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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Now that the year is drawing to a close, we should review what we accomplished and what we hope to do in the future.

First and foremost was the Nisei Veterans Reunion in Kona in June and the many chapter post reunions held in Honolulu. It was an opportunity for all of us to renew our friendships with our mainland counterparts. I'm sure we all enjoyed the experiences.

We contracted with a property management firm to handle our apartment rental operations, thereby making our apartment rentals comparable to other apartments in our vicinity.

We started the ball rolling to establish a Sons & Daughters organization of the 442 Veterans Club. Ernest Uno is coordinating this project and has held some organizational meetings with some interested sons and daughters of our members.

We also started the planning of the 50th anniversary of our activation through a reunion in March 1993 in Honolulu. George Nakasato is coordinating this project.

END

ANNUAL MEETING

442ND VETERANS CLUB F.C.U.

MONDAY, 7:00 P.M., JANUARY 21, 1991

at 442ND VETERANS CLUB

933 WILLIWILI STREET

DOOR PRIZES AND PUPUS

IN MEMORIAM

DANNY MICHIO YAMAUCHI

Danny Michio Yamauchi, an active member of Easy Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on November 10, 1990.

IN MEMORIAM

RICHARD TADAO MURAKAMI

Richard Tadao Murakami, an active member of 232nd Engr/Band Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on September 18, 1990.

IN MEMORIAM

ROBERT H. KUWANOE

Robert H. Kuwanoe, an active member of Howe Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on September 20, 1990.

IN MEMORIAM

SIDNEY TOKUJITSU OSHIRO

Sidney Tokujitsu Oshiro, an active member of Item Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on October 5, 1990.

IN MEMORIAM

THOMAS KIYOSAKI

Thomas Kiyosaki, an active member of 232nd Engr/Band Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on October 12, 1990.

IN MEMORIAM

DANIEL YO SAITO

Daniel Yo Saito, an active member of 2nd Hqs Chapter, 442nd Veterans Club, passed away on October 17, 1990.



By Joe Shimamura

IKEHARA'S

It's go, go for the I. IKEHARA's as they came whizzing thru the 2nd week of October, heading once again for that make or break city that never sleeps, Las Vegas. Not enough time to do anything much except to go for speedy lunches, they saw their relatives and got ready to attend BETTY's annual high school class get-together. ISAAC looking good but is no longer that Kakaako flyweight who was always ready for that fast 3 minutes. BETTY, slim as usual, tells us that they are already grandparents or shall I say, great grandparents with number one DWIGHT's son doing the honors. It sure looks as tho there's not too much to do on that remote far-flung isle located smack in the middle of nowhere. Sure thought we'd get chapter 2 of IKE's escapade but it looks as tho we'll have to wait awhile as he puts it all together. Keen a memory as one may have, putting it all down in words is no easy task, so we'll just wait this one out. Returning after 4 nights of bucking the odds and breaking even, got together for another lunch and it was back to the easy does it isle for these Guamanians. IKE already talking about the next one as the gambling bug is getting the best of him so we should be seeing them in the nearest future.

SEPTEMBER

It was a run to the country for the September meeting as the K-s gathered at a Mililani church social hall, food catered by that ex-Mautes, MASA & MICHIO OKASAKO. MASA, who with TAD TAKAMARU were the hustling duo on the valley isle is still putting his best foot forward and doing his bit for the K-men. Witnessing the efficiency of this set up, we can readily see that TAD really lost a valuable partner when the OKASAKO's migrated to the big city. Our thanks to MASA & MICHIO for a most pleasant evening, the food was good, the price was more than a bargain and the atmosphere was just superb. Our thanks also to SEIQHI & SALLY SAKAIDA who generously opened up their home so the "bckaroo crew" could get in some playing time on this Saturday night. SALLY & SEI who migrated from Molokai a few years back gave one and all a sample of what the Molokai hospitality is like. SEI who's turning out to be quite an orchid fancier went one step further as he donated a bundle of potted plants with the lucky ones getting to take this home. A most eventful month of September, thanks to the OKASAKO's and SAKAIDA's.

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CLOSING

It was back to the Likelike Drive Inn for the month of October and November, with nothing to report for these dinner affairs. Summing things up for this year, it's good to report that we did gain quite a number of new members over the past couple of years. Many were active one time or another, dropping out for a spell and coming back once again with retirement coming into the picture. KENSHI TOMOMITSU, 1st platoon, GEORGE YOSHINO, 1st platoon, JOE SASAKI, 2nd platoon, BILLY YAGI & YUKIO TOKUDA, 1st platoon, HERBERT YANAMURA, 3rd platoon who was shanghaied to the interpreter group, AKIRA DOI, 1st platoon and STANLEY HASHIMOTO, 1st platoon, 3rd squad who joined us for the November affair, this being the first one for him as he promises to be a steady from this day forward. Almost missed TOMMY HOKIKAMI, another 1st platoon who's a regular these days, and CLARENCE TAMAYORI, 1st platoon, 1st squad who round out this surge of 1st platoons to get active, as they crawl out of their foxholes and get to see daylight once again.

As we see the old year off, the K-men 35 strong will be carrying on for another year with the following active participants: AKIRA DOI, WALT HEIRAKUJI, YOSHIO HIGA, ROBERT HIRAYAMA, TOMMY HORIKAMI, KATS IBARA, CHARLIE IGARASHI, KENT KAJIWARA, TOKU KAJIWARA, TSUNE KANEMORI, FUJIO MIYAMOTO, ROBERT NAGATA, TED NAKATA, ROBERT NITAHARA, RICHARD ODA, ED OGATA, YOSHIO OROKU, JAMES OURA, CURTIS NOBORIKAWA, MASA OKASAKO, SATORU SAWAI, HIROSHI SUYEOKA, SEICHI SAKAIDA, KENNY SHIMABUKURO, JOE SASAKI, CHET TANAKA, CLARENCE TAMAYORI, YUKIO TOKUDA, SANDY TAKESHITA, KENSHI TOMOMITSU, BILLY YAGI, JAMES YANAGIDA and HERBERT YANAMURA.

Still in touch with the bossman of the weapons platoon, the best from Garden Grove, CA still a-OK except that his arthritic neck isn't getting any better. Should time permit, say H'lo to GEORGE via the U.S. Mail as he's not much at answering the telephone in his present condition.

A wee bit early but this being the final issue for this year, we would like to wish everyone a most prosperous, happy, healthful new year. Be seeing you all at that shimen kai dinner come January as something new has been added to the K-s events. The "on to Reno" get-together will be the big one for 1991 so attend the monthly affair to keep abreast of what's cooking with the Kingsters. Till the next one, keep 'em smiling, as we still await the takeover of the KINGS column by a new reporter. The old type-writer finally broke down, would this be a good enough excuse to be relieved???

END



By Ron Oba

Sons and Daughters Join Legacy must Endure World War's Aftermath

The Aftermath

"Civil War" a montage of photos, lithographs, film clips and newsprints was assembled by Ken Burns who animated these still prints by moving them across the screen to bring the Civil War into the 20th century on PBS T.V. It hypnotized our attention for 5 nights in a gripping 11 hour's presentation. In its aftermath it is hard to envision a more important political period in the history of the United States. Yet we were not there to witness it, nor have much knowledge of the Civil War - its enormous carnage of human lives in rain, mud, snow and even starvation during its 4 years' war (1861-1865). Sounds familiar? This brings the subject matter to a head - the veterans of the 442nd RCT is now in the aftermath of its own WWII and perhaps on the verge of being forgotten.

The Long Range Planning committee must have had its vision on the aftermath of the 442nd's future direction. It has recommended and formed the "Sons and Daughters" fashioned after the Maui "Sons and Daughters." A handful of young people met for its initial meeting on Sept 17 to carry on the legacy of their fathers. The enthusiasm shown by the young people showed the veterans present that there is a tremendous interest among the few who attended. It is now incumbent upon the rest of us to promote and encourage our sons and daughters to attend these meetings. If interested, application forms are available through your chapters.

Dinner Meetings

Yoshio Shibuya planned a seafood dinner at the Hickam Officers Club that was available only on Saturday nights and hopefully everyone would come out in droves, which they did; 13 strong which incidentally is not too bad. We couldn't muster the 30 needed for the special room but management discreetly looked the other way. The dinner was excellent if you like crab legs, oyster, fish filets, clam chowder, mollusks, etc. Those attacking or eating delicately were: Paul and Clara Yamashita, Tommy and May Tanagawa, Mich and Shinako Takata, Yoshio and Clara Shibuya, Ron and Michi Oba, Dr. Roy Iritani, and Paul & Ruth Miho.

In its quest for cholesterol free meals, Chapter chairperson will go to any length and breadth to plan another evening of haute cuisine replete with delicious, fat free entrees - is that possible?

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Of course, when Richard and Dorothy Murashige offered to host the next dinner meeting, I could hear a pin drop - no one dared to object. You see, we were well aware that the Murashiges don't eat meat at all. Richard was a good host but Dorothy is a better cook. Besides all the hors d'oeuvres, she prepared three types of sauces for the spaghetti - Marinated artichokes, White clam sauce, and Italian sausage tomato sauce. Her turkey meat balls complemented these sauces. We have to go back again to try and decide which of the sauces we liked best! Additional members attending this second dinner were: Barney and Phyllis Miyaji, George and Myrtle Nakasato, Chikako Shimada, Bill and Cupie Tanaka, and host-ess Richard and Dorothy Murashige and those mentioned above.

Breakfast Anyone?

Tommy Tanagawa finally retired in more ways than one. He has a different standard - to him, retirement age is 71 years on his B.D. 7-1-90. Being accustomed to getting up at 3:30 a.m. to go to work at Dean Witter Reynolds, Tommy still can't kick the habit of retiring early. He starts snoring after 8 p.m.

When Michi and I were in Hilo we heard that an acquaintance's husband finally retired. When asked how it was with both retired and together now, she replied, "It was O.K. for him to retire, but everything else retired."

In a moment of brilliance Tommy suggested that we start having breakfast meetings (3:30 a.m.) instead of the time tested third Thursday night of the month since he knew that he must start attending meetings. Is it better to have: a) early breakfast, b) brunch, c) or just meet? Simple decisions? Wait till you retire in your rigid ways and have to wrestle with these insurmountable decisions.

The die was cast. We cautiously ventured to the Wisteria Restaurant - some breezing in while the country boys had to buck the 7:30 a.m. rush hour traffic. Ever drive on the paved shoulders of freeways during rush hour to give all the crazy drivers more room? It's scarier than the war! 17 stalwart members and their wives made it to the Wisteria. The beautiful part was that Mary Muranaka, Kimi Gusukuma and Roy Kubo who usually do not drive to night meetings were able to make the daytime meeting. Those flipping hot cakes and ham and eggs with gusto were: Kimi Gusukuma, Shige Higa, Roy Kubo, Barney and Phyllis Miyaji, Mary Muranaka, Richard Murashige, George Nakasato, Ron and Michi Oba, Mich Takata, Tommy Tanagawa, Bill and Cupie Tanaka, Paul and

Clara Yamashita and first timer, Uichi Ushijima. It was unanimously decided that we shall have breakfast meetings from now on. Since Roy and Mary insist, the next meeting is scheduled for the Olomana Golf Course Restaurant.

Richard Murashige convinced Uichi to come to the meeting. Our alert treasurer, Shige, immediately enrolled and collected Uichi's annual dues for the Fox and mother club. A couple of three people still work, but this breakfast meeting woke up the best attendance in a long time. The atmosphere was very relaxed with none of those present itching to get home early. The restaurant also didn't mind if we stayed and shot the bull for awhile. Besides it was good to have breakfast prepared for you for a change - you don't know how hard it is to decide who got up first, so who prepares breakfast. Are you up first when you get up to void or are you up when you go out to get the morning paper? Shoot, Kelloggs invented the best breakfast ever - pop, crackle and crunch.

Annual Golf Tournament

Tournament chairman, Mich Takata, was off to Japan. Ron Oba, as president, had already donated \$50 to the tournament. But, no matter - substitute, Tommy Tanagawa, will be back from Vegas the night before the game to run it. Mich had arranged the details to a "T" only if Tommy will carry out his instructions. Ever heard of Murphy's Law? Everything will go right when you expect the worst boggies. No matter - in a drizzling North-easterly at Pearl Country Club, the winners as expected were: overall, Bill Tanaka, 79-13-66; Ron Oba, 82-14-68; Oscar Tsukayama, 84-14-70. Front nine, Ron, net 32; Back nine, Oscar, net 36; Greenies, Ron #3 and 13; Oscar #6; and Bill #16. Everyone received golf balls for participating. Besides the President's donation, Bill donated 15 balls. Thanks to Mich Takata and Tommy Tanagawa for conducting a fun tournament.

Correction: Richard Yorita's middle name is Takeshi, not Takashi.

After Thoughts

By the time this issue is in your hands, the Fox Christmas party will have been had and the new year's will have commenced - so be happy and try not to age too rapidly since there will be 12 more months to do it in. Wish we had a distaff reporter to fill in the following: But no matter, congratulations to those who keep going to the mainland to visit their new or additional grandchildren; those here who love to baby-sit their new additions; those who gained new sons or daughters-in-law; those who finally decided to enjoy the retired golfers' life and of course, our heartfelt condolences to those who lost their dear ones during

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the past year. There's a saying that the three most important events in one's life is being born, getting married and dying. Don't believe that nonsense - what are your three most important events in your life? Being a Fox is a Fox is a Fox, right?

Wedding Reception

Mrs. Chikako (Harry) Shimada was a picture of pride and happiness at her daughter's, Evelyn Machiko, wedding reception, to Andrew John Sheldon. A score of immediate family members and relatives from Japan joined in the festivities at the Waialae room of the Kahala Hilton Hotel. The couple will reside in Florida.

Hilo News

By Sadao Nishida

Before we ramble off on events here in the South, we need to apologize to the following ladies, whom we neglected to acknowledge in our last quarterly bulletin, for their contributions and efforts at the last Kona AJA Reunion. Thank you, Kikuye Kohashi, Florence Matsuo and Tomoe Nagata for your big help in making our events at the reunion most successful.

