

Spectacular Ceremonies to Open 1990

The Okinawan Celebration Commission will begin the new year with three major events on January 7 to highlight the year-long celebration theme of "O Kagesama De." We will honor the 26 pioneer Isseis who arrived in Hawaii on January 8, 1890 and our Issei elders who arrived in Hawaii before World War II. We will also demonstrate our appreciation to the entire community for their assistance and support through the past 90 years.

THE PRELUDE: COMMEMORATIVE REENACTMENT OF THE ARRIVAL – JANUARY 7, 1990, 9:00 A.M. TO 9:30 A.M., PIER 11 AT ALOHA TOWER

On December 5, 1899, 30 determined young men, ages 21 to 35, with visions of a better future in Hawaii, left Naha, Okinawa aboard the vessel S.S. CHINA. Thirty-four days later, on January 8, 1900, 27 men arrived in Honolulu. One member failed the rigorous physical examination and had to return to Okinawa. The remaining 26 men paved the way for future emigration to Hawaii. Their hardships and good fortunes in Hawaii inspired an entire generation of Okinawans who sought a better life for themselves and their families.

To honor our 26 pioneer Isseis, the following clubs of these brave young men will provide actors to reenact that momentous event in 1900: Kin, Naha, Shuri, Oroku, Itoman, Haeburu, Nishihara, and Ginowan (Ginowan is providing an actor since Kerama is not represented in Hawaii). These clubs are also sewing authentic costumes worn by the first immigrants. According to researcher Barbara Kawakami, the clothing they wore—loose pants and coolie tops—was given to all immigrants aboard the S.S. CHINA by the Morioka Immigration Co. in Yokohama before departing for Honolulu. Barbara designed and coordinated the costume sewing by the clubs.

The reenactment of the arrival will start at 9:00 a.m. at Pier 11, Aloha Tower. The twenty-minute ceremony will pay tribute to our 26 pioneers. Ed Awakuni will narrate the event. The 26 men, led by Kyuzo Toyama (the father of Okinawan immigration), will disembark the KAIHO

MARU, the visiting fisheries vessel from the Government of Okinawa. The Reverend Chikai Yosemori from Jikoen Hongwanji Mission will offer a prayer on behalf of the 1990 Okinawan Celebration Commission.

These men will be part of a procession from Aloha Tower to Iolani Palace. Leading that group will be the Paranku Club of Hawaii and the Hawaii Eisa Club, followed by Kyuzo Toyama and the first 26 immigrants. Behind them will be the banners representing their respective prefectures followed by the banners of the other Okinawan clubs in Hawaii. The club representatives will be followed by crew members and students from the KAIHO MARU, lead by Captain Genshou Shimoji.

Myles Nakatsu, chair of the commemorative reenactment activities, and his committee have put in tremendous effort to make this a memorable occasion. However, since they expect most of you to be going directly to Iolani Palace for the Opening Ceremonies, they have commissioned JN Productions to video tape the reenactment activities for viewing at the Anniversary Banquet that night.

OPENING CEREMONIES AND MEMORIAL SERVICES – JANUARY 7, 1990, 9:30 A.M. TO 12:00 NOON, IOLANI PALACE GROUNDS

Everyone should plan to attend the Opening Ceremonies to honor our Isseis. Conductor Aaron Mahi and his Royal Hawaiian Band will begin playing the music of the 1900s at 9:30 a.m., awaiting the arrival of the procession. Acting as the official of the Territory of Hawaii, Dick Jensen will greet the 26 Issei pioneers. A blend of Hawaiian and Okinawan music and dance has been

planned by co-chairs John Rowe, Clifford Miyashiro, and Carole Kai to precede and follow the Memorial Services.

The multi-denominational Memorial Services to pay homage to our Isseis will begin at 10:15 a.m. Christian minister, The Reverend Shinsuke Uehara of Hawaii Iseu-No-Mitama Kyokai, and Buddhist ministers, The Reverends Fred Tamayose of Higashi Hongwanji Mission and Chikai Yosemori of Jikoen Hongwanji Mission, will conduct the services. Governor John Waihee will welcome the audience and join other dignitaries in the offering of incense. According to Dr. Albert Miyasato and Akira Sakima, co-chairs of the Memorial Services, the formal program of the Opening Ceremonies will enable the audience to experience the reverence and significance of the bravery and fortitude of our ancestors. Carole Kai will host the entertainment program which will follow.

Join us in honoring our Issei elders for all they have done for us! Ample street parking will be available and UOA club members will be stationed around the Palace to assist in directing you to parking lots reserved for the occasion.

90TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET – JANUARY 7, 1990, 5:00 P.M. TO 9:30 P.M., TAPA BALLROOM OF THE HILTON HAWAIIAN VILLAGE HOTEL

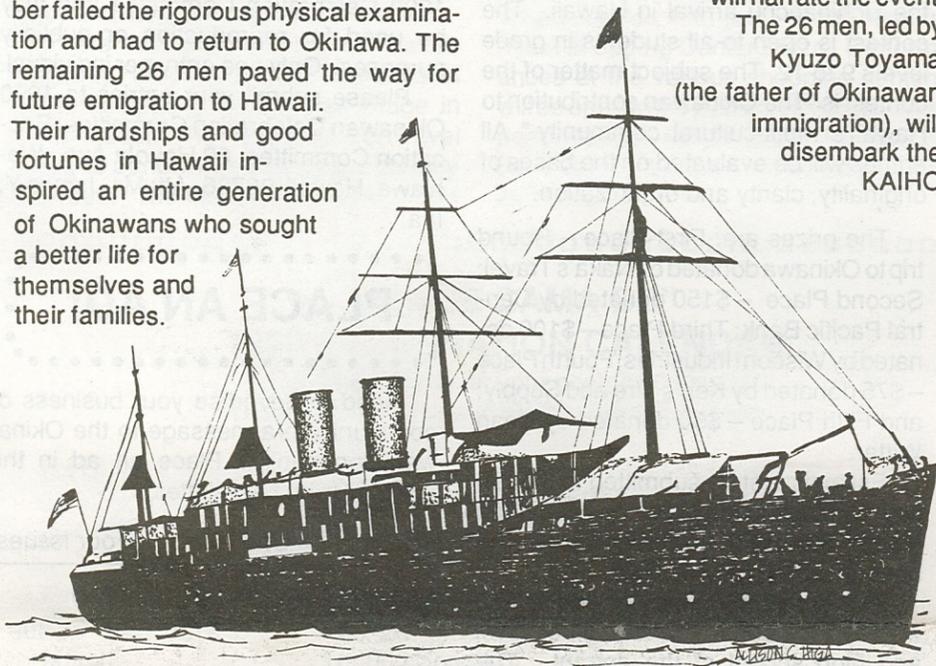
An exciting night of celebration is planned for the evening of January 7. Nancy and Teddy Tanaka and Keiko Ura will take us through an evening of entertainment and a short formal program. The First Lady of the State of Hawaii will present the keynote address. To highlight the evening of paying tribute to our most honored Isseis, Governor and Mrs. Waihee will present the Governor's certificates to the Issei honoree representatives and will acknowledge all Issei honorees. A spectacular finale is planned with Marlene Sai and the UOA clubs to honor our Issei elders. Dale Senaga and Henry Yoshino will grace us with their music during dinner.

Doors of the Tapa Ballroom will open at 5:00 p.m. No-host cocktails will be served in the Palace Lounge fronting the Tapa Ballroom. A seven-course Chinese dinner will begin service at 6:00 p.m. A special entertainment program hosted by Steve Dulce will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets are available through your Sonjin Kai president or Jane Sakima at 841-3075. But hurry, the final deadline for reservations is January 3 and we have a maximum seating capacity of 1200.

the men to adjust to life in Hawaii. The hardships of plantation conditions and treatment were difficult but successes were achieved and the emigration to Hawaii campaign continued to grow. By 1924, the year Japanese emigration to Hawaii terminated, the total number of Okinawans and their Hawaii-born children was listed as 16,536. Despite their late arrival to Hawaii, Okinawans became the fourth largest prefectural group in Hawaii.

Kyuzo Toyama died in California and his remains are believed to be buried in Fresno, California. The UOA, through Kin Chojin Kai, is presently researching the possibility of having his remains returned to Hawaii and an appropriate monument to his achievements erected.



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Toyama: The Pioneer

It would be difficult to begin our 90th Anniversary Celebration without acknowledging the efforts of the man who began the the immigration of Okinawans to Hawaii - KYUZO TOYAMA. Scholars such as Yukiko Kimura in her book, ISSEI, refer to Toyama as a brilliant educator from Kin Cho in Okinawa as well as Tokyo and a leader of the civil rights movement in Okinawa.

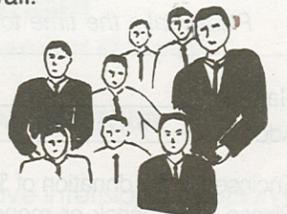
It was Toyama who realized that emigration to Hawaii might be a positive solution to the increasing population and food shortages in Okinawa. Despite initial opposition by the Tokyo-appointed prefectural governor, Toyama recruited the first thirty men who sailed from Naha on December 5, 1899. Three men failed the physical in Yokohama and the rest sailed to Hawaii, arriving at Honolulu on January 8, 1900. Another man failed the physical in Honolulu. Twenty-six Okinawans were thus admitted entry a week later and were sent to Ewa Plantation on Oahu.

Despite the hardships, six of the group returned to Okinawa with enough of their



earnings that they bought farmlands and built tile-roofed houses, rare in their rural villages. Encouraged by these signs of success, Toyama's emigration campaign grew and a second group of forty men arrived in Hawaii in April 1903. Toyama himself led this group called "Shinjunigumi" or "Forty-men company".

Toyama and Shinsuke Taira helped



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Numerous Scholarships Available From Okinawan Organizations

Uchinanchu students are fortunate to have many offers of financial support to further their education. Here is a brief synopsis of the five organizations accepting applications.

