

# *Ka Lono* **Hanakahi**

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## Lu has much to do

by John Burnett



Christopher Lu

Dr. Christopher Lu likes to stay busy. The new Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs has authored or co-authored 46 published articles in refereed journals in his chosen field of agriculture and ruminant nutrition. He has also presented 82 papers at refereed conferences as well as a multitude of invited papers, speeches, books and book chapters. His curriculum vitae lists more awards, honors, fellowships, memberships and accomplishments than most academicians achieve in a life-

time.

Lu, the former dean of the School of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the State University of New York-Morrisville, is working on a steep learning curve, but he enjoys it that way, even though in his case it means putting aside his considerable love of and talent for research.

"My role is going to be to facilitate the growth of all the other programs," Lu said. "My own agenda has to be put aside, at least for the time being. They told me that it's going to be at least a 12-hour-a-day job, but I'm looking forward to it.

"What I find attractive about my new position at UH Hilo is the opportunity to develop academic programs, to extend research activities and to contribute to the transition of the campus to a reputable regional university," he added.

Lu, 50, who earned both his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin, demurs when asked about any programs he might want to institute at UH Hilo.

"It's too early to talk about any specific programs that I would like to institute or expand," he said. "It's very important for me to talk to the faculty and staff and find out what they would like to do, what they aspire to and what are real opportunities.

"There are a few new programs recently put into place and it is always exciting to get something like that going," he added. "One is an M.S. in psychology, another is an M.A. in U.S.-China Relations and there's a B.A. in Justice Administration. There are also areas where the

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## SPOTLIGHT

### March roars in at UH Hilo with Hall of Fame-Alumni weekend

by John Burnett

The City Bank-UH Hilo Athletic Hall of Fame will induct three new members, including the first team induction in the Hall's history.

This year's inductees are former basketball star Ia Saipaia, the 1981 Vulcan women's volleyball team and the late Chancellor Edwin H. Mookini. Ceremonies will take place with an early buffet dinner Saturday, March 2, at 4 p.m. in the UH Hilo Campus Center Dining Room. Tickets are \$20. In addition, there is a \$35 alumni package, which includes a pre-game reception Friday, March 1, the buffet banquet on Saturday and tickets to both the Friday and Saturday evening basketball games vs. Hawai'i Pacific University at Afook-Chinen Civic Auditorium. Tip-off both evenings is at 7:15 p.m. There will also be a brief ceremony during the halftime of Saturday evening's game to publicly recognize the new Hall of Famers.

Saturday's banquet will also include a ceremony to honor up to three UH Hilo graduates with the Distinguished Alumni Award. As of press date, the distinguished alumni had not been announced.

Saipaia, a 6-foot-3, 200-pound guard, played two seasons for UH Hilo, 1979-80 and 1980-81. The Punahou School graduate, who transferred

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## Lu

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University is already strong, such as marine science, astronomy, volcanology, veterinary technology, information technology, hydrology and we should develop those areas further because of our strengths there."

Before his three-year stint at SUNY-Morrisville, Lu spent seven years in the Middle East at Sultan Qaboos University in Oman.

"It was one of the most rewarding experiences I've ever had in my life," he said. "I started my career there as Deputy Dean for the College of Agriculture (he was promoted to Dean within a year). Sultan Qaboos University is the crown jewel of their higher education. The school is several times the size of Hilo, a very sophisticated university. People there are very nice and even though it is in the Middle East, it is a very progressive, open type of a society. There's no gender depression. Women enjoy the same rights that men do."

Lu said that under the current political climate, all Middle East nations get painted for public consumption with the same broad brush. But the perception given the public by government officials and the media is not necessarily accurate.

"Oman is actually a very friendly nation to the United States," he said. "Our military uses their bases and they provide logistic support to the U.S."

