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Presidential election results



America votes, Obama wins

Jenna Chidester
Senior Writer

The pride that comes from making history was felt by many at BYU-Hawaii — both fans and foes of president-elect Barack Obama — who participated in the 2008 U.S. presidential election.

"I'm way excited because I voted for Obama and he inspires hope and change in a new America," said Jonathan Miles Smith, senior in English from Utah. "I'm excited to be alive at this time; to be a part of history."

On Jan. 20, 2009, Obama is to be sworn in as the first African-American U.S. president, changing America's political landscape. Kawehi Kammerer, a Maui native working on her teaching certificate, said, commenting on this historic election, "It shows the change in America's perception of people. It doesn't matter your race, color or gender. It matters who you are and not how you look. It makes me hopeful that maybe a Hawaiian can be president."

Additionally, John McCain supporters on campus said they are looking forward to Obama's presidency. Dustin Geddes, senior in accounting from Utah, said, "I didn't vote for Obama. I think he has the potential to be a great president. I hope he can take his charisma and personality and translate that into effective and meaningful government. I was glad to be part of the process and this historic election."

Chris Stinson, sophomore in political science from Alabama and a McCain supporter, said, "Deep inside, I kind of want to see if he can walk the walk. I want to see what he can do."

McCain conceded to Obama in a speech from Phoenix, Ariz., saying, "America today is a world away from the cruel and prideful bigotry of [the past]. There is no better evidence of this than the election of an African American to the presidency of the United States. Let there be no reason now for any American to fail to cherish their citizenship in this, the greatest nation of earth."

International students at BYUH were also interested in the presidential election. The majority of international students, when asked whom they would choose for president if they could vote, said they supported Obama. Moema Matsoso, junior in accounting from South Africa, said, "America's a dominant power and [the election results] will affect foreign policy, so this candidate will make America better and the world better — hopefully."

Obama won the presidential election by a wide margin, with more than double the electoral votes of his opponent, Republican Sen. John McCain, but the popular vote showed a split of less than 5 percent.

On his Web site, Obama posted a simple message of "Thank you" to his supporters, who celebrated his victory. On the night of Nov. 4, people congregated in Grant Park in Chicago, his hometown, Times Square in New York City and

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Democratic vice-presidential candidate Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del., waves after voting with his wife Jill and mother Jean, Tuesday Nov. 4, in Wilmington, Del.



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Hannemann retains seat

Brett Evans
Staff Writer

Hawaiians turned out to vote on Election Day last Tuesday. Among ballot measures, city council positions, and the general presidential election, voters chose on city mayor of Honolulu.

According to the official election results, posted to Hawaii's official Web page, voters in Hawaii have chosen Mufi Hannemann as the mayor of the City and County of Honolulu by a margin of 15.4%. The Latter-day Saint was voted in Tuesday against Ann Kobayashi, gaining 56.2 percent of nearly 290,000 votes. Hannemann, running as a Democrat, will serve his second term as Honolulu's mayor, after being elected in 2004.

"I think his religion definitely played a role," Scotty Isom, a junior in international cultural studies from Oregon, said. "In a predominantly Mormon community, like



Which way for the rail: Opposing views



Ann Kobayashi: Against Rail

Oahu residents should not have to choose between paying for shelter, food, fuel or medicine. Citizens deserve more relief from City government. As Mayor, Ann is committed to providing rebates on real property taxes to Oahu homeowners and even more significant tax relief for long-term owners of affordable rental units. Ann supports mass transit we can afford. With escalating costs of fuel, energy and construction, a steel-on-steel rail system may cost much more than the current \$6 billion price tag.

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Mufi Hannemann, Mayor: Pro Rail

What's missing from our quality of life in Honolulu is a light rail system that can be part of an integrated, multimodal system that will enable us to connect the bus, connect bike lanes, park and rides, as well as a ferry system that we've started. We need help from the federal government.

We were recently rated as having the worst traffic gridlock from 5 to 6 p.m. on a Friday afternoon of all cities throughout the United States in a national study.

What we basically see is an opportunity for people to have choices: the bus, their bikes, walking, the boat, and being able to integrate it with a light rail system.

The cities that have a mass transit system and concentrate growth around those transit areas are able to reduce their carbon footprints and I'd like to do that. That's why I think the light rail system will help us maintain that hedge that we have now, that the Brookings Institute has accorded us by being the number 1 city in America for reducing the carbon emissions that go into the air.

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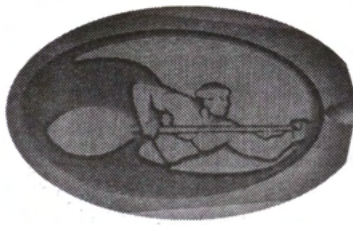
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How to make a difference

Get involved in politics in a positive way: Stand for truth



Troy Smith
Political Science Professor

People occasionally ask me what they can do to make a difference. Here are a few suggestions (while these are specific to America, most can be applied to other nations as well).

First, vote: The probabilities are greater that you will die in a car accident on the way to or from the polls than determine who wins an election, but when enough people like you vote it makes a difference, and when enough people like you don't vote you give your power to those unlike you who do vote.

Second: Give money and time to people and organizations you respect, trust and who are working for improvement. Boycotts rarely work but voluntary contributions and time almost always make a difference – and the early contributions are the most important.

Third: Get involved in your communities – local politics is some of the most bitter politics, but it also teaches important lessons about compromise, collaboration, associating, and how to articulate and defend your values and principles.

Fourth: Do not expect perfection. Politics is messy, and perfection in this life is impossible. The foundations of tyranny are found in efforts to create perfect justice, equality, or democracy. Seek rather a pragmatic approach that acknowledges the need to balance liberty, order, democracy, justice, peace, individual rights, equality, private property, rule of law, security, and stability.

Fifth: Take an American history or politics class from a teacher who respects America and its values.

Knowing your nation's history and its political principles and institutions is invaluable for understanding your rights and how to influence the process.

Studying America's founding fathers and their political principles is inspiring – they provide profiles of courage and conviction, and their principles have inspired democratic revolutions around the world. America is not perfect (see #4), but America's founding principles and philosophy provide an antidote to much of today's pernicious and perverse dogma and ideologies.

Sixth: Take a stand for truth (as best as you understand it), justice, responsibility, clarity and compassion when the opportunity presents itself.

You will not be able to stand for these things on monumental occasions if you have not developed the ability to do so on small occasions. Besides, the big things began as small things that escalated into big things because others did not correct them when they were small and easy to fix.

Just because it's not your problem now does not mean it

won't be your problem when it is much bigger. Be humble (no one knows everything) and balanced (see #4), but take a stand, add your voice, and you will be amazed at the good you can achieve.

Seventh: "Place morality above politics and responsibility above our desires," and demand the same of your leaders. The street name for this style of politics might be "keeping it real," that is making our politics consistent with our conscience and sentiments, reason and experiences, and connected to real human beings.

Eighth: Beware the human tendency to cede power and authority to others who claim a privileged right to rule. That privileged claim comes today mostly from centralized democracy and science.

“There is only one way to strive for decency, reason, responsibility, sincerity, civility, and tolerance, and that is decently, reasonably, responsibly, sincerely, civilly, and tolerantly.”

VACLAV HAVEL
on standing for truth and making a difference

Centralized democracy facilitates power that is “anonymous and depersonalized” obscuring responsibility and accountability. Science facilitates power that is “reduced to a mere technology of rule and manipulation.”

Deferring to the expertise of experts, the rules of a bureaucracy, and the systems of government conquers conscience – as if whatever nameless entity crafted those general rules knows better than that small voice inside of you telling you what needs doing in a specific situation.

Totalitarian communist governments succeeded for so long because thousands of petty and top bureaucrats did the many small, seemingly insignificant, tasks required by the system rather than standing up for truth, decency, and humanity in the small way they could.

Finally: Remember these words of Václav Havel, someone who knows a bit about standing for truth and making a difference. “[There is only one way to strive for decency, reason, responsibility, sincerity, civility, and tolerance, and that is decently, reasonably, responsibly, sincerely, civilly, and tolerantly.” The end and the means cannot be separated. Morality cannot be sacrificed for power to do good, because good then goes amiss without our noticing it.

Despite the many changes on campus BYUH standards remain the same



Steve Tracy
Associate Compliance Officer

The Greek philosopher Heraclitus once said, “The only constant is change”. The University is currently undergoing change. At President Wheelwright's inauguration speech, he outlined a few of the changes that were suggested to him by the Board of Trustees:

“First, we must better prepare our incoming students by working with mentors, advisors, and local priesthood leaders. Online classes should allow students to complete a degree in less than four years on campus, thus preserving valuable resources, lowering costs, and extending the blessings of education to additional students.

“Second, we must better equip our students for future

careers through a more effective use of internships and mentoring programs, as well as campus and PCC employment that builds on their major classes. Third, we must better align our organization - its structure and processes – to support the BYU-Hawaii mission more efficiently and effectively.”

These changes are now beginning to be implemented around the campus.

Late last year, under the Presidents direction a group known as the “Design Team” was formed to look at our university and make suggestions on how we can become more effective and efficient.

The mission of the University was considered, managers and leaders were interviewed and recommendations were formulated. These were later presented to the President's Council and approved.

The President's Council then began to implement the changes this year, and the process is continuing. In addition, there is discussion of expansion at the University, to increase enrollment to 3,000 students in the near future. To accommodate such growth in the student body, even more changes may need to be made.

At this point the question is not whether the changes are good or bad. The question is how to properly handle the changes we are being asked to make.

During change, there is

always the possibility that something will go wrong. This chance is called risk. To help make the changes work, one must take steps to mitigate the risks involved.

Many of the routine tasks that we perform are governed by federal, state, and local laws. These routine items may also pertain to established policies. Although there is a lot of change going on around us on the campus, it is important to remember that certain things will continue to stay the same.

These include laws and standards such as FERPA, HIPAA, NCAA, HEA, and the Honor Code to name a few. They cannot be neglected, and as we continue to comply with these guidelines, we manage the risk associated with change.

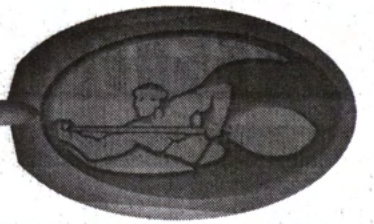
However, change doesn't only bring risks; opportunities come as a result of change. In our case, we will have new student employment learning opportunities, class options, and spiritual growth. These are just a few of the many opportunities presented to us through the changes going on around us.

Everyone here on the BYU-Hawaii campus is part of these changes. The key to making the most of change is to remember to minimize risk and exploit the opportunities that are presented to us.

“Although there is a lot of change going on around us on the campus, it is important to remember that certain things will continue to stay the same.”

STEVE TRACY
on minimizing risk in the face of campus change by remembering university standards and policies

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Preparing for Change

PHOTO BY AARON KNUDESN

Vice President of Academics Max Checketts explains the new academic calendar, to take effect January 2009, at a forum to answer questions and educate students.

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For BYUH, 2009 will bring more than just resolutions: Shorter terms but longer class periods begin Jan. 7

Winter Semester 2009

January 7th	Classes Start
January 9th	Add/Drop Deadline (Full Semester & 1st Block)
February 9th	Withdraw Deadline (1st Block)
February 26th	Add/Drop Deadline (2nd Block)
March 5th	Withdraw Deadline (Full Semester)
March 30th	Withdraw Deadline (2nd Block)
April 10th	Last Day of Class

Spring Term 2009

April 20th	Classes Start
April 22nd	Add/Drop Deadline
May 20th	Withdraw Deadline
June 3rd	Last Day of Class

Summer Term 2009

June 6th	Graduation
June 8th	Classes Start
June 10th	Add/Drop Deadline
July 9th	Withdraw Deadline
July 22nd	Last Day of Class

First Term 2009

July 27th	Classes Start
July 29th	Add/Drop Deadline
August 26th	Withdraw Deadline
September 9th	Last Day of Class

Fall Semester 2009

September 17th	Classes Start
September 21st	Add/Drop Deadline (Full Semester & 1st Block)
October 19th	Withdraw Deadline (1st Block)
November 4th	Add/Drop Deadline (2nd Block)
November 11th	Withdraw Deadline (Full Semester)
December 7th	Withdraw Deadline (2nd Block)
December 17th	Last Day of Class

Karly Zobrist and Alyssa Herzinger
Staff Writers

The new changes to BYU-Hawaii's academic calendar will affect more than just your plane tickets.

When President Steven C. Wheelwright was appointed president of BYUH, he was told to accomplish three things; improve the quality of the school experience, serve more students and reduce the relative costs of the institution. The new plan is designed to do all three.

Implementing the new schedule, which includes two shortened semesters — still Fall and Winter — and three six week terms — Spring, Summer and now First — will improve the way BYUH utilizes facilities and one of the greatest costs — teachers time — according to Max Checketts, the academic vice president.

The new plan stipulates longer class times: 50-minute classes will be increased to one hour. However, the semesters, though shorter, will allow for the same amount of credits to be obtained, so tuition will stay at the same rate.

Another notable change is the lack of a finals week on the new calendar. There will now be a finals day at the end of every semester or term. Finals will be administered in the classroom on the last day of class, any finals that take longer than that, Checketts said, can be split up between class days previous to the last day of class.