HUI MAKAAALA

Hui Makaala offers tuition scholarships to qualified students of Okinawan ancestry planning to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa or Hilo. For 1990, Hui Makaala offers a four year scholarship, eight one year scholarships and three on-going four-year scholarships.

The main considerations for qualification are academic achievement, character, motivation, and financial need. Applicants will be required to submit a completed application form, high school transcript, a personal letter by the applicant explaining why applicant is applying, and two letters of recommendation from non-family parties. Applications should be sent to Hui Makaala Scholarship Selection Committee, P.O. Box 2604, Honolulu, Hawaii 96803 by April 30, 1990.

HUI O LAULIMA

Hui O Laulima offers cultural grants and academic scholarships of a minimum of \$500 per recipient for the 1990-1991 academic year. There is no set limit on the applications approved each year.

Criteria for the cultural grants are 1) interest and study in the Okinawan culture, language, and/or history; 2) leadership ability; 3) community service; 4) acceptance to study under a recognized instructor of Okinawan culture, language, and/or history; 5) overall potential for success.

Criteria for the academic scholarships are 1) enrollment in a graduate program or upper division undergraduate program at a college, university, or vocational school; 2) scholastic achievement of 3.0 or higher; 3) leadership ability; 4) community service; 5) overall potential for success; 6) interest and/or study in the Okinawan culture, language, and/or history (optional).

Applications and two letters of recommendations are due March 30, 1990. Applicants for academic scholarships must also include a transcript. Inquiries or applications should be made to Hui O Laulima Grant/Scholarship Committee, c/o Mrs. Jean Agena, 1336 Ala Pili Loop, Honolulu, Hawaii 96818.

MAUI OKINAWA KENJIN KAI

Maui Okinawa Kenjin Kai annually presents three \$350.00 one year scholarships to Maui County students of Okinawan descent planning to pursue their post secondary education at any college or university. The awards are based on the applicant's academic, record, extra-curricular activities, community service and financial need. Recipients may reapply for subsequent scholarships. Applicants should contact the club through its officers or by mail to 344 High Street, Wailuku, Maui 96793.

UNITED OKINAWAN ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Annually, the UOA, through its Scholarship Foundation, grants a full tuition-paid four-year scholarship to high school graduates. The scholarships are to any accredited four-year college or university in Hawaii leading to a Bachelor's Degree. Exchange students from Hawaii to any other institution are also eligible.

The scholarship grant is for eight semesters. The recipient must 1) carry not less than 12 credits per semester; 2) must maintain at least a 2.5 college grade point average; 4) must be in need of financial aid; and 5) should be of Okinawan descent.

Scholarship awards are based on 1) academic achievement; 2) character and motivation as indicated by the applicant's personal statement and two letters of recommendation from non-family persons; and 3) financial need as indicated by disclosure of parental income on the application form and/or the applicant's personal statement.

The following must be submitted: 1) completed application form; 2) high school transcript; 3) personal statement; and 4) two letters of recommendation.

Applications should be mailed to the United Okinawan Association Scholarship Committee, c/o UOA P.O. Box 2076, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805 postmarked no later than midnight, April 17, 1990. Application forms will be available mid-January, 1990 from post high school counselors. The forms may also be received through each Sonjin Kai by mid-January, 1990. For further information, write to UOA, P.O. Box 2076, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805.

OKINAWA PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP

This program is open to all persons from outside Okinawa who wish to study at the University of the Ryukyus in Nishinara-Cho, Okinawa. The scholarship covers one school year from April through to the following March. Students will acquire a better understanding of Japanese and Okinawan culture, industry, education, and society. The Prefectural Government will cover expenses deemed necessary. Accommodations will be available at the International House of the University.

Applicants must meet the following qualifications: 1) completed 12 years of formal education; 2) must be between the ages of 18 and 30; and 3) must have some knowledge of the Japanese language sufficient for University study.

Selection of the student by the UOA Scholarship Committee will be made in August, 1990 for the University School year from April, 1991 to March, 1992. Applicants must submit their applications by no later than August 15, 1990 for that school year. For further inquiries or to submit your applications, send to UOA Scholarship Committee, c/o UOA, P.O. Box 2076, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805.

1990 Essay Contest

The 1990 Celebration Committee is sponsoring a major essay contest to commemorate the 90th Anniversary of the Uchinanchu arrival in Hawaii. The contest is open to all students in grade levels 9 to 12. The subject matter of the contest is "The Okinawan contribution to Hawaii's multi-cultural community." All entries will be evaluated on the bases of originality, clarity and organization.

The prizes are: First Place - Round trip to Okinawa donated by Naka's Travel; Second Place - \$150 donated by Central Pacific Bank; Third Place - \$100 donated by Wisdom Industries; Fourth Place - \$75 donated by Ken's Tire and Supply; and Fifth Place - \$50 donated by Dean Witter.

Essays must be submitted to the Essay Contest Committee no later than March 23, 1990 and winners will be announced on May 4, 1990.

