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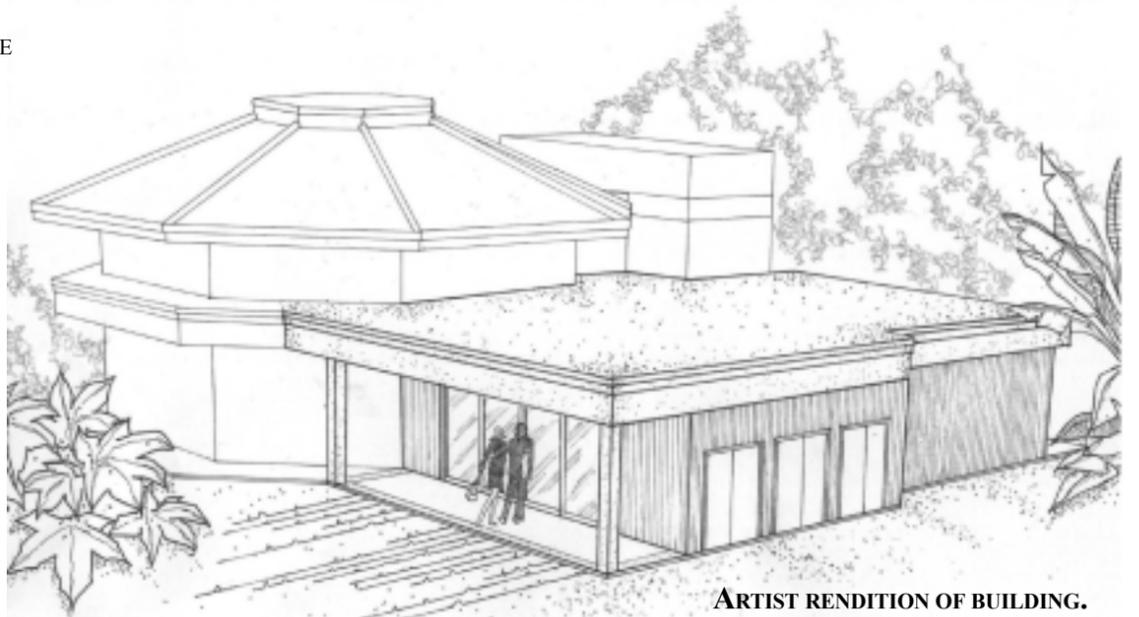
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James Serikaku's donation enables construction of a new Suite for HUOA members*

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James “Jimmy” Serikaku’s generous donation moves the construction of a new suite for members of HUOA closer to reality. The donation is made in memory of his parents Shigeru and Soyo Serikaku, of Sashiki Sonjinkai and is made on behalf of his late wife, Beatrice Serikaku, son, Warren Serikaku, and daughters, Sharon Kokubun, Cheryl Lynn Sasaki, Wanda Teraoka, Aileen Takara, Jeannette Serikaku, and Laura Bautista.



ARTIST RENDITION OF BUILDING.

According to a Honolulu Star-Bulletin article, Shigeru Serikaku was a notable personality of Waipahu’s early years when his family immigrated here in 1906 and opened a service station near the present Hawaii’s Plantation Village. He began assembling an airplane in 1913, only 10 years after Wilber and Orville Wright’s historic first flight. He bought a French four-cylinder engine, designed the airplane and then built it. In 1914, he piloted the airplane, circled several times and landed in the park. (*A companion article on Shigeru Serikaku is printed on pages 6 to 7*)

Historically, this was the first successful flight of a Hawaii-designed and built airplane. Designing and building an airplane even with today’s technology would be an impossible task for most of us but adding to it flying without any lessons is an amazing feat of tremendous courage, great skill, and outstanding abilities. As HUOA president Kohagura would say, “Hukurashaya”, proud to be Uchinanchu!

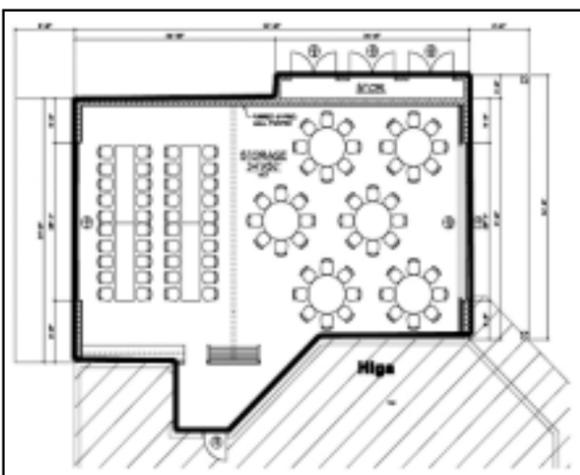
According to Architect, Maurice Yamasato, this addition is part of a total “dream”, conceived back in 1980. Governor Junji Nishime of Okinawa approached then Hawaii State Representative Peter Iha about building a Hawaii Okinawa Center similar to the ones built in Peru, Argentina, and Bolivia. That year, Rep. Peter Iha, Mr. Albert Teruya, Mr. Richard Zukemura, Mr. Stanley Takamine and Yamasato, conceptualized and presented a design for a Hawaii Okinawa Center to Governor Nishime who pledged to financially support the project.