On Sept. 21st, Fox troopers and their ladies held a reunion critique luncheon at the Fujii restaurant and invited the Kona people, but unfortunately the Deguchis and Matsumuras were unable to attend due to last minute unavoidable events. Anyway, those of us who attended the luncheon thought we did a fairly good job in spite of some difficult circumstances.

On the evening of Oct. 6th we all enjoyed a delicious steak dinner at Prexy Honda's mansion to celebrate our traditional lady's birthday celebration for Emi Akana with choice steaks selected from Kulana Foods. Sake or "warm sake" a la Nihon was purchased for what we thought would be more than sufficient for the group, but it was necessary to go to Honda's cellar for more sake -- fortunately when you select the right place for your parties, you pretty much find what you get short on. We thought Emi had a wonderful birthday enjoyed by all.

Some went on trips outside the state. Kikuye and Wataru visited with grandson, Noboru in Seattle in October and got to see some of our Fox company buddies there. Wataru reports our friends in Seattle are getting along just beautifully -- well and active. Elaine and Yuki joined other members of their family on a tour group to the glittering city in late October and had a wonderful time. Yuki reports that he did not make money but a member of their tour group cracked a "jack pot" for boku dollars.

The group here on the island of Hawaii had a wonderful year for 1990 and we thank you all for coming to see us during the summer. We enjoyed having you and hope to see you all real soon. Keep well, and we all wish you a merry and joyous Christmas and may the New Year bring you all the best of health and everything that's nice. Happy New Year!

Kauai News

By Yuri Tasaka

Since last we met - George Kawakami had problems with his health and was seen using a cane to help him move from place to place. Mamo Hiranaka underwent surgery on his lung, but within a two weeks period he was up and about. Both these tough hombres were back to normal activities and could be seen participating in political activities. Wally Tasaka found out that his body machinery needed a service job also. He had such a thoughtful and politically committed body; it waited until after the general election. Re the election, thank you for the support given our candidates.

The State Legislative Committee of the AARP is in the process of preparing position papers for the next legislative session. The priority items for next year are affordable housing, promotion of the repeal of the General Excise Tax on Health Care, and durable power of attorney for health. Support items are opposing any effort to deregulate telephone services, encouraging legislation to include a retiree on the Hawaii State Retirement System Board of Directors, and support legislative efforts to address the problem of solid waste management.

Would any of you Oahu people be interested in serving on the committee or on the Capital City Task Force? Concern for legislation is a year-round process, and the AARP could certainly use capable and influential people like you who definitely qualify age-wise. Let me know if you feel inclined.

Nothing much to report; so from Kauai, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a New Year that is healthy and happy.

Maui News

By Bob Matsushita

We have survived the 68th Annual Maui County Fair project - HULI HULI CHICKEN, RICE and OSHINKO CONCESSION for the mother chapter which were held on October 4, 5, 6 & 7, 1990. Weeks and days - on weekends and work days were spent by our Mother Chapter members. For our benefit majority of our members are RETIREES with various technical skills which made our project develop with no loss motion. Carpenters, electricians, plumbers, painters are

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ample. All former superintendents, supervisors, office managers, and managers (executives) were laborers. I keep hearing "Da ME DO - MAKULE NAT TARA - DA ME!" We quickly get tired and find the nearest shaded areas for cover away from the bitter sun. We could notice our sons working like hell under the bitter sun continuously while under construction and broiling the chicken near the hot burning grill. I again hear from the SENIORS "ME LA MO AN NA NI WAKA KATIA GA IMA WA DA ME!" It went on for four days. Thursday and Saturday were assigned to the Mother Chapter and Friday and Sunday were for our "Sons and Daughters Chapter". The response was fantastic and it was another successful fund raiser for both. Toshio "Nancy" Endo, "F" Chapter, was the general chairman and he expressed his appreciation for the wonderful support given by each chapter. The only comment I heard was from his son, NEAL ENDO, Sergeant in our Police Department assigned to the Lahaina District. I had to take vacation time to assist my Dad. He has this important project on his shoulder and I am helping him carry off some of the load. It was nice to hear such a wonderful "OYA KOKO STATEMENT". Selling our product wasn't a problem - keeping up with the orders was a bit hectic. Scooping rice with an ice cream scoop, placing the oshinko along side of it and adding two thighs of chicken. It sounds simple but continuing for X amount of hours makes it difficult. Some complained after scooping rice, "LOOK I INHERITED MA ME (BLISTERS), those digging down the 50 gals. drum barrel for two thighs of chickens - "MY KOSHI - BACK HURTS". No wonder "MAKULE NAITARA DANE". The next day after the FAIR was Monday "Discovery Day". Construction Chairman, Hiroshi Arisumi "ENGR BN" requested our help in tearing down temporary structures and store it at the Arisumi's base-yard in Puunene for storage. Cooking utensils as well as borrowed items were cleaned and returned. "Thank GOD its all over", were well stated by those who were present. Our Mess Sargent Masanaga "Cowboy" Hasegawa, E Chapter had lunch prepared after cleanup was done. He prepared "ONOLICIOUS" food and naturally by then we were all famished.

MAUI "F" CHAPTER REUNION is set for July 24, 25 & 26, 1991 at the Maui Beach Hotel. It is situated along the Kahului Bay Area. This Hotel is owned by the HAWAIIAN PACIFIC RESORTS. Hospitality Room will be Maui Room. Welcome Diner at the LOTUS ROOM - Maui Beach Hotel - Chinese Buffet. July 24, 1991 2nd Nite - East/West - Imperial Buffet - Maui Palms Hotel - Japanese Buffet. July 25, 1991. SAYONARA BANQUET POOL TERRACE - Maui Beach Hotel - Prime Rib & Sauteed Fish Buffet with Salad & Dessert Bar included - American Buffet. July 26, 1991.

Golfing is also a must.

We are requesting all members interested to contact the Hawaii Pacific Resorts for hotel & tours. The phone numbers are as follows:

Honolulu & Oahu 531-5235
Neighbor Island - Toll free (800) 272-5275
North America - Toll free (800) 367-5004

In any event, should you call above numbers, please specify (442nd "F" COMPANY) as this would prevent any problems.

More details by our registration committee to follow with your registration forms. This is just an advance reminder to all interested "F" Chapter members.

Maui "F" Chapter to have a reunion committee meeting at the Tasty Crust Restaurant on November 7, 1990 at 6:00 P.M. to discuss and finalize plans for this event.

We urgently request all "F" CHAPTER MEMBERS to keep these dates available. "MAUI NO KA OI".

END



By Harold Fukunaga

New Officers for 1991

The new officers for 1991 were elected at our November Chapter meeting. "Whitey" Sekiji Nakayama was elected President. He will be supported by Eddie Tamanaha as Vice President and Hiromi Suehiro as Secretary/Treasurer. We're all confident that he will do a good job.

Annual Shinnen En Kai Party

Tentative plans were made for our annual Shinnen En Kai Party, which will be held on Saturday, January 26, 1991 at the 442 Clubhouse. Taketo Kawabata and Al Amii will coordinate this event.

Shiraishi's Operation

Mike Shiraishi has suffered many years with his chronic pain in his back and shoulder. Through Dr. Roy Machida, our L.A. George Company member, he was able to get another review of his condition and received a diagnosis that his shoulder was the cause of his pain. He was operated on by a local specialist and hopes that his shoulder condition and pain will be corrected. We're all rooting for you, Mike.

END



By Allen Nakamura

HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASONS! As we look forward to 1991 after an exciting 1990, culminating with the successful and memorable KONA NVR REUNION. We had other chapter events during the year but because of the length of the last article, it was not reported.

Jun & Bev Yamamoto of Hollywood, who were not able to come to the NVR due to Jun's heart surgery early in the year, were a welcome visitors to our isle's in late August with the doctors clearance to travel. They stopped over on Maui first where Bev has relatives living there. The timing was right as Jun met many of the guys at their meeting discussing the Las Vegas get-together in 1991 originated and coordinated by P.K. Matsumoto. Jun's recollection of the guys at the meeting: "Mochi" Mochizuki, Geo Kitagawa, "Tonto" Aoki, Kiyoshi Kishimoto, "Swipe" Nakamura, "Punchy" Nishijo, Eddie Ogawa, "Hekka" Oka, G. Fujinaka, Yasu Okinaka, Haruo Fujitomo. Excuse for others that were there but not mentioned.

Jun looked tired and not too good when I picked them up on arrival at the airport. They stayed at Pagoda Hotel and after a day of rest, much to my surprise he looked 100% better on Sunday, August 26 when many of us had dinner at the Pagoda restaurant with Jun & Bev, with individual choices of buffet, prime ribs, mahimahi or tempura. The following were at the dinner: Betty Aoki, Lawrence/Chiyoko Fujii, Hapa Fujimoto, Jacob Jichaku, Genro Kashiwa, Mabel Kawamura, Edna Kuramoto, P.K./Genny Matsumoto, Cowboy/Marian Matsumura, Toshi/Betty Nakahara, Allen Nakamura, Hide Nakayama, Kazuma Ogata, Fumio/Michiko Ohashi, Joe/Nancy Oshiro, Freckles/Gloria Oshiro, Tad Sakai, Robert/Lily Sasaki, Kobe/Chiz Shoji, Jiro/Flora Watanabe, Victor/Timmy Yamashita. Thanks to Hide Nakayama for transporting them to the airport as I had a breakdown of my vehicle.

KUAKINI PULAMA MAU HALE

Sunday, Sept 23, LIKM & L chapter's again hosted and entertained the elderly residents there, which we have been doing for oh so many years that we lost tract counting. We nearly lost our long time chairman Yoshiji Aoki as he opted for retirement, but after overwhelming vote of confidence and encouragement from the members that he continue his chairmanship, he agreed to do so like a good christian and member. The event went along smoothly without a hitch. He did a good job, even getting me the notes for this article. Thanks ole buddy, keep plugging!

The importance of the good deeds by the chapter's to the welfare of the elder residence at Hale Pulama Mau, had always been recognized with the presence of the president of the Kuakini Medical Center (KMC). This year was no exception with KMC president, Mr. Gary Kajiware & Dr. Satoru Izutsu, Geriatrician Director present together with Mrs. Joanna Wong, supervisor at Hale Pulama Mau. Mr. Kajiware gave a warm welcome speech for our long association in this project.

The enthusiasm had never waned for this event. It is very heartwarming to see so many of our members, wives and family members take part in serving the delicious and nutritious chicken hekka, salads, tsukemono, etc., to the residents. Yep, it takes special people with warmth and caring to sacrifice their Sunday for this great cause. The following participated: Yoshiji/Betty Aoki; Bill Oshiro; Yoshito/Pauline Tome; Jiro Watanabe; Whitey Saito; Hide Nakayama; Hajime Matsuura; Freckles Oshiro; Betty Nakahara; Edna Kuramoto; Tommy Kakesako; Allen Nakamura; Victor Yamashita; Kuro Tomasa; Kila Haraguchi; Isa/Hilda Takiyama; Wilfred/Boothchie Leong & family, Patti/Daniel Phillips; Hapa/Mabel Fujimoto; P.K./Genny Matsumoto; Henry/Doris Ishida; Paul/Yuki Takiguchi; Jacob/Terry Jichaku; Joe/Nancy Oshiro; Cowboy/Marian Matsuura; Kazuo/Kazuko Fink.

As in all events, preparations is the key to success and kudo's certainly is deserving for the early workers who labored in the kitchen from early morn': Kuro, Kila, Betty N., Joe/Nancy O., Hide, Edna, Paul/Yuki & Yoshiji who got the chicken and Wilfred/Boothchie & Patti. Thank you all, your hard work is very much appreciated!

Donations were also welcomed: BEER: Toshi; Hapa; Bill O; Victor; Hide. Desserts: KANTEN, Kazuko F; Pauline. MANJU: Genny. HAUPIA: Florence S. ANDAJI: Gloria. Dinner plates, BARAZUSHI: Marian. KAMABOKO ASST'S: Boothchie. (By the way, Yoshiji seem to be ready to join charter member Jacob's, SENILITY CLUB (SC). The note he gave me read: pupu's Marian Nakamura. Ha! maybe this guy's working too hard?)

Entertainment was another important part of the program for the day. P.K. & Jiro did another good job in having Yori Inouye (M Co), Waipahu Karaoke Club sensei, Nobu Yamauchi together with our own Freckles Oshiro, Isa Takiyama and P.K. Matsumoto kept the audience in ecstasy with their songs. Sorry, I didn't have notes on the song titles this year. Larry Ishida (2nd Hqs), couldn't make it this time as he had a bad cold. Also, Henry Ishida, our historian and photographer, who ever so religiously records all of our events, mucho gratias, you are SPECIAL!

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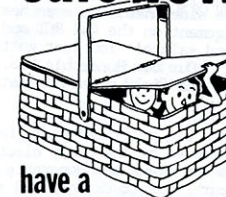
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COMBINED INSTALLATIONS

DAV LIKM Installation, 9/20/90. Omdr Paul Takiguchi; SVCDR Yasuo Forcier; JVCDR Isa Takiyama; Adj Allen Nakamura; Chaplain, Yoshiji Aoki; Judge Advocate Kobe Shoji. Past Omdr Leong did a good job during the year.

MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART. Omdr Kobe Shoji; SVCDR Wilfred Leong; JVCDR P.K. Matsumoto; Chaplain Yoshiji; Sgt at Arms Cowboy Matsumura.

With catered food and Tako pupu's from Omdr Takiguchi and Haupia Fruit Jello from Hilda Takiyama, the following were there: Aoki's; Fink's; Yasuo Forcier & his wife from China, Rose Marie; H. Ishida; Jichaku's; C. Kasadate; Leong's & daughter Catherine Dong; Matsumoto's; Matsumura's & niece from S.F. attending UH, vivacious Liane Yamamoto; T. Nakahara; Nakamura; John Naganuma; Nakayama; Ogata; J. Oshiro's; F. Oshiro; Ralph Shishido; Shoji's; Ray Sumikawa; Takiyama's; Tome; Takiguchi's & Yamashita's.