The essay must provide the name, address, telephone number, grade level and high school of the entrant. The essay must be typewritten on white paper, 8 1/2 x 11, double-spaced, and a maximum length of two pages. One original and four copies must be submitted. All entries will become the property of the 1990 Celebration Committee and may be used for reproduction or publicity purposes. Only one entry per individual.

Please submit your entries to 1990 Okinawan Celebration Committee, Education Committee, 60 Hauola Ave., Wahiawa, Hawaii 96786, Att: Mr. James Y. Iha.

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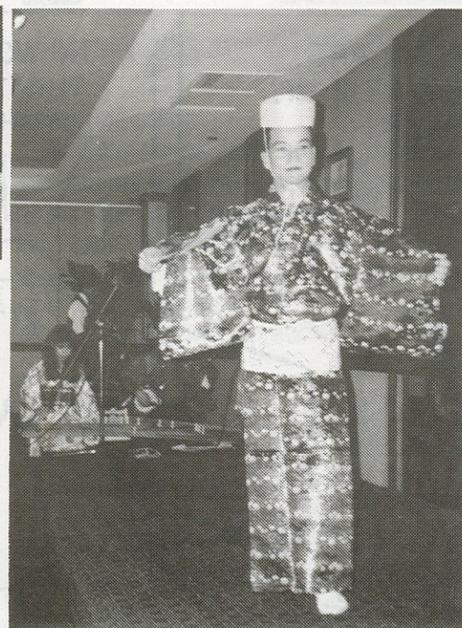
Club	Place	Date
Bito Doshi Kai	Wisteria	January 13
Haneji Club	Masa's Cafeteria	January 20
Minami Nakagusuku Sonjin Kai	Victoria Inn	January 20
YOH (Installation)	Kahala Hilton	January 20
Yagaji Koshi Kai	Victoria Inn	January 26
Aza Gushikawa Doshi Kai	Victoria Inn	January 27
Kin Chojin Kai	Pagoda	January 27
Ginoza Sonjin Kai	Masa's Cafeteria	January 27
Naha Shinjin Kai	Flamingo Chuckwagon	January 28
Hui Makaala (Installation)	Ala Moana Hotel	January 28
Goeku Sonjin Kai	Flamingo Chuckwagon	February 3
Kochinda Chojin Kai	Victoria Inn	February 3
Nago Chojin Kai	Catering Experience	February 3
Tamagusuku Sonjin Kai	Masa's Cafeteria	February 3
Tomigusuku Sonjin Kai	Jikoen	February 3
Wahiawa Kyoyu Kai	Dot's in Wahiawa	February 3
Awase Doshi Kai	Flamingo Chuckwagon	February 4
Club Motobu	Natsunoya Tea House	February 10
Gushikawa Shinjin Kai	Jikoen	February 10
Nishihara Chojin Kai	Masa's Cafeteria	February 10
Yomitan	Fort Delicatessen	February 10
Yonashiro Sonjin Kai	Masa's Cafeteria	February 11
Haeburu Sonjin Kai	Fort Delicatessen	February 17
Maui Okinawa Kenjin Kai		February 17
Oroku Doshi Kai	Flamingo Chuckwagon	February 17
Hawaii Shuri Club	Masa's Cafeteria	February 17
Ishikawa Shijin Kai	Victoria Inn	February 18
Yonabaru Chojin Kai	Masa's Cafeteria	February 18
Hui Okinawa	Nanihoa Hotel	February 24
Gushichan Sonjin Kai	Masa's Cafeteria	February 24
Kita Nakagusuku Sonjin Kai	Wisteria	February 24
Urasoe	Fort Delicatessen	February 24
Kanagusuku Sonjin Kai	Victoria Inn	February 25
Sashiki-Chinen Do Shi Kai	Masa's Cafeteria	March 2
Ginowan Shinjin Kai	Pearl Country Club	March 3
Itoman Club	Wisteria	March 3
Katsuren Chojin Kai	Japanese Chamber	March 3
Oroku Azajin Kai	Jikoen	March 4
Onna Sonjin Kai	Victoria Inn	March 10
Osato Doshi Kai	Fort Delicatessen	March 10
Yogi	Masa's Cafeteria	March 10
Chatan Sonjin Kai	Japanese Chamber	March 17
Gaza Yonagusuku Doshi Kai	Masa's Cafeteria	March 24

SASHIKI-CHINEN

Doreen Yamashiro returned in August after a year of teaching English at the Sashiki Junior High School. She was the first American English teacher in Sashiki, Okinawa. Doreen also voluntar-

ily taught an Adult English Class at night. Her students ranged in ages from 15 to 57 years old. The program has proved so successful that the Sashiki Junior High School has expressed interest in continuing the program. Congratulations and welcome back, Doreen.