For the time being, at least, Lu will be leaving his family on the mainland. His wife, Hsin Huang Lu, is a radiation oncologist in private practice in Houston, Texas and is an associate professor on the faculty of Baylor University School of Medicine. Their 20-year-old daughter, Stephanie, is a student majoring in economics at New York University. Although he misses his family when away from them, one of the things Lu loves about his career in higher education is the interaction with others — especially students.

"I got to talk to a student organization while I was there," he said. "I also talked to a few students in the Library when the search committee asked if I could step outside the room for a few minutes. They were very friendly. They didn't know who I was or my purpose on the campus."

The selection committee did, however, take note of the purpose of Lu's visit. Chancellor Rose Tseng gives the committee high marks for its work.

"I would like to thank the search committee members for their dedication to the selection process," Tseng said. "The committee well represented the many areas of UH Hilo, and I thank the members for their time and hard work, which has resulted in such an excellent choice."

Lu's last post was at a liberal arts university and that, to him, is part of the appeal of UH Hilo — the fact that the campus, its schools and curricula are mainly geared for undergraduates.

"I believe the whole heart of a university education is centered around undergraduate students," he said. "As a matter of fact, most universities realize that they have gone

too far, paying too much attention to and allocating too many resources into graduate education. In the meantime, they ignored undergraduate education. That's the time that you shape people's characters and you prepare them for their careers. It's a critical time.

"That's been an issue for some time now at all the major universities, realizing that the focal point still should be undergraduate education," he explained.

Although he says he has much to learn, Lu has done his homework the best he could from thousands of miles away. He is aware of the exciting partnership being forged between the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the UH Hilo College of Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resource Management.

"I know that the U.S. Department of Agriculture Pacific Rim Research Center will be established at the University Park of Science and Technology," Lu said. "I believe the dean of the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resource Management (Dr. Michael Collier) is very much involved with that.

"We should take advantage of that to further develop our agriculture program because that's a golden opportunity. We can fully integrate with them and increase our faculty size without incurring much overhead. The scientists there can serve as adjunct faculty or teach our graduate students. They also can provide facilities. Science programs take a lot of money to build labs and to provide state-of-the-art equipment to our students. Those kind of opportunities don't come often."

Lu is an energetic individual and most of his activities away from the job are physical in nature.

"To maintain my own sanity and energy level, I go to the gym regularly," he said. "Hopefully every day or every other day, when possible. I swim. I play tennis.

"I don't know how much time I am going to have for those activities, at least at first. I have a feeling this is going to be a very busy time because I need to learn the system. I need to learn what's going on."

He is, however, willing to make some short-term sacrifices to help UH Hilo achieve its long-term goals.

"I like what I see," Lu said. "I really see that the campus is full of opportunities. I won't downplay the scenic areas and the beauty of Hawai'i, but what really attracts me is the opportunity to help develop this University to be a well-known regional university.

"I hope everyone shares the same vision and we can work together toward that goal. It can be a great university."

*(Editor's note: John Burnett is a public information officer.)*



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## UH Hilo enrollment continues upward trend

Enrollment at UH Hilo is on the rise. Preliminary figures reveal Spring 2002 enrollment increased by 5.3 percent to 2,787, or 140 more students than Spring 2001.

The increase was broad based. The number of continuing students rose by 79 from the previous spring to 2,343, while first-time students increased by 31 and the number of transfer students went up by 28.

"We attribute these increases to UH Hilo's dedicated faculty, as well as the recruiting efforts of our marketing and admissions personnel," said Chancellor Rose Tseng. "Their combined efforts contributed to attracting new students and keeping them here through the completion of their degree programs."


Tseng was particularly pleased with the higher enrollment in both junior and senior classes, which were reflected in several key programs.

"Our new astronomy program is quickly attracting more students, as is our well-established marine science program, which is now housed in a brand new Marine Science Building. We also see notable growth in the biology program, while our English and communication departments took

great leaps in the spring enrollment numbers," Tseng said.

Figures for the incoming class reveal UH Hilo continues to attract just over half of its students from Hawai'i; 259, or 55 percent are from Hawai'i, with 229 coming from the island of Hawai'i, and the remaining 30 from other islands, including 15 from Maui. The 216 non-Hawai'i students include 161 from the U.S. mainland and U.S. possessions, and 55 from international destinations.