4TH OF JULY PARADE IN KAILUA

For many years, Kazuo Fink had been telling us to join in this festivities of marching in the 4th of July parade. Finally we relented, provided we ride in the parade. So we thought that was the end of it. But this gung ho guy, goes out and rent a panel truck for free! Hard to beat this kind of enthusiasm. That is how it started that we are now into our fourth year of participating in this, grand ole' flat constitution day.

It's unbelievable how the Kailua community turn out for the parade with small American flags. There's the old, young and the tots waving and cheering on the sidelines. We even hear nice words and encouragement on the 442 RCT and rates an occasional hand salute! You just gotta be there to believe it. Our own Honorable U.S. Senator, Dan Inouye was the field marshal last

year. This year being a big political year, Dan was in the lead car followed by the newly elected Jr. Senator, Honorable Dan Akaka and Honorable Pat Saiki in the 3rd car. Our truck borrowed and owned by Bobby Fraser, caretaker & gardener for the Fink's and a learned historian on the nisei veterans history, his truck had banners of the 442nd "L" Chapter on one side and DAV LIKM 11 Chapter on the other side. It was a banner day for us as the following day's Windward newspaper had a large picture of Kazuo Fink and Lawrence Fujii on the front page riding the truck.

After all the excitement of the parade, the day ended with refreshing cool soft drinks and beer and oishi surprise hekkka, steamed mullet & crab prepared by Kuro & Kila besides the dried fish, sashimi & shumai. Gad, what a feast it was! The setting for all this feast was at the spacious backyard of the Finks.

The following enjoyed the camaraderieship on a full stomach: Kazuo/Kazuko Fink; Kobe/Chiz Shoji; Jacob Jichaku; Lawrence Fujii; Paul Takiguchi; Henry Ishida; Hide Nakayama; Tommy Kake-sako; Yoshiji/Betty Aoki; Roger/Alisa Au & children Kriston/Trisha & cousin Reyon Kong; Kuro Tomasa; Kila Haraguchi; Wilfred/Bootchie Leong; Rick/Caroline Dong & children Patrick & baby Dong. Thanks a lot for your hospitality. It was a great day! See you all in '91.

MASSING OF THE COLORS

The impressive Massing of the Colors held annually on the 11th month, 11th day, 11th hour was held at the Pacific National Memorial Cemetery (Punchbowl), in memory and celebration of veterans of all wars were attended by Fumio/Michiko Ohashi, Victor/Timmy Yamashita, Jacob Jichaku, Allen Nakamura, Hide Nakayama, P.K. Matsumoto, Paul Takiguchi, Wilfred Leong, Henry Ishida, Yoshiji Aoki, Kuro Tomasa, & Hiroshi Nakamoto. Kuro was in charge of the formation of the color bearers. Hiroshi carried the LIKM colors.

WEDDING

Congratulations to Bill & Lily Oshiro on the marriage of their youngest son, Richard (Ricky) to Lani Kam, daughter of Mrs. Kiyo Sakurai. The beautiful wedding ceremony was held at the Nichiren Shoshu Temple Honseiji in Kaneohe. Reception at New Otani Kaimana Beach Hotel, Imperial Ballroom. It was quite a reunion for Bill & Lily as son-in-law Bill Patrick & daughter Joycelyn with their two handsome children from Washington, D.C. and Ronny from Lahaina were there.

CLASS REUNION

This was no ordinary reunion for Tad Sakai who was born in Hawaii but left for the mainland at a young age and attended school there. On July 14, 1990, he attended their 50th anniversary class reunion in San Pedro, California. He was the only one from Hawaii but the hall was fully decorated in Hawaiian atmosphere with pineapples, etc. He also had a maile lei! He says his classmates still live mostly around San Pedro and Santa Barbara.

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CONGRATULATIONS

"She's a homeg. "alert on the violin". This headline was in the Oct 1, 1990 Living Section of the Advertiser. The article read, "Claire Sakai Hazzard is a success story. Know how you can tell? By the way everyone wants to take credit for her". Claire, daughter of Tad Sakai, associate concertmaster for the past 3 years, was named to replace concertmaster Kathryn Lucktenberg while the latter is on an extended medical leave. Its truly a success story. Congratulations, Claire & Tad.

IN MEMORIAM

Our deepest sympathy and condolence to Mrs. Kimie Funamura and her family on the loss of her husband, Katsuichi "Kats" Funamura of Koloa, Kauai. Altho' we haven't seen much of "Kats", some of you may recall of his hospitality to his home many years ago on your visit to Kauai. Jacob remembered that Kat's was one of the few that were together with Sgt Martin Ida when he wrote the "Go For Broke" song. This was confirmed when Jacob and I met "Kats" on Kauai a few years back. "Kats" was my contact on Kauai. May you rest in peace.

Remember Miriam Parker Corbiere, wife of "Doc" Corbiere, the tall and gentle lady who always had a pleasant smile. We knew she was afflicted with Parkinson's disease at the Reno reunion. We sent her a get well card soon after our return from Reno. Received a sad letter from Jun Yamamoto of Hollywood that Miriam passed away having lost both legs from Alzheimer's disease besides the Parkinson's disease. Our heartfelt sorrow to you "Doc". I also received a letter later from Wilson Makabe of Reno with the obituary enclosed that a memorial is being established with the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, c/o Washoe Medical Center, 77 Pringle Way, Reno, NV. 89502. Wilson also listed "Doc's" address: 1945 4th St., Sparks, NV. 89431. Phone (702)358-2348.

NEWS FROM ABROAD

Info from Jun in the same letter, of Roger Smith's new address: 9 Lanark Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27514. Reason? Roger is now divorced from Joanna. Boy! was this a surprise as we all thought it was a perfect marriage. Joanna had moved back to Great Britain and Roger is trying to see their house.

Ken Sakanashi of Hayward, CA., who with his wife, Louise came to their first reunion ever and were enthralled by the beauty of the islands (visits to the pineapple field on the way to Waimea Falls, etc.), and the hospitality of our

members, I finally received a letter from him. He had good reasons for not being able to write earlier. Soon after returning home from the Kona NVR, he had his 3 month checkup and a recurring cancerous lump was found in his neck. He was put on chemotherapy and this treatment had always affected his condition. He says he's okay now between treatment as we all understand the effect of this drug. Louise wrote to me earlier but never did mention his illness, only that he will write soon. Keep your spirits up Ken, we're all pulling for you, ole' buddy.

The Northern Cal group had a meeting between Ken's treatment and Louise thought it'll be a good therapy for Ken to go. So they both went, and this gung ho buddy of mine get to be elected as president, notwithstanding his illness, he tried to explain to the group. Good man will always be recognized Ken. There are no doubts that you'll be able to meet the challenge.

The officers for this group: Ken, President. Shig Yokote, V.P. Mel Tominaga, Sect. Hide Kiyomura, Treas. Ken Nihei, Photographer.

Received a nice and pleasant card for a change. This one is from Ken & Aki Higashi who was so helpful as my contact from Seattle. After the Kona NVR, they traveled to northern Japan as part of their tour and were surprised to meet Kenji & Louise Tani of Chicago who also were at the Kona NVR during a stopover at Hakodate. Tani's were on their way to Sapporo where the Higashi's came from.

NVR CLOSEOUT

Because of the length of the last article, the members who made the visit to Waimea Falls Park possible for our guests were not properly recognized for their voluntary use of their car and time. So better late than never, they are: ISA TAKIYAMA, KOBE SHOJI, BILL OSHIRO, JOE OSHIRO, P.K. MATSUMOTO, HAPA FUJIMOTO, TOSHII NAKAHARA, VICTOR YAMASHITA, JIRO WATANABE & ALLEN. Thanks guys!

Inadvertently left out in the previous article was the fine duet rendition of "Bala ga saita" by Bill Oshiro & Wally Kawamura at the chapter night. At least you remembered all the words!

Yoshiji Aoki who many times are mistaken by our new friends as an ordained priest for his eloquent prayers, was promised that the prayer delivered at the pre-reunion chapter night will be in this article. No, no pressure was put on, but "a promise made, is a promise kept".

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SERVICE CHAPTER NEWS

By Alexander J. Oka

The Kona Reunion was the time when we could leisurely sit and chat about the good old army days and civilian life. Jits Yoshida, our senior member, mentioned that he is a member of the Hilo VFW Post and when he attended a meeting of the Pahoa VFW post, he met a fellow who served with the lost battalion of the 36th Division. This fellow, Greg Haess expressed his appreciation to the 442nd. Jits drove all the way from Hilo to spend a night with the gang. He also brought with him loads of wild pig jerk pork. For a youngster 78 years young, he still goes pig hunting.

Tom Tanaka was reminiscing about the time he first met David Ishii, the Hawaiian Open Champ. Dave, when addressing Tom, would always call him "Mr. Tanaka." Even after Tom requested that Dave call him Tom, Dave kept on saying, "Mr. Tanaka." It seems that the future champ was paying proper respect to a real champ.

Ted Yamate of Princeville had some interesting stories to tell. During the battle in the Vosges Mountains (Bruyeres) Ted prepared the morning or daily report for the regiment. This report listed the total strength of the regiment and the number killed and wounded during the previous day. The source information for the daily report was the daily report from each company. When the rifle companies submitted their report listing 200 men or full strength, he questioned the basis for listing full strength. The first sgt of the rifle companies explained that they were listing full strength so that their company can receive ration for that amount. This request for extra ration was necessary when the hot meals prepared for the men were often not consumed because the men could not take time off to eat. "K" rations were then delivered to sustain the men.

After the regiment returned to Italy in March of 1945, we became one of three regiments in the 92nd Division. The second regiment was composed of men from the 470 AAA regiment. The third regiment was the consolidated regiment of the 92nd division. Prior to our becoming part of the Division, the 92nd Division was composed of three regiments of negro soldiers. The best men of the three negro regiments were selected to establish this one negro regiment. And prior to our joining the division, the 92nd was having many personnel problems. Ted Yamate recalled an

incident that was never mentioned before. About a week after the last push started, about the 2nd week in April 1945, Ted received a call from the Major in charge of S1 of the division. This Major wanted to see the Sgt who prepared the daily report for the 442. So Ted and Captain Farr, the 442 S1, went to Division Hq to see the Major. The Major pulled out Ted's previous day's daily report and showed it to Ted for confirmation that it was his report. Ted looked at the report and was unable to understand the Major's concern. The Major then showed Ted the morning report from the regiment composed of negro soldiers. Ted looked at that report and returned it to the Major still not understanding the Major's concern. Finally the Major asked "How come your daily report does not list any men who are AWOL and any men who are considered 'desertion'." The daily report from the other regiment listed several men AWOL and Desertion. At this point, Captain Farr explained to the Major that our regiment was not the same as the other regiment. When our regiment is on the "line" fighting, we do not have any problems with AWOL or Desertion.

Masami Endo who was a cook with Service Company was asked as to when he left Italy. Endo explained that he remained in Italy and became the Mess Sergeant after Joe Itagaki left. He recalled preparing Sukiyaki and other Japanese type of food and that men from the other companies came over to Service Company to eat.

The September outing at Mokuleia was another success. Chef Sam Yamada mentioned that there was plenty of food for everyone. Mostly the same members from the previous year were in attendance. Masaji Kurozumi, Sam and Frances Yamada, Tom and Chic Tanaka, Ralph and Grace Chinaka, Toshio and Clara Nakanishi, Takao Ito and his clan. The Ito Clan sponsored the bingo games with generous prizes provided by Mike and Cathy Mochizuki. Mike Mochizuki is with J.C. Penny. Already reservation is being made for another outing in 1991.

Fifteen members and wives had the pleasure of having dinner with Phillip and Mary Ichino. Phil and Mary had a one night stopover before joining Jim Miyake's tour to Southeast Asia. Also on that tour are Masami and Margaret Tanabe of Service and Chilli and Irene Sasaki of AT. At the dinner were Masaji Kurozumi, Sam and Frances Yamada, James and Martha Miyake, Ralph and Grace Chinaka, Tom and Chic Tanaka, Noboru and Masako Tanoue, AJ and Jean Oka, Mike Inouye and Bob Otani.

Since most of the Chapters are planning a mini reunions in 1991, President Masaji Kurozumi has suggested a Service Chapter mini Reunion. Site suggested was Las Vegas and if we can have at least a busload of participants, a post reunion tour of

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By Herbert Isonaga

Must commence this report with apologies to Moriso Teraoka, Mike Sugai and Jimmy Sakamoto who faithfully reported for a July meeting at the clubhouse. They failed to read the schedule for the year that announced that the July meeting date was left open to entertain visitors after the Kona Reunion. The dinner for the visitors preempted the regular meeting.

Through the generosity of Bill Thompson, who refused to be reimbursed for the considerable expense he incurred for the Kona Reunion and cash donations made by our mainland visitors, the club ended up with a sizeable surplus. It was decided at the August meeting that the surplus will be held in reserve for the 442 Reunion in 1993.

A dinner meeting was held at the Clubhouse in September. Tokuo and Stella Kaneshige were in charge of the catered dinner that included table linen. Their son, Melvin, has an interest in the catering firm and so we were treated to a class dinner at nominal cost. The pupu platter alone was worth the price of admission. We hope we can impose on their connections again.

Present were the Hayamas, Ishidas, Okemuras, Sakamotos, Ken Saruwataris, Teraokas, Sugais, Tomasas, Watanabes, Tanigawas, Kaneshiges, Isonagas, Thompson, Lippy Higuchi, Mrs. Hiro Higuchi and Mrs. Frances Sato. Through popular demand from those who did not go to Kona, Bill Thompson did a repeat of the slide show he presented at Teshima.

We missed the other half of the inseparable duo of Higuchi and Sugi. Learned that Sugi had a back operation and was coming along fine, then things turned bad and is out of commission.

Heard from our adopted Hawaiian, Salty Mizuta, shortly after the Kona Reunion. He said he won three consecutive golf tournaments. I must remind him that he has to thank Larry Hashimoto for the coaching he got from him in Kona.

Bill Thompson, Takashi Okemura and the writer were treated to a fancy lunch at the Otani Hotel, in early October, by Toshi and Ruth Narimatsu. They were passing through after a successful trip to Vegas. Ruth said she made all the money and Toshi wasted part of her winnings.