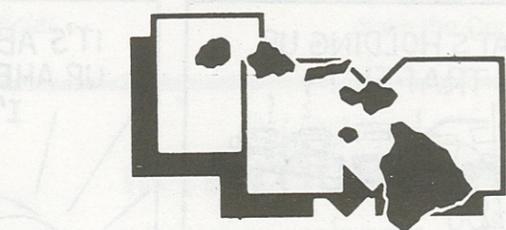
1989 Marked 80 Years For Osato Doshi Kai



Hui O Laulima Enjoys Christmas at Kahala



Young Okinawans Christmas Luncheon A Treat



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Schedule: World Uchinanchu Festival

Festival Dates: August 23, 1990, to August 26, 1990

Events Occurring Throughout the Festival

1. Okinawa Art Exhibit
Ginowan Municipal Gymnasium

"Sekai ni habataku Okinawa" or "Okinawa moves forward in the World". The exhibits and displays will show the post World War II art history of Okinawa. Two hundred works will be exhibited.

2. Worldwide Uchina Exhibition
Ginowan Municipal Gymnasium

Displays will include the history of the overseas immigrants throughout the world. An emphasis will be made on the impact of international exchange.

3. Other Side Events
Ginowan Municipal Multi-Purpose Plaza

Other events scheduled are the Products Show, the Awamori Festival and the Orion Beer Fiesta. "Eisa" is tentatively planned as part of the attraction.

Thursday, August 23, 1990

1. Opening Ceremony
4:30 pm to 5:40 pm
Okinawa Convention Center Theatre

The program will include the opening ceremony, greetings from representatives of various countries, civilian ambassador certification ceremony, and entertainment.

A dedication of the "Bankoku Shinryo no Kane" or "Bell to bridge the world" will be conducted. The bell will be the symbol of the festival and will be placed in a belfry at the Convention Center.

2. Reception
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Convention Center Exhibition Building

The estimated attendance at the reception is over 3000 people. There will be entertainment by local artists and karate groups as well as entertainers from other countries.

Friday, August 24, 1990

1. Ryukyu Entertainment Festival
Okinawa Convention Center Theatre
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm



- 1st Section - Ryukyu Minyo
1: pm to 2:00 pm
- 2nd Section - Shibai buyo
2:05 to 3:15 pm
- 3rd Section - Okinawa drama
3:20 pm to 4:50 pm

2. Worldwide Karate-do Kobudo Interchange Festival
Okinawa Convention Center Exhibition Building
10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Participants from different "dojo" within the prefecture and from the United States, France, Brazil and Argentina will participate in one hall. Martial arts of neighboring countries, such as China, will also be introduced. Emphasis will be on vigor and speed. Realistic Kata and other innovative performances will be presented.

A martial arts summit will be conducted to discuss the theme: the role Karate achieves in International Exchange and as part of the Okinawa Culture. There will be lectures and panel discussions on sports, culture, education, and medicine with professionals from various areas

3. Symposium: "The 21st Century Uchina"
Okinawa Convention Center Conference Bldg.
2:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Prominent panelists from North America, South America, Southeast Asia, Europe, and Japan will be represented.

Saturday, August 25, 1990

1. Ryukyu Entertainment Festival
Okinawa Convention Center Theatre
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

- 1st Section - Classical Okinawa Music
1:00 pm to 1:40 pm
- 2nd Section - Ryukyu Dance
1:40 pm to 3:00 pm
- 3rd Section - Kumi Odori
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

2. Worldwide karate-do Kobudo Interchange Festival
Okinawa Convention Center Exhibition Bldg.
10:00 am to 6:00 pm

3. Festival Commemorative Gateball Tournament
Ginowan citizen's Stadium
Schedule to be announced.

Sunday, August 26, 1990

1. Martial Arts Summit
10:00 am

Participants from different "dojo" within the prefecture and from the United States, France, Brazil and Argentina will participate in one hall. Martial arts of neighboring countries, such as China, will also be introduced. Emphasis will be on vigor and speed. Realistic Kata and other innovative performances will be presented.

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2. Music Concert
Okinawa Convention Center Theatre
3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Well-known young musicians will play "current" music for the young and the young at heart.

3. Festival Commemorative Gateball Tournament
Ginowan Citizen's Stadium
Schedule to be announced

4. Final Ceremony
Okinawa Convention Center Exhibition Bldg.
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Closing ceremony, Kachashii Festival with participants from all of the representative countries, fireworks and farewell.