The following four areas were incorporated into the master plan:

- (1) Performing Arts and Banquet Facility
- (2) Museum and archives storage
- (3) Garden
- (4) “Tea House” or a Pavilion for members to meet and have fellowship. (This was deleted because of budget limitation.)

This is the area that this addition will fulfill. The “dream” was to create a Center, a “home” for the United Okinawan Association, to perpetuate and promote the Okinawan culture and heritage. Items (1) through (3) were completed in 1990. The completion of item (4) is the final step in fulfilling the “dream” conceived in 1980.

The primary purpose of the pavilion is for general membership use. Yamasato envisions that it will be used by all members of the Hawaii United



Okinawa Association as an impromptu gathering place to sit and enjoy each others company, instead of standing in the parking lot to talk story. HUOA volunteers will also have a place to get together for lunch, relax, and rest after working on the grounds.

HUOA Executive Council Member and Architect, Maurice Yamasato, is working really hard to get the design completed this month for a ground breaking ceremony targeted for July and a grand opening celebration scheduled in December 2005. (*continued on page 3*)

* This new addition was formally reported as the Higa Annex – UCHINANCHU August, 2004.

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Hāisai!

It's summertime, when we have fond memories of when life was simple and we have time to relax and pursue the enjoyment of a well-earned vacation. One of my best memories of summer is our annual club picnic, where families gather, everyone participates in games, and we all have fun and good fellowship. I send my best wishes to all the clubs having their annual summer picnics.

We started the month of May with the sixteenth Kariyushi Musical Variety Show at the Hawaii Okinawa Center. It was heartwarming to attend this event where our seniors displayed their musical talents in song and dance. Mahalo to Dorothy Hoe and her committee for producing another outstanding program that benefited the HOC financially.

Many thanks to Chatan-Kadena Chojin Kai, Club Kobashigawa, Club Motobu, and Gaza Yonagusuku Doshi Kai for another successful Spring Craft Fair, chaired by Mary Miyashiro.

The planning for the extension to the Higa Building is near completion, and we will be having ground breaking in July. Thanks to Carl Nakamura and Gladys Tokunaga-Asao for diligently staying with this project that will benefit our volunteers and membership.

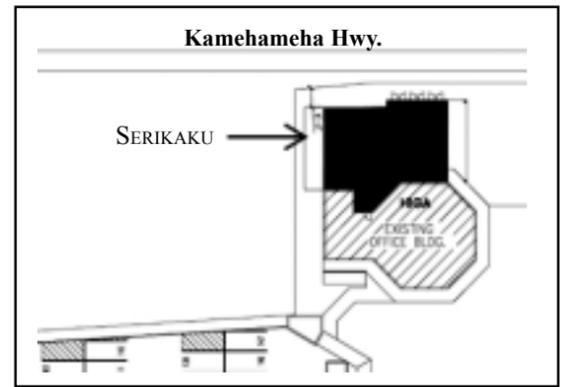
We have taken another step toward fulfilling our dream of making the HOC and HUOA financially self-supporting. The ground lease agreement for purchase of the property across the street from the HOC was signed and accepted by Gentry Pacific Ltd. This project will be two-fold: (1) land acquisition and (2) fund development. Details will be presented at the Executive Council meeting on June 13, 2005 and at the Special Board of Directors meeting on June 20, 2005. All members are welcome to attend the Board meeting on June 20, 2005 at the HOC at 7:00 p.m.

May you all have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Serikaku (continued from page 1)

The new suite will be constructed next to the Higa Office Building as shown in the drawing on the right.

Yamasato with his abundant energy, talent and creativity has come up with a design that incorporates many of the constructive recommendations expressed by HUOA members at our informational meetings, while at the same



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: GLADYS TOKUNAGA-ASAO, JIMMY TOYAMA, JAMES SERIKAKU AND CARL NAKAMURA

time, keeping the cost within the budget approved by the HUOA Board of Directors. Special features of the building include an unobstructed view of the Takakura Gardens, a room divider for multi-purpose functions and access to bathrooms.

Much credit goes to Dorothy Hoe, Gladys Tokunaga-Asao, and Jimmy Toyama for their tireless support in bringing this project along this far. Without their vision, hard work, and commitment the project

would not have been possible. Other hard working members of the sub-committee are James Nakasone and Wayne Miyahira. Thanks to them and the many other dedicated members of HUOA who were earlier involved in this long planning process, we can finally look forward to a place for volunteers and members to congregate – that will enhance the Okinawan culture for future generations.



With aloha to our early visionaries, with aloha to our Facilities Committee and Board of Directors, with aloha to Mr. James Serikaku – we can finally look forward to a place – a “family room” where members, volunteers and future generations can congregate and enjoy the Hawaii Okinawa Center.