On their way home they visited with Kenny and Mary Masamitsu in Frisco and also Jimmy and Margarette Murakami (Pete Masuoka's sister) and Pete's three brothers. (Two of Pete's brothers

were career officers in the Army.) Toshi and Ruth were taken to the Presidio by Pete's brother and, at the memorial building, they saw a plaque for Pete which cited his heroism and award of the Silver Star.

At our October Chapter meeting, Larry Ishida and Jimmy Sakamoto were conspicuously absent. Later learned that Jimmy and Mitsue were on a trip to California to visit their son. Heartening to have Jimmy make good progress regaining his health. Larry was on Kauai for his 50th Class Reunion. He said that the response was great and met many old friends. It sounded rather alarming to me when he noted that 26% of his classmates are gone.

We lost Dan Saito who was in the wire section of the communication platoon, in October. Since we were not in touch with him for little over a year, no one was aware of his health. Our deepest condolences go to his family.

Rusty Honda, who made a rare appearance at the dinner for our reunion visitors, has been lame with a broken heel. He said he was doing some repair on his roof and on his way down he missed a step on the ladder and fell on his heel. He is now moving around with a cane. The moral of this incident is that us old guys should not get up on the roof and should stay away from using an unattended ladder.

Saw Masa Sato recently at the new West Loch golf course. He said he was undergoing chemotherapy for stomach cancer. In spite of the ordeal he is coming along great, suffering little side effects from the treatment.

The subject of the new golf course prompts me to note that at the November chapter meeting, a match was instigated for Nishimura, Tomasa, Ishida and Isonaga at the new site. Hoping that we are successful in getting a starting time for the day following Thanksgiving.

Well, the holiday season is here and Hq2 will be having our annual Christmas gathering at the clubhouse. The fare will consist of catered Chinese food and a mixture of various homemade items. The program will be carols lead by Francis Sato with accompaniment from the venerable duo of Ishida and Tomasa. Bill Thompson said that he will come up with a surprise.

Being that time of the year when the spirit of giving prevails, Salty and Yuki Mizuta again sent their annual donation to our Christmas party. In addition, they included a check for \$1,000.00

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INTERMENT & REPARATION

Address by Ernest Uno (3 Hq) on occasion of the presentation of the first reparation checks to elderly recipients in the House Chambers of the Hawaii State Capitol, October 15, 1990.

Governor Waihee, Mr. Turner, Mr. Bratt, Mr. Kaneko, Dr. Odo and Honored Guests. I want to thank the Honolulu Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Office of Redress Administration for the invitation and privilege to speak this morning. This is an historic occasion when, at long last, our nation expresses its apology to those of us who were unjustly removed from our homes and forced to live like animals in horse stalls and tar-papered shacks behind barbed-wires as internees. The victims of bigotry and race hatred. It is gratifying that the long-awaited reparations checks are now being disbursed, beginning with these elderly survivors whom you are honoring today.

This apology and the accompanying twenty-thousand dollars is finally, the beginning of the end, of a struggle that began some eighteen years ago under the initiative of the late civil rights activist, Edison Uno, whose call for official redress was like a voice crying in the wilderness until such groups as the National Council for Redress and Reparations and the Japanese American Citizens League saw fit to pursue the issues. Unfortunately, Edison died long before it became a serious concern of Congress and the Oval Office. Today's event should lighten the hearts of us all, but for me it is far from being a time for rejoicing. As a teenager in Los Angeles, I was branded an enemy alien by the faculty of the High School where I was attending, and was forced to drop out in my senior year. Since my father had been picked up earlier by the FBI and interned, my mother, like so many other Issei women whose husbands were caught in the FBI dragnet, had to endure the difficult task of packing and storing our household goods in preparation for moving the family from our home to the Santa Anita Assembly Center with only the clothing, bedding and personal items we could carry. From a desolate camp in the barren prairielands of eastern Colorado to where we were later moved, and which was to be our home for the duration, I volunteered to enlist in the U.S. Army in response to a call to all of us citizens of Japanese ancestry to prove our loyalty as Americans; however, I, along with all the other young, eligible Japanese American males living behind barbed-wires, was subjected to one more indignity, that of having to forswear my loyalty to

the Emperor of Japan as well as affirm my willingness to defend my country by responding to a loyalty questionnaire.

As an infantryman, and a Kotonk, I might add, I was privileged to go into combat in Italy and France alongside my buddies from Hawaii, a member of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. All the time I was in the Army and in combat overseas fighting for democracy and freedom, my parents were incarcerated in an internment camp. No amount of government apology can erase the memory of my homecoming from the war. I met my parents standing behind a barbed-wire fence at the Crystal City Internment Camp in Texas, and for the first time as an adult, I broke my stoic resolve and sobbed shamelessly, for here I was a combat veteran home from the war, and was prevented from sitting at a table with my family for a home-cooked meal, and only allowed to visit with them for an hour under the surveillance of an armed guard. At war's end, I had no home to come home to. Another member of the Uno family, my late sister, Hana Shepard, in October of 1987 joined a group from Los Angeles to go to Washington to button-hole every Congressman and Congresswoman up on Capitol Hill to urge their support of Senate Bill 442 and its companion House Bill. She, too, did not live to see the passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988. Of the estimated 120 thousand persons who were affected by Executive Order 9066, which banned us from our homes. A scant 60 thousand are alive today and are eligible to receive the apology and the 20 thousand dollars payment. I, for one, do not consider it a windfall or a jackpot prize.

Although this belated apology and payment recalls bittersweet memories, it is an expression of a repentant nation which vows that no minorities would ever again be subject to the denial of their civil liberties; therefore, it is on behalf of these honorees here, and those several hundred others here in Hawaii, that I wish to express our gratitude and appreciation to former President Reagan and President Bush, and the Members of Congress, especially the Late Senator Spark Matsunaga, for bringing to reality what was once but a dream of a Nisei Civil Rights Activist, my brother Edison Uno. It is in his memory that I humbly accept this recognition for what little I might have done to bring to fruition the labors of many. Thank You.

Honolulu, Hawaii
October 15, 1990

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Mele Kalikimaka and Makahiki Hou

It's that time of year again, time to close out another year, ring in a new, reflect on events of the past year and most important count our blessings as we wish each other Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. 1990 wasn't without significant losses close to home. Richard 'Rick' Ogata, a long-time active Chapter member and officer of the Mother Club left us in June. Tadao 'Tad' Nagasawa, another long-time Chapter member, also left us earlier in April. As members also entered their seventies, many other ailments took their toll. 1990 still had much good and there were those in B Chapter who contributed much to our well-being and enjoyment, at the Reunions and other Chapter activities, and they should be remembered. We can't name them all but at the least the 1990 Chapter Officers of Don Shimazu, President, Walter Inouye, Vice President, Masami 'Biggie' Nakakura, Secretary and Hiromi Fujiwara, Treasurer should be recognized and thanked for their efforts and jobs well-done.

Plans Ahead

There's nothing of significance, Chapter-wise, in the months ahead and there's been a lull the past few months since the Reunions so this should be a short one, mainly to wish you all good health and good fortune in 1991. At this writing, we don't know who will lead the Chapter in 1991, see below, but there will be Chapter meetings every fourth Friday of the month and a number of get-togethers during the year with the ladies. For golfers and those wishing to join the Chapter golf club, monthly tournaments are held every third Monday of the month, generally at the Honolulu Country Club (HCC).

Chapter Activities and Meetings

Our 1990 Christmas party on December 14th will be over when this bulletin reaches you and if you didn't make it to Victoria Inn that night, we'll let you know in the next bulletin who won the cash door prizes of \$100 first, and \$50.00 second. There'll be the usual bingo prizes too. Nomination for officers, committee chairman, Rocky Tanna, submitted a slate of candidates for 1991 and all, except for the Chapter President, were elected at the November meeting with Jerry Ishimoto, VP, Hideo Nakamine, Sec, and Mike Hara, Treas. Election for the President will be held at the Christmas party. Attendees at the November meeting were Don Shimazu, Walter Inouye, Biggie Nakakura, Hiromi Fujiwara, Rocky Tanna, Harold Ueoka, Fred Hirayama, Neil Nagareda, Jerry Ishimoto, Hideo Nakamine, Roy Okubo, Mitsuru Kunihiro, Ted Tsukiyama and Stanley Kaneshiro.

Ted Tsukiyama presented and reported on new information he acquired recently while in Washington D.C. on the wartime actions of the 522nd in the Dachau area, to shed more light on the liberation of the Dachau prisoners by the 522nd. Don Shimazu gave a status report on the 442nd sons and daughters project and requested all members to submit their listings of sons and daughters names to Fred Hirayama. Don also informed attendees that Dorothy Matsuo (UH) was looking for 522nd interviewers for her book and/or articles and asked those interested to all the Clubhouse, to contact her. 1991 Mother Club officers elected were reported as Harold Fukunaga, Pres, Ronald Oba, 1st VP, Henry Kuniyuki, 2nd VP, Paul Takiguchi, 3rd VP, and Ernest Uno, Treas. Mother Club donations to the Hawaii Okinawa Center was reported at \$5,000 and earlier to the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii, \$100,000.

Chapter Golf (by Rocky Tanna)

Sept 17th, HCC. - This was a bad weather day with lots of rain and mud. After the tenth hole, the rains subsided and our clothes and equipment dried out somewhat. Overall winners this day were Don Yamagi and Rocky Tanna, tied at net 69. The front nine was another tie with 'Boyan/Higgins' Higa and Flint Yonashiro with nets 34. The back nine was yet another tie with Joe Obayashi and Don Yamagi. Higgins also took a record three of the par four par 3's and left only the 13th, for Don Yamagi. This was the first time any of the golfers collected on three of the four holes and Boyan or Higgins has our congratulations. We'll now have a long, long wait before anyone beats this record with four of four. Second round match play winners were, in the winners bracket, Flint over George, Walter over Biggie, Don over Larry and Teiji over Milton. In the losers bracket they were Joe over Mits, Stanley over Kon Kon, Ken over Akabo and Rocky over Koyu.

Oct 15th, HCC. - A large turnout of 21 golfers teed-off this day with the Club hosting a luncheon at the Inn of Sixth Happiness after the golf game. Overall winner for the day was Kon Kon Shiroma with a net 67. Kon Kon who hasn't won the top prize for along time, although he has taken most of us to the cleaners every month, donated part of his winnings to the Club. Joe Obayashi took the front nine with a net 31 and Kats Miho and Higgins Higa tied for the back. Par three winners were Stanley (2), Tom Maeda (1) and Higgins and Roy tying for the last one. Tom, a former 522 Able Battery member, is a new member of the golf club. Match play winners in the winners bracket were Flint over Walter and Don over Teiji. In the losers bracket, Joe over Stanley and Ken over Rocky. For the match play championships, it

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will be Flint vs Don and Joe vs Ken. There will be no turkey shoot this year and the next big tournament will be the Christmas tournament.

Nov 19th, HOC. - After a week of unusually stormy weather and with the storm still in the area, 16 diehard golfers checked in for this one. After checking the flooded golf course and the weather above, two not so brave golfers, Kats Miho and Teiji Uehara, departed for better places to spend the day. Overall winner was Higgins Higa, don't know if he prefers to be called Boyan or Higgins, with a comparatively high winning net of 70. George Muramaru took the front nine and Larry Nakahara, the back. Larry also took two of the par 3's, Don Yagami took one and no one hit the green on the 17th. Match play overall winner and champ was Don Yagami as he bested Flint Yonashiro 3 and 1. Joe Obayashi clobbered Ken Kawate for the losers bracket 6 and 5. Don't know what Joe has been taking the past few weeks but he's on a roll. Ken however must have been bothered by the weather, not a stormy weather player.

Bits and Pieces

Biggie Nakakura, absent from our October Chapter meeting, surprised all at the November meeting with a surgical scar nearly the length of his front side. No one had knowledge he had spent a few days in the hospital. This was a shocking sight especially to this reporter since we had quite a lengthy discussion with him after the October golf tournament on what kept him so vibrant and healthy. According to Biggie, it was literally by accident that the doctors found out he needed surgery, the result of an examination conducted after an auto accident that revealed no accident injury. Rocky Tanna received information that Hiroyoshi Imoto, our Lindsey olive buddy, had by-pass operation in October and is recovering nicely. Apologies to Thelma Chang, writer and author, working on 442nd/100th exploits, she's genuine local and not West Coast or West Coast educated as reported earlier. The NJAHS bulletin had an interesting article on Alaska and Juiro Wada. He was an issei who was bestowed an honorary citizenship by the Governor of the Territory of Alaska for his daring rescue of an ice-bound ship by journeying alone over miles and miles of ice to Nome for help. He was also a prominent name before the turn of the century in the Klondike and Fairbanks gold strikes. But most interesting was the information that Juiro Wada established the now famous Iditarod Trail, the 1,050 mile dog team race held each winter. Members interested in attending the 36th Division San Antonio Chapter Reunion in 1991, and possibly visiting Camp Shelby on the same trip, call Hideo Nakamine at 488-2729.

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By Charles Watanabe

As I sit and contemplate what I have in my notes to write about, I realize that the year 1990 will be 1991 soon. "Yes," it will be another year of added aches and pains, that much older we will be. I feel the same, strong as ever in my mind only. But, let us not kid ourselves we are not camp Shelby boys anymore.

The meeting for the month of November was held at the clubhouse, which was the last for the year 1990. No meeting for the month of December. Forgot that the wives were invited to help plan the Christmas party to be held on December 9th at Keehi Lagoon Pavilion.

Not much in the way of meeting report, just sitting and enjoying each others company and exchanging notes.

Erni Uno received some Ka-Ki's - persimmons from Roy Uyeda which he passed around to the members. "Thanks" very much to Roy, appreciate it. Thinking about Roy Uyeda, still remember his asking about the paradise of Hawaii, the tropical fruits and palm trees, sorry he had only the lava in Kona.

That's about it on the serious side, now into some da kine notes.

Sam Sasai will be the president for the year 1991. With many new ventures and things coming up in the new year, Hq 3rd, with Erni and Sam at the helm, are in very good hands.