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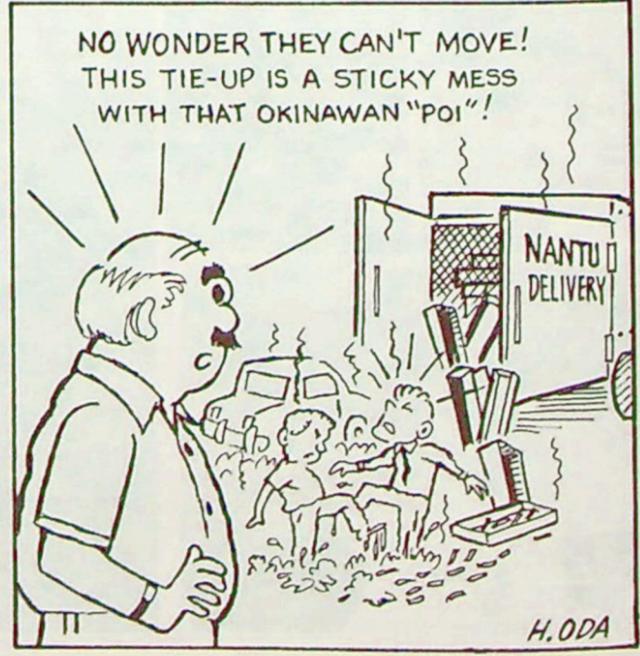
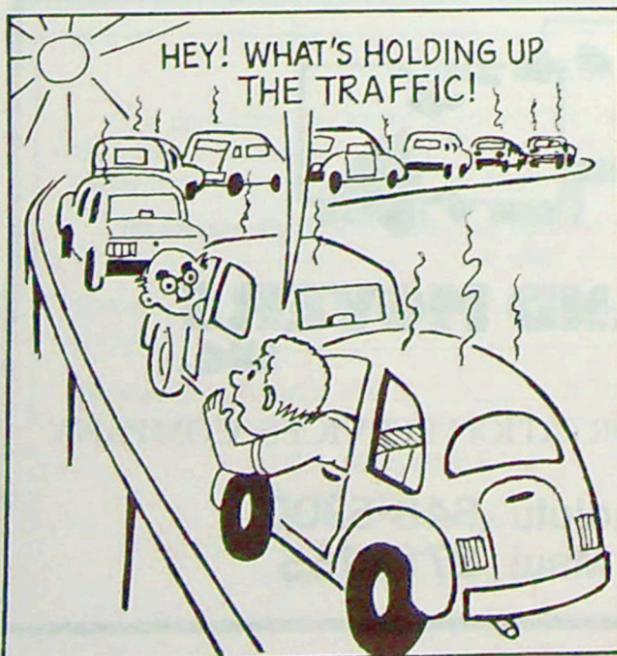


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Hawaii-Okinawa Center News

Nakasone Selected as First Executive Director

The Board of Trustees of the Hawaii Okinawa Center (HOC) announces that it has selected its first Executive Director - Mr. Robert Toshio "Bob" Nakasone.

Bob Nakasone was one of nine applicants for the position. The Board of Trustees, by its predecessor, the Board of Directors of the Bunka Kaikan UOA Foundation Inc., began its organizational process in June of this year. The selection of an Executive Director is one of the Board's major goals in preparing itself for the completion of the Center in June 1990.

Bob brings dedicated leadership and high credentials to the HOC. After graduating from Hawaiian Mission Academy, Bob studied at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he graduated in 1959 with a Bachelor of Science degree in physics. He later earned a master of Science degree in industrial management from Purdue University.

His 12-year work experience in Japan where he learned to speak fluent Japanese, will be a major asset in coordinating activities with Okinawa and greeting the many visitors the HOC will receive from Japan.



Bob (3rd face from left) with Board of Trustees.

As President of Duracell Japan in Tokyo, Bob started the Japan company for Duracell developing new markets for the U.S. company in a highly competitive business. The company opened a \$20 million plant by the time Bob decided to return to the U.S.

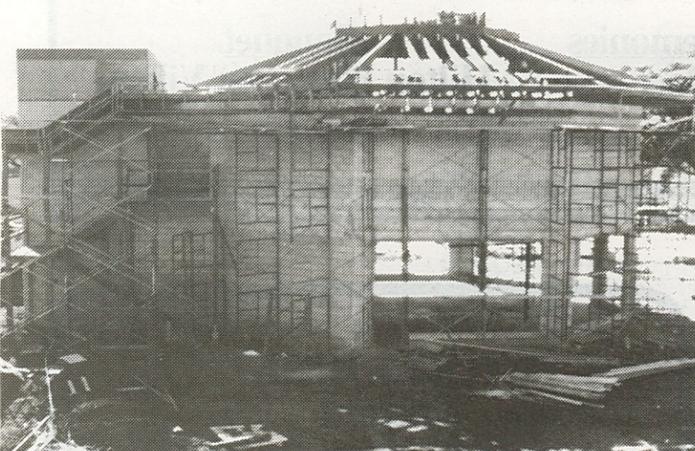
Bob is a local boy at heart. Born in Honolulu as the third son of Matsuro and Tsuruko Nakasone, Bob grew up in the Liliha Street area where his father owned and operated Jane's Fountain from 1947 until his retirement in 1984. Mr. Matsuro Nakasone is an issei who started as a

plantation worker and later earned enough money to start his own restaurant business. Today, he and his wife are active participants at the Lanakila Community Center.

Bob himself has been active with the Okinawan community since his return from Japan in 1985. He has served as President of Ishikawa Sonjin Kai for the past two years. He was the Assistant Treasurer of the United Okinawan Association and has served on various UOA committees. For the past six months he has volunteered his time as interim part-time director of the HOC fundraising office. He assisted the fundraising and commemorative committees and coordinated HOC's loan from Bank of Hawaii, the lender for the construction of HOC.