LAND ACQUISITION PROJECT UPDATE

Building the Future

In the last two issues of the Uchinanchu (January/February 2005 and March/April 2005), readers were provided information about the Land Acquisition project which will insure the sustainability and long term future of HUOA. HUOA has a proven track record to accomplish monumental dreams in our effort to perpetuate our heritage for ourselves as well as for our future generations. The land acquisition project will more than allow for HUOA to be financially viable; it will also engage our community to a higher level of participation and commitment to our mission.

HUOA has executed an agreement with Myerberg Shain and Associates to conduct the initial first phase of a marketing study and the actual fundraising campaign. The fundraising drive will be kicking in full gear with the formation of the capital campaign cabinet manned by the leaders of our community.

In a few months, leaders of the fundraising cabinet will visit all member clubs. Everyone will have opportunities to learn more details about the Land Acquisition Project as well as find out how we all can help with this worthy cause.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact the Hawaii Okinawa Center at 676-5400. HUOA remains committed to continue on our journey to remember those who came before us and to serve as a guiding light for those who follow in their footsteps.





CLUB NEWS

OUR CLUBS OUR FUTURE

MAUI OKINAWA KENJIN KAI

FESTIVAL SLATED FOR OCTOBER 8TH - SATURDAY

MOKK proudly announces the finalization of their much anticipated Maui Okinawan Festival. Scheduled for October 8th, Saturday it will be located at MAUI MALL from 10am to 3pm.

Entertainment will be provided by the Maui Paranku Club, Maui Okinawa Taiko, Jimpu Kai USA Kin Ryosho Ryukyu Geino Kenkyusho (odori), Ryukyu Koku Matsuri Daiko Hawaii (eisa), Shiroma Ryu (odori), Hawaii Taiko Kai, Komei Juku Maui (iaido - swordsmanship), and guest performances by the Young Okinawans of Hawaii (shishimai) and Nidaime Teishin Kai Hawaii Shibu (sanshin), from Oahu.

The Festival will also feature the world famous homemade products by the MOKK Fujinkai ladies at the Country Store and over thirty crafters from Oahu and Maui.

The UCHINANCHU will be updating you on future developments on this wonderful event. Please contact the MOKK office at (808)242-1560 should you have any questions or can help.



HUI MAKAAALA

OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT - AUGUST 27TH

GOLFERS Still WANTED - Hui Makaala is holding their annual scramble golf event August 27, 2005 at Kapolei Golf Club and Resort - 1st tee time 11:54am, at a cost of \$85 (individual) or \$340 (4 member team). Golfers of all skill levels are welcome w/appropriate handicap. Cost includes green fees, cart, prizes, and pupu bash (no-host cocktails). Applications are available at the HUOA Office, on line at www.huoa.org (under Clubs - Hui Makaala). For additional information contact Ryan Okunaga at 741-1797 or ryano@i-one.com

Don't forget to reserve October 23rd - for the Hui Makaala Fashion Show luncheon at Sheraton Waikiki Hotel. Net proceeds from both events are used to support the Hui Makaala Scholarship Program.



OKINAWA CITY - GOEKU SON

Congratulations to the following Goeku high school graduates for 2005 - Jared Fukuhara, son of Ross and Robin Fukuhara, who will be attending the University of Nevada Las Vegas; Jessie Hori, daughter of Gene Hori and Karen Kuba-Hori, who will be attending the University of Hawaii Manoa; and Bryant Kim, son of Steven and Lorene Kim, who will be attending Kapiolani Community College. The members of Goeku wish you the best of luck on your future endeavors.

Goekuans, don't forget our upcoming picnic - July 24th - Kapiolani Park, mauka side of the park (Diamond Head side of the municipal parking lot alongside Paki Ave). Flyers will be mailed to you in early summer. Don't forget to order your Okinawan Festival scrips. Looking forward to seeing you there.



HUI O LAULIMA

CLUB DONATES \$1000 TO HAWAII OKINAWA CENTER

Hui O Laulima, in its efforts to preserve and promote the Okinawan culture in Hawaii - recently granted to the Hawaii Okinawa Center \$1000 towards the improvement of the Center's Gallery. It has been one of the goals of HOL to assist in the creation of a gallery or exhibit area that our Okinawan community would be proud of. Several members of the club serve on the HOC Gallery Committee.

Members, our Vegas trip has been planned for November 5th - 10th. If you are interested in joining the group, please contact Jean Agena at 839-1889. You will be contacted by Karen Kuba-Hori for outside social events.

2005 HUOA STUDY TOUR SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 6TH - 16TH

SPECIAL TOURS AVAILABLE FOR YAEYAMA, KYUSHU AND HOKKAIDO

Sponsoring a study tour to Okinawa has always been a major cultural highlight for our association in any given year. Visiting major cultural sites in both northern and southern Okinawa, historic Shuri Castle, beautiful geographic sites, a "bashofu" center and an "awamori" storage cave are just a few of the experiences. This year, President Rodney Kohagura, with the assistance of tour coordinator Nadine Shimabukuro of N&K Travel, has created an exciting itinerary for our 2005 travelers, including a 2-night stay at the fabulous five-star Busena Terrace Beach Resort.