The Nakamuras, Kuwatas, Gotos again went on an extended tour, this time the "Mediterranean Cruise." They travel like there is no tomorrow or every place is a stone throw away. "Where to next?" May be an African Safari, Australia, Yes! That's a good idea, Asia too with Sam Sasai.

Remember me mentioning the Kuniyuki's went on a sentimental journey to Europe? Well, I finally got around to it and Edna sent me home notes of their trip. Here it is in it's entirety:

Don't know whether you can use it or not, but here is our highlight on our England-European trip. Departed Honolulu April 15, 1990. Spent 12 days visiting London and Scotland, then headed for Europe. First went to Paris just for a visit, then on to Geneva, Switzerland via train to look up the International Red Cross Headquarters to get Bob's official POW record. Here on, the main purpose of this trip was to

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By Yori Inouye

WORLD CITIZEN - JEAN BIANCHETTI (By John Tsukano)

In 1980, Jean Bianchetti, a visitor from France, boarded the city bus without being aware that he should have the proper change (25c) for the fare box. The bus driver was trying to explain this to Bianchetti in English. Bianchetti, who did not understand English, answered in French which the bus driver in turn did not understand. The conversation went back and forth getting nowhere and the passengers were beginning to get annoyed.

Mrs. Yvonne Horma, French wife of a 442nd veteran Lizo Horma, happened to be on the same bus. She stepped forward, explained the situation to a perplexed Bianchetti in perfect French, and even "loaned" the required 25 cent coin to Bianchetti so that the bus could go on its way again.

A very grateful Bianchetti profusely thanked Mrs. Horma and in the conversation which ensued, Bianchetti found out that Mrs. Horma had come to Hawaii after the war as a war bride from the same region in France where Bianchetti was born.

Bianchetti was further "shocked" to hear that Mrs. Horma and her husband were very good friends of Maguerite Vilmard, Bianchetti's boyhood teacher in France.

Mrs. Vilmard was, and still remains to this day, one of the staunchest admirers of "mine 442 boys." She has been to Hawaii four times, each time renewing her great love and respect for her boys. She hasn't missed a single 442 gathering in Bruyeres. Well, she may have missed a few, only because she was unaware of the boys' presence in Bruyeres. Her home near Bruyeres is open house for her "442 family" anytime.

Mrs. Vilmard's love for the "442 boys" boards on the spiritual plane. She is the quintessential French woman re-incarnated from the pages of Victor Hugo's Les Miserable and Charles Dickens' A Tale of Two Cities.

Thus began the storybook enduring friendship of the Horma's and the Bianchetti's halfway around the world. This story really deserves a book. It would require the talents of a Victor Hugo and Charles Dickens to write it -- to bring out in all its splendor and glory the tremendous implications and possibilities this story contains for the past, the present and the future.

This and much more, a genuine down to earth miracle included, all came to pass because Bianchetti did not have a 25 cent coin in his pocket when he boarded the city bus in Waikiki one fine day in 1980.

Today, Bianchetti claims that he will never repay the 25 cent "debt" to Mrs. Horma. He wants to feel indebted to the Horma's forever.

REUNION WITH BIANCHETTI'S

Our good friends Jean and Renee Bianchetti were unable to be with us at the Kona Reunion, but they managed to break away from their business in Vagney, France to visit us here in July. An informal reunion was held at the clubhouse on July 22nd with plenty of refreshments, kau kau, entertainment, and a rekindling of warm friendship and aloha with Jean and Renee. We also had as guests, Lizo and Yvonne Horma (Antitank Co.) who very graciously hosted the Bianchetti's during their visit. We were fortunate to have Bob and Helen Iwamoto (Hq Co) as guests also. With his proficiency in French, Bob helped immeasurably with all the necessary interpreting and translating so that we didn't all have to use our hands or stand on our heads to communicate. Thanks, Bob! Barney Hajiro had the honor of receiving the beautiful cup trophy presented by Jean Bianchetti. This gold and marble trophy was designed by Jean himself with the inscription "A" (for Ami) and the Japanese character "Tomo," both signifying friendship. The Bianchetti's were greatly touched with the reception organized for them and Jean expressed deep gratitude to his friends of Co. M, as he feels he owes his life to them. John Tsukano highlighted the evening with an interesting account of events which brought about this bond of friendship between the Bianchetti's and Mike Chapter and 442 members.

HATS OFF TO BARNEY!

A surprise party was held on the 28th of October at the Golden Inn to honor Barney Hajiro for finally making his way into the "Gallery of Heroes." Last issue of the Bulletin covered the citation for Distinguished Service Cross Barney received for extraordinary heroism. Barney was surprised alright -- he was heartily feasting on the kau yuk and other good stuff until Tadao Beppu lowered the boom on him. Barney's not the type of guy to toot his own horn so Tadao, Tommy Kikuchi, Ralph Tomei and Frank Nomura all rose and gave flowing testimony to Barney's character and many attributes. Among the many honors Barney received, and one which is little known to us, is the King George Medal (a British Military Medal awarded for combat only). Because Barney couldn't accept this medal in Washington, D.C., it was transported to Hawaii via Canadian ship and presented to Barney in 1948 at a formal ceremony and reception aboard ship. And there to witness all the fanfare were his wife, Esther and their son who was then only a year and a half. Some of us never knew that at some point

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Barney was assigned to I Co. or why. He related to us that he saw an Italian civilian guy beat up one of his GI buddies (with either 442nd or 100th, he wasn't sure). Since they were in enemy country he was compelled to help this buddy, so he beat up the Italian who landed in the hospital. He was immediately arrested and faced court-martial. A week later, as part of his punishment, his commander assigned him to Rifle Co. where he would be subjected to more danger. All that for trying to be a good guy.

The U.S. Army Museum has included Barney as one of 22 Distinguished Service Cross recipients in Hawaii. You'll find the medal below his photo taken during his Army days (ooh, so young and handsome!). If you have some time, you might enjoy a visit there at Ft. DeRussy. The Museum is housed in Bldg 32, known as Battery Randolph, at the corner of Kalia and Saratoga, open Tuesday thru Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission is free, so is the parking which is plentiful on weekdays.

BITS 'N PIECES

Edith Furuya recently had her other hip replacement surgery. She reports that Momo has pampered her like a good nursemaid so recovery is less painful.

We have missed seeing Mary Sakamoto who experienced heart problems recently and underwent angioplasty. Tom says she's on her way to good recovery.

Paul and Yuki Takiguchi were seen hard at work one August Sunday helping with LIKM Chapter's annual project providing entertainment and sukiyaki dinner to patients at Kuakini's Hale Puhala Mau. Paul is presently LIKM Chapter president; he and Yuki are a very dedicated team.

Yoshio and Elsie Teruya were the proud parents of a beautiful bride on the 22nd of September when their daughter Iris exchanged marriage vows with Carleton Tokioka. Congratulations!

The past few months were good times for many of our big travelers. David and Janet Umeda enjoyed a tour of the East Coast and Canada, and a visit with their daughter Audrey in San Francisco on the way back. Dick and Gladys Uyemura took in another of their many trips to Japan, and by now they're more familiar with the sights in Japan than their tour guides. Frank and Nancy Nomura followed the UH Rainbows to watch them lose to San Diego, but they're not ready to give up on

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LIVORNO CHAPTER NEWS

By Henry S. Kuniyuki

The Livorno Chapter members extend to all the following message: "May Peace and Happiness be with you throughout 1991, and enrich your life to show all mankind the way to greater understanding!"

The Livorno Chapter, which has met at the Wailana Coffee House for its monthly dinner meeting since the early 1950s, has decided to change its dinner meeting location to the Like-like Drive Inn, located on Keeaumoku Street. Effective the February meeting the Chapter will enjoy fellowship thereat on successive Tuesday evenings to be announced. Chapter Secretary Takamori Miyagi used his good influence with a relative working thereat to make the meeting arrangements. The Livorno Chapter officers are: President, Henry S. Kuniyuki; Vice President, Paul M. Takaezu; Secretary, Takamori Miyagi; and Treasurer, Raymond Tanaka.

During the heat of the political campaign last year the Livorno Chapter members, at their monthly meetings with a quorum present, went on record that "charity begins at home" and that the U.S. Congress should eliminate foreign aid to reduce the National budget. In addition to political discussions the Chapter members were concerned as to the future of the 442nd Veterans Club, knowing well that members are "over the hill!" Although the Club's Long-Range Planning Committee has been discussing this issue the Livorno Chapter members are concerned that we don't have the luxury of a "long-range planning."

At the request of the Chapter Reporter a survey of the number of Chapter offsprings and grandchildren was taken by Secretary Takamori. The interesting results are as follows: Twenty Chapter members had a total of 55 offsprings (29 sons & 26 daughters); grandchildren totalled 59 (32 grandsons & 27 granddaughters); and three great-great granddaughters from the Nakandakare household.

Chapter members have been very busy the latter part of 1990 at their favorite pastime -- Travelling. Morio Omori and Minoru Nagasako were on their respective business trips to the Orient and received truly royal treatment from their hosts. In fact Morio and Rachel were met at the Narita International Airport by a chauffeur-driven limousine to their Imperial Hotel. This service was topped with complimentary accommodations at the Imperial. Minoru enjoyed doing business more at Seoul rather than Taipei.

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Raymond and Mimi experienced a trip to Wakkanai, the northernmost tip of Hokkaido. As you may recall this was the area the debris of the Korean Airline, shot down by the Russian, were found. Both Ray and Mimi also received grand treatment by their hospitable Japan host. Haruto and Yuriko also scheduled a two-week trip to Nippon. Morio's granddaughter, Jennifer thoroughly enjoyed her trip to Japan, Hong Kong, Macao and Korea with her Kumi Hula Group. Morio recommended to the Chapter members not to speak Japanese while being processed by the Japan Custom agents for faster service.

The Chapter Reporter has been designated Senior Warden (Chairman of the Board) of the Church of the Holy Nativity for 1991. With the permission of the Church's weekly bulletin Editor, the following article is published at the risk of being presumptuous: "HENRY KUNIYUKI, a fine, gentle man with a ready smile and a kind word for everyone, really needs no introduction as our Senior Warden for 1991. He and his wife, EMI, have been members of Holy Nativity for 40 years. They purchased their present home on East Hind Drive in 1940 when "upper Aina Haina was just a cow pasture." In 1951 the Kuniyukis transferred their membership from St. Andrew's Cathedral to the new Episcopal mission in the valley where their three sons were baptized, attended Sunday School and served as acolytes. During these four decades EMI and Henry have been devout, giving members of our congregation.

Giving of himself has always been an integral part of Henry's life. He was born on Oahu and grew up in Honolulu. Along with many other patriotic American men of Japanese ancestry living in Hawaii during World War II, Henry served with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team as a First Sergeant, Medical Detachment. After 32 years of active and reserve duty he retired as a Lt. Colonel, U.S. Army.

Through the years Henry has been a dedicated advocate for veterans. He is currently a Director and 2nd Vice President of the 442nd Veterans Club and is also President of the Livorno Chapter. In November, 1981, Henry retired as Hawaii State Director, Veterans Employment and Training Service, U.S. Department of Labor, following 22 years of service. In this capacity he received a citation as a candidate for the "Outstanding Federal Manager" award by the Honolulu Pacific Federal Executive Board. His service to Veterans of Foreign Wars has included 22 years as Hawaii State Adjutant, 19 years as State Convention Chairman and membership on national committees. In 1987 he received the Distinguished Service Medal from VFW

National Headquarters. Additional honors have included: AMVETS National Commander's Award; the Disabled American Veterans National Commander's Award; the American Legion's Citation Award for Exemplary Service; and Honolulu VA Regional Manager's Commendation Award. Henry also served on the State Governor's Commission for the Handicapped, and as Executive Secretary for the Governor's Veterans Employment Advisory Council for ten years.

Our next Senior Warden has given untold hours to philanthropic organizations, among them: mental health (numerous offices in the Hawaii Mental Health Association and as secretary of the National Board of Directors of MHA) and the Salvation Army as Booth Memorial Home Board of Directors Chairman and Treasurer.

Supporting Henry all these years as he served his community, state and nation has been devoted EMI. EMI Takami was born on the Big Island at Honouliuli near Akaka Falls. Henry still occasionally refers to her as "My GI Bill of Rights" because they met shortly before his discharge from the Army in August, 1946. That same November these two became engaged and were married in January, 1947 at Parke Chapel, St. Andrew's Cathedral. Both Henry and EMI delight in their now-grown sons: Ken, senior partner in the local law firm of Kuniyuki & Chang; Andrew, a PhD research geneticist living in Pennsylvania; and Michael, an account executive with Foremost Dairies Hawaii; their three daughters-in-law and their four granddaughters.

The Kuniyukis love to travel. It's a good thing because during vacation days with the U.S. Department of Labor, Henry and EMI led numerous tours to the Orient, Europe, South America, Mainland United States and the South Pacific. When at home, Henry's major hobby is gardening. And he continues to be the extremely active president of Kuniyuki Brothers, Inc., a family corporation established in 1960. Of course, Holy Nativity has always been a major commitment. Henry has served a three-year term on the Vestry, headed the parish's highly successful Venture in Mission Campaign and chaired the Worship Committee.

Since his retirement Henry has had additional time to spend with his beloved family. The Kuniyuki home is truly an "ohana." EMI's 91-year old mother resides with them (a special joy was taking her to Japan in 1988 and 1990 for visits), as well as their youngest son, Mike, his wife, Joyce, and their two young daughters.

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By Henry Chagami

The obituary in the newspaper read: "Itsuo Nakamura, 67, of Honolulu, died Sept. 30, 1990. He was born in Kealahou, Kona, Hawaii and was a carpenter for F.A.A. and a member of Cannon Company, 442nd Infantry Regiment. Survived by wife, Yoshio Nakamura."

The newspaper on October 2, 1990 reported: "A body found floating Sunday morning in Ala Wai Boat Harbor was identified yesterday as that of Itsuo Nakamura, 67, of Kaheka Street, Pawa, the city Medical Examiner's Office reported. The body was found 6:50 a.m., Sunday. Nakamura had left home several hours earlier for his regular morning walk in the Ala Moana Park/boat harbor area, his family said. He had undergone coronary bypass surgery at one time and was under a doctor's supervision."