"The first three years of Bob's commitment with us are going to be critical for the long term success of the Center," exclaims Albert Teruya, Chairman of the Board. "The Board is going to support him in his efforts and we urge everyone in the community to join us in making a success of the Center."

Bob is married to Wakako Nakasone and has a son, Dennis, age 18 and a daughter, Nancy, age 15. "I expect the position will be demanding and challenging," says Bob. "However, because the Okinawan community has a deep commitment to the Center, I feel that the job will also be satisfying and enjoyable."



Work to Begin On Wall Of Recognition

Phase 1 of the Bunka Kaikan Fundraising Project ended on December 31, 1989. All donations received or pledged after that date will be considered Phase 2.

The Commemorative Committee's cut off date for Phase 1 was necessary in order to begin work on the "recognition wall" in the hopes of having it ready for the official opening of the Hawaii Okinawa Center on June 16, 1990. The Committee is currently working on the wall design and will select a contractor to install it.

The members of the Fundraising and Commemorative Committees wish to thank all donors. Special thanks to Club coordinators who did the leg work to help make the Center a reality.



Kikuko Nanjo (right) presents check to HOC official.

KIKUKO NANJO

Kikuko Nanjo, well known ballet instructor in Okinawa who has participated in our Okinawa Festiva, has donated to the Hawaii Okinawa Center. She recently held a ballet recital in Okinawa and donated the proceeds from the event. It marks her second donation to the HOC.

DENNIS ASATO

Dennis Asato, who is a Mauian living and working in Washington, D.C., sent in a donation of \$2,500 for Hawaii Okinawa Center. His group, the Washington, D.C. Okinawakai, took care of the performers from Hawaii at the Smithsonian Hawaii Festival in 1989. Dennis is the president of the Okinawakai.



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from the STAFF

Maui Okinawa Kenjin Kai Schedules 1990 Festivities

In commemorating the 90th Anniversary of the arrival of the first Okinawan immigrants to Hawaii, the Maui Okinawa Kenjin Kai (MOKK) has planned a number of activities for 1990. Other activities will be added later, but those scheduled thus far are:

- February 17th Shinnen Enkai
- February 17th & 18th Golf Tournament
- March 24th Festival at Kaahumanu Shopping Center

- Late May or Early June MOKK Miyako Island Visit via Japan
- June 22nd Workshop/ Forum on Okinawa Banquet honoring Isseis
- August 5th Picnic
- October Visit by the Miyako delegation
- November Okinawa Sakura Tree Planting at Rice Park, Kula

1990 is also the 25th Anniversary of the Sister City relationship between Maui and Hirara City, Miyako Island.

MAUI GOODWILL TOUR

In commemorating the 25th anniversary of the sister-city relationship between Maui and Hirara city in Miyako, Okinawa, a goodwill tour is planned by the Maui Okinawa Kenjin Kai members next year.

The tour group will leave on May 21st and return on June 5th, 1990. The trip will begin with a two day stopover in Tokyo followed by a motorcoach tour to include overnight stops at Hakone, Nagoya, Osaka and Takamatsu.

The group will fly to Okinawa from Osaka then proceed to Miyako where sister-city activities will be held. Ishigaki and Taketomi visits are also included and an optional tour to Kume island is also planned.

Mayor Hannibal Tavares will probably join the group in the Okinawa segment of the trip.

All those interested including non-Mauians are asked to contact Roy Yonahara at 244-7290 or Robert Kane-shiro at Transpacific Tours at 737-5547.

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THE 1990 OKINAWAN CELEBRATION

Date
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— 10AM —

Banquet
Hilton Hawaiian Village
— 5PM —
ADMISSION \$26.00 per person

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Individual pacesetters are as follows:

Category	Men	Women
High Average	Ken Tokujo	Lori Tanaka
High HDCP Ave	John Sunabe	Jackie Phillips
High HDCP Series	George Uehara	Trisha Takayesu
High Series	Eric Murakami	Holly Takara
High HDCP Single	James Nojima	Gina Bogden
High Single	Terry Tamanaha	Susan Iha-Enamoto

Come down to Kalihi Bowl on Sunday afternoons and cheer on our 130 competitors, so spiffy in their bright red UOA polo shirts!

Entries Are Welcome for Maui Golf Tournament

The 12th annual Okinawan State Invitational Golf Tournament sponsored by the Maui Okinawan Golf Club will be held on February 17-18th at the Waiehu Golf Course.

This event is part of the year-long celebration observance of the 90th anniversary of the arrival of the Okinawan immigrants to Hawaii. It is also a benefit for the Maui Okinawa Cultural Center.

The tournament is open to all golfers of Okinawan ancestry and sponsoring club members and their guests.

There will be five flights: "A" 0-13 handicap; "B" 14-24 handicap; Senior 60 years and older, 30 maximum handi-

cap; Women maximum 36 handicap; Guest maximum 24 handicap.

The entry fee is \$50.00 (not including cart) which includes a \$25.00 tax deductible donation, green fee, some \$5,000 in prizes and the award banquet at Aloha Restaurant on February 18th, Sunday.

A "Closest to the Pin" contest on No. 2 hole will be conducted with lots of good prizes.

Jack Gushiken and Dickie Miyahira are serving as co-chairmen of the tournament.

Entry blanks are available at all municipal courses in the State and deadline for entries is February 8, 1990.



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Hari Boats to Arrive in Hilo; Many Festivities Planned

Big Island Okinawans are preparing for the arrival of the Kaiho Maru. The Okinawan maritime training ship arrives in Hilo on January 9, 1990. On board the ship will be three Hari boats, gifts to the County of Hawaii from the city of Nago.

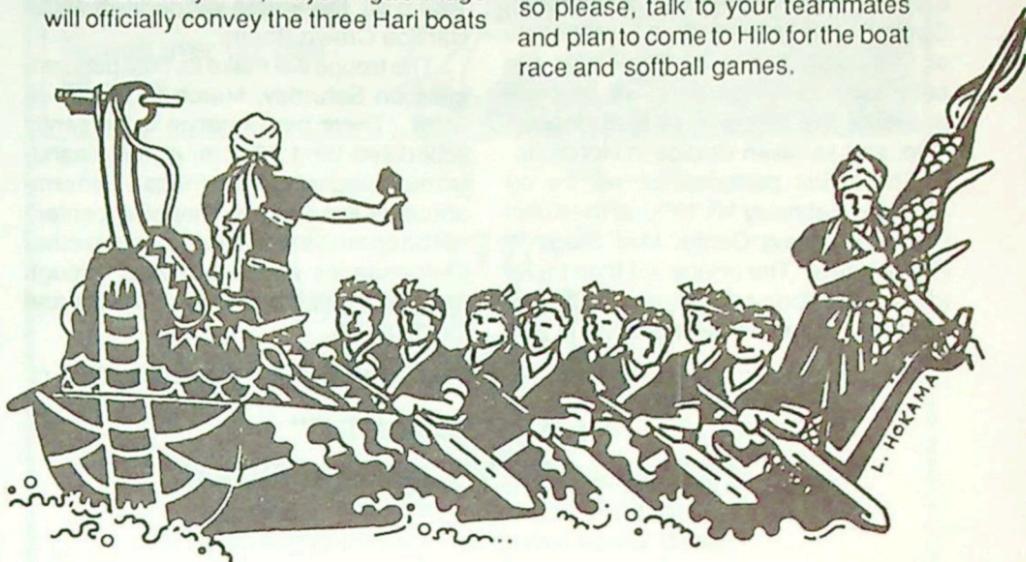
The ship is manned by a crew of high school students from Okinawa. The crew will be entertained by local high school service clubs and will be sampling what our students eat at their cafeterias. In the evening, a reception is planned for the crew by Hui Okinawa members and the high school service club students. They will be entertained by the Waiakea Intermediate Ukulele Band and the Hawaii County Band.

On January 10th, Mayor Higa of Nago will officially convey the three Hari boats

to the County of Hawaii. Ground will be broken at Lilioukalani Park for the new Hari boat house display. The crew will be taken on a tour of the volcano and Hilo areas.

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The Hari boats will definitely be here in January. We need the support of the other sonjinkais to come to Hilo and join the Hari boat race on August 18, 1990. Please send your reservation forms in so that we can plan for the event. Hilo weatherman promises good racing weather on August 18th. Prizes will be given for the best costumed team as well as winners of the races. We still need more teams for the softball tournament so please, talk to your teammates and plan to come to Hilo for the boat race and softball games.



The following schedule is provided by Hui Okinawa of Hilo, Hawaii. The program highlights various events, including the formal ceremony to convey the boats from Nago, Okinawa to its "sister city," Hilo. The three Hari boats were constructed by craftsmen in Nago.

Tuesday, January 9, 1990

- 7:00 a.m. Kaiho Maru arrives at Hilo Harbor.
 - 12:30 p.m. Lunch at high school cafeteria.
 - 5:00 p.m. Reception at 7 Seas Luau House hosted by Hui Okinawa.
- Invited will be student hosts from schools, guests from County government, Hui Okinawa members.

Entertainment by: Waiakea Intermediate Ukulele Band, Hawaii County Bank, disco music.

Wednesday, January 10, 1990

- 9:00 a.m. Convey Hari boats to County of Hawaii; Mayor Higa of Nago to Mayor Akana of Hilo.
- Blessing of boats.
- 10:30 a.m. Ground breaking ceremony at Lilioukalani Park for the construction of the Hari boathouse. Blessing of ground. Planting of cherry tree by Mayor Higa of Nago.
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch reception for participants at Nihon Restaurant.
- 2:00 p.m. Open house on the Kaiho Maru.

Thursday, January 11, 1990

- 8:30 a.m. Pick up crew for volcano tour.
- 2:45 p.m. Softball games between the crew and two high schools.



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