Overall, the international student enrollment for Spring 2002 totals 297 students from 37 countries, including 78 from the Federated States of Micronesia, 71 from Japan, and 23 from Korea. Other countries represented include Palau, the Marshall Islands, Taiwan (ROC), Canada, South Africa, and the Philippines, in addition to parts of Europe, South and Central America, the South Pacific and Asia.

"These results tell the world UH Hilo is the perfect place for a cross-cultural mix of local, mainland, and international students to live and study in a safe and peaceful environment, while receiving an excellent liberal arts education that is affordable," Tseng said. 

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## UH Hilo receives generous gifts

### The Richard Taniguchi Endowed Scholarship Fund

Richard Taniguchi, owner and operator of Hilo Hardware, Inc. for over 50 years, was born in Hilo of Japanese immigrant parents who worked on the plantations. Although they were very poor, his parents saved money to send their sons to college. Taniguchi took a business degree from UH Manoa in the days when getting to college meant taking a ferry from Hilo to Honolulu. His brother, Tokuso, also attended UH Manoa and obtained a medical degree.

Both brothers have been active supporters of UH Hilo and each has a plaque representing membership in the UH Hilo Cornerstone Society, established under the aegis of former Chancellor Edward Kormondy. Richard Taniguchi still works in his hardware store on Kilauea Avenue. His brother was a practicing physician in Hilo for many years until he passed away several years ago.

The endowed scholarship created by Taniguchi at UH Hilo will benefit a student in the School of Business. The endowed scholarship of \$25,000—the amount required to activate an endowed fund—will provide \$1,250 per year of the \$1,658 needed to cover tuition.

If anyone is interested in funding a named scholarship at UH Hilo, either through cash gifts now or through estate plans, please contact Paula Thomas, interim director of development, at 933-3112, or paulat@hawaii.edu.

### Gee Hing Chinese Company charitable trust

Just as the Board of Regents approved at its January 2002 meeting a new masters program in China-U.S. Relations at UH Hilo, the Gee Hing Chinese Company Charitable Trust, a fund administered by Pacific Century Trust, awarded the University \$10,000 for Chinese-related academic programs.

The generous gift, which will be spent in the 2002 calendar year, will support development of a new master's level course called "Approaches in Perceptions: Understanding China and America." It will also fund the travel and stipend expenses for a visiting scholar in Chinese Ethnic Studies who will lecture on the subject "Minority Population in China and Hawaiiana."

The Gee Hing Chinese Company Charitable Trust funds the promotion of Chinese culture and preservation of the history of the Chinese in the State of Hawai'i. 

# Journalism symposium returns to UH Hilo

by Courtney Albin

The UH Hilo/HawCC Board of Student Publications (BOSP) is sponsoring its second annual journalism symposium, Behind and Beyond the Student Newspaper, on March 1 and 2, 2002. The symposium is open to Big Island high school students, college students statewide and their advisors. The BOSP's goal for the symposium is to bring together journalism professionals, educators, and students in order to share ideas that help inspire and motivate aspiring journalists.

A highlight of this year's symposium is the opening event on Friday afternoon—a press conference co-sponsored by the Big Island Press Club.

A panel of professional journalists will discuss the topic: "The Media and 9-11 in Hawai'i: What Impact?" The panel of journalists include: Ben DiPietro, Pacific Business News; Beverly Keever, UH Manoa journalism professor; Diane Chang, former editor for the Honolulu Star-Bulletin; David Shapiro, former editor of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin; and Steven Petranik, editor for the Honolulu Star-Bulletin. Students attending the press conference will receive get hands-on experience. They will write news stories and take photographs that will be submitted for critique by the journalism professionals. Students will meet with the professionals one-on-one to discuss their stories and photographs. The press conference is the only part of the symposium that will be open to the general public.

Friday will conclude with a dinner and keynote address by the nationally recognized photojournalist, PF Bentley. Bentley will give a slide show presentation "How Osama Saved Photojournalism."

Saturday will begin with a breakfast keynote address by former editor of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Diane Chang.



Chang's speech will address the role and responsibility of the press to cover issues of social concern.

Following breakfast, students will attend two workshops of their choice. Workshops featured at this year's symposium include: Photojournalism; Commentary Writing; Jobs in Journalism; Web Publishing; Basic Factual Writing; Alternative/Investigative Journalism; Interviewing Techniques; and Transitions for Editors and Advisors. Workshop presenters include professional journalists, editors, publishers, public relations specialists, writers, and UH Hilo faculty.

Saturday lunch will highlight one more keynote address. Steven Petranik, editor of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, will give a speech on "Your Future is on the Front Page." Petranik's address will stress that news really does matter to everyone's lives.

For more information, please contact Courtney Albin (c.o.u.r.t@usa.net) or Susan Yugawa at x47571.

*(Editor's note: Courtney Albin is a public relations intern in the Office of University Relations.)*

## Career service/campus life to be featured during March Focus on UH Hilo

The activities of the UH Hilo Career and Campus Centers are among the topics discussed during the March telecasts of Focus on UH Hilo. The program is hosted by Chancellor Rose Tseng, and airs March 6 and 20 from 8:00 - 8:30 p.m. on Channel 54.

Dr. Norman Stahl, the recently appointed director of the UH Hilo Career Center, will talk about his plans for expanding career services on the March 6th telecast. Stahl will be joined by Ellen Kusano, director of the UH Hilo Campus Center. Kusano will discuss various initiatives designed to enhance campus life, including the recent opening of "Lava Landing," the on-campus cyber-café and game room.

The guest lineup for the March 20th telecast is currently being finalized.

Focus on UH Hilo highlights UH Hilo programs, up and coming developments and the University's partnerships with various community organizations.

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# Hats off to...



Ron Gordon

**Thomas K. Pinhey**, Assistant Professor of Sociology, will chair the Graduate Research Paper session at the forthcoming annual meeting of the Southwestern Sociological Association, New Orleans, LA, March 27-30. He will also present a paper on "Television and Self-Directed Deviance: A Research Note on the Purging Behavior of Asian-Pacific Males in Guam" with co-authors Alton Okinaka (UH Hilo) and Rachel Leon Gurrero (University of Guam).



Manu Aluli Meyer

**Kelly Burke**, Assistant Professor of Management Information Systems, recently had two papers published. "Do Media Really Affect Perceptions and Procedural Structuring among Partially-distributed Groups?" was published in the *Journal of Systems and Information Technology*. "Media Effects on the Development of Cohesion and Process Satisfaction in Computer-supported Workgroups: An Analysis of Results from Two Longitudinal Studies" appeared in *Information Technology and People*. The papers were co-authored with colleagues from three other universities. Additionally, Burke is an associate editor for the *e-Services Journal* and is currently guest co-editing a forthcoming special issue on electronic collaboration.



Karla Hayashi

**Ron Gordon**, Professor of Communication, **Karla Hayashi**, Instructor of English, and **Luke Bailey**, Instructor of English, were awarded President's Educational Improvement Fund grants. Gordon was awarded \$1,000 to purchase educational videos to enhance the UH Hilo Library's holdings in the areas of mass media studies and cultural analysis and criticism. Hayashi and Bailey received \$1,000 to hire additional Writing Center tutors to staff the On-Line Writing Lab.



Wayne Miyamoto

**Wayne Miyamoto**, Professor of Art, was selected for participation in the 8th Annual Great Plains National Exhibition at the Moss-Thorns Gallery of Art, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS, February 22-March 22, 2002. The exhibition was juried by Dr. Leesa Fanning, assistant director of modern and contemporary art at the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art in Kansas City, MO. Miyamoto's work in intaglio and lithography was also included in the National Juried Printmaking Exhibition, *Pressed and Pulled X*, at the Blackbridge Hall Gallery and the Museum and Archives of Georgia in Milledgeville, GA, January 14 - February 23, 2002.