The Itsuo we knew was a quiet and friendly person. He did not say much but was always dependable. The last time we saw him was at the Princess Kaiulani Hotel in the post-reunion hospital room. He had dropped by one day with his wife, Yoshiko. He looked fine at that time.

Itsuo's funeral at Hosoi Garden Mortuary was well attended by the cannoners and wives. The master of ceremonies was Kaoru Watanabe and the eulogy was delivered by Charles Oda. The reception desk was manned by Curley Muraoka, Dykie Kunishige, Yukisada Oshiro, and Henry Chagami. Also present were Mable Watanabe, Barbara & Tom Okino, Dorothy & Tamotsu Takahashi, Charles Kubota, Mutt Kusatsu, Lincoln Maeda, John Mikasa, Frank Miyasato, Bolo Mizukami, Mamoru Morita, Takeshi Noji, Masami Ohara, Akira Okamoto, Kazutaka Saiki and Norman Sato.

By Kaoru Watanabe

The current officers, President, Curly Muraoka, V.P., George Tonaki, Secty/Treasurer, Kaoru Watanabe were elected in 1988 to serve in 1989 but were asked to serve thru the end of 1990. Newly elected officers will be in place in 1991: President, John Mikasa, V.P., Yukisada Oshiro and Secty/Treasurer, Lincoln Maeda.

On August 7, 1990, a dinner meeting at Flamingo Chuckwagon for members and spouses was hosted by the Chapter to thank everyone for their contributions in money, time and effort, not to mention all the fruits and kaukau that made the 1990 Hilo/Kona/Honolulu Reunions the success that they were. To all our Mainland Cannoners and guests who contributed equally as well in all

categories, we wished you could have been with us. We again acknowledge your kokua with sincere thanks!

In follow-up of our breakfast meeting of October 3, 1990 to discuss the 1991 Las Vegas Reunion, Kazu Saiki now reports that Creative Holidays has confirmed the following special deal available to Hawaii residents only:

A. Fare: \$439 + \$6 portage - total \$445
CONTINGENT upon at least 30 bookings.
Includes 3 nights at the 4 Queens Hotel in downtown Las Vegas and three coupons daily to help defray the cost of meals.
Includes stopover privilege in Los Angeles.

B. Itinerary: Leave Honolulu April 1, 1991 on American Airlines departing approximately 10 P.M., arrive Las Vegas via Los Angeles at approximately 10 A.M., April 2, 1991. Return April 5, 1991 with a 2-day stopover in Los Angeles where we can as a group, or individually, visit the Los Angeles area. The quoted fare does not include your expenses at L. A.

Our Mainland Cannoners who can join the Hawaii contingent at Las Vegas, please call or write to John Kashiki at: Phone (209) 646-2338 or P.O. Box 310, Parlier, CA 93648.

Curly Muraoka is recovering quite nicely from his heart surgery and keeps up his daily walks usually in the company of "Rawfish" Ohara.

Tokio and Rose Shimizu donated their 45-year old home to the Parent and Child Center of Hawaii to provide two Head Start Classrooms for 34 three year olds. The house was moved to Kuhio Park Terrace.

Our sincere thanks to the outgoing officers for their job very well done!

To all, a Merry Christmas and may 1991 bring you Peace, Good Health, Prosperity and Happiness.

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MEDICS CHAPTER NEWS

By Herbert Akamine

Masa Nomura sent us a most interesting letter. She wrote: "Yes, I did receive the magnificent amount of \$20,000 and a form letter from Bush, thanks to Dan Inouye's entitlement program. Not that I'm not thankful but the publicity around here was a bit too much. There's quite a bit of resentment among the non-Japanese citizenry particularly now in the throes of the budget crisis. I only wish Dick had still been around when Reagan signed the bill. Be that as it may, the money really doesn't mean that much to me and at this point (unless I change my mind) I'm distributing it among the 5 grandchildren this Christmas. What they do with it is out of my hands - at least I won't have to pay tax on the interest. They can."

"Both my children (the younger one having been born in Minidoka) will eventually get their share. It isn't that I'm so rich but Dick left me comfortable enough. I was talking to Hana the other day and she feels exactly the same way."

"I've been kept busy doing nothing if you know what I mean. I still volunteer at a senior center twice a week and sometimes the 'old' people get to me - they'll come to the knitting class at 9 a.m. when it doesn't start till 10 and stay past the quitting hour but when I stop to think, they're no older than myself and many of them don't have anyone. When we have our monthly luncheon meeting, they're two hours before. I'm glad they have our center to come to."

"In 'Swan Lake' did you happen to notice a sansei Gardena ballerina named Kim Sagami? She's a niece of a good friend and is with Bolshoi. Whenever she comes to town, we go to see 'Swan Lake'."

"A couple of weeks ago, I took in 'Phantom and thought it was great - as a matter of fact I enjoyed it more than 'Les Mis' tho' I'm in the minority on that score."

"The Chicago Bears are going strong this year. Hope they keep it up. So many of my friends are such avid fans that their social life hinges on the football schedule - I can understand why taping the games isn't the same when you already know the score."

"I attended a Japanese American Service Committee fund-raising event and one of the speakers was the new Japanese consul general, Takeshi Nakamura and he talked of his travels in Europe and said he went to a town called Bruyeres where for some reason he got a hero's welcome. The

townspeople thought he had been with the 442nd and took him to where they have a plaque (?) in honor of the Regiment and how proud he was. The keynote speaker was Adlai Stevenson, the son, who was a former senator and is now in private practice as partner of one of the most prestigious law firms here and is also president of the local Japan Society. In closing, he asked that we not fail to vote because he lost the gubernatorial election a few years ago by a fraction. Here I was going to sit it out because the rhetoric is getting to me but I guess I'll vote tomorrow."

"I just finished reading John Chancellor's 'Peril and Promise' which is a very readable commentary on America in only 163 pages. If you get a chance, read it."

We are grateful to Masa for this Samuel Pepysian insight into her life in Chicago. And so we hope she will continue to send us news for the Bulletin as Dick did so well in his time."

Masa sent us a copy of the letter Jimmie Kanaya sent to the Pacific Citizen. Kanaya had this to express:

"Now that draft dodgers, evaders, resisters and some of the wartime deserters have received their apology, citizenships reinstated and are back in good standing with our country, we can relax and lay to rest some of the differences that prevailed among the Nisei during those trying days after Pearl Harbor."

"However, I keep wondering to myself where we would be today if all of the 30,000 plus Nisei, many of whom volunteered from internment camps, refused en masse to fight for our country during that critical period. I think our situation would be quite different, especially in our relationship with the non-Japanese American society in the United States."

"I experienced the loss of freedom and liberty while behind barbed wire enclosures with guard towers at every corner of the camp as a POW, so I also know how it feels to be incarcerated with a clean police record."

At the Kona reunion we were able to gain more information from our mainland Medics. One of them was George Minata.

George Minata's Japan-born father left the can fields of Hawaii to seek his fortune on the mainland U.S. at age 16. He did quite well. During the war the Minata family owned one-half of a block in Bonners Ferry in northern Idaho.

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This property included a hotel and restaurant. Because of wartime hysteria, the Minata's had to sell the \$100,000 property for \$10,000 and move to Spokane. One reason for the anti-Japanese feeling was that the area became an artillery training center and the soldiers were being sent to the South Pacific combat zone.

Before WWII George studied at Jigoro Kano's Tokyo Kodokan, the Mecca of judo. The lion-strong Minata battled many tiger-fast Okinawans of the Imperial Guard and the Tokyo metropolitan police department who were disciples of fellow Ryukyuan Funakoshi, the founder of Japanese karate, and the insuperable Tokusanbo who caused an international incident when he broke the bones of a foreign adversary. George did well at Kodokan but ominous war clouds forced him to return to the U.S. and a would-be Sugara San-shiro's career was ended.

Minata was a full-back in 1941 and 1942 for the University of Idaho football team. He could play only home games because as a Japanese he was excluded from the West Coast during wartime. Idaho was a member of the Pac-8 then. He was also a leading member of the wrestling team.

After the war George enrolled at Washington State University. One of his former Idaho football friends, Jerry Williams had transferred there. Jerry became an All-American and NFL All-Pro later. Asked to join the WSU football team, George declined because he would have lost his VA disability compensation. He finished the undergrad course in 2½ years and the pharmacy course in 5 years at Washington State.

After graduation Minata worked at different drug stores for 8 years; then he opened his own pharmacy in 1958. He had two pharmacists working for him. He retired in 1982. He has invested in a 12-lot block on the outskirts of Spokane. George now spends much of the time playing golf with his wife, Aiko.

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On January 20, 1991, Henry Kuniyuki will become the Church of the Holy Nativity's 22nd Senior Warden. He follows a long line of devoted and committed Episcopalians who have answered their Rector's calls to "work with me in serving God and His people."

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By Mino Suzumoto

The days and months go speeding by and ready or not, time and circumstance "forces" me once again to bid you a "Mele Kalikimaka me ka Hauoli Makahiki Hou!" Or, if you wish "Donata mo Akemashite Omedeto Gozaimasu!"

First of all, a rehash of the 1990 post reunion; some errors/omission rectified. Be it duly noted that TAK SENZAKI (L.A.) did too contribute a more than generous sum to our coffers during our 3 day fun-fest held this past July, here, in Honolulu. My sincere and humblest apology to him.

Also, the Northern Cal (Bay Area) Itemites, as a group itself, bestowed upon us a hefty donation "that could choke a horse". But, in my haste to "beat the deadline" I had mistakenly credited that particular contribution to the San Jose bunch. This latter contingency, composed almost entirely of "Itemites at heart," FRANK SHIMADA being the only bonafide Co. I member, themselves, had donated a considerable sum, separately, as a group and as individuals. Matter of fact, Mr. SHIMADA himself had caught this discrepancy and had called it to my attention. And I thank him for it. As for KAZ MUTO and associates, "I'm sorry it happened that way and I assume full responsibility for the slip-shoddy reporting."

In the "better late than never" dept, here are the names of the "auxiliary" members who performed so magnificently in their assigned tasks, in relationship to the Co. I Hospitality Room, Pagoda Penthouse, much to the utter delight of chairperson GERTRUDE "Gay" SAKAMOTO: (Given in alphabetical order) ELSIE ARATANI; JANE FURUKAWA; MARION ISHIKAWA; BARBARA KAMEDA; VIOLET MATSUMOTO; PEGGY NAGANUMA; BELLA NAGATOSHI (sponsored by CHAMP); HELEN NAKAMURA; LIZ NISHIOKA; DIANNE OGATA (LIZ's sis); EVELYN OISHI; BETTY OKUMA; NIKI OSHIRO; SUMI OSHIRO; GAY SAKAMOTO; DOT SUZUMOTO; WINIFRED TAKEKAWA; ELLEN YAMADA; BETSY YAMAMOTO. All 19 names above, courtesy of the SAKAMOTOS.

Tying up loose ends; additional names of local donors recorded during related events: NOHEA PECK (Liquor...LIZ NISHIOKA's brother-in-law); RALPH ARASHIRO (cash); JOE OKUMOTO (liquor); BRUNO (beer and wine); MINO (beer and wine); MASA NAKAMURA (beer and soda)...Can I claim credit for my son, ARNOLD taking off from his job on 2 different occasions and transporting our mainland guests (Dr. FRANK SAKAMOTO & family; the TAK SENZAKIs and part of the NOBO IKUTAS)? Just kidding. Just my way of letting some of you out there know that you're not the only one not being openly recognized.

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TERUMI KATO seen in Las Vegas this past July and more recently, during the past Thanksgiving week. Can it possibly be that he never came home in between? Confidentially, there were quite a number of Itemites who took to the same route, recently. Or are planning to before the year's end. Names of the guilty ones: the MASA NAKAMURAs (Aug); BRUNO, CHAMP, TAD FUJISHIGE, TOMMY HARIMOTO (Sept.); BRUNO (Oct.); the NISHIOKAs (Nov.); the SUZUMOTOS (Nov.); the WATASES (Dec.); the C.B. SAKAMOTOS (Dec.); the ARATANIs (Dec.); the YAMADAs, the MASA NAKAMURAs, CHAMP & BELLA, the STAN YAMAMOTOS (annually during the New Years celebration).

The sudden demise of SIDNEY OSHIRO, who suffered a fatal heart attack in the midst of a Canadian tour still has a lot of Itemites and Itemites at heart, reeling. Originally a member of Co. D, 100th Infantry Battalion, he had lost both of his right extremities (an army and a leg) in World War II. Upon his return to Hawaii, he saw fit to adopt Co. I as sort of an outlet for his emotional and social needs. And as such has been a faithful dues paying member from early on. Perhaps TERUMI KATO and KAICHI IGAWA knew him best. He was always soft spoken. Always had a ready smile and a friendly nod for whom ever he met. (The late KIICHI KATO once confided in me that SIDNEY use to be his judo instructor, prior to the war). He was generous too, opening up his wallet time and again in order to make 3 digit donations to our treasury. Being a religious man, he was a strong believer in the Nichiren Shoshu movement. He frequently visited the pool at the "Y" on Atkinson Drive, to stay physically fit. Memorial service was held at Hosoi Garden Mortuary on Wednesday, October 17, 1990. Members of Co. I sincerely grieves in sadness. Our deepest condolence to YOSHIKO and the remaining next of kins. SIDNEY was 74. May his soul rest in peace for evermore.

U.S. Senator DAN K. INOUE who knew him well, sent a message of condolence. Also, when the OSHIRO family, through SIDs younger brother WALTER requested input from Co. I, it caught us in a delicate bind. Prexy TERRY ARATANI had a badly infected foot and he had been advised by his doctor to stay off of that foot. After a hurried conference with KENNETH OKUMA and with KENNETH OKUMA and with TERRY's approval, BRUNO and I decided to ask former Veterans Administration head BILL OSHIRO (no relation; Col. I member and a close friend of SIDNEY) to fill in. Subsequently, with 442nd Exec. Sectr'y ROBERT SASAKI intervening it came to pass. That BILL did an outstanding job, I need not tell you. Co. I owes him one ... Upon expressing our expression to WALTER afterwards, for keeping us

directly posted from day 1 of his brother's tragedy, his warm response was: "My brother just LOVED you guys!" (The emphasis is his. Not mine).

Family Court Judge TOGO NAKAGAWA has a new address and phone number: 1848 Kahakai Drive, #2202/zip 96814. Near the Ala Wai, I'm told. Phone: 955-3830. Timed it perfectly. Just when JIM YAMASHITA was passing out the already printed 1990 Co. I Directory during June-July, to the local members! Ha!

Speaking of JIM, here is the latest info on the 1991 Co. I Mini Reunion, Reno, NV: (Overlook the fact that the Co. I logo is upside down, the word "buffet" is misspelt. Please spare us these and other minor infractions, if there are any. Fill out the necessary forms and mail back to the La Habra address, at your earliest convenience. Hey, maybe he was checking to see if you're still alive and alert!)

If you have questions pertaining to the above, contact: TERRY; BOZO; CHAMP; C.B.; BRUNO or yours truly. Hopefully one of us could furnish you with the information you're seeking.

It's always been my contention that Item Chapter is comprised of some of the worlds most important people. I've said it at least twice before and I'll say it again: "We may not be the best, but, we're hard to beat!" The reason? Here are 53 of them! Our 1990 Itemites in good standing: (Aside of EDWIN NARUSE, who only rejoined us earlier this year after an absence of approximately 15 years, the majority of the others have been paying their dues from as far back as I can remember.) YASO ABE; RALPH ARASHIRO; TERRY ARATANI; HIRAM DOI; TAD FUJISHIGE; MASA FURUGEN; WALTER FURUKAWA; JOE HANZAWA; TOMMY HARIMOTO; MASA HIGA; LARRY ISHIKAWA; DONALD KAMEDA; (Mrs.) MICHIE KATO; KEN KAWAMOTO; RALPH KAWAWAKI; MASA KOBASHIGAWA; SMITTY KOGA; (Mrs.) HARUKO MANABE; HIDE MATSUMOTO; SHIG MATSUMOTO; BILL NAGANUMA; KIYO NAKAGAWA; TOGO NAKAGAWA; MASA NAKAMURA; BOZO NISHIOKA; FRED OISHI; JAMES OKIMOTO; KENNETH OKUMA; WALTER "Joe" OKUMOTO; MITS OSHIRO; RICHARD OSHIRO; the late SIDNEY OSHIRO; KAZUMA OYAMA; KIYOSHI SAKAMOTO; MOTOMI SHINDO; TOSHI SHINOZAWA; MAMO SHIROTA; FRANCIS SUGAI; TAKEO SUMA; ICHIRO SUZUKI; MINO SUZUMOTO; CLARENCE TABA; KAZU TAKEKAWA; FUTAO TERASHIMA; TOMMY UEDA; HAROLD WATASE; MITS YAKUMA; BRUNO YAMADA; (Mrs.) BETSY YAMAMOTO; STAN YAMAMOTO; ANDY SAKAE YAMASHIRO; DANNY YAMASHITA.

TAD FUJISHIGE, back to Kaiser Hospital for the 4th or 5th time this year, with a bad case of coughing spasm. The ULULANI CHANG

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INCOME & EXPENSE STATEMENT for the Period/Month Ended November 30, 1990

Cumulative 1/1-11/30/89	Cumulative 1/1-11/30/90	ACCOUNT TITLE	Month of Sep 1990	Month of Oct 1990	Month of Nov 1990
OPERATING EARNINGS:					
65,602.58	70,808.56	Interest on Loans.....	6,439.03	6,153.90	7,079.02
95,064.76	60,267.61	Income on Svgs Accts.....	8,027.28	4,289.10	7,804.43
32,994.98	49,420.95	Income on Securities.....	5,470.00	4,243.02	4,483.34
1.75	1.50	Fees and Charges.....		.25	
53.22	671.13	Other Earnings.....	508.14	64.51	21.62
193,717.29	181,169.75	TOTAL EARNINGS.....	20,444.45	14,750.78	19,388.41
OPERATING EXPENSES:					
883.75		Conference/Travel Costs.....			
623.82	619.30	Association Dues.....	227.00	(73.00)	35.00
2,750.00	2,750.00	Office Utilities.....	250.00	250.00	250.00
1,269.00	412.50	Postage/Communication Costs		287.50	
	124.85	Member Educ/Publicity.....			
1,065.01	375.56	Stationery & Supplies.....		112.00	
1,001.42	1,408.39	Subscriptions.....	307.00	99.00	51.00
2,977.66	6,473.27	EDP/Professional Services.....	1,905.89	1,560.00	1,110.76
	1,359.74	Depreciation-Equipment.....	360.00	279.74	
1,818.00	2,341.00	Surety Bond Premium.....	973.00		
	217.50	Loan Losses.....			
4,228.41	4,215.59	Borrowers Insurance.....	400.00	409.57	397.92
2,614.42	2,706.53	Life Savings Insurance.....	200.00	264.31	224.81
1,120.73	1,216.44	NCUA Supv/Exam Fees.....	405.00		
750.26	932.80	Annual Meeting Expenses.....			
3,867.12	3,486.42	Miscellaneous Expenses.....	300.00	300.00	300.00
5,351.81	6,379.22	Officers/Cmte/Dir Expenses....	1,337.80	641.08	102.62
30,321.41	35,019.11	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES...	6,665.69	4,130.20	2,472.11
163,395.88	146,150.64	NET OPERATING PROFITS.....	13,778.76	10,620.58	16,916.30
500.00	5.00	Non-Oper. Gains/(Losses)...			
(114,307.36)	(110,658.45)	Less Dividends Pd/Credited.	(11,272.82)	(10,000.00)	(10,000.00)
49,588.52	35,497.19	NET INCOME/(LOSS).....	2,505.94	620.58	6,916.30



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION as of November 30, 1990

Nov 1989	ASSETS	Sep 1990	Oct 1990	Nov 1990
486.32	Loans, Delinquent 2 - 6 Months.....	-	21,213.22	21,213.22
1,120.73	Loans, Delinquent 6 - 12 Months.....	2,033.72	-	-
-	Loans, Delinquent 12 Months or More..		2,033.72	2,033.72
1,607.05	Sub-total, Delinquent Loans.....	2,033.72	23,246.94	23,246.94
844,081.24	Loans, Current and Not Delinquent....	913,451.02	876,770.99	865,169.12
845,688.29	Total Loans Outstanding.....	915,484.74	900,017.93	888,416.06
	(Less Allowance for Loan Losses)...			
29,017.85	Cash in Bank.....	140,652.07	160,537.98	178,579.88
590,463.07	Investment Securities, at cost.....	737,563.09	737,400.12	737,224.33
814,556.07	Savings/Time Deposits in Banks/S&L..	668,576.63	672,896.29	609,988.77
4,397.00	Furniture & Equipment, net.....	3,077.00	3,077.00	3,077.00
56,505.00	Interest Receivable.....	46,588.00	48,780.00	54,051.00
7,921.00	Deferred Expenses.....	7,341.00	7,341.00	7,341.00
	Unapplied EDP Disb. Exceptions.....	2,969.00	2,969.00	
21,394.51	Other Assets.....	20,459.89	20,459.89	20,459.89
2,370,032.79	TOTAL ASSETS.....	2,542,711.42	2,553,479.21	2,499,137.93
LIABILITIES/EQUITY				
20,000.00	Dividends Accrued/Payable.....		10,000.00	20,000.00
	Unapplied EDP Credit Exceptions.....		514.00	
2,925.55	Accounts Payable.....	14,711.56	5,450.34	2,441.13
2,026,375.35	Members' Savings Shares.....	2,186,707.17	2,195,601.60	2,127,867.23
100,000.00	Regular Reserves.....	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
171,143.37	Undivided Earnings.....	213,332.38	213,332.38	213,332.38
49,588.52	Net Income/(Loss), Current.....	27,960.31	28,580.89	35,497.19
2,370,032.79	TOTAL LIABILITIES/EQUITY.....	2,542,711.42	2,553,479.21	2,499,137.93
STATISTICAL DATA				
Nov 1989		Sep 1990	Oct 1990	Nov 1990
1	No. Accts. Delinquent 3 - 6 Months..	-	2	2
1	No. Accts. Delinquent 6 - 12 Months..	1	-	-
-	No. Accts. Delinquent 12 Months + ...	-	1	1
157	No. Accts. Current, Not Delinquent...	157	153	147
509	No. Savings Accounts.....	502	503	500
510	No. Savings Potential Members.....	500	500	497
58	No. of Loans Made Year-to-Date.....	47	50	53
5,369	No. of Loans Made Since Organization.	5,422	5,425	5,428
590,573.	Amount Loaned Year-to-Date.....	391,577.	411,217.	457,429.
7,962,166.	Amount Loaned Since Organization....	8,385,778.	8,405,418.	8,451,630.
10,254.	Amount Charged Off Since Organization.	12,079.	12,079.	12,079.
3,811.	Amount Recovered on Charge-offs.....	3,811.	3,811.	3,811.

MEMBERS, YOUR KOKUA IS NEEDED AS SONS AND DAUGHTERS PLAN TO ORGANIZE

Since the first meeting of our sons and daughters held this past September, interest has grown these past several months and their enthusiasm encourages us to believe that an active Sons & Daughters Chapter will soon become a reality. Most of the 442 chapter representatives have already distributed copies of the form that was made up to gather information about our offsprings, and from the number of responses already received by our secretary we seem to be getting good coverage; however, there are a lot of veterans who don't attend their chapter meetings and may not have gotten the form; also, the families of deceased veterans may have been missed, therefore, a copy of the form is reprinted below for the use of anyone who has not gotten one, including inactive members, and also non-members of the Veterans Club who were in the 442. The census form may be reproduced to distribute to anyone who would like to fill one out. Please send this form in at your earliest opportunity. Mahalo.

Dear Veteran,

At a meeting held several weeks ago, the topic of forming a Sons & Daughters of the 442 was discussed. The result of the meeting was it is first necessary to determine if there is enough interest by the sons and daughters to start such a group.

Thus we need your help to compile a list of sons and daughters. Please fill your children's names, addresses, and phone numbers and return this sheet to your chapter leaders. Thanks for your time.

Veteran's Name _____ Chapter: _____

Child's Name: _____ Child's Name: _____
Address: _____ Address: _____
Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Child's Name: _____ Child's Name: _____
Address: _____ Address: _____
Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Child's Name: _____ Child's Name: _____
Address: _____ Address: _____
Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Return to: Secretary, 442 Veterans Club, 933 Wiliwili Street,
Honolulu, HI 96826 Phone: 949-7997



By Terry Ihara

Sorry to report that DANNY MICHIO YAMAUCHI passed away on Nov. 10. He is survived by wife CHIEKO and sons, Robert H., Raymond T. and Edward M. Our heartfelt condolences to CHIEKO and her family. For a time in the Army overseas Danny served in the 1st platoon as an ammunition bearer. He was also a cook so while fighting up the Italian countryside he would collect pots and pans from the unoccupied farm homes. He put them to good use one day during a lull in the battles and prepared rabbit sukiyaki or hekka dinner for the men of the first platoon. Danny was also an expert in the use of breadfruit as a food source. Following his discharge he spent many years with the U.S. civilian government in the Pacific Ocean Area serving in Australia, Guam, Saipan, Tokyo and Okinawa where he spent almost thirty years and retiring as foreman of Naha Military Port. Services were held on Nov. 18 and all of Easy Chapter and their spouses were in attendance.

Glad to know that SHIGEO "FLY" TAMASHIRO is recuperating well from heart surgery. He had five by-passes done on his circulatory system which should revitalize the old body. He still has one more problem to contend with and that is the aneurysm he has in his blood vein leading to the aorta.

HARRY TACHIBANA recently underwent surgery to relieve his prostate problems. He had the operation here in Honolulu and spent time recovering with his daughter. He is now fully recovered and home in Hilo.

GEORGE "KEOKI" OYAMA is doing well despite his bad leg. At the Yamauchi services he looked sharp and dapper in a brown suit. Also at the Yamauchi services were former platoon rifleman, KENBO NAGAMINE of Aiea and HIROSHI OKADA. It was especially comforting, satisfying and happy to see HIROSHI there. As for KENBO we want to see more of him at our Chapter meetings.

DAVID, the younger of the two boys of the MASAMI DOIs, recently got married in the Bay area to Rebecca Duncan and the elder DOIs threw a party to celebrate the union on November 25th at the Waikiki Aquarium. DAVID is a manufacture's representative with overall responsibilities for western U.S. including the American possessions in the Pacific Ocean area.

During WW II the men of the 442nd RCT, especially from Maui and EASY COMPANY, were particularly fortunate because there was a man among them who was much older than most of the volunteers and who served as their substitute father

and older brother. This man was TOSHI "POP" ANSAI of Wailuku, Maui. TOSHI was already a man of distinction, an elected AJA public official, which was a rarity in those days. He had been elected to the Maui County Board of Supervisors several years before the war started and was a man who because of his age really did not need to volunteer for the 442 RCT. In fact, the word is that he failed his first physical because of his bum knee but somehow he was able to overturn those results and became a member of the 442nd unit. To his credit TOSHI, despite his age, took the rigorous basic training like everyone else, some of whom almost half his age. Besides the rigorous training which he underwent he was always available to for fatherly counseling to anyone needing same. His presence in the Company certainly gave everyone a feeling that as long as he was there, there was no cause for concern. He was promoted to First Sergeant, the top Non Commissioned Officer of the Company, a few months before departure for the war zone. Unfortunately, his bum knee did not permit him to climb the hills of Italy so he was transferred to another duty station. In the organization of the unit it would have been a much better use of that man for the Army to have placed him in some administrative position in Regimental Headquarters rather in an infantry company.

Because he played such an important role in the lives of the men of EASY during training and overseas in Italy, EASY Honolulu has asked CHARLEY ARAKAKI of Maui if he could arrange a big party for "Pop" on Maui so we from Honolulu can all go to Maui to join them on Maui to pay our respects to a man we all love. The men of 442 are not getting any younger. CHARLEY responded that January 1991 would be fine for TOSHI and even suggested January 18 and 19 for the get-together. Charley has also suggested two days of golf. Response to this gathering has been tremendous with about thirty of EASY HONOLULU making the trip. As suggested by CHARLEY, tentatively, the program calls for dinner at the Hotel Friday evening; golf and sight-seeing Saturday; dinner at the residence of the honoree (ANSAL) Saturday night with the food being prepared by MAUI EASY; Brunch at the residence of CHARLEY ARAKAKI on Sunday; Return to Honolulu thereafter.

After having slaved for years to raise and educate a family some parents are not satisfied unless they are to serve the Lord or provide other services such as SHIGE YOSHITAKE is now doing as a volunteer tour guide in conjunction with a program with the Kapiolani Community

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College. More specifically, SHIGE takes groups of people on tours of the City of Honolulu. Shige also volunteers once a week at the Waikiki Aquarium caring for children that visit the facility.

Ever so often, for several years, GLENN NAKASONE brought boxes of culled egg plants, zucumbers and araimo, or dasheen for distribution at the Chapter meetings. After the meeting ended the members using plastic bags, provided by GLENN, helped themselves with the vegetables. As one who participated in the distribution, this writer wants to publicly, on behalf of the members of the Chapter, thank him for his thoughtfulness.

The 1991 Seattle Mini-Reunion is all set for August 7-11 and includes a one day excursion to Vancouver, B.C. There will be lots of free time for individual pursuits as well as group activities. There will be golf for the golfers as well as sightseeing trips for those interested and above all there will be lots and lots of food like you haven't seen anywhere else. The last phrase came out of the mouth of MACK SHOJI, the rascal who tried to pass himself off as a buddah head in the hospitals of England during the war. Ask him about that!!

Hi Travel Service, Inc. is now in the process of finalizing the itinerary for EASY HAWAII'S tour of Alaska following the Reunion. Because of airline restrictions that sometimes are difficult to understand the tour of Alaska may have to be limited to air travel directly to Fairbanks; a day of sightseeing around Fairbanks; taking a bus to DENALI PARK and exploring the sights and scenes at the Park and surrounding areas for two to three days; take the bus south to ANCHORAGE to include one day of salmon fishing and further sightseeing especially glaciers which abound in that area. There should also be time shopping for Alaskan souvenirs. It's quite possible with about 36 people with about 36 people traveling we may be able to charter a Bus for our tour of Alaska. These are special times and airlines as well as hotels are not able to act too decisively which makes it difficult to plan things too far ahead. In all, according to present plans, the tour will take about two weeks including air travel time. Rest assured these plans will be discussed at every possible moment we gather together.

As this report is being written the writer is mindful of the time of year we are about to pass

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By Masato Doi

IT WAS A MERRY CHRISTMAS PARTY--in November!

Your President, Kazuo, thinks that a report on our Xmas party Sunday night, November 25, is in order. So, under his direction, your Secretary issues the following account.

Christmas falls on the 25th, so we held our party on the 25th--except that it was a month early. But getting a little ahead of everyone else is nothing new to the Anti-Tankers. We all remember that on the first day of battle in Italy, our company charged the enemy on our trucks to back up our infantry...go for broke! ...banzai!...trouble was there was no infantry to back up because we were way ahead of them and all alone practically past the enemy lines ...you can bet we high-tailed it back to safety. But we didn't have to do any retreating this past November 25--just a lot of relaxing.

Gathered at the Waialae Country Club in the Diamond Head Lounge (used to be called the "Ladies Lounge" until anti-sex-discrimination became the rage) were the following Anti-Tankers (alphabetical order): Masato Doi and Sachi, Mieke Fujiki (we still remember Flash), Ko Hata and Janet, Halo Hirose and Kiyomi, Wallace Kagawa and Yori, Jack Kaguni and Margaret, Kazuo Kiyonaga, Jits Kunichika and his friend Julia, Richard Miyakawa and Kathy, Tsuneto Mizusawa and Thelma, Yuki Nakahira and Nora, Mary Sakai (we can't forget Eddie), Chilly Sasaki and Irene, Shiroku Yamamoto and Amy, and Lincoln Yoshimasu (we miss Ruth even yet).

Absent and sorely missed, either away on a trip or a bit under the weather, were: Jerry Ayabe and Alice, Sunshine Fukunaga and Sachi, Lizo Horra and Yvonne, Adolph Nakamura and Jean, Donald Nakamura and Sally, Masaharu Suzuki and Janet, Minoru Tateishi, Harry Tokashiki and Janet, and Kenneth Yokoyama and Helen. We must make it a point to get everyone of you at our next gathering.

After a leisurely cocktail hour during which everyone caught up on the latest happenings in each others lives, we enjoyed a wonderful buffet dinner. First time around, plates were piled high with greens, tomatoes, cucumbers, beets, kim-chee, pickles, onions, bean sprouts, and many other garden goodies. Those who could manage with their other hand helped themselves to delicious chicken noodle soup. On the second trip to the buffet table, the bountiful selections consisted of chicken and/or rack of lamb and/or prime ribs. And on our final journey to

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the main dining room, there was a fantastic array of pies, cakes, and other desserts--no one seemed to be on diet as we helped ourselves to not one, not two but even three different kinds desserts.

As usual, men sat with men and ladies with ladies during dinner time. A little sexist but that's the only way gossip can flow freely among the women, and men can relive the war years and golf and fishing tales without boring the ladies who heard it all three times over.

The business portion of the evening consisted of one brief but significant event: by popular and unanimous acclamation, Kazuo Kiyonaga was continued in office as President in light of the excellent job he did this past eventful Year of the Reunion. Asked to make a speech, he sought to relinquish his post but of course none of us allowed him to do so--shades of the draft. So--Hail to the Chief, Kazuo!

Our dinner notice carried the announcement that Sachi Fukunaga would have some mental twisters ready for us. Unfortunately, she and her husband were unable to attend the party. Sunshine underwent major surgery on Wednesday, November 14, at Kuakini Hospital. Fortunately, he was released the following week and is now resting comfortably at home. We all wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to our next meeting when Sachi and Sunshine will be with us again.

After dinner was over, Masato related two post World War II anecdotes--he had just heard them a few minutes earlier: (1) While stationed in California on his way back to Hawaii, Chilly went AWOL all the way to Chicago. He was arrested by the MPs and thrown in the jug. Lucky for him, the colonel in charge of the MPs was a former 34th Division (Red Bull) man. When the colonel found out that Chilly was from the 442nd, he immediately had Chilly released and even bought him a train ticket back to camp in California. (Chilly can thank the rest of us for having fought so hard in Europe and having built up such a good reputation with the 34th that the colonel remembered the regiment!) Irene says that she knew of Chilly's jailbird record before they married--but did she know why Chilly would go all the way back to Chicago??? (2) Wallace Kagawa transported a 57mm shell (gunpowder removed, hopefully) all the way to Boston on behalf of Shiroku--to give it to Shiroku's then girlfriend. Maybe the shell was a live one (gunpowder not removed) which scared the hell out of her--because the then-girlfriend because an ex-girlfriend (lucky for Amy)!

Surprise! Irene came up with some terrific after-dinner entertainment. Following in the footsteps of Sachi Fukunaga, Irene got us using our wits to the extreme in fun games. One game was one in which we had to guess Christmas song titles from drawings (example: a drawing containing the entire alphabet with the letter "L" missing = no L = Noel). The Chinese word game--in which about 20 "Chinese" words in the first column had to be matched with their appropriate associative words or meanings listed in scrambled order in the second column--was hilariously funny: example: LA FING MUN = comedian.) And if you matched all of them correctly, the Chinese would say: YUH SO SMUT.

There were prizes galore--for those winning the games and for those whose lucky numbers were pulled. Bachelor Kazuo got the top prize of the evening, which appropriately was: an electric slow cooker. Everyone went home with something--all the ladies got a tiny Christmas candy packet and the men each received a tiny jar of smelly Tiger balm (Richard Miyakawa said the balm was a perfect gift--for his wife! who works so hard tending the pikakes). All gifts and prizes were compliments of the Sasaki, the Kagunis and the Doi.

A fun time, a relaxing time, a pleasant time, a happy time, was had by all.

And FROM ALL TO ALL, whether at the party or not,

A MOST HAPPY YULETIDE SEASON
AND
THE BEST OF EVERYTHING IN THE COMING YEAR
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family, who he stays with, suspects "asbestos" picked up during his Hickam Air Station days. Keep your fingers crossed.

Incidentally, the BRUCE YAMASHITA (34) who's tackling the U.S. Marine Corps brasses on racial discrimination charges is a nephew of our own DANIEL YAMASHITA. I wondered where the youngster got his gumption. Now I know. Hoping I'll see him setting all those brasses reeling back on their heels!

So, one more time before I let you go: "MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY 1991!" See you at our Dec. 9th Christmas Party!

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By Hiichi Matsumoto

The 442 Ukelele/Hula Club and the 442 Uta No Kai, combined forces and took yuga miga yoh patronize suru Las Vegas by "storm." Yeah, the two groups' well rounded put-together show was held at "our" California Casino & Hotel's Ohana Room on the 2nd Floor. If you have a suspicious mind and think things are blown up, just ask anybody that went and performed. Most naturally, the unanimous answer going be, "We went wow'em and knock'em dead." The good part is, the only opinion that counts is that of our own. So, no matter what, you got to praise yourself. Like the good folks from the old country would say, "Jibun homon nara, homete kureru mon wa nai." Honna kots baid. "Eh you folks, no need to worry or make any kind iran shimpai, we (the entire "cast") are always on the best of behavior and will never bring any kind haji to the mother club. You can safely put your family zaisan on the "pass" line on that.

Leader of the Ukelele/Hula Group was that jolly and energetic Club President Yoshio "Chow" Shibuya (F). A buddahead with a Pake nickname? For the how come dakine name. Go have breakfast, lunch, dinner or even a snack demo with him just once and you'll know why he was branded with that moniker, "Chow." More better when get tabasco and shoyu to kakeru. His appetite is da kine that makes any chief cook (good or bad) grin from ear to ear and make 'em feel good. Why you think wife Clara looks so cheerful all the time. And da kine 1st Sergeant hibiku suru resounding kind voice he get, he just about carries the bass section of the choral group all by himself. If you no believe, try go sit next to him or better yet, sugu him no maeni. Strumming the uke which is another one of his forte (more like punishing da bugga), like the "Ukelele Ike," all Hawaii knows, we call him, "Shibuya-san."

Our other leader was our Music Director Ted Yanagihara, a retired music teacher from Farrington High School. He coming to give a hand, teach and instruct the choral group singing (mostly Hawaiian songs) is one of the best thing that happened to the club. Another "best" thing is the formation of the club. Ted, akamai, enthusiastic, and meticulous music master claims to be no miracle worker or pretend to be one by any means and make a singer out of you or any of da hetta kuso guys that no can carry a note, but make you a better one with some knowledge and better understanding of what you are doing or trying to do. His other "major" could be psychology. Another stand-out thing about him is, he get unlimited energy/ endless patience (hara taten) and not short but

long, very long on praise so get you going and get the most out of you and more than that. Sensei's oshiekata is so da kine that no can help but give you mean fight to go all out and geev-em and try pay him back anyway can. You know what we mean, eh. He no need ask but gets everybody's 100% undivided attention for the full hour - the length of the class. No, he didn't save a dying program, far from it, but revived a waning one. The club cannot thank him enough for his contributions. Dohmo mahalo.

Maybe this iran koto but hokan mon no hanashi kikunoni, some senior (delicate and sensitive) citizens elsewhere, even chotto demo you no scold'em but try to have them do things not the way they became accustomed to but the correct way, habutete sono mama quit on the spot. Komaru de. Going off the track lilibit but we have in the choral group, several men and ladies from Club 10C that joins us in harmonizing on Monday nights at the clubhouse.

Da Uta No Kai contingent was headed by its ever-hustling "Daitoryo" Kenneth Okuma (I). Best description of him could be, "Quiet but Effective!" They say "Music hath charm to soothe the native beast." In a way, music has the same kind of effect on him because especially Japanese music/songs nara he can listen to an uninterrupted, yo ga akeru made. He got the evening's show on the road with the customary opening aisatsu/welcoming speech and presented a goodwill plaque made of koa wood in behalf of the 442 Veterans Club to the hanchu of the Las Vegas group. As of this hisashiburi meeting of the two groups, it appeared on the surface that the Las Vegas group are yet to be properly organized.

The Ukelele/Hula Choral Group consisted of three parts. Sopranos (ladies), altos (ladies) and bass (men and ahem, Ellen Yamada), broke the ice and rendered two numbers, "Behold Laie" and "Ka Wailele O Nuuanu" and was beautifully done under the expertise direction of Maestro Yanagihara. Not to be outdone, Da Uta No Kai countered with two peppy numbers, "Goasan De Negai Mashite wa" and "Showa Tokijiro." No parts, free for all, everybody singing with gusto.

A Japanese odori "Kawachi Otoko Bushi" a lively number with bon odori kind beat, dancing around in a circle with everybody encouraged to join in, got the people in the "Go For Broke" mood. The leader in singing da enka song was Janet Matsumoto and Clara Shibuya (F) took the lead in da odori. No fool around, she can cut the rug and then some. Nothing wrong with da shosha either. Talent runs deep in the family. The steps of the Kawachi odori looks plain and simple but really on the tricky side so if you no

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pay attention and watch the leader closely and ochitsuite keep in step, aawe brah, you get all jam up. You going be the only one zigging when everybody else is zagging. How outstanding you going be looking, boy. A behind the scene important cog was Ralph Tomei (M), he was the one man band operating the karaoke machine. You can look far and wide and beyond but no can find a nicer man with a more pleasing personality and harder worker than him but he get one "glaring fault," he likes to whole cheese all the work and do'em hitoride. What would we do without him.

Was an evening loaded with solo singing with some odoris (only L.V. people) spaced in-between, Las Vegas people and our people taking turns with none of that one side go take over stuff and go hang on to the microphone as if the darn thing get glue and stay hittsuku to the hand. Not surprisingly had joto ones. As expected some not so da kine and of course opala too. Variety--that's what made the evening's show that much more entertaining. Not trying to be corny but it was a come one, come all, no holