questions.

A grand time for all - young and old - is being planned, so we hope you will encourage the members of your sonjinkai to come out and enjoy the fellowship of this annual event of the Rengokai.

HAWAII OKINAWAN JUBILEE '71

At the successful conclusion of the first Hawaii Okinawan Jubilee held in August, the following message was received from Mrs. Ella Teruya, general chairman:

"The objective of this cultural festival was to present for the enjoyment of the general public, the many fascinating but heretofore little known aspects of Okinawan culture. The overwhelming public response to all of the events of the festival was most gratifying. We believe that we have fully accomplished our objective.

"Much of our success can be attributed to your encouragement and to the support you have given us throughout the festival. Our warmest mahalo, and may we ask for your continued interest in the activities of the United Okinawan Association of Hawaii and the Hui O Lau-lima."

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SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Yukio Toguchi, Scholarship Committee chairman, has reported the following recipients for the year 1971-72:

New scholarships went to: Royden, son of Mr. & Mrs. Isamu Koito; Audrey, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Seitoku Minei; and Jay, son of Mr. & Mrs. Dan Tsukayama. The following received continued scholarships: Debra, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Tsuha; Charlene, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Shinyu Ige; Charlyn, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Charles Nakamine; Dwight, son of Mr. & Mrs. Yasuhide Yoshimoto; and Janet, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Tom Take-moto.

The Rengokai sends best wishes and good luck to the above students.

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THE GOLDEN TEE

The UOA Golf Tournament was held on Labor Day, September 6, 1971, at the Francis Brown Golf Course. One hundred twenty six members and six guests participated in this very successful tournament. Committee members, serving with Chairman Henry Uyeshiro, were: Tommy Toma, Bob Akamine, George Kaneshiro, Fumio Teruya, and Dennis Uyehara. Also, Richard Zukemura served as Treasurer and Wilfred Chinen as Scorer and Rules. Trophies for this tournament were donated by Olomana Golf Links.

Overall low net winner, with a 78-13=65 score, was Albert Ishikawa, cupping the UOA Trophy. Those walking away with the Olomana Golf Links Trophies were the following: A Flight, James Ajimine, 77-11=66; B Flight, George Takara, 82-15=67; C Flight, William Nakagawa, 87-19=68; and D Flight, George Shimabukuro, 90-24=66.

The next tournament will be held on FEBRUARY 21, 1972, at the OLOMANA GOLF COURSE with the 19th hole at Olomana Inn. So circle this date on your calendars, all you golfers, and see you on the green!

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"OKINAWA WA IKITEIRU"

Hui O Laulima recently sponsored a benefit movie called "Okinawa wa ikiteiru". Through the generous support of all sonjinkai presidents and members, the event proved to be a profitable one. The officers and members of Hui O Laulima wish to extend their mahalo and "ni he de biru" to all who helped.

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DONATIONS

The UOA is very grateful to the following persons for their very generous donations to the United Okinawan Foundation:

Albert T. and Wallace T. Teruya Foundation, \$200.00 and Paul Agena of the Paul R. Agena Foundation, \$100.00.

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IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Jugo Toma, former chief executive of Ryukyu Isles passed away at his home in Urasoe last month. A telegram of condolence was sent to the family by the UOA.

JAPAN-HAWAII CANCER STUDY

A Japan-Hawaii Cancer Study Program is being sponsored by the National Cancer Institute to study the causes of cancer in Japan and Hawaii. The Honolulu study will be located on the grounds of Kuakini Hospital and it will be part of the Honolulu Heart Study, sponsored by the National Heart and Lung Institute.

A group of doctors from the Hawaii medical community and community leaders will help in the planning of the study so that the project will be a useful part of the over-all health interests of Hawaii.

Those participating in the study will include Japanese families living in Japan and Hawaii; and Caucasian families living in Hawaii. These groups of people were chosen because, when Japanese move to the United States, they and their children are more likely to have the kinds of cancers that Caucasians living in the U. S. have. A careful study of these people may tell the reasons for the cancer risk changes. This would be helpful in the prevention and treatment of cancer.

Some of the possible reasons for the cancer differences that the project will study are: diet, viruses, non-cancer diseases, hormones (this is the reason for studying both men and women), and inheritance (reason for studying families).

Members of the Honolulu Heart Study and their families will be contacted by phone to arrange the best time for a clinic visit. Others will be contacted through their family doctors.

From time to time, information about the program will appear in newspapers and on TV and radio. Members of the Japan-Hawaii Cancer Study will be available for talks about the project before interested Hawaii community organizations.

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NOTES OF INTEREST:

Kin Sonjinkai has re-elected their president, Frank Ikehara, Vice-president Kiichi Kobashigawa; and secretary, Bob Kaneshiro, for the year 71-72. Kameyo Ginoza is serving as treasurer.

Congratulations to John Mochin Gaza, who recently retired from the Honolulu Academy of Arts. He spent 45 years at the Academy, employed first as a janitor and now installation foreman.