During a question and answer session on the new calendar, students asked Checketts whether the new plans would affect the accreditation of the university, specifically if credits would still be transferable to other universities. The answer was yes. Checketts explained that accreditation is measured by classroom minutes, not length of semester, a problem solved by increasing class-time lengths.

Students also asked which semesters they would

be required to attend in order to maintain full-time status. Checketts said that those students living in campus housing would be required to attend two semesters and two terms. This worried some who depend on summer jobs.

Checketts said that after reviewing the research of economists hired by BYUH it was found that a summer job would have to pay at least eighteen dollars an hour to justify not attending school for the three terms. He added that one of the goals of the new calendar was to make it possible for students to earn a bachelor's degree in only three years, thereby cutting student loans and tuition costs substantially.

Another big concern of students was the course offerings in the new terms. Checketts explained the goal was to have a full catalog of courses in the Spring and First terms while Summer term would of-

We hope it will be a great blessing to you because we will be able to serve more students and lower costs to you and the church, while improving the quality of your experience here at BYUH."

President Wheelwright
on the 2009 Academic Calendar

fer significantly fewer classes. He suggested students make it known to their academic advisors which classes would benefit them in these terms.

Rumors that the new calendar would affect the IWES program participants negatively were repudiated by Wheelwright. He said that although the school encourages IWES students to return home after graduation and be prepared to take on jobs that will help their communities, there will be no majors specifically required for IWES scholarships.

Wheelwright closed the forum saying, "We hope it will be a great blessing to you because we will be able to serve more students and lower costs to you and the church while improving the quality of your experience here at BYUH."

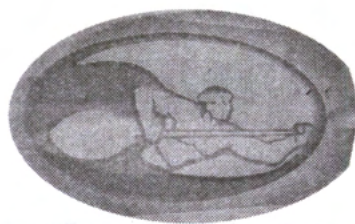


PHOTO COURTESY OF SXC.HU
The Social Dance class is holding this semester's "Strictly Ballroom" Saturday, Nov. 22 from 8-11 p.m. in the Aloha Center Ballroom. Tickets are free.

Strictly Ballroom

Semester's ball brings new dance style to students

Aaron Knudsen
Staff Writer

Students who were not able to attend this year's Fall Ball will be happy to know that they can have a second chance at romance, to just have fun, enjoy some refreshments and dance the night away. The EXS 180, Social Dance class is holding this semester's "Strictly Ballroom" Saturday, Nov. 22 from 8-11 p.m. in the Aloha Center Ballroom.

Sister Elissa Oleole, who teaches the class with her husband, said, "Dress is semi-formal. It's free to the campus family. We will have yummy refreshments and ballroom dancing."

Dances will include the swing, fox trot, waltz, cha-cha, tango, and rumba. Also, four presentations will be performed by the Ballroom Dance class students throughout the night.

"We hope those who remember "Gold and Green Balls" will join us," Oleole said.

People that do not dance, are not familiar with Ballroom style dancing or who

were born with two left feet might be asking themselves, why should I go?

"It's fun. You get to learn all these different styles of dances, and the moves you learn you can use in variation at almost any kind of dance in the future," Zachry Hunt, freshman undeclared from Nevada, said.

Students in EXS 180 are required to find a date outside of the class that they will dance with during most of the evening.

Students, along with their dates and anyone belonging to the BYU-Hawaii campus family, are required to reserve their place by picking up tickets from the EXS office located in the McKay (Old) Gym Building. Tickets are free for everyone and will be available for pick up during school hours until Nov. 18.

"It's going to be really exciting. It's going to be a real proper dance that will be unique to most of the free-style type dances

held on campus. The formal way of dressing will add to the experience," Cheryl Chan, freshman undeclared from Singapore and student in the Social Dance class, said.

"Strictly Ballroom"

The Semester Ball
Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008

8-11 p.m.

Aloha Center Ballroom

Attire: Semi-formal

Pick up FREE tickets
at the EXS office

Three new degrees approved for campus

Trijsten Leach
Staff Writer

Three new degrees have been approved as an addition to the 40 majors that already exist at BYU-Hawaii. Academic vice president Max Checketts, who is overseeing the formulation of the new degrees, said that they will be available to students next year.

The new degrees include University Studies, General Studies and the third, which has not yet been named, will deal with business management.

The first will be a bachelor's degree, while the other two will be associates. According to Checketts, curricula are still being assigned, so names for the programs are not permanent.

Checketts said the University Studies degree will be for those students who are far along in a particular bachelor degree and may be on the verge of graduating, but for whatever reason a problem arises. Checketts gave the example of someone doing their student teaching and finding

out that is not "for them." Students in that scenario would have the option to finish their studies in this degree.

Student Clarissa Blanco, freshman in IBM from Maryland, approved the new degree. She said "it's good because they [students from Checketts' example] won't have to go through all the trouble of doing something they don't enjoy."

The two associates degrees will aid those students who have limited time here or just wish to complete a two-year degree. Both will have a 60 credit hour requirement and will include the general education curriculum.

"Sometimes students come here for a specific period of time and because of family problems or financial reasons the students have to go home," Checketts said. "They may leave here feeling like a failure for not completing their education but this will create a situation where students feel like they are going home a success," he said. He also said that the degrees will at least give these students more experience

and that it will open doors.

"It's a good opportunity for many students because it gives flexibility of time to students who may have a lack of money or time," Anu Orgil, junior in political science from Mongolia, said.

Checketts said that more information will be made available once the curricula for the degrees are finalized.

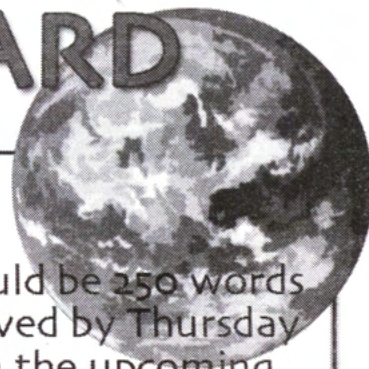
Three New Degrees available 2009

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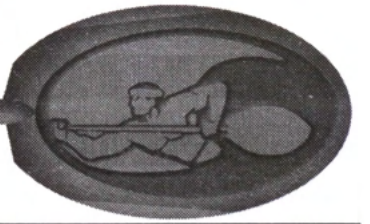
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Decorating for the holidays

Students display culture in dorms

Mary Jantalert
Senior Writer

Decorating dorms and rooms at BYU-Hawaii can be an opportunity for sharing and educating students who are from different places from around the world, especially because of the diversity of students on this campus.

"The purpose of decorating the dorms is so that everyone enjoys it, and the topic of our decoration for this Halloween is 'A Nightmare before Christmas,' which was inspired by the Bat Man movie," said Afu Faanunu, senior in biology from Tonga. "I like this kind of thing because it helps people from other places know what Halloween really is, especially the islanders."

Faanunu is an RA in Hale 1, and one of her responsibilities is to decorate the Hale. She also helps come up with ideas for decoration and assists in the decoration itself.

"We put the Christmas trees up, but they are covered with spider webs instead of ornaments," said Faanunu. "We also wrapped presents in yellow and orange instead of red or green, and we have coffins."

In Hale 1, unit 102, there are monster ornaments hanging on ev-

ery door, green witches on every wall, and also "Happy Halloween" streamers. Emily Judd, senior in elementary education and TESOL from Oregon, who lives in the unit explained that decorating her room and unit is also an opportunity to share what she has with others.

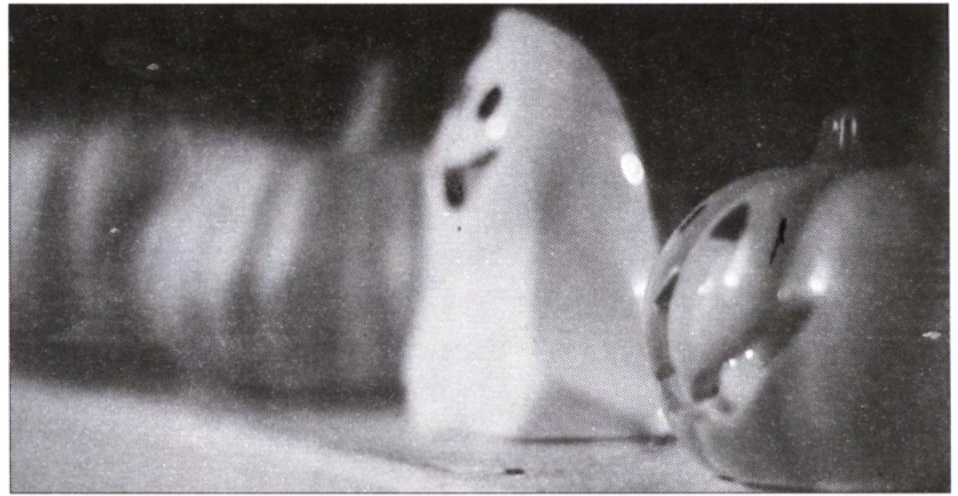
"My mom sent me all this stuff to decorate the unit," Judd said. "She also sent me a sugar cookie recipe, cookie cutters and sprinkles because she makes the best sugar cookies and so she wants me to make them for everyone. She even sent me cards and Halloween presents which are Halloween socks to give to everyone"

She also explained more about holiday decorating in her home town. "In Oregon, people start to decorate for Halloween on Oct. 1. They do a lot of decorations, especially for Christmas. It's like an unsaid competition," Judd said.

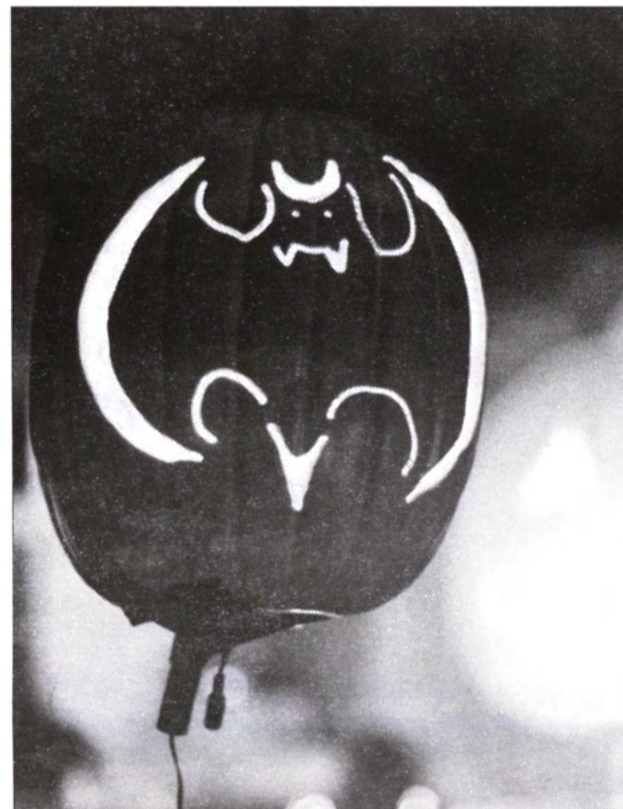
Ming Wai Poon, freshman in art from Hong Kong, said, "I only decorate my room on the Chinese New Year. All Chinese deep clean their rooms on the day before the Chinese New Year.

"Then, I write 'Happy New Year' in Chinese on red and gold papers and stick them on the door. Also, I put flowers on the table and decorate my wall with red pockets (red envelopes usually given as gifts during Chinese New Year). I try to put up 8 red pockets on the wall because that means

"We wish," but I don't use anything with the number four because it means die."



PHOTOS BY SARA GALVEZ
Above: Ceramic Halloween pumpkins and ghosts, decorate the outside of one student's house.



Left: A pumpkin lit up with the shape of bat hanging outside the door.

Do you know someone who decorates their dorm? Have tips for decorators? Tell us at

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Spelling Bee causes buzz of excitement

Trijsten Leach
Staff Writer

Spectators gathered around to listen as Karen Iwamoto spelled her way to victory, and the grand prize, Wednesday Oct. 29 sponsored Spelling Bee.

Twenty four of BYUH's top spellers got together with friends and fellow students and spelled their way through round after round of the BYUH spelling Bee. The event lasted nearly two hours in the Aloha Center, after which time Iwamoto was proclaimed the winner.

Iwamoto was awarded with a 50 dollar gift certificate after having spelled the word Terapin correctly. Holy-Aynn Cart came in second and following her in third was Jasmine Rupp. Each one of the 24 participants received a free BYUH keychain and a 256 megabyte USB drive.

Even though he didn't win, participant Dustin Geddes, senior in accounting from Utah, said that the event was pretty well organized although it wasn't much like a national spelling bee. Rather he described the event as "very laid back" with lots of food, friends and laughter.

In fact he said the only problem with the spelling B was that the judge, Brother Randal Allred, couldn't hear at times because of the people having fun and laughing, so he would have to ask the contestants to repeat the spelled out word back to him. "It was really fun, I like when they [BYUH] do those kinds of events because you can compete and test your knowledge," Dustin said.

Dustin made it half way through the spelling B, about 12 rounds, when he was eliminated after being given the word quixotic. "I was close. I spelled it quichotic," he said.

Participants didn't attend the activity unprepared. Each was given a word list to study. At the start of the Spelling Bee the judge gave out easier words and as things progressed the words became harder and harder. One of the words used at the end of the program, which stumped the contestants, was lederhosen, a German leather trouser.

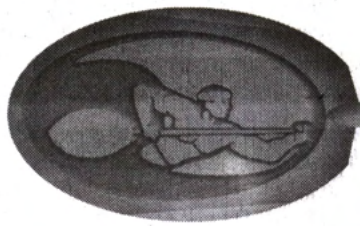
Executive director for VP Service and Learning Department, Audrey Thompson, who was in charge of the activity, was amazed at how the students prepared for the Spelling Bee, studying words even up until the commencement of the event. "There were a lot of international EIL students that came out and they used quite a few words that I couldn't even spell. I was impressed," said Audrey, communications senior from California.

The BYUHSA service and learning department put on the activity. Every month the department has to put on one service and one learning activity. The summer '08 was the first time that BYUH has put on a Spelling Bee. Thompson said they will plan to continue doing so every semester.

"Next time we're going to advertise it more, make it a bigger even and encourage more people to come out," said Thompson. "If People from other countries can do it (participate in the Spelling Bee) then I'm pretty sure everyone else can."



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'Joyful Noise' compelling, says author

Brett Evans
Staff Writer

Production of this fall semester's play, "A Joyful Noise," directed by Craig Ferre, continues the trend of BYU-Hawaii's support for theater talent, arts and entertainment for students, staff, and community members.

The story follows the life of Georg Frideric Handel as he wrote his famous "The Messiah" in the midst of a critically panned career slump. Because of this simple fact, he and his singers are criticized for sacrilege.

The play deals with significant themes of religious hypocrisy and oppression, in light of the fact that the Anglican Church goes to drastic measures to prevent "The Messiah" from being performed. It can be a long-winded play, but BYUH's production is compelling.

The ensemble performed the play reliably; if there were dropped lines, they were covered well with errors completely concealed. Each character was portrayed with a specific personality unique to each actor; standouts include Chris Vergaray's portrayal of G.F. Handel's accountant and friend, John Smith.

Vergaray was impressive with consistent and unique characterization, instantly becoming likeable from the audience's point of view. The dramatic clash between leading ladies Anna Daines and Tereasa Brady is also compelling, culminating in a rather humorous violent spat at the end of the first act.

The play, set in the 1740s, is well-costumed, each character performing in elaborately decadent clothing, fitting the era and social class to which they belonged.

The Anglican Bishop Egerton, played by Michael Crowe, has a particularly impressive costume, except perhaps the ill fit that reveals his brown hair under the white wig. Indeed, it is the detail in production that lets down the performance. The set is unfortunately very sparse, though on the plus side, the simplicity of the set makes the scene changes, often a lame leg for community theatre, blissfully short.

In all, "A Joyful Noise" promises to be another feather in the Laie community theater's cap.

The play will open this Thursday, Nov. 6 and run through the following Saturday, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the Aloha Center Front Desk, for \$1 for students, \$2 for faculty and staff, and \$3 for community members.

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Above: Georg Frideric Handel (Aaron Daley) discusses his future in music composition with Susannah Cibber (Anna Daines), Mary Pendarves (Hollie Hamblin), Charles Jenness and John Christopher Smith.

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Above: Handel (far right) discusses continuing his musical career with two close friends, Charles Jenness (right, played by Mike Buck), and John Christopher Smith, (far left, played by Chris Vergaray). In the play, his music is under fire from the Anglican church as blasphemous.

Right: A woman and Bishop Henry Egerton, (Michael Crowe) discuss the purported blasphemy of Handel's music.

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New security system to use texts and email

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BYU-Hawaii's Campus Safety and Security Department is, along with similar departments of other college campuses around the nation, implementing a new emergency system.

The new system utilizes technology such as text messaging and e-mail in the attempt to inform students of danger in a timely and effective manner.

Roy H. Yamamoto, Director of Campus Safety & Security, said, "As the director of this new department, my initial goal is to merge these separate departments into an efficient team to provide a safe, secure and healthful learning environment. Universities that have contracted with the vendor of the system we are implementing include, BYU, Virginia Tech, University of Michigan, Pepperdine University and University of California at Riverside."

Students around campus agree that the current emer-

gency alert systems are not enough. "I don't ever remember hearing the disaster warning sirens. That scares me a little, what if it wasn't a test?" said Chase Carlston, freshmen in biology from California.

While the sirens are by no means quiet, Akmurat Eedges, senior in IBM from Mongolia, agreed that although he could hear the sirens from his room on campus, he can't recall hearing them in the library or if he had his headphones in, "It's great that they are concerned, hopefully the new system will be effective."

Kevin Schlag, of the Management Information Systems Department, described the new system,

"In case of emergency a message will be sent to current students, faculty and staff. The message will be sent via email to everyone and SMS message to those people who have provided their emergency alert phone number to the university. There is also the option to send a voice mail to work phones.

"This system we're implementing is just one part of the whole emergency notification plan. Other phases of

the project include things like providing locks for classroom doors, providing digital signs around campus, and other things.

"If an emergency system is used for too many kinds of messages, it starts to lose its effectiveness. Only the following types of messages can be sent:

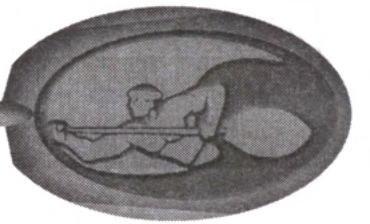
-Immediate lockdown. This message tells everyone on campus to immediately seek shelter indoors. Examples include chemical, biological, or radioactive threat; shooter on campus

-Immediate evacuation. This message tells everyone on campus to immediately evacuate, and usually includes a place to go to. Examples include tsunami, flood and bomb.

-Campus Closed. This message tells everyone that the campus is closed and classes are canceled. Examples include severe weather and power outage.

-All clear. This message is sent after a lockdown or evacuation message to let everyone know it's safe to come out or return to campus.

Upon hearing about the new system Ji Yeon Ku, junior in accounting from Maui said, "It sounds like a great idea. If people knew exactly what was going on and where they could go to be safe, it would really minimize the confusion during a disaster."



Peace in the Middle East: Basketball used as method to create understanding



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Karen Doubliet from Israel and Samer Elayan from Palestine, speak at a public forum representing PeacePlayers International during a forum Tuesday, Nov. 4.

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April Courtright
Staff Writer

An Israeli and a Palestinian, representatives of two cultural groups rarely found in a room together, visited with BYU-Hawaii students in a forum about their experiences with peace and basketball in Jerusalem Nov. 4.

Karen Doubliet, an Israeli from Tel-Aviv, and Samer Elayan, a Palestinian from Beit

Safafa came to represent PeacePlayers International's Middle East program.

Students had the chance to attend the public forum and ask questions about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and an NGO whose mission is, "to use the game of basketball to unite and educate children and their communities."

PeacePlayers International (PPI) is an organization that, according to their Web site, seeks to bridge cultural divides through the

development of future leaders by educating children about important life skills, and build community involvement to ensure long-term sustainability. PPI also currently has programs in Northern Ireland, South Africa, Cyprus and New Orleans.

Doubliet is the managing director for PPI Middle East and Elayan is a Coach for PPI's BasketPal in the West Bank. The two talked about the separate narratives that have been perpetuated between Palestin-

ian and Israeli peoples throughout wars, peace agreements, uprisings and occupations. PPI embraces the theory as stated by psychologist Gordon Allport, that "Bringing opposing groups together under certain conditions can be an effective way to promote positive attitude change." Their motto is: Children who play together can learn to live together.

PPI's Middle East program has concentrated on reaching children in socio-economically disadvantaged communities. They simply want to learn basketball, a neutral sport that most have little opportunity to play, explained Doubliet. Ranging in age from 10-16 they participate in the program and at 16 have the chance to become coaches and role models for the youth in their communities.

Thus far PPI has reached upwards of 2,500 children through the Middle East program, and the hope is that these intimate and formative integrative experiences will spill over to the macro-level in a way that will continue to influence peace.

Included in their presentation were words from RC Buford, general manager of the San Antonio Spurs, stating "Basketball is a game where all five players need to share the ball. If it is played with great teamwork, the sum of the parts is greater than the individual. It's a great forum for building trust. A lot of the game happens with things you can't see. Communication and trust with teammates is the key. It seems to me that the same can be said of peacemaking."

Elayan offered this advice for those who are interested in peace: "They must be in the field to understand conflict, to meet both sides, to learn more. So many times even we have questions, about what is that, and why is this happening. Things you cannot find just in books and reading, but when you are in the place and you are with them, then you can find new answers. Be there; to go, to see, to talk to the people, to live and learn."

TOMS Shoes: A way to give back

Jordan Flake
Copy Editor

Differing from most in the Integrated Business Core, one group of BYU-Hawaii students, Team Bonzai, is running a business that gives back. Team Bonzai has teamed up with TOMS shoes to help provide children in need with shoes. "When someone purchases a pair of TOMS, they are actually buying two pairs of shoes, one for yourself and one for a child who needs them," said Sam Spurrier, junior in international business management from Laie and Executive VP for the team.

Blake Mycoskie founder of TOMS shoes started the business in 2006 with the motto, "For every pair your purchase, TOMS will give a pair of shoes to a child in need." TOMS does shoe drops to countries in need and so far they have donated over 60,000 shoes to children in need and plan to raise that total to 200,000 by the end of the year.

Team Bonzai was given a promotion code from TOMS for a \$5 discount and free shipping. The promotion code is 'Hawaii.'

Unlike any of the other student businesses, TOMS shoes is strictly online sales only. "We are helping promote

the good cause," said Theodore Davis, junior in hospitality and tourism management from Utah and Marketing VP for the team. "We are not just selling shoes we are selling a vision," said Davis.

Spurrier said one of the main reasons they decided to team up with TOMS is because it is a good cause and a good way to fund raise and help out. "It's not being recognized for buying the shoes, it is more the feeling of giving that is important," said Spurrier.

The team gets weekly updates on how many shoes were ordered using the promotion code "Hawaii." Team Bonzai has a laptop at the table to allow customers to browse and shop while at the booth. "We have had a few people buy directly from the table," said Wilbur. The team has been doing lots of promoting on Facebook

"I'm excited to be a part of it," said Josh Wilbur, junior in IBM from California. "It's a different idea. It's not a traditional business concept... TOMS is a good example for other companies to give back,"

said Wilbur.

Everyone can be a part of TOMS shoes by visiting <http://www.tomsshoes.com/shoes.aspx> and using the promotion code "Hawaii."



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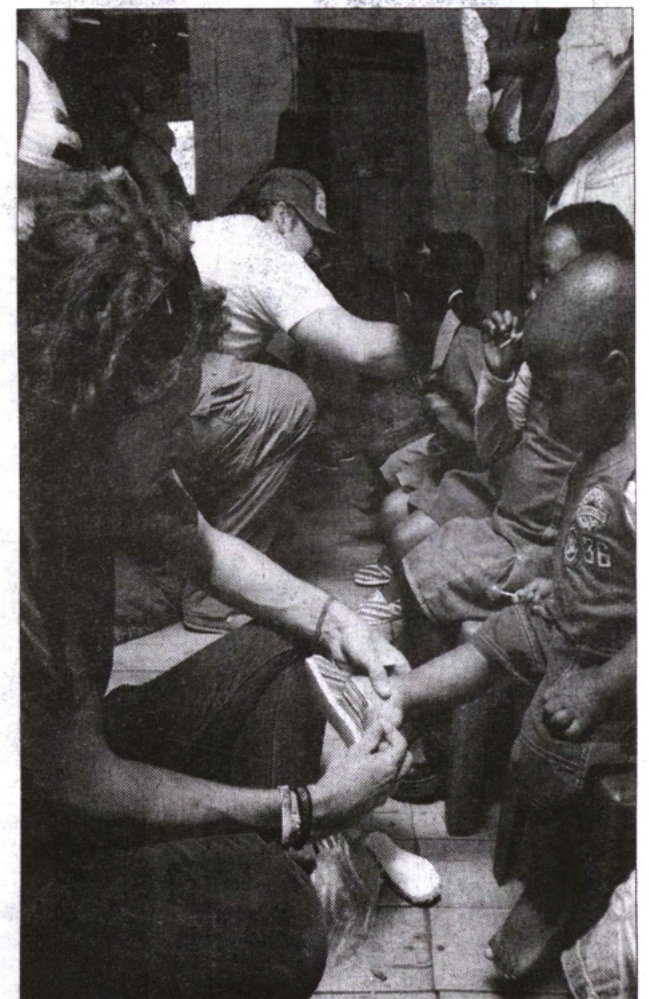


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Representatives of Tom's shoes distribute footwear to children in South Africa during a "shoe drop" in 2007.

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GET READY FOR SONGFEST

Students from across the globe gear up to groove at Songfest

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The Tongan club, divided into different color groups, get together to cheer on one another and psyche out their opponents.



Songfest 2008 is about unity and friendship, according to VP of Student Alumni Lingsha Chen. Building on the motto of the Beijing Olympics, the theme of Songfest is One World, One Heart.