Hirokuni Masuda

**Hirokuni Masuda**, Assistant Professor of Japanese and Linguistics, had his paper on "Creolistics, biolinguistics, and the evolution of superstructure" accepted for presentation at the upcoming 4th International Conference on the Evolution of Language, which will be held at Harvard University March 27-30. The paper discusses the hypothesis that the functional design property of human language is the representation of internalized grammar, which was first born with our direct ancestor, homo sapiens.



John Kusinski

**John Kusinski**, Professor of Music, conducted the UH Hilo Chamber Players in the premiere of San Francisco composer Dusan Bogdanovic's "To Where Does The One Return" at the East Hawai'i Cultural Center on February 8. Additionally, he was invited to guest conduct the Hawai'i Youth Symphony I in concerts at the UH Hilo Theatre on February 10 and 11. This

**Manu Aluli Meyer**, Assistant Professor of Education, had her article on "Native Hawaiian Epistemology: Sites of Empowerment and Resistance," which appears in the journal *Equity and Excellence in Education*, vol. 31, no. 1, translated into Russian for the journal *Akadeemia*.

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Darlene Martin

month, he is one of nine outstanding collegiate instrumental ensemble directors invited to present new works at the 2002 College Band Directors National Association Western/Northwestern Divisional Conference at the University of Nevada.

**Darlene Martin**, Assistant Director, Research, Eval & Resources, Na Pua No'eau, was invited to serve a three-year term on the Editorial Advisory Board of the Roper Review, a quarterly and juried journal of the Roper School in Bloomfield Hills, MI. The publication draws on all areas of gifted education, including manuscripts with a multidisciplinary focus that pertain to practice, policy, and applied research.



Jennifer Wheat

**Jennifer Wheat**, Assistant Professor of English, had her article on "Preserved in Righteousness? Notes on Living and Teaching in Rural Hawaii" published in the Winter 2001 issue of *Interdisciplinary Studies in Literature and the Environment* (vol. 8.1). Wheat's subject is the conflict between ideals and environmental practices in Hawai'i, and how she addresses these issues in the classroom. ☺

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## Assessment expert visits UH Hilo this month!

by Dr. Lynne Stamoulis

Has anyone noticed that "we're not in Kansas any more" when it comes to higher education teaching and learning? Dr. Peter Ewell, senior associate for the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS), attributes this revolution in teaching and learning to "a major renaissance in the nature of collegiate learning itself..."

"...more and more research," says Ewell, "suggests that current modes of instruction that emphasize information transmission are relatively ineffective...calls are increasing to shift the axis of what colleges do from 'delivering content' to providing students with multiple and diverse opportunities to actively engage in knowledge-construction and skills building on their own."

Ewell, a popular speaker and consultant on deep learning, accreditation, outcomes assessment and the first-year experience, has been retained by the UH system to consult with faculty and staff on outcomes assessment. He will spend Tuesday, March 12, with UH Hilo faculty and administrators.

From 8 to 10:30 a.m., Ewell will meet with faculty and staff representing their departments in Campus Center 306-307, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., he will meet with campus administrators in the Chancellor's Conference Room, and from 2 to 3:30 p.m., he will meet with UH Hilo's assessment and accreditation committees, the UH Congress and the UH Congress Assessment Committee in Campus Center 306-307. Comments and suggestions relating to topics and schedule should be directed to Lynne Stamoulis (x47333, [lstamoulis@hawaii.edu](mailto:lstamoulis@hawaii.edu)), Nina Buchanan (x47583, [ninab@hawaii.edu](mailto:ninab@hawaii.edu)), Ruth Robinson (x47313, [rrobinson@hawaii.edu](mailto:rrobinson@hawaii.edu)) or Gail Makuakane-Lundin (x47413, [gailml@hawaii.edu](mailto:gailml@hawaii.edu)).

This will be Ewell's second visit to UH Hilo. He was previously on campus in April 1993 to consult with faculty and staff on assessment, UH Hilo's student tracking system, and accreditation. He also reported on the results of the large NCHEMS study of how students transfer, persist and graduate in the UH system.

Given the proliferation of alternative teaching modalities, says Ewell in an article entitled, "Examining a Brave New World: How Accreditation Might Be Different" ([http://www.chea.org/Events/Usefulness/98May/98\\_05Ewell.html](http://www.chea.org/Events/Usefulness/98May/98_05Ewell.html)), outcomes assessment is the only viable "coin of the realm" for looking at instructional quality. "Instructional time—our traditional way of counting and judging such things—simply becomes irrelevant."

(Editor's note: Dr. Lynne Stamoulis is director of institutional research.) ☺

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## New service-learning program available for UH Hilo students, faculty and staff

by Timothy Kane

UH Hilo is the sponsor of a new service-learning program called Break Thru Adventures (BTA) where alcohol-free and other drug-free service-learning eco-adventures are offered for the diverse population of the UH system, promoting empowered citizenship, environmental sustainability, and an appreciation for the Hawaiian culture.

BTA's first eco-adventure will take place during spring break, March 22-30. Twelve UH Hilo students and staff will visit Moloka'i to work on two service projects.

Before reaching Moloka'i, the UH Hilo service-learners will stop at the Lahaina Maui Myth and Magic Theater to attend a showing of 'Ulalena. The show will give BTA participants an appreciation of the history and culture of the Hawaiian people.

On Moloka'i, BTA participants will work with the Nene O Moloka'i organization to help restore nene habitats. Habitat restoration activities will include the removal of alien plant species, the propagation of endemic plant species, and overall dune restoration.

From Nene O Moloka'i, the service-learners will hike down to Kalaupapa National Historic Park to begin their second project: renovating park facilities. Participants will remove an old parameter fence, which will be replaced with a new one.

The application fee for each participant is \$150.00. BTA participants will also work together to raise funds to cover the cost of the eco-adventure. Participants will attend three mandatory training sessions covering topics such as Hawaiian ecosystems, communication and diversity, and safety.

The BTA experience incorporates a strong student leadership development model. Two UH Hilo students, Sean Pouono and Lisa Canale, have already received leadership training for BTA by attending a summer workshop offered by Break Away, an organization dedicated to the coordination of alcohol-free and other drug-free service-learning adventures for college students across the nation.

UH Hilo plans to become the Break Away hub so that students, staff and faculty from the entire UH system can serve their communities and safeguard the environment. Eventually, service sites in Hawai'i will be accessible to mainland schools as well.

By highlighting reflection, leadership development and environmental service, BTA is also laying the foundation for a service-learning affiliation with a variety of UH Hilo course offerings.

"BTA is an exciting new service-learning initiative at UH Hilo," said Timothy Kane, UH Hilo student life programmer. "Through creativity and the desire to serve, this alcohol-free and other drug-free service program will soon be at the forefront of service-learning outreach at UH Hilo."

(Editor's note: Timothy Kane is student life programmer.)

## New master's and B.A. degrees established at UH Hilo

The UH Board of Regents recently announced the establishment of a Master of Arts Degree in China-U.S. Relations and a Bachelor of Arts in Administration of Justice at UH Hilo. The announcements were made at the Board's monthly meeting held January 18, 2002 on O'ahu.


"The master's program in China-U.S. Relations has been developed to build on existing strengths of the University, as well as a long-standing academic relationship between UH Hilo and Peking (Beijing) University," said UH Hilo Chancellor Rose Tseng.

"It provides an academic foundation for the proposed China-U.S. Center at UH Hilo, a unique cooperative partnership between business and academic interests in both Taiwan and the Peoples Republic of China."