For the early traveler, your tour can start with an optional tour to Hokkaido from November 1st to November 7th. Your tour will take you to the cities of Hakodate and Sapporo. On the 7th you will be flying to Okinawa to meet with the other members of the Study Tour in Naha. In Okinawa, Study Tour participants will enjoy ten days of exciting fun cultural experiences. N&K has also scheduled an optional tour to the beautiful Yaeyama Islands.

The tour will be returning to Hawaii on the 16th of November, but for the adventurous souls with additional vacation time, an optional tour to Kyushu awaits.

This year holds an exciting tour package for those wishing to renew their Okinawan roots. If you are interested in joining this tour please contact N&K Travel Service at 739-9010.



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KARIYUSHI XVI CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WOMEN

Of course it doesn't necessarily mean that women can sing better than men, but this year at Kariyushi XVI the women singers outshined the men in a closely contested battle at the Red and White Kariyushi Karaoke Taikai. Captained by Eleanor Arakaki, she and fourteen of her female compatriots took on the challenge offered by Captain Charles Asao and his team. Members of both teams included singers from Hawaii Karaoke Tomo No Kai, Hawaii Okinawa Center Karaoke Club, and Marion's Karaoke Schools. Both teams performed exceedingly well and exhibited professional showmanship.

Also, entertaining the 600+ audience at Kariyushi XVI were dancers from the Ryusei Honryu Yanagi No Kai Hawaii Shibu, Yoshiko Onaga Okinawa Buyo Club, and the Kilauea Okinawa Dance Club. The most exciting element of the Kariyushi Program is that all of the performers featured in the regular program are in their "golden years." Many of them, if not most of them, started their training in dance or singing after their retirement.

Kariyushi XVI was developed by Chairman Dorothy Shiroma Hoe to highlight the talents of our senior performers and to provide financial assistance for the Hawaii Okinawa Center. Dorothy writes in her Kariyushi XVI message, "The Kariyushi vision has guided us since the beginning. We looked to the future and sought a way in which our valued seniors would have the opportunity to share their musical and artistic talents with friends and family."

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING ENTERTAINERS FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE 2005 KARIYUSHI XVI PROGRAM (BOTH KARIYUSHI AND SPECIAL KARIYUSHI GUEST PERFORMERS)

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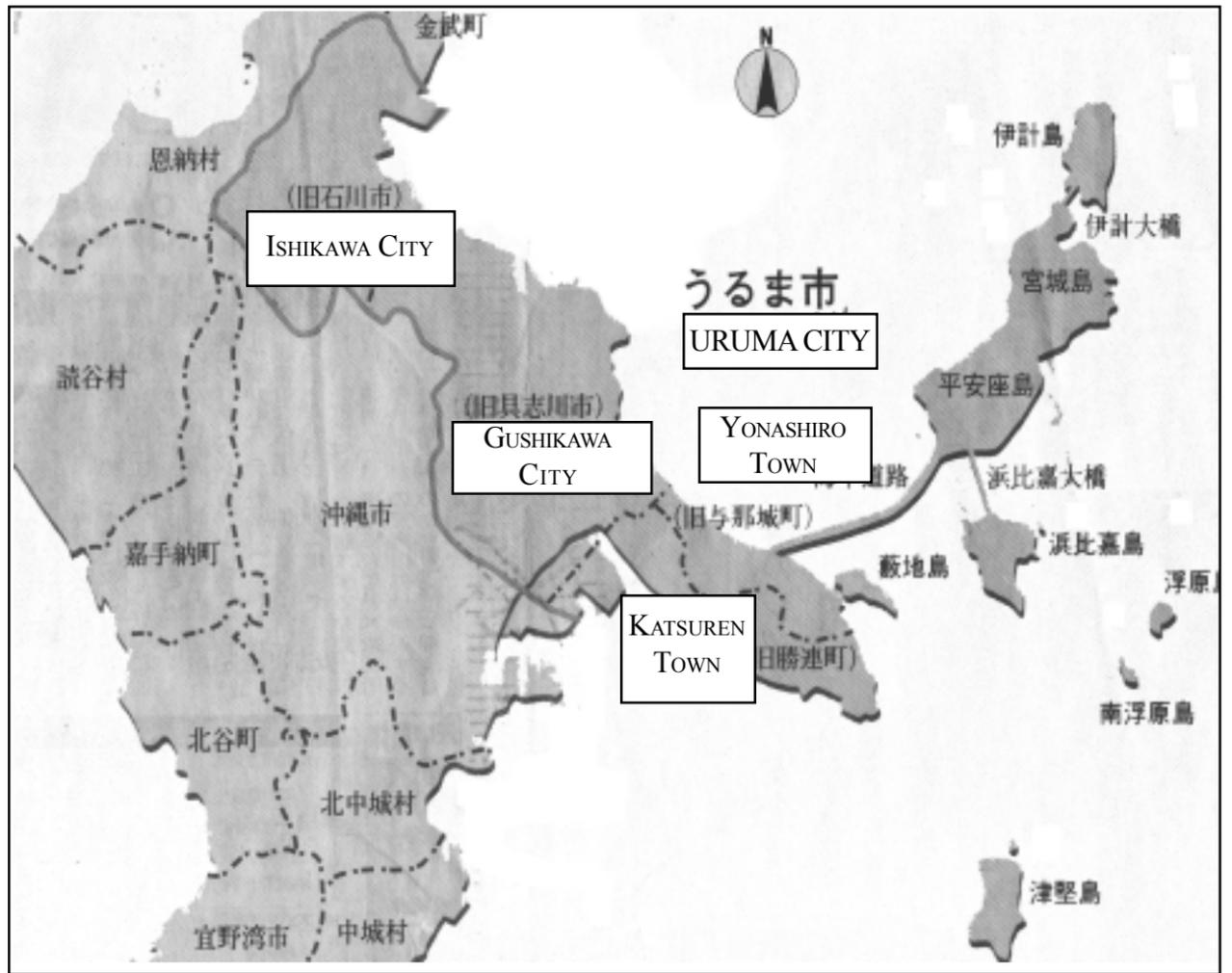
A NEW CITY IS BORN IN OKINAWA

On April 1, 2005 – Gushikawa City, Ishikawa City, Katsuren and Yonashiro townships were merged to create "Uruma City." With a combined population of approximately 115,000 it is the 3rd largest city following Naha City and Okinawa City.

Shintoku Kurato, a former Katsuren mayor serving as the acting chief executive of the new city, declared in his congratulatory speech, "Now that the city has become one of the major urban areas of the island, we are going to commit ourselves to improving the quality of life, education and culture along with various aspects of welfare so that we will be able to respond to the trust of our public." (Ryukyu Shimpo 4/18/2005)

The merging of villages and towns are not only happening in Okinawa, but throughout Japan. The purpose of this type of restructuring is to financially assist cities and townships through the combining of resources and elimination of duplicate services.

News from Tamagusuku village notes that Sashiki Town, Chinen Village, Ozato Village and Tamagusuku Village will be merged on January 1, 2006 and will be known as Nanjo City.



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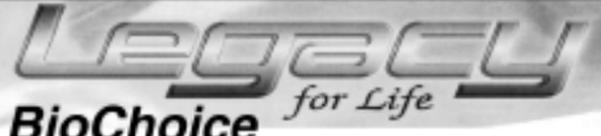
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Shigeru Serikaku

His children proudly cherish their memories of their father – a hard worker, respected pillar of his community, successful entrepreneur and businessman, good with his hands, and a caring provider. Still, there is one memory they cannot conjure – no matter how often they might be asked – of an event that took place long before any of them were born. Only a single, weathered photograph remains to remind them of the feat that will forever enshrine their father in the annals of Hawaii’s history.

Like the thousands of other immigrants who left Okinawa for Hawaii, Shigeru Serikaku had dreams.

Unlike most others, however, Serikaku did not dream of earning his fortune by laboring in the sugar cane fields – he dreamt of soaring over them in a flying machine.

Serikaku was 13 years old when word of the Wright Brothers’ triumphant first flight at Kittyhawk on December 17, 1903 reached his home village of Sashiki, Okinawa. Being mechanically inclined from a young age, Serikaku eagerly read newspaper and magazine accounts of the Wright Brothers and of the subsequent developments in aviation.

Following his father’s death, Serikaku was summoned to Hawaii by his uncle. He arrived on the Siberia Maru in June 1906 at the age of 16 and settled on the island of Maui, where he shared a residence with friends.

Since virtually all of the books being written about airplanes were written in English, Serikaku worked on a farm by day and took classes at Lahainaluna School at night to learn to read and write English.

Serikaku later moved to Oahu, where he graduated from Iolani School, supporting himself by working at a Japanese language daily newspaper, as a mechanic, taxi driver, and farmer.

Throughout it all, he never lost sight of his dream to build and fly an airplane. He devoured anything he could find about aviation.

Finally, using what little money he had saved, Serikaku began the improbable task of building an airplane. According to the account given by a friend named Taba, Serikaku’s flying machine was powered by a French-built, four-cylinder engine, weighing 85 pounds and capable of generating 35 horsepower. The propeller blades measured 5 feet, 10 inches, the wing span 28 feet, and the fuselage 25 feet long.

Working on the airplane as time allowed and occasionally borrowing money as needed, Serikaku made slow but steady progress. In time his determined effort attracted a group of supporters. His “fan club” would take up a collection of \$1 per person in order to help Serikaku purchase parts.

Serikaku continued testing and refining his creation, learning and improvising as he went. To keep the plane from lurching forward every time he started the engine, for example, he simply tied it to a stake in the ground with a rope. When he revved the motor, the tethered machine would threaten to pull the post out of the ground. Later, he attached a scale to the rope to measure the power of his engine.



SERIKAKU (FAR LEFT)

Serikaku once injured himself rather seriously, when the spinning propeller blade struck him on his head. Immediately after he was released from the hospital, however, he returned to his project, attacking it with even greater determination.

One day in the spring of 1913, in the valley of Moanalua, a group of more than 20 interested observers had gathered, as usual. On this day, however, Serikaku climbed aboard his airplane and calmly instructed his friend, Taba, to untie the rope. When he did, Serikaku gunned the engine. The airplane rolled and, to everyone's amazement, lifted skyward. The crowd stood still, stunned by the action, as Serikaku guided the airplane down to a safe landing in the open field.

According to one report, Serikaku's historic flight covered some 120 meters, more than three times the distance covered by his heroes, the Wright Brothers, on their first flight 10 years prior, which had covered 120 feet.

As soon as they realized what they had just witnessed, the group erupted in shouts of "Banzai!"

Unlike the Wright Brothers, Serikaku's feat did not shake the world. It was not officially recognized by territorial authorities, nor covered by any of the mainstream English language media. Awareness of the event soon spread throughout the community through word of mouth, however, and the Japanese community, in particular, held him up as a great hero.

By the time Serikaku tried to apply for official clearance to fly, however, America had become engulfed in World War I, and government action on his request was never taken. As an alien, Serikaku would have little chance to earn the approvals he would need. Dissatisfied, Serikaku tried to return the money he had borrowed from friends and supporters, but most of them wouldn't accept it, instead encouraging him not to give up his project.

Serikaku eventually married and started his family. He purchased and successfully operated a service station and auto repair shop near his home in Waipahu. What happened to the airplane itself is unknown.

Serikaku died in 1971 at the age of 81. Unlike the fading photograph treasured by his children, however, his legacy seems only to grow stronger with time. In 1997, at the centennial celebration of the founding of Waipahu, organizers displayed the

feats of two hometown heroes, side-by-side: Shigeru Serikaku, the first person to fly an airplane in Hawaii in 1913, and the youngster who grew up across the street from him, Pat Patterson, whose own fascination with flight led him to found United Airlines some 24 years later.



(LEFT) AS A YOUNG MAN IN OKINAWA.



SERIKAKU (THIRD FROM LEFT) OPERATED SERIKAKU SERVICE STATION IN WAIPAHU.

Shigeru Serikaku

A man with a dream the Hawaii United Okinawa Association honors his vision as his legacy will always be remembered as part of the Hawaii Okinawa Center.

(ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT MR. SERIKAKU IS AVAILABLE AT HAWAII'S PLANTATION VILLAGE IN WAIPAHU.)

H U O A S P O R T S



BOWLING

Sports Update

WEEK 17TH AS OF MAY 17TH

TEAM STANDINGS

1 - Go-Tama	5 - Dushi Guata	9 - Katsuren
2 - Nakagusuku I	6 - Young Nakagusuku	10 - Kita
3 - Kochinda	7 - Onna Sonjin Kai	Nakagusuku
4 - Nakagusuku II	8 - Aza Gushikawa	

INDIVIDUAL STANDINGS

HAV Gary Isara (204)	Jeannie Goya (205)
HHS Wayne Inouye (772)	Beatrice Hara (716)
HH1 Francis Funakoshi (293)	Donna Oshiro (297)
AVG George Tamashiro (195)	Ashley Shimabukuro (159)
H-S Alan Isara (700)	Jane Serikaku (574)
H-1 Bernd Reis (245)	Germaine Kiyomoto-Isara (234)

HUOA Mixed Handi-cap Bowling League competes every Sunday afternoon from 1:30pm to 4:30pm at Leeward Bowl.

VOLLEYBALL

GINOWAN 2005 CHAMPION



On the final day of HUOA's 2005 Mixed Volleyball League season, teams Ginowan and Urasoe faced off in the final Championship game of the season. Ginowan's formidable team was no stranger to the Championship division, but that day they faced off with perennial league champion Urasoe.

How strong is team Urasoe?

Based on our current League Championship Trophy which records from 1998, Urasoe has taken home the gold in 1998, 1999, 2000, 2003 and 2004. Two games were played that afternoon. The end results were 10/6 and 14/4 - with team Ginowan sweeping the match. Congratulations to the athletes from Ginowan - Captain Max Shinkawa, Vincent Camacho, Dana Kagawa, Tsuyaka Higa, Brenda Sakanishi, Valerie Neuman, Patricia Oshiro, Russell Kino, Britney Takushi, Luke Sakanishi, Terry Taira and Lori Kunioka.



14 INCH SLOW-PITCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

CHAMPIONSHIP/PLAYOFF BRACKETS DETERMINED

FINALS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 12TH

FINAL BRACKETS

After weeks of sweat, strained muscles and bruised thighs HUOA's fifteen member 14inch slow-pitch softball league has finally reached its Champion playoff positions. Competing for League Championship honors are 2001 and 2003 Champion Nakagusuku, Gushikawa Blue and Wahiawa. Our other twelve teams were divided in four separate consolation brackets and will be competing for their consolation bracket championship.

The teams are bracketed as follows:

- Champion: Nakagusuku, Gushikawa Blue, Wahiawa
(Playoff will determine League Championship, 2nd & 3rd place)
- Consolation A: Itoman, Haneji, Oroku/Kochinda
- Consolation B: Hui Makaala II, Ginowan, Aza Gushikawa
- Consolation C: Gushichan, Urasoe, Tomigusuku
- Consolation D: Young Okinawans, Ginoza, Gushikawa

The teams have started their playoff schedule from May 22nd and are scheduled to complete the competition by June 12, 2005. On June 25th the League will celebrate the season at its Awards Banquet at Jikoen Temple (5:30 doors open, 6:30 dinner).

To all of our winners and athletes, congratulations.

TENNIS

Interested in joining the HUOA Tennis Team - Tennis meets twice monthly on Saturdays, 9am to noon at Dole Middle School tennis courts.

VOLLEYBALL continued

Listed below are the final standings of HUOA 2005 Mixed Volleyball League:

OPEN DIVISION (WIN/LOSS RECORD)

- Ginowan (6/1)
- Urasoe (5/2)
- Nakagusuku (4/2)
- Kobashigawa (3/3)
- Katsuren (3/3)
- Young Okinawans I (1/5)
- Hui Makaala I (0/6)

DIVISION A

- Hui Makaala 2 (6/0)
- Kochinda (4/2)
- Awase (4/2)
- Kin 3 (3/3)
- Okinawan Allstars (3/3)
- Osato (2/4)
- Itoman I (4/2)

DIVISION B

- Aza Gushikawa 2 (5/1)
- Kin I (4/2)
- Haneji (3/3)
- Tomigusuku (3/3)
- Aza Gushikawa 3 (3/3)
- Gushikawa (2/4)
- Yonashiro 2 (1/5)

DIVISION C

- Aza Gushikawa 4 (6/1)
- Aza Gushikawa I (5/2)
- Yogi (5/2)
- Itoman 2 (3/3)
- Young Okinawans 2 (1/5)
- Kin 2 (1/5)
- Yonashiro I (1/5)



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1ST

HEALTHY OKINAWAN UMONI

BY SHERICE SHIROMA

(SHERICE WAS AWARDED A \$50.00 CERTIFICATE, DONATED BY RADIO KZOO)

2 medium size Okinawa potatoes
5 dasheen (araimo)
½ c. sugar
3 Tbs. black sesame seeds
3 Tbs. white sesame seeds
3 Tbs. kinako

Mochi:

1 c. mochiko
¾ c. water
¼ c. sugar

(Mochi should be steamed while potatoes and dasheen are cooking)

Mix mochiko, water and sugar in a bowl and form little nickel-sized balls. Place balls in a steamer for 5 minutes. Set aside.

Place 2 medium potatoes into a covered saucepan filled 2/3 with water. Bring water to a boil and cook until tender. Repeat this process with the 5 dasheen. While hot, mash the potatoes with a masher or fork and add ½ c. sugar. Rinse the dasheen under cool water to cool it down, peel the skin off and mash. Mix both potatoes together, until smooth. Scoop potato mixture with a small ice cream scoop and place on a plate. Flatten the balls in the palm of your hand and place a nickel-sized piece of mochi into the middle of the potato mixture. Using your hands, cover the mochi with the potato mixture and roll it into a nice ball. Roll the ball into the black sesame seeds, white sesame seeds or kinako until surface is covered. ENJOY!

TUMAI KURU CHAMPURU COOKIES

BY IVANELLE HOE

(IVANELLE WAS AWARDED A \$20.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE DONATED BY SWAN BEAUTY SALON)

1 c. shortening	2 eggs
1 ¼ c. white sugar	2 c. flour
1 c. brown sugar	½ tsp. salt
1 c. peanut butter	2 tsp. baking soda
1 c. rolled oats	1 c. mashed tumai kuru

Cream shortening, peanut butter, sugars and eggs together. Mix in dry ingredients, tumai kuru and rolled oats into creamed mixture. Scoop 1-inch mounds on a baking sheet and bake for 12 minutes at 375 degrees.

3RD

TUMAI-KURU TONCHU NANTU

BY IVANELLE HOE

(IVANELLE WAS AWARDED A \$30.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE, DONATED BY VICTORIA INN)

Mix together and set aside:

2 c. fresh grated coconut
1 c. finely chopped peanuts
1 Tbs. sugar

Cut and set aside:

1 cooked tumai kuru
Chinese squash candy

Mix:

2 c. Chinese glutinous rice flour
¾ c. warm water

Using wooden chopsticks mix flour and water. If flour mixture is too dry, add a little more water to make dough workable. Place a piece of tumai kuru and candy squash in middle of rice flour mixture and roll into balls. Place balls in rapid boiling water for about 2-3 minutes. Balls will float when cooked.

Place half of the coconut mixture on a plate. When balls are cooked, drain and place in coconut mixture and roll. Remove and place on another plate. Sprinkle a little more coconut mixture on balls just before serving.

OKINAWAN FESTIVAL '05

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS - NOTICE

If you are interested in securing a hotel room during the Festival, please contact your favorite hotel as soon as possible (don't forget to ask for kamaaina rate). Usually at this time the UCHINANCHU is able to print a large array of hotels offering special rates for our volunteers. This year due to a large convention in Waikiki and the University of Hawaii vs. University of Southern California football game occurring at the same time as our Festival, hotels have been very reluctant to offer special rates. However, please consider the following four hotel respondents as a possibility:

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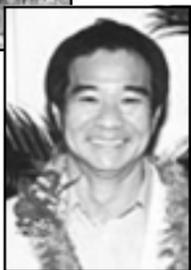
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Lynne Yoshiko Nakasone - Director and Master Instructor of the Hooge Kai, Nakasone Dance Academy, Sensei has received numerous awards from Hawaii and Japan, but she treasures most the over 1000 service projects she participated in. In 1955, she was selected as one of the "Best 10" dance artists in Okinawa, became the first person outside of Okinawa to be awarded the Certificate of Meritorious Achievement (1984), was honored as a Living Treasure by the Honpa Hongwanji Mission (2002) & received the Foreign Minister's Commendation Award from the government of Japan (2004).



Yoshino Majikina Nakasone - In 1954, she was selected as one of Okinawa's "TopTen" dancers in the First Okinawa Times Geino Sai. She became a faculty member at the University of Hawaii in 1964 and introduced Okinawan dance to the university curriculum in 1969, until her retirement in 2003. She was honored by the Japanese Women's Society Foundation and received its Living Legacy Award for Outstanding Japanese Women of the 20th Century in Hawaii. She was invited to dance for Prince Akihito and Princess Michiko and accompanied Governor Ariyoshi to Okinawa. Sensei heads the Majikina Honryu Buyo Dojo.



Wallace Takeshi Teruya - Wallace Teruya was born along the Hamakua coast of the Big Island of Hawaii. His list of highly successful businesses included the well-known TIMES Super Market chain. Wallace is a veteran of the 100th Battalion and was active with various clubs including being a member with the Hawaii Food Industry Assn., serving as President of the Retail Merchants of Hawaii, and also being a charter member of the Kalia Lions Club. With his brother Albert, he has been a generous force in fulfilling the dreams of the Jikoen Hongwanji Mission and the Hawaii Okinawa Center.



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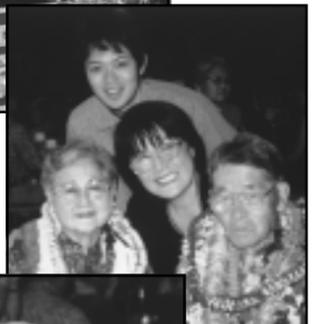
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 June 13-17 WARABIASHIBI - CHILDREN AT PLAY
 Okinawan Day Camp for Kids - Hilo, Hilo Betsuin Hall
 June 14-17 WARABIASHIBI - CHILDREN AT PLAY
 Okinawan Day Camp for Kids - Maui, MOKK
 June 20 HUOA Board of Directors Mtg. 7pm (Teruya Pavilion)
 Hogen Class 7pm (HOC)
 June 20-22 WARABIASHIBI - CHILDREN AT PLAY
 Okinawan Day Camp for Kids - Kauai, Convention Hall
 June 25-26 WARABIASHIBI - CHILDREN AT PLAY
 Okinawan Day Camp for Kids - Kona, UH Extension Service
 June 28 HUOA Karaoke 6:30pm (HOC)
 July 4 HOLIDAY - 4TH OF JULY
 July 5 Executive Council Mtg 7pm (HOC)
 July 18 Hogen Class 7pm (HOC)
 July 20 Ikebana Class 7pm (HOC)
 July 26 HUOA Karaoke 6:30pm (HOC)
 August 1 Executive Council Mtg 7pm (HOC)
 August 10 Ikebana Class 7pm (HOC)
 August 15 Hogen Class 7pm (HOC)
 August 21 LEGACY AWARDS BANQUET
 Sheraton Waikiki
 9:30am Welcome Reception ~ Silent Auction
 11:00am Lun
 August 30 HUOA Karaoke 6:30pm (HOC)
 September 3 OKINAWAN FESTIVAL, Kapiolani Park
 September 4 OKINAWAN FESTIVAL, Kapiolani Park

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 Jun 27 Okinawan Festival 2004 - Show No. One (Premiere)



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UPDATE - OCT 11TH TO 15TH

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OCTOBER 11, 2006 - PARADE OCTOBER 12, 2006 - OPENING CEREMONY
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