"It is a great thing. You get to learn how each culture performs, and see them honor their culture. Many clubs use Powerpoint presentations or DVD's, and it is a wonderful way to learn about other cultures. Many clubs are having weekly practices to make Songfest 2008 an unforgettable event," Chen, junior in hotel and tourism management from China, said.

After learning the theme, clubs are free to choose their own song, and the members of each club have five minutes to perform in their native language. Currently 22 clubs have registered to perform, some including the Swedish and Tongan clubs.

Tori Silfverberg, sophomore in international business from Sweden and president of the Swedish club, said she is excited to share her culture, and said, "We have a tradition called Lucia that we celebrate in December, so we are singing two songs from that; they are traditional folk songs about Christ and Christmas."

Zandria Mulligan, sophomore in music from New Zealand who is participating with the Kiwi club, said, "We are singing a Maori song this year; it's great because we usually don't sing in our language."

Each club is not only prepared to share songs from their homeland that fit with this year's motto, but also to share a piece of their culture to add to the world-wide unity theme.

"I can tell that the clubs are really working toward the theme this year, and I hope that it will show not only the night of Songfest, but that it will affect the whole campus, so that students will feel One World, One Heart," Chen said.

SongFest will be at 9 p.m. Nov. 14, in the Cannon Activities Center, and admission is free for students and community members alike. Everyone is encouraged to attend, participate and become One World, One Heart.



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Two more of the Tongan Club groups prep for Songfest. These are the red and green groups.



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Ballots

Results are in, ballots counted, America's new leader is chosen

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even in his father's home country of Kenya. They reportedly danced in the streets, wept, lifted their voices in prayer and brought traffic to a standstill.

"I was born in the civil rights time. To see this happening is unbelievable. We've got the first black president. A black president!" said Mike Louis, a 53-year-old black man who got teary-eyed as he watched the election results on a giant video board in Cincinnati's Fountain Square. "It's not cured now, but this is a step to curing this country of racism. This is a big, giant step toward getting this country together."

In Washington, hundreds of residents spilled into the streets near the White House, carrying balloons, banging on drums and chanting, "Bush is gone!" Along U Street, once known as America's Black Broadway for its many thriving black-

owned shops and theaters, men stood on car roofs, waving American flags and Obama posters.

Nearby, at historically black Howard University, hundreds of students erupted in cheers, broke into song and chanted, "Yes, we did!"

In Philadelphia, thousands of blacks and whites converged at City Hall shortly after Obama was declared the winner. Under a light rain, they danced to the music blaring from car radios. Drivers stopped in the middle of the street, opened their car doors and broadcast Obama's acceptance speech.

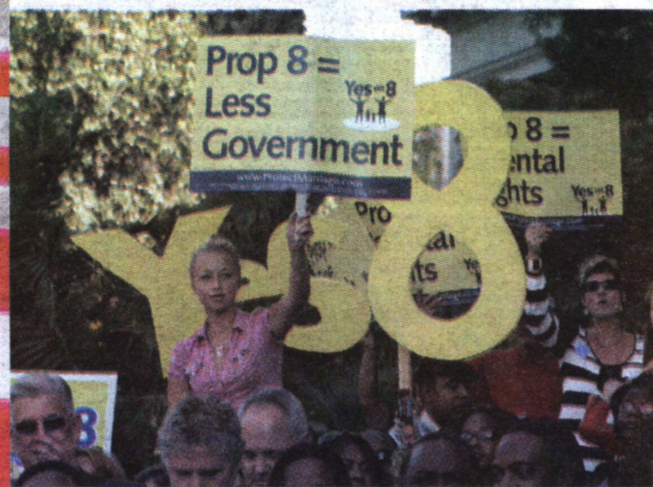
"Barack is in the house!" shouted Pamela Williams, 46. "This is very important to me. Change is about to happen."

The celebrations were both large and small, but the sentiment was the same — pure joy over how far the country has come. People honked horns, high-fived each other and embraced.

In Harlem, the roar of thousands of people gathered in a plaza near the legendary Apollo Theater could be heard.



ELECTION RESULTS 2008



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Community rallies to pass Proposition 8.

Proposition 8 passes in election

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Staff Writer

Gay marriage has been a hotly debated subject for many states; its legality has been disputed and election measures banning it have passed in several states. California as well as Florida and Arizona are the latest in the nation to be added to that list.

The 2008 General Election passed Proposition 8, a ballot measure inspired by the May 2008 California Supreme Court ruling that legalized same-gender marriage.

This proposition trumps that ruling by amending the state constitution to define marriage as between a man and a woman, clearly ruling out both male and female same-sex marriage. Once the election results have been finalized and verified, only heterosexual marriages will be recognized as legally binding.

Natalie Tuckett, senior in accounting from Utah, said that she was "relieved because now I don't have to worry about what is being taught in schools." She addressed the example this proposition makes, because it shows the values both residents of California and the United States have.

Members of the LDS Church were urged to involve themselves with the California election, either by supporting Proposition 8 in their own

elections or by calling California voters and asking them to do the same. However, this action has not been without consequences. Opponents of the proposition have protested around church buildings for its support of the measure.

"Hopefully it will kind of [quiet] the protesters," Janice Gacilan, senior in accounting from California, said.

Mikey Parker, resident of California and junior in international business, said that the proposition will keep things as they were before the election. "California has set the precedent for the entire nation," Parker said, hoping that other states will follow suit.

Now only Massachusetts and Connecticut recognize same-gender marriages, while some states offer varying levels of homosexual civil union rights.

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Laie, I'm sure he had a lot of success."

Isom continued, adding that Hannemann's more bipartisan views allowed him to appeal to a larger, more republican constituency than some Democrats.

Honolulu's mayor won after an extensive campaign that began months ago. The campaign included dinner chats with locals around the island, aiming for the grass roots of Oahu. The campaign paid off, as Hannemann won by a much larger margin than in the 2004 mayoral election, when he beat Duke Bainum by only 1400 votes of nearly 300,000 cast, according to Honolulu's official election histories.

Hannemann's career has been highlighted by his efforts to restore fiscal responsibility to the office of the mayor and Honolulu's City Hall. In his first state of the city address in 2005, Hannemann identified this desire, as well as the wish to bring basic city services to the forefront of his administration as mayor.

In a poll in July 2008, Hannemann received an 80 percent approval rating as the mayor of Honolulu, and preliminary and exit polls showed a fairly comfortable lead before and during the election.

However, the mayoral election was overshadowed by the national presidential election. According to Hawaii's official voters' report, over 8,000 blank ballots were turned in for the mayoral election, more than four times as many as the number of blank presidential ballots.

Despite this, community members will be affected by the mayoral election. Hannemann's jurisdiction covers all of Honolulu County, including the North Shore and entire island of Oahu.

Steal on steel rail

Karly Zobrist
Staff Writer

The vote on the light rail in Honolulu passed with nearly a five-point margin. With these results and approval from federal transit authority, re-elected Mayor Mufi Hannemann will work to build the 20-mile rail line.

Kaala Lindo, fifteen-year resident of Kahuku, said, "I voted yes. When we go to town, traffic is insane. I can't imagine commuting here everyday."

The majority of voters supported the controversial project but most predict that the struggle to complete it is not over.

"I voted no, said Mike Milbury, freshmen in biology from Utah, "I didn't feel like I had enough information to make a decision, it didn't even say where it was."

In fact, the lack of information about the project led defeated mayoral candidate Ann Kobayashi to accuse Hannemann of delaying the document's release on purpose. Kobayashi and opponents of the rail line campaigned hard against it and said it wouldn't do enough to reduce traffic. They claimed it was too noisy, expensive and too much of a burden on taxpayers.

Hannemann responded that his staff turned the document around quickly after making sure it was in compliance with regulations.

Mark Wadsworth, senior in accounting from Oregon, said, "I haven't done enough research to know a lot about the plan, but I know how bad traffic can get in town and I think anything that seeks to alleviate it is a great idea. I voted yes."

The public will have 45 days to comment on the 428-page document and to hold public hearings on the issues. The project requires the city to acquire 20 homes, up to 67 businesses and a church to make way for the rail. The amount of people affected by the plans make the project a potential target.

Fast Facts

For Rail 51.0%
Against 46.0%
Undecided 3.0%

Statistics are the results of the Nov. 4, election as stated in the Honolulu Advertiser.

for lawsuits that could slow building, which is already an estimated 10 years.

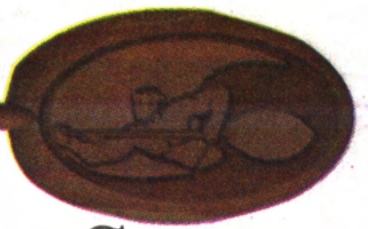
"We need rail. We've tried all the alternatives, and we're maxed out," said 33-year-old Renee Hartenstein, who remembers taking BART trains in the San Francisco Bay Area as a child. "We're one of the only major metropolitan areas without a rail system."

The city has estimated it could cost up to \$6.5 billion in inflation-adjusted dollars over the project's 10-year construction timetable. Voter approval came despite big increases in cost in the final days of the campaign.

"Now we can roll up our sleeves and do something overdue," Hannemann said.



Left: Barack Obama and Joe Biden. On the right: Mayor Mufi Hannemann and an example of a steel on steel rail car.



Lady Seasideers storm Dixie State

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BYU-Hawaii walked off the field holding a final score of 2-1 on Nov. 3 after an important match with rival Dixie State. This game was crucial to the Lady Seasideers standing in the PacWest, as they now hold the first place slot in the conference with a record of 8-2 and a total of sixteen points.

Forward Emily Mearns, sophomore in ICS, drew the first blood of the match during the eighth minute of play. Midfielder Natalie Cude, freshman in international business, then finished the Lady Seasideer's scoring during the 69th minute of play with an earned penalty kick. The Rebels lone goal was taken by Wendy Stratford in the 24th minute.

"It went very well. We worked really hard

and we wanted this game," Mearns said, "Our strengths were in the defense and in the mid-field. We all held it together when we needed to, and put it up top to finish."

Mearns' eighth goal for the season was tagged off of a huge run played to a long ball from forward Britt Edman. Mearns took a slide tackle on the remaining defender to allow a one-on-one goalie shot. Dixie then returned with Stratford taking a turn-around, one-touch kick into the top corner of the net, just out of goalkeeper Scottie Prince's reach. The period ended with the score tied and both teams feeling the tension.

"We had been waiting for this game the entire season," coach Carolyn Theurer said, "especially after playing them the first time and coming up with a loss."

The second period began intense for both

teams as the weight of a first place slot weighed on each team's shoulders. Several yellow cards were drawn, including one given to Dixie State's coach. Forward Margaret Sekona, freshman from Alaska, drew a foul in a frenzy drive inside the penalty box. Cude was selected to take the shot, landing it in the bottom left corner of the goal. The match continued to be intense until the whistle blew.

"We really focus on unity as a team," said Cude, "I think that, without tearing each other down, we really move as a unit. Next game we just really need to focus. I know this game is a big game and we won, but we need to put it in the past."

The Lady Seasideers need to continue their winning streak in order to keep the pace and standing up.



Top left: Lady Seasideer Kami Strait gears up for a kick. Second from top: Stefanie Wright passes the ball. Third from top: Sarah Welty dribbles past a Dixie State defender. Bottom left: Stefanie Wright heads the ball away from Dixie State. Center: The Lady Seasideers huddle together and prepare for the pending match against Dixie State.

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BYUH Volleyball keeps rolling

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Staff Writer

The BYU-Hawaii women's volleyball team started the month of November exactly how they finished the previous month and a half.

A three-games-to-none victory over the Urban Knights of the Academy of Art University on Saturday night gave the Seasideers their thirteenth win in a row for a 16-5 overall record and a perfect 12-0 record in the Pacific West Conference. The last Seasideer loss came way back in the first week of September to the then number one team in the nation, Cal State San Bernardino.

The Seasideers started Saturday night strong, in both games one and two, jumping out to early leads and holding on for a 25-20 and a 25-17 win. The third game ended in another Seasideer win, 25-19, despite an Urban Knight run that gave them an early 7-2 lead.

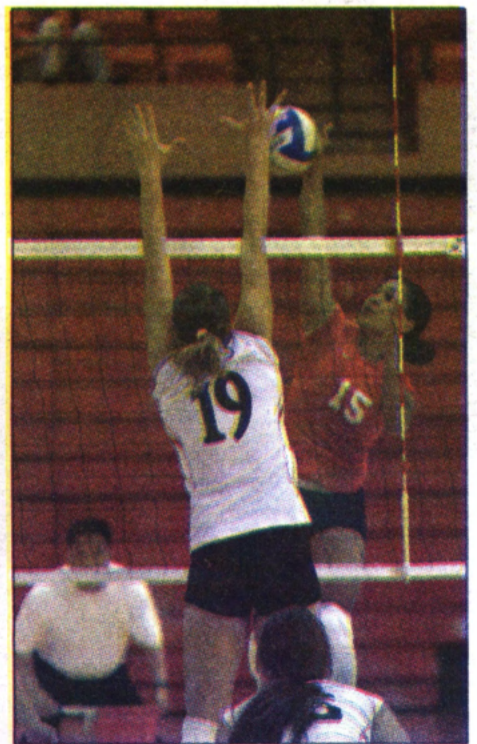
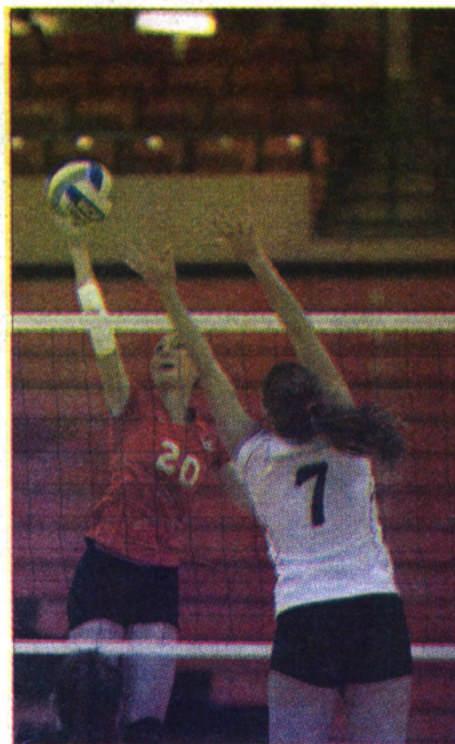
Outside hitter Agnes Tuilevuka, senior in exercise and sports science from Fiji, led all hitters with 15 kills in the match, followed closely by Losaline Faka'osi's 12 kills. The return to action of Faka'osi, fresh-

man in exercise and sports science from Utah, after missing the Seasideer's previous game with an ankle injury is a good sign for BYUH. Faka'osi has received PacWest Player of the Week honors twice this season and has consistently been one of setter LeeAnn Mapu's favorite targets.

Mapu, senior in social work from Laie, finished off Saturday evening with 41 assists and attributed the Seasideer's winning ways to teamwork. "I think we were very comfortable [Saturday], as with any other game, because our team is very close, both on and off the court," said Mapu.

The Seasideers have three games remaining on their regular season schedule and played Saturday's game having already clinched a post-season berth along with the PacWest championship on the strength of their unblemished conference record.

"There is a different feeling playing when we know we've already won," said Mapu, "But we all know that Regionals is going to be tough competition, so we keep that in mind. These next couple of conference games aren't about the conference anymore, they are more measures to see if we are improving as a team because that



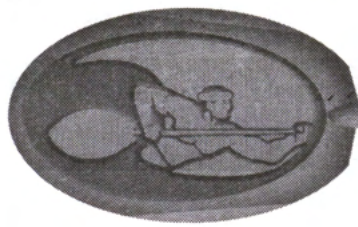
Outside hitter Tanza Buroker spikes the ball on Academy of Art blockers, left, and outside hitter Agnes Tuilevuka goes up for spike, right.

PHOTO BY RYAN BAGLEY

is our focus now; improving our team and preparing for Regionals."

"I feel we can go up there [to the Regional tournament] and do really well," added Mapu. "Our team is very scrappy and...that is what we need to take with us in order to be successful."

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Runner McMaster tells about his race to Regionals

Sam Akinaka
Staff Writer

The 2008 BYU-Hawaii men's cross country team finished second in the Pacific West Conference Championships this past weekend, beating out pre-race favorite for second place, Notre Dame de Namur.

A big part of the success enjoyed by the Seasideers in the conference championships and all season long, has been the performance of junior transfer Brendan McMaster. McMaster, exercise and sports science major from Arizona, has been one of the top two finishers for BYUH in every race in which he's competed this season, often breaking records along the way.

The Ke Alaka'i had several questions for the speedy McMaster, which he graciously slowed down to answer.

Ke Alaka'i: When did you start running? Why?

McMaster: I started running my freshman year of high school because I wanted to get in shape for soccer season. I was terrible when I started; I was like the 7th best freshman that year. [Then] I hit a little growth spurt and my times started to improve and I got more serious about running.

K: What is it about your sport that you enjoy?

M: What I like about cross country is that there [are] no politics involved; you can't be sat [benched] for a race because the coach doesn't like you or whatever reason a coach doesn't play somebody. It's very definite. If you run the times, then you have that time and they can't take it away from you. I also love the feeling of racing. You push yourself physically to a point that it hurts and that you feel you can't pass, but then you find you are able to push beyond that. That is a big reason I love racing.

K: Before this season, you were running at Mesa Community College in Arizona. What were some factors in your wanting to come to BYUH?

M: I came to BYUH because I feel like we can win conference here, and I wanted to go to a school where, as a team, we could win some big races. It was also nice coming to a church school, being a semi-recent convert.

K: You broke BYUH men's cross country records in your first two races and had the third fastest 5K time in another race. How does it feel to have such success breaking records?

M: It felt pretty good being able to do so. Personally, I felt I could [have] run better in the races [I've] ran so far. I have yet to be content with one of the races, but it was very nice hearing about the records, and it boosts my morale going into the bigger races coming up.

K: In every race that you've run this season, you and Rivers Puzey have battled for the top two spots for BYUH. How does it feel to run with Puzey and others on the team?

M: It's great getting the chance to run with Rivers [Puzey] and some of the guys that have been here before. They take us on runs through different trails that I would never have gotten the chance to see on my own—like going to WWII bunkers. It's also nice having Rivers [Puzey] because he pushes me in practice and races. He's also pretty crazy with his training, so it was nice seeing somebody else train like I do.

K: Even though you were hampered in your training due to injury, you still ran well enough at the conference championships to make the All-Conference First Team. Now that the regular season is over, what goals do you have for the NCAA II West Regional meet?

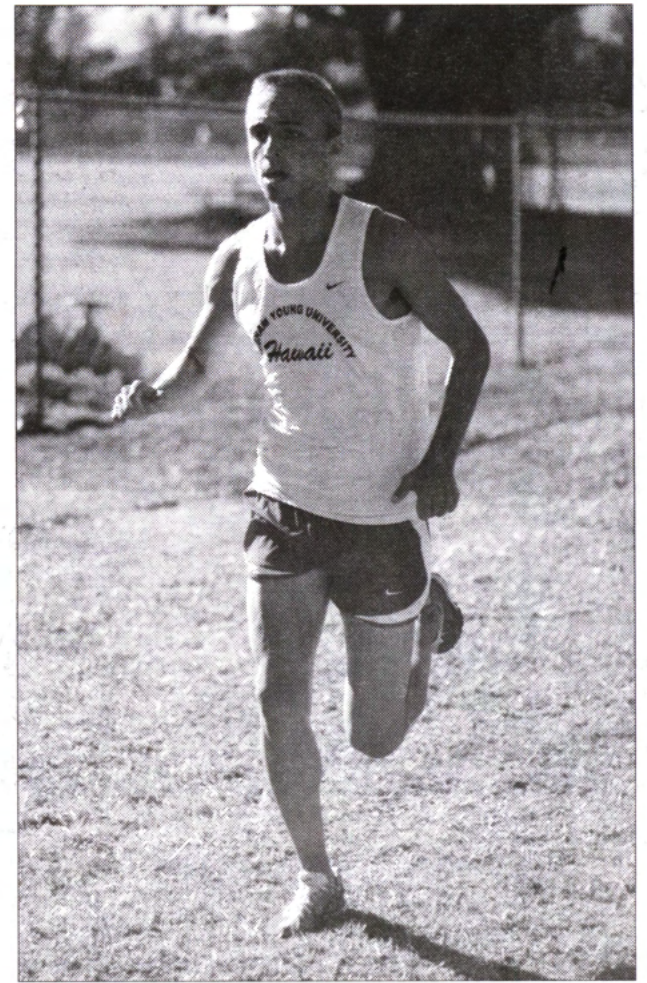


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BYU-Hawaii cross country runner Brendan McMaster trains for the NCAA II West Regional meet.

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M: I would also like to run very well at regionals so that I could be the first guy runner from BYUH to make it to nationals. That is [the] ultimate goal while I am here.

McMaster will have the chance to accomplish his goal at the NCAA II West Regional meet on Nov.8 in La Jolla, California.

SEASIDER SPORTS CALENDAR			
6 - 20 November 2008			
DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES	
M. BASKETBALL			
7-Nov	8 PM	New Zealand Saints	Laie, Hawaii
11-Nov	7:30 PM	Hawaii Select	Laie, Hawaii
18-Nov	7:30 PM	Winona State (MN)	Laie, Hawaii
20-Nov	7:30 PM	Winona State (MN)	Laie, Hawaii
W. BASKETBALL			
7-Nov	5 PM	Asia-Pacific Tournament (Tianjin-China)	Laie, Hawaii
MEN & WOMEN CROSS COUNTRY			
8-Nov		NCAA II West Regionals	La Jolla, CA
22-Nov		NCAA II National Championships	Slippery Rock, PA
M. SOCCER			
7-Nov	3:30 PM	Notre Dame de Namur	Laie, Hawaii
W. SOCCER			
7-Nov	1 PM	Notre Dame de Namur	Laie, Hawaii
W. VOLLEYBALL			
8-Nov	7 PM	UH-Hilo	Laie, Hawaii
12-Nov	7:30 PM	Utah Valley	Laie, Hawaii

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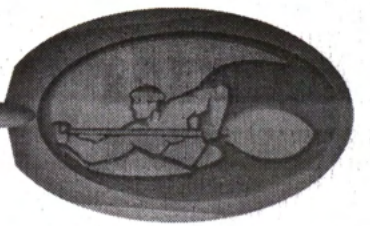
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The WILLES
**CENTER for
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Celebrating entrepreneurs world-wide

Nathan Williams
Student Writer

For one week from November 17-23, 2008, millions of young people around the world will join a growing movement of entrepreneurial people to generate new ideas and to seek better ways of doing things. Countries are coming together for the first time to bring about the Global Entrepreneurship Week, an initiative to inspire students to embrace innovation, imagination and creativity: To think big—to turn their ideas into reality—to “make their mark”.

“Innovation and entrepreneurship are the keys to developing businesses and creating jobs in any country,” said Carl Schramm, the primary sponsor and innovator of the Global Entrepreneurship Week. “The events and challenges that will take place during the Week will be fun, inspiring and transforming for young entrepreneurs.”

Although this is by no means a complete list, here are five cool things to do during Global Entrepreneurship Week:

1) Find YOUR Connection to Entrepreneurship

Use this week as an opportunity to find out how adding entrepreneurship to your career can be a personal benefit. If you are an art student, figure out how you can use business skills to create a stable and successful career.

2) Speed Dating with Angels November 19 (Wednesday), 2008. Plaza Club, Honolulu

Pitch your business ideas in an interactive “speed-dating” set up. Participants have three minutes to pitch their business ideas to angel investors who are interested in seeing what new ideas are emerging from young people in universities and colleges that they can fund. Apply in advance to give your three-minute pitch to investors.

More information at www.gewhawaii.org

3) Innovation Expo

22 November (Saturday), 9 AM to 6 PM

Hawaii Young Entrepreneurs Summit & Fest, HPU Hawaii Loa Campus

This event encourages people with innovative ideas to explore how these may potentially be transformed into products or services that create value for the community, expressing the mission of Global Entrepreneurship Week – “unleashing ideas.” Participants may show their idea with a poster or with a three-slide presentation file to be exhibited throughout the day

More information can be found at www.unleashingideas.org

4) Visit Your First Entrepreneurial Lecture Series

Successful Entrepreneurs travel to BYU-Hawaii from around the world to share their knowledge and experiences with students every Thursday in the McKay Auditorium. Don't miss out on the chance to learn from success!

5) Participate in Local Business Activities

The International Business Conference and the Survivor Great Ideas Competition.

More information can be found at
<http://cito.byuh.edu/retreat>

or

www.cie.byuh.edu

Look behind the Survivor logo!

New CIE business plan competition encourages survival

Michael Waite
Staff Writer

A new school-wide competition is starting at BYU-Hawaii this year. The Survivor Great Ideas Competition hosted by the Center for International Entrepreneurship is a competition to get students thinking about life after college and opportunities in becoming an entrepreneur and is part of this month's International Business Conference.

“The competition is part of an effort to continue to foster a spirit of entrepreneurship at BYUH,” said Leonard Black, entrepreneur-in-residence for the CIE. The CIE, whose slogan is “Entrepreneurship – Empowering Students Worldwide,” is excited to get students thinking about the “benefits of starting their own businesses,” said Black.

The premise for the competition is “how would you survive, if tomorrow you were kicked off the island, you couldn't get a job, and you couldn't ask parents for money. What business would you start and how?” Said Black.

According to the CIE Web site, entering the competition is easy; simply write a one-page paper, with 12-point font, and one-inch margins, outlining what the product or service is, and discussing who is going to buy the product or service and why you are the one to create this business. Ideas are to be submitted to the CIE office

in the Aloha Center, room 141.

Black said, “The 20 students with the best ideas will receive \$50 cash, and a certificate complimenting their accomplishment. The winners will also get to attend an exclusive networking banquet to interface with leaders from the International Business Conference and with Presidents Leadership Council of Brigham Young University Hawaii.”

The Survivor Great Ideas Competition is unlike any other competition at BYUH because not only does it reward the top 20 applicants, but every single person who submits an idea will be rewarded with a cash prize. Also unique to this competition is that “along with all BYUH students, every student attending a university in Hawaii is invited to participate,” said Black.

Tyler Luszeck, sophomore in biology from California said, “I am excited that other colleges are involved in this competition. It will be interesting to see what ideas they have and how they compare to ours.”

A Great Ideas Conference (open to everyone) will be held on Nov. 14 from 1 p.m.—6 p.m. in the David O. McKay Auditorium on the BYUH campus.

At the conference, winners will be presented with their awards, and will present a very brief description of their idea. The Survivor Competition and conference are here to get students thinking about and excited for the upcoming Business Plan Competition in March.

A variety of student-run businesses vending on campus

Michael Waite
Staff Writer

Student businesses operated through the Integrated Business Core are back. With six very unique student businesses, this year is sure to be something special.

Every year, through the IBC, “students create a business idea, write and present a business plan, acquire funding for, operate, and close a small business during the terms” says the CIE Web site.

“This year, there are six groups, one group will sell a Christmas CD, another group is selling a gift basket, another one will sell shoes, one is selling Otai—a Tongan drink— another is doing a GMAT prep course, and one will have a coconut drink they will sell,” said Helena Hannonen, IBC advisor.

TEAM BONSAI (TOMS SHOES)

Matt Willie, senior in international business management from Oregon and a member of team Bonsai, described his group's business when he said, “We are retailing shoes for a company called TOMS. TOMS shoes stands for Shoes for TOMorrow. The concept behind the company, TOMS, is to help those who are less fortunate or impoverished have shoes on their feet so that they can participate in everyday activities without getting diseases or infections from walking bare-foot in the dirty living conditions/environments they call home.”

Willie described his experience when he said, “I am learning that in every new business there are a lot of setbacks. I have also learned that it is really difficult to accurately predict sales, costs and the amount of time that will actually go into operations. However, I have learned that many great ideas are out there to be discovered and that some will be a huge success, while others will simply make a difference.”

MAKANA RECORDS CHRISTMAS CD

Ji Ku, president of the Christmas CD group, said, “We are selling a Christmas music CD. The Christmas CD features many talented students and faculty, and represents the harmony and the ethnic diversity of our school. We have just started selling and we saw lots of interest as well as sales. We will continue to pre-sale our CD at

\$8 until November 5th, after which the CDs will become \$10 for students.” Brian Poppleton, junior in IBM from California, is really excited about dressing up as Santa to promote the CD. “I shaved my head so I would not get too hot under the Santa hat,” he added.

Ku said, “We are learning so much! Everyone is learning how to work with others, organizing ourselves so that we can all do our best and to fulfill our roles and responsibilities. Personally, I have once again learned where my strengths and weaknesses are and I plan to improve them.”

PARADISE GIFT BASKETS

Marvin Toelupe, president of Paradise Gift Baskets, said, “At Paradise Gift Baskets we want to make the Hawaiian experience conveniently available for our students and staff to send to loved ones. Our gift baskets contain products found exclusively here in Hawaii including chocolate covered macadamia nuts, guava jelly, dry-roasted macadamia nuts, Hawaii picture frames, Hawaiian soaps, lotions, necklaces, and other popularly-sold items.”

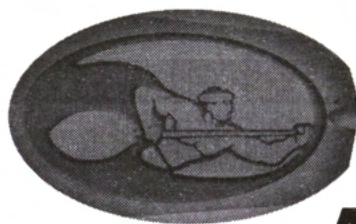
Of his experiences he said, “This has been an awesome experience for us all, and we feel that we have learned so much in past weeks that will help us in our future careers. Starting a business requires a lot of work and determination. Whether we make a ton of money or not this semester, we feel that the lessons learned through the experience have been a success.”

OTAI GROUP

Toa Sailusi, the president of the Otai group, said, “We sell fresh Otai and clothing. Along with that, we really want to demonstrate environmental awareness and the benefits of living a healthy lifestyle.” Kim Artiaga, VP of the Otai business, described some of the challenges her group has faced when she said, “It is hard to produce Otai this time of year, all of the fruit we use is out of season, so it is hard to find and it is expensive.”

Artiaga said her “experience has been great. We have had to put in so much time and effort, but it has been worth it.” Sailusi said, “This whole experience has been an adventure, I have learned so much about delegation and management, it has really solidified all of the business knowledge I have gained through my studies.”

The GMAT team and the Honolulu Coconut groups were unavailable for comment.



A Fair to Support Seniors

Karly Zobrist
Staff Writer

The Kahuku fair is fun for the entire community but for the parent and student volunteers who put it on, it is more than just rides, games and food.

For them, the event is the most lucrative fund-raiser for the program Project Grad. This program, which Kahuku High School has been participating in for sixteen years, provides seniors with safe substance-free events on prom and graduation nights.

“Even if I didn’t have a senior I would still participate in this program, it is important to teach these kids that you can have fun without substance abuse,” said this year’s committee chair, parents volunteer Dede Alo. Dede thanks the community members and parents that donate time and money to the project, as well as her committee made up of; Maria Feagai, Lila Magalei, Anna Kaaanga, Bernice Palama and Valerie Grace.

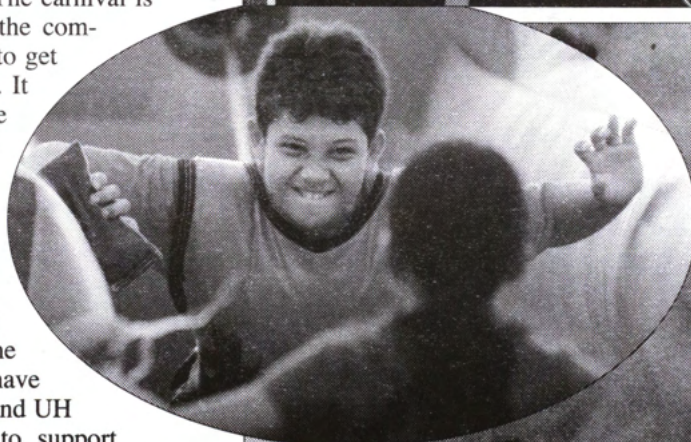
Kap teo-Tafiti, star performer from the Polynesian Cultural Center’s Samoan village has a senior at Kahuku High School this year. As he enjoyed the fairs live en-

tertainment he said, “The carnival is more like a reunion, the community has this night to get together and catch-up. It is important for these students to know that we all support them and want them to do well in life.”

Maile Nautu, from Hau’ula, is sending her second daughter to grad-night this year. She and her daughters have helped at car washes and UH concession sales all to support this program that keeps students safe on two of the deadliest nights of the year.

Jacob Kalva, senior at Kahuku from Hau’ula, attended the carnival, a fact that the volunteers at the dunk tank noticed. Between throws, he said, “I’m happy people are here. Their generosity helps keep grad night affordable.”

Mikeli Damuni, another senior, got wet for the cause. After his turn in the dunk tank he said, “I’m freezing but its worth it, my brother went last year and he had a blast.”



PHOTOS BY RYAN BAGLEY

Top: A boy stretches a far as he can on the bungee run at the Kahuku High School Project Grad carnival at Laie Park.

Above: A mom and her two daughters help man a booth at the fair to help raise money for graduating seniors.

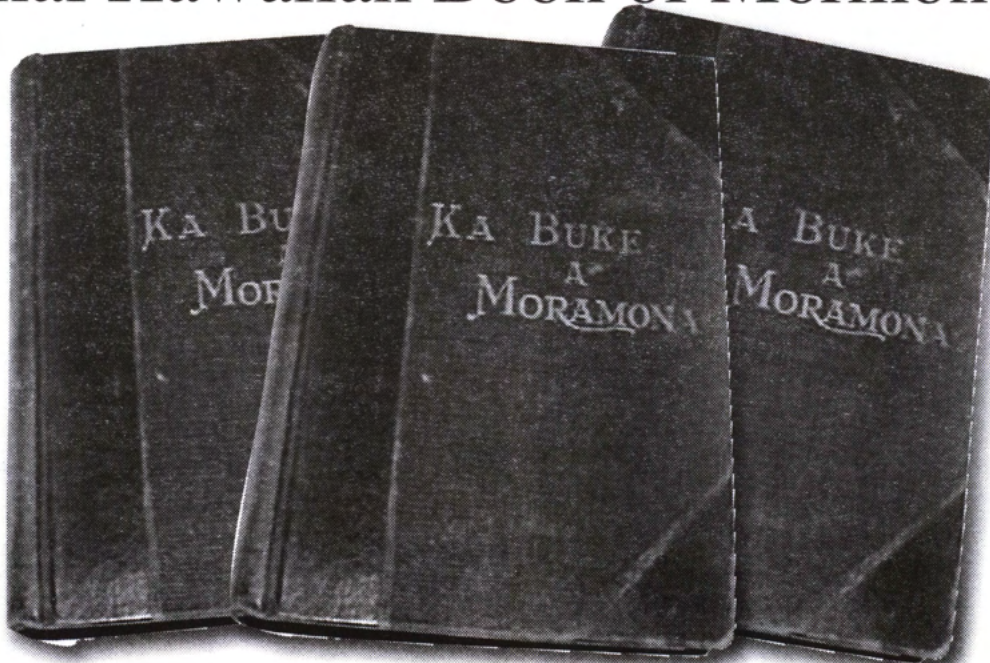
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The Rock Wall at the Kahuku High School Project Grad Carnival. Community members gathered to raise money for safe activities for seniors

Rare find returns to Laie: BYUH Archives to share original Hawaiian Book of Mormon

Mike Foley
University Relations Writer

The Brigham Young University Hawaii Archives will put a rare copy of the original 1855 Ka Buke a Moramona — the Hawaiian language translation of the Book of Mormon — on permanent display at the Laie Hawaii Temple Visitors Center, starting with an unveiling ceremony on Friday, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m.

BYU-Hawaii Archivist Dr. Matthew Kester, Ph.D., explained that 3,000 copies of Ka Buke a Moramona — translated by Elder George Q. Cannon, a Mormon missionary from Utah, and Judge Ionatana Napela, a Native Hawaiian from Maui — were printed in 1855, but only about 200 of them were ever bound. The bulk of the imprints were destroyed in a fire a few years later, with just 15–30 copies of the 1855 edition believed to be extant, making them valuable collectibles. Kester noted several subsequent editions were printed about 50



years later, which are more common, and a photocopied version of the 1855 edition can be purchased at the BYU-Hawaii Bookstore or at www.ldscatalog.com.

The family of the late Ford Clark, a long-time Honolulu resident and businessman originally from Farmington, Utah, donated the book

to the BYUH Archives in 1978. Clark, who served twice as a Mormon missionary in Hawaii and spoke fluent Hawaiian, received it as a gift at the end of his first mission in 1920. The book has recently undergone extensive conservation.

Clark’s only surviving sister, Beth Noyes from American Fork, Utah, and other members of the family will participate in unveiling the new display. “We’re delighted this rare book will take a prominent place among our other Book of Mormon translations on display,” said Elder Richard W. Jacobs, Director of the Laie Visitors Center.

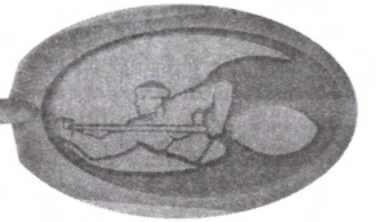
“This is a special celebration of Hawaiian and Latter-day Saint history,” Kester added.

The BYU-Hawaii Archives are located in the Joseph F. Smith Library. The Visitors Center, located at 55-600 Naniloa Loop, is open every day of the year from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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A rare original copy of the Book of Mormon in Hawaiian, printed in 1855, will be permanently placed on display at the Laie Hawaii Visitor’s Center starting November 7.

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Soft drinks polled, Root Beer *fizzes* above the rest

Kyle Howard
Staff Writer

Students chose top soda drink with 30 percent of a 100 group sample claiming Root Beer as their favorite soda. A random poll taken asking "what is your favorite soda" brought a moment of silence to many students' minds while pondering over the question.

Root Beer and Mountain Dew fought side by side early on, until Root Beer took a commanding lead leaving Mountain Dew no chance. Mountain Dew and Dr. Pepper tied at second, each receiving 15 percent of the 100 group sample.

Some students became personally involved in the poll, trying to persuade as many as possible to vote for their favorite. Jessica McMaster, sophomore in international cultural studies from California, when realizing the close race between Root Beer and Mountain Dew, began campaigning for her personal favorite, the dew, telling as many as possible to vote green. When it hit her that in reality Mountain Dew had no chance, she walked away, excepting defeat, yet unchanged in personal view.

A medium group categorized themselves as non soda drinkers, claiming water as their number one choice.

Some students stayed true to their roots like Roberta Martins, junior in IBM from Brazil. When asked her personal favorite, she replied with, "G'uarana." Even after being questioned about American soft drinks, she stated, "they don't matter, G'uarana is the best in the world."

Some other favored sodas took large percentages of the overall poll. Sprite claimed a solid fourth place with 10 percent of the sample. Many common sodas strongly established in the world took very small percentages, like Diet Coke with only 4 percent and Pepsi Cola only 2 percent.

A small portion of students chose uncommon sodas as their first choice. Some choices being Mundet-Apple Soda, based in Mexico, and Cactus Cooler based in California.

When asked from afar, Bryan Lovgren, junior in IBM from Kansas yelled out, "Baja Blast," without hesitation. He continued to claim it as the best soda offered, especially because it is unique, only being sold at Taco Bell locations.



Root Beer places first with a 30% win against the other drinks in the soft drink poll.



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ABC's "Ugly Betty," starring America Ferrera, becomes a common television series, while it was originally aired in Columbia.

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Foreign shows hit American television

Kyle Howard
Staff Writer

American Idol," "The Office" and "Ugly Betty" have become household television series watched by the everyday American. But where did the foundational ideas start for these shows? If America came to mind, it is the wrong answer. Even though many television series become popular through the American eye, many were started outside of the United States.

The most famous and most likely viewed series is "American Idol." The show was originally started by a small group in the United Kingdom and called it "Pop Idol." But, many may not know that Simon Cowell, current judge of American Idol, was the main judge in England's version of the series.

"The Office" may not be the most

viewed in the United States but it is certainly within the apartments of the average college student.

"The Office," originally titled "The Office: An American Workplace when aired in the UK," was created by Ricky Gervais and was aired for the first time July 9, 2001 on BBC Two. Ricky Gervais also helped in the creation of the American version.

Both versions have been largely decorated in their success, but which one is considered superior?

"I like the American version better because its humor relates to our personal American lifestyle. Although the British version was an innovative original series, it is at times hard to relate to their humor," Jonathan Remington, junior in accounting from California said.

The newly popular "Ugly Betty" is a unique remake for America as it is based in Colombia. It is an adaptation of the teleno-

vaela "Yo Soy Betty, la fea" ["I am Betty, the ugly"], written by Fernando Gaitain. Although the general view of American culture feels it is a huge hit in the US, it is an even bigger hit in the Latin world, winning the Mejor Telenova [Best Soap Opera] award in 2002.

"I watched the show on an airplane because I had nothing else today, but found myself really liking it. It was funny watching how they adapted Latin culture to American viewing," Bryan Lovgren, junior in IBM from Kansas, said.

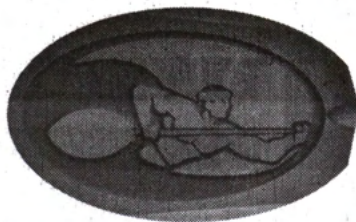
There are many others watched daily by the American public. Most notably "Iron chef," "I Survived a Japanese Game Show" and "Who wants to be a Millionaire." This foreign wave is a sign that "the world is shrinking," Kevin Reilly, president of entertainment for the Fox network, said. "We'll take a good idea from anywhere."



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Above: "Iron Chef," originally from Japan. Top right: "American Idol," originally from England. Bottom right: "The Office," originally aired in the UK.





TECH TALK

The new Mac laptops: Flashier than ever

Brett Evans
Staff Writer

Apple Inc., the California-based consumer electronics company behind the ubiquitous iPod, has added a new set of computers to its electronics table.

The new MacBook is freshly redesigned from its popular, previous generation with a host of new updates. The most highly touted of these is the updated aluminum "unibody," as Apple calls it, which involves much of the base of the computer being hewn out of extruded and milled aluminum. This design lightens and strengthens the computer, simplifying and reducing complexity of construction. However, despite aluminum's strength against breakage and twisting, it is also prone to dent-

ing, more so than the previous generation MacBook's polycarbonate casing. This means dropping the computer can cause minor cosmetic damage, but will still be fairly invulnerable to serious damage.

Another addition to the new MacBook is the sophisticated, LED-lit screen. It uses light-emitting diodes (LEDs) to illuminate the screen. LEDs are smaller, brighter and more energy-efficient than the liquid crystal display, or LCD of the previous generation MacBook. By switching to LEDs for the screen display, Apple also has increased color saturation, response time and picture clarity.

The button has been removed from the mouse pad on the keyboard, being replaced with a mouse pad that is in itself a giant button, simplifying ergonomics with a simple, intuitive design.

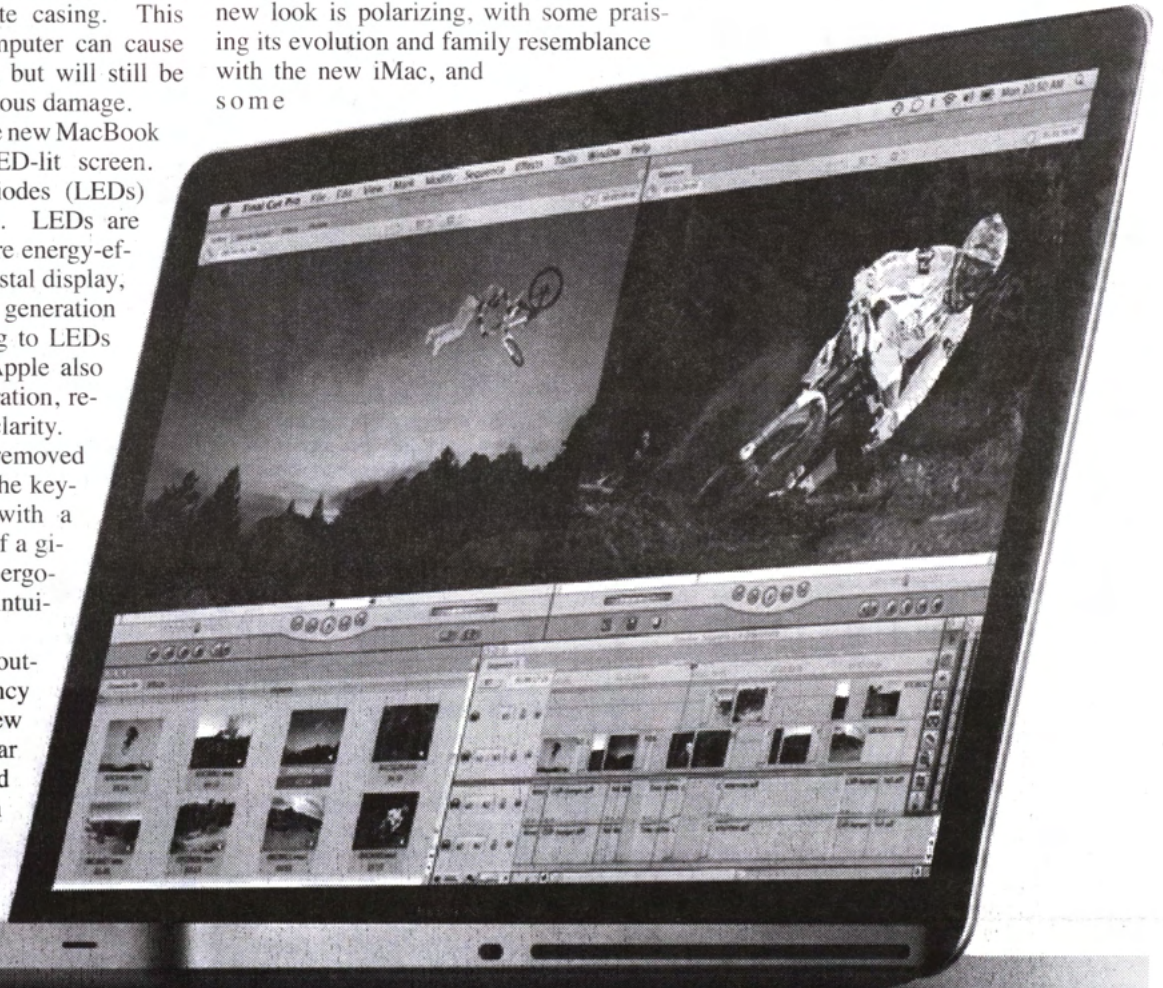
Apple Inc. has also touted its energy-efficiency in the redesign. The new MacBook is EnergyStar compliant and EPA Gold rated, meaning it is both more efficient and recyclable. And in addition,

Apple has downsized the packaging of the MacBook, meaning it can fit more in a shipment, requiring less energy to distribute the MacBook. Its packaging is also recyclable, reducing the all-important carbon footprint that the computer has.

Aesthetically, the MacBook's new, aluminum skin contrasts with the new black monitor surround and keyboard. The mouse pad is made from substantial glass. The new look is polarizing, with some praising its evolution and family resemblance with the new iMac, and some

decrying its bi-chromatic color scheme. For those people, the classic white MacBook is still available.

Prices for the new MacBook start at \$1299 for the 2.0 GHz model, rising to \$1699 for the upgraded 2.4 GHz versions. If Apple's reputation for high quality and consumer-friendliness continues, count on the new MacBook being a hit.



Introducing the new 15 inch Mac Book Pro. The newest member of the Apple family.

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Newest book-turned-movie inspires audiences and offers the "best honey around"

Alyssa Herzinger
Staff Writer

The Secret Life of Bees," based on the book by Sue Monk Kidd, is a heart-warming, tear-jerking, laugh-inducing drama.

Dakota Fanning, of "Uptown Girls" and "Dreamer" fame, stars as Lily Owens, a pensive 14 year-old desperately searching for the love of a parent. The movie begins with an intense scene in which young Lily's mother is killed, leaving her in the care of her angry father, T. Ray (Paul Bettany).

The story is set in South Carolina in 1964, the year the Civil Rights Movement was passed. The plot begins to move when Lily's black caregiver, Rosaleen (Jennifer Hud-

son), is beaten and arrested for trying to register to vote. Lily and Rosaleen escape, and the pair heads to the town of Tiburon, South Carolina, a place Lily believes holds the key to learning more about her mother.

They end up at the house of the black Boatwright sisters, May, June and August, who are expertly played by Sophie Okonedo, Alicia Keyes and Queen Latifah. Here, Lily and Rosaleen learn about themselves and the changing world around them, but avoid the triteness often connected with

such discoveries.

This movie deftly walks the sticky line between inspiring and sickly sweet. There are predictable moments of sap and forbidden romance, but strong racial themes, the complex relationships between Lily and June, as well as Lily and her father, and the truly superb acting easily overshadow these moments.

Okonedo's performance as the "special" May Boatwright brought tears to my decidedly dry eyes. The world's pain was her pain, and her pain was mine. Fanning avoids the "cute little girl" mentality, and portrays Lily's inner turmoil with the maturity of a much older actor. As usual, Queen Latifah anchors the film; August Boatwright (Latifah) is a wise, almost majestic character, who sells the best honey around, and holds her family together with lessons from the beehive, like, "Most people don't have any idea about all the complicated life going on inside a hive. Bees have a secret life we don't know anything about"

Devotees of Kidd's novel may be disappointed at the omission of a few scenes, such as Lily's poignant communion with the Black Madonna, but overall, the film follows the book well.

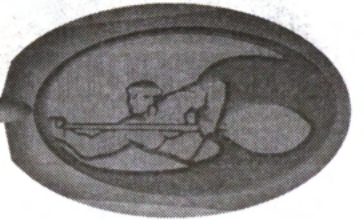
It is rated PG-13 for thematic material and violence, but it contains nothing that detracts from its inspiring message.

"The Secret Life of Bees" is an engaging, uplifting movie full of unexpected depth and wit. It's a refreshing change from romance or war, and definitely worth a trip to the theatre.



Above: Queen Latifah, Jennifer Hudson, Alicia Keys looking out on the house porch in the book turned movie. Left: Dakota Fanning, Jennifer Hudson's characters become close friends in the movie.

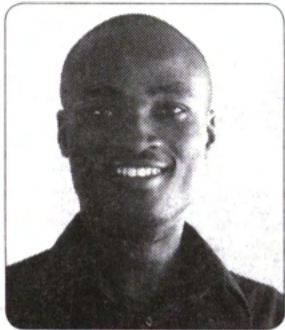
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Campus Comment

If you could have voted in the U.S. elections, who would you have voted for and why?

Campus Comment compiled by Trijsten Leach • Photos by Sara Galvez



IKA DE-GRAFT TURKSON

"That's a very good question. I've been following the US politics and if I were to vote... I would vote for Obama. I've been following his policies and he sticks to one message at a time unlike McCain who always changes."

Junior Information systems and IT Ghana



GENEVIEVE SAMIA

"I think I'd go for Obama because I think he knows more of what he's doing. He doesn't make as many promises as McCain. Also I'm in the ROTC so I'd get to go to school for free."

Sophomore Political science Samoa



MUNETO FURUGEN

"I'm not really familiar with him but maybe I'd vote for Obama because if he becomes president he would be the first black president and that would stimulate more (variety) people in America to vote and become active."

Freshman Undeclared Japan



ABEL NARAYAN

"I'm not really into politics but I think Obama because he's the local of Hawaii and he looks more Polynesian than the other guy."

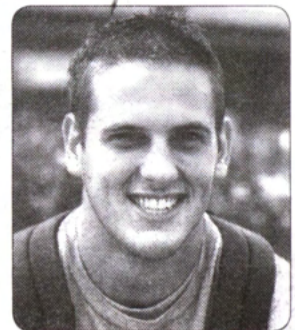
Junior Bio-chemistry Fiji



MATIAS SANCHEZ

"Obama because there has never been a president that's been anything but white. This country is made up of so many different people and it will show equality. Also from how he speaks he seems wise and he would lead the country in a new direction than the other candidate."

Junior Art Argentina



MICHAEL BAILEY

"Obama because I don't really know about the other guy. I don't really know about his policies or anything."

Sophomore Psychology New Zealand

Ke Alaka'i Cypher Crack the Code!

Last issues Winners are:
Bj Liou and Erika Dick

This game is new to the Ke Alaka'i, so here is some information to help participants on their adventure of "Cracking the Code."

Here is how it works:

1. Find all of the scrambled words in the captions and column margins of the Ke Alaka'i. Then unscramble them. For a clue to figure out how many unscrambled words are placed in the newspaper visit:

seasiderinsider.blogspot.com

2. Arrange the unscrambled words in a list beginning with the shortest words to the longest.

3. Now, line up each word beginning with the shortest to the longest next to the Partial Key below and include the number of letters in each word.

4. Use the numbered Partial Keys to decipher the number coded phrase. You may have

to try several combinations to figure out the secret phrase.

5. When you decipher the secret message, bring the unscrambled words and decoded phrase to the Ke Alaka'i, by Friday, Nov. 7, at 5 p.m. for grand prize. Small prizes will be available until next issue.

6. The first two people to crack the code will receive a grand prize from the sponsor at the game on Friday.

The grand prize package consists of:

- * 1 Seasider Shirt
- * 1 Seasider Basketball
- * 1 Seasider Practice Jersey

(2 grand prizes are available for this issue)

Tips for figuring out the cypher can be kealakai.byuh.edu

Partial Key for Deciphering Final Answer (remember that this in particular order)

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This is the coded phrase (the secret phrase):

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As soon as you decipher the phrase, bring all your work to the Ke Alaka'i office for submission or email kealakaicypher@gmail.com by 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, 2008.

The Sponsor for this issue game:

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Friday, 7 November 2008

Women's Game vs. China @ 5:30 p.m.

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Tuesday, 11 November 2008

Men's Game @ 7:30 p.m.

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Tuesday, 18 & Thursday, 20 November 2008

Women's Game with Winona State (MN) @ 7:30 p.m.

Friday, 21 November 2008

Women's Game with Whitworth (WA) @ 7:00 p.m.

PLEASE READ: No employees associated with Ke Alaka'i and the BYU-H Athletics may participate in this contest to receive a grand prize. All game words must be found and correctly unscrambled to be considered for the grand prize. The coded phrase must also be correctly deciphered. All participants looking to win the grand prize must submit their work by Friday, 7 November 2008 @ 5 p.m. The first 2 persons to submit their work with the content all correct will receive 1 of 2 grand prize each.

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Chef's treat!

TORTILLAS

Mary Jantalert
Staff Writer

As the members of the church have become more aware of the importance of food storage, beans, flour, sugar and other imperishable foods have begun to fill the cupboards. So, I looked through my cupboard this past weekend and saw flour, baking powder and salt, and thought of making something that I could eat for the rest of the week with the food that I had stored. With those simple ingredients that I had, I decided to make homemade tortillas, and I wanted to share the tortilla recipe with you all. Although making tortillas is time consuming, knowing how to make them can be very useful when you go to countries where Mexican food is not very popular. I experienced this when I went back to Thailand this past summer. While I was there, I could only find the Mexican food ingredients in big and expensive stores; while flour, salt, baking powder and Crisco were cheap everywhere else outside of Thailand.

Tortillas are best eaten hot, right off the pan or griddle. You can refrigerate and freeze them as well. To freeze tortillas wrap tightly in a plastic wrap. To reheat rewrap in foil with a moist paper towel inserted and place in oven at 250 degrees for 15 minutes.



FLOUR TORTILLA INGREDIENTS

- 3 - tsp. baking powder
- 1 - tsp. salt
- 1/4- cup of Crisco
- 2 - cups of flour
- 3/4- cups of warm water

Methods:

Mix the flour, salt and baking powder in a bowl. Add Crisco and mix with your finger until you have completely crumbled it in. Slowly add the warm water and mix with a large spoon. Take the ball out and put on a "floured" board and knead 3-5 minutes until elastic. Store tortillas in a warm place inside and an oiled, plastic bag for 1 hour. Pinch off pieces of dough about the size of a golf ball (1 inch) and let them sit for 15 minutes. Roll the balls into circles approximately 7 inches size. Cook on a hot pan, turning the tortilla only once. Remove to the basket lined with a cloth towel or put between towels until cooled. After the tortillas have cooled completely, store them in a plastic bag.



ABOVE PHOTO COURTESY OF FLICKR.COM AND THE LEFT PHOTOS BY TRIJSTEN LEACH
Kahuku Grill is a nearby place to grab some great food.

Kahuku Grill World Famous Shrimp

Trijsten Leach
Staff Writer

On walking up to the restaurant on its wooden planked deck, I couldn't help but feel like I was approaching an old seafaring saloon, brightly decorated and painted, yet worn from the salty air.

Music plays on the inside for those who mind the slight breeze, but there are also tables on the deck in the front of the restaurant.

Just as the sign reads: 'World famous coconut shrimp,' so it is. Kahuku Grill does an excellent job of integrating island flavors into its menu.

Though the menu isn't too extensive, the quality of the food makes up for it. I had the coconut shrimp 'aka sweet, crispy coconut goodness.' The huge shrimp are

breaded and fried with sweet coconut slices, served with a shrimp sauce and comes with rice and macaroni salad on the side. The grill is mostly known for its coconut shrimp but it also boasts having one of the best hamburgers around and toppings can include anything from cheese, bacon or even pineapple. All the burgers are served with tasty French fries. Normal fountain drinks as well as juices can be purchased.

The food is quite inexpensive ranging from five dollars for a hamburger to 11 dollars for shrimp. BYUH students also get an extra 10 percent off. Anytime you are in Kahuku and need a bite to eat, try Kahuku Grill. The restaurant suites the low key atmosphere around it and has amazing shrimp and burgers.

It is located across the street from the Kahuku hospital near Burrough's road and is open in the morning for breakfast and closes at 7 p.m.

OVERALL RATING

4 out of 5

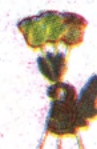
For great food



PLACE TO DATE RATING

3 out of 5

The atmosphere may be a little too casual for a nice date.

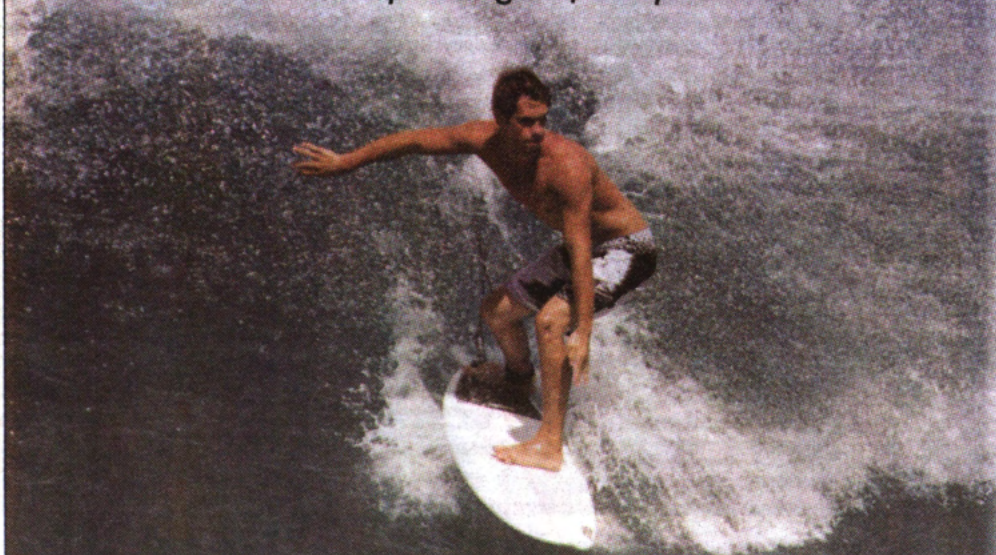


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Waiting for the next set

Students "stoked" on upcoming surf competitions



PHOTOS BY TING SHEN

Background: Student Cameron Rondo surfs near Pipeline.

Below (L to R): Andrew Pierce, Blake Baxter, Brian Poppleton, and Cameron Rondo.

Karly Zobrist
Staff Writer

As bigger swells hit the North Shore, waves and student excitement grow. BYU Hawaii's proximity to some of the best surf spots on the planet, make surf competitions accessible to the sports enthu-

siasts on campus.

"It's like football is for some people, it's our sport! And the pro's are all playing on our home field" said Drew Webster, senior in accounting from Florida, and president of the Ocean Appreciation Club, "We are planning on attending them as club, it should be a fun activity."

You don't have to be part of the club to get in on the action, though. Jacob Auna, sophomore in IBM from the Big Island, said that, "surfing is a part of life here in Laie, especially during competition season. It great watching the best surfers in the world compete on such great waves." His friend Nathan Lehano, sophomore in art education from Mililani, agreed but explained that, "the best part is running into the pros in the water, surfing next to them."

Not everyone is experienced enough to ride the same waves as these masters of surfing. "I'm not good enough to get out there on those big waves," said Jess McMaster, sophomore in ICS from California, "but I love surfing. I have watched surf videos all my life of the competitions, I am just excited to see the real thing." Even those with little to no surf experience can go out enjoy the

show.

As far as winners this year, no one is for sure. Big names like Kelly Slater, The Irons brothers and Sunny Garcia have surfed the competitions here on Oahu for years, but they have found that The Triple Crown is a different kind of competition. "Kelly Slater will win the world title no matter what this year, but there are so many local boys that surf the breaks in the triple crown every day and have a competitive edge, it makes the competition exciting" said Blake Baxter, junior in IBM from California.

The Triple Crown isn't the only competition around, however. The Roxy Pro will go off again at Sunset beach this season, and the infamous Eddie could go as well. The Eddie, a competition held in honor of Eddie Aikau, is a big wave competition that may be held at Waimea if the waves are big enough, waves have to measure at least 20 feet Hawaiian scale. Surf contest enthusiast Brady Wood, sophomore in biology from Canada, said, "A few years ago I saw 30 foot waves at Waimea, it would be crazy to see someone ride a giant like that."



Disney goes Hawaiian

Alyssa Herzinger
Staff Writer
and the Associated Press

Seventy years after his first ride on Hawaii surf, Mickey Mouse is finally coming back to the islands.

Disney's plan for a Hawaii hotel complex unveiled Thursday is far from another Disneyland, both in distance and concept.

But Walt Disney Parks & Resorts' first venture in the islands will add 830 hotel and vacation time-share rooms, a fantasy-laden water play area and an 18,000 square-foot spa to the rapidly expanding Ko Olina resort on West Oahu.

A detailed scale model of the complex was displayed at a news conference with Disney officials and Honolulu Mayor Mufi Hannemann, who said the plans demonstrate how construction and business on the island continue to boom despite the global economic problems and drops in tourism.

It'll be the first such complex for Disney away from a theme park, combining a 350-room hotel with 480 vacation villas on one of Ko Olina's four man-made lagoons, which already feature a Marriott hotel and time shares, a luxury condominium project and wedding chapels.

"We plan to offer the opportunity for our guests to vacation in a completely new way, very different than they do at our theme park resorts, when they come here to Ha-

waii — to be surrounded, to discover Oahu, to discover the Hawaiian Islands," said Disney resorts chairman Jay Rasulo.

The resort is expected to hire 1,000 "cast members," Rasulo said. Many will come from Oahu's relatively low-income Leeward Coast, where the city has been combatting the problem of homeless people living on the beaches.

"Hawaii is not necessarily in need of tourism," said Kelly Ingold, junior in international cultural studies from Illinois, "but I think the offering of so many jobs will be a good thing. There are hardly any jobs here, and this will help citizens and students find work."

Erika Dick, senior in international cultural studies from Iowa, feels differently; "It's more western United States culture invading the island," she said.

Disney announced purchase of the 21-acre oceanfront site for \$144 million a year ago, but Rasulo declined to say how much the resort would cost. He said the company wants to emphasize the storytelling tradition Disney brings to Hawaii and the cost of the project could change before completion expected in 2011.

He noted that one of Walt Disney's earliest films, "Hawaiian Holiday" of 1937, featured Mickey on a surfboard in the islands.

Disney also does film work in the islands, including production of ABC's "Lost" TV series.

Disney has several themed resort hotels near Disneyland in California and Disney World in Florida, but has never built a hotel and time-share complex that will stand on its own. Hawaii has no full-scale amusement park, and there are no plans to expand the resort into a theme park.

"It's kind of silly to have a Disney resort when there's no theme park, but it's good if it brings more money to the island," said Collette Charles, junior in English from Utah.

The timeshare units will be part of the 350,000-member family-oriented Disney Vacation Club, which has eight other resorts.

Hannemann said the city and state are spending no money on the project and offered no special incentives to attract Disney to the islands. A \$75 million unused tax credit allocated for construction of an aquarium at Ko Olina was pulled after the project was dropped.



An artist's rendering of the new resort includes swimming and lodging areas for the expected tourists who will visit.

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