Based on surveys and discussions in the Peoples Republic of China and Taiwan, the UH Hilo administration is confident of significant Chinese student participation in this program. Initially, 6-10 Chinese students are expected per year, growing to 15-20 per year within five years.

The China-U.S. Relations masters degree is anticipated to begin in Spring 2003. It becomes UH Hilo's third masters degree program, joining Hawaiian Language and Literature and Education.

The BOR also established a B.A. in Administration of Justice at UH Hilo's College of Arts and Sciences. The program has existed at UH Hilo as a B.A. in Liberal Studies/ Administrative Justice. This new development will drop the Liberal Studies designation and approve the program as a B.A.

The program is designed to prepare graduates for entry into professions associated with the administration of justice, including, but not limited to, law enforcement, corrections, probation, parole, and law. It is also designed to qualify those already in these professions (except law) for promotion to supervisory positions, as most state law enforcement and corrections positions require such a degree for promotion. 



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to UH Hilo after one year each at San Diego State University and Santa Rosa Junior College in California, is fourth on the all-time school assists leader list with 229. He also ranks tenth in assists per game with 3.6 and sixth on the all-time free-throw percentage list, connecting on 168 of 209 foul shots for 80.4 percent.

"Ia was a special athlete and a special player," said Jimmy Yagi, former Vulcan head basketball coach. "We used him mainly as a sixth man, or his statistics would have been more impressive. He was one of the smoothest looking players I ever saw and one of the strongest passers I've ever coached."

The 1981 UH Hilo women's volleyball team is the only team in history to win both the NAIA and the AIAW national championship in the same season, notching a 38-7 overall record.

Players on the team include several individuals already inducted into the Hall, such as Alofa Tagataese, Edie Manzano, Carla Carpenter, Peka Malae, Nalani Spencer and Charlene Kahuanui. Others on the team include NAIA Hall of Fame member Glennie Adams, who is now the head volleyball coach at Chaminade University in Honolulu, Cynthia Whitworth, Shirley Ah Tou, Joy Downey, Kathy Hong, Marve Keama and Sheryl Scott. The team was coached by two-time U.S.

Olympian Sharon Peterson, who will celebrate her silver anniversary as head coach of the Vulcan volleyball team this fall. Richard Tioganco assisted Peterson in 1981.

"It was a magical year," Peterson said. "I believe it was magical because of the accomplishment and the way that the team came through.

"At the NAIA tournament that year there wasn't a lot of competition. But there was one team from Texas I was concerned about. It was the team we played for the championship (Southwestern University). They were really good. Some of the other teams were weaker, but you can always lose to a weaker team.

"When we went to the AIAW with (1980 U.S. Olympian) Patty Dowdell playing there on the Texas Lutheran team, that was really something," Peterson added. "I just remember seeing Patty walk into the cafeteria, 6-foot-2, wide shoulders. She just looked intimidating to me. I think what was really great was

that our players were not intimidated at all."

The Vulcans were also beat up at the time. Spencer was recovering from a flu-like illness, Kahuanui had a badly sprained ankle and had aggravated a shoulder she dislocated in high school, Tagataese had a pulled muscle in her side and Whitworth was hobbled with a foot injury.

"Usually, we went through a showy, 'Aloha Hawaiian Magic' kind of warm-up, very animated," Peterson said. "But we decided to save energy, so we went in very quietly and stretched and everybody warmed up on their own.

"I really think (Texas Lutheran) thought we had given up because they never really responded. We had to beat them two-out-of-three twice because we had come up through the losers' bracket. We went through them the first two games and then we did it again. We beat them four straight games.

"Edie Manzano (at 5-foot-3) went one-on-one with Patty Dowdell and stuffed her. Then Carla went up for a block and the ball hit off her head and went over the net for a point. As I said, it was just magical."

"This team did something no team has ever done before and no team can do again, winning two national championships in one season," said Walt

Southward, a longtime Vulcan booster and himself a member of the Hall, who nominated the team for induction. "They brought national recognition and substantial publicity to UH Hilo, the community of Hilo and all the Hawaiian Islands."

Edwin Haena Mookini (1926-1979) was a professor of mathematics at UH Manoa who became the chancellor of UH Hilo from 1975-78 and presided over the Vulcan Athletic program's growth from a club program to an intercollegiate program sanctioned by the NAIA and AIAW.

"Vulcan Athletics was very important to my husband," said Esther Mookini, who will represent her late husband at the induction ceremonies. "I'm very pleased that UH Hilo chose to honor him this way."

Edgar Torigoe, retired UH Hilo vice chancellor for administrative affairs, will present the late chancellor's Hall of Fame plaque to his widow.



Ia Saipaa



1981 Vulcan Volleyball Team



Edwin H. Mookini

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"I know Chancellor Mookini was very much impressed by the volunteers who basically ran the Athletic Department back then," Torigoe said. "Most of the coaches were volunteers and the Booster Club was involved in just about every phase of the operation.

"People were doing this for love, not for money and they were putting much more into the school than they were getting back. I know he was impressed by it. That helped to increase his commitment to the Athletic Department.

"Also, just before he left Hilo, he said that he thought the future of the Vulcan Athletic program was in the NCAA. It took another 15 years for that to happen, but UH Hilo is now a NCAA program. So he was a visionary, as well."

Among Mookini's other accomplishments was to secure capital improvement funding from the State to build a new library building on campus. That library, which bears Mookini's name, still serves UH Hilo.

For ticket information, please call Athletics at x47520. ☎

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## 2nd Annual Astronaut Ellison Onizuka Day highlights

Sponsored by American Savings Bank, NASA, Mauna Kea Astronomy Education Center (MKAEC) and UH Hilo.



*Participants enjoy one of the many displays and exhibits on the library lanai.*



*(L-R) Claude Onizuka greets Astronaut Shannon Lucid and Chancellor Rose Tseng.*



*Budding scientists take part in one of the 22 workshops offered.*

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## Campus Events

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### March

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| 1      | Last day to withdraw from courses                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 13     | Vulcan tennis vs. Whitman College, UH Hilo courts                                       |
| 1, 2   | 2nd Annual Journalism Symposium, 9 a.m.,<br>UH Hilo campus<br>Vulcan softball vs. Montana State University -<br>Billings, Noon, UH Hilo Softball Field<br>Vulcan basketball vs. Hawai'i Pacific University,<br>7:15 p.m., Civic, Admission | 14, 15 | UH Board of Regents meetings in Hilo, Campus Center<br>306-307                          |
| 6      | "Breast feeding Advocacy: Meeting New Challenges<br>in a Globalized World" by Dr. Penny Van Esterik,<br>7:30 p.m., CC 301                                                                                                                  | 15     | Vulcan baseball vs. University of Hawai'i, 6 p.m.,<br>Wong Stadium, Admission           |
| 8      | Vulcan baseball vs. Santa Clara University, 6 p.m.,<br>Wong Stadium, Admission                                                                                                                                                             | 15, 16 | Vulcan softball vs. Western New Mexico University,<br>Noon, UH Hilo Softball Field      |
| 9, 10  | Vulcan baseball vs. Santa Clara University, 1 p.m.,<br>Wong Stadium, Admission                                                                                                                                                             | 16, 17 | Vulcan baseball vs. University of Hawai'i, 1 p.m.,<br>Wong Stadium, Admission           |
| 12     | Career and Graduate School Fair,<br>9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Library Lanai                                                                                                                                                                   | 20     | Vulcan softball vs. Brigham Young University - Hawai'i,<br>Noon, UH Hilo Softball Field |
| 12, 13 | Vulcan softball vs. Vanguard University, Noon,<br>UH Hilo Softball Field                                                                                                                                                                   | 22     | Vulcan tennis vs. Hawai'i Pacific University,<br>UH Hilo courts                         |
|        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 25-29  | Spring recess                                                                           |
|        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 26     | Holiday: Prince Kuhio Day                                                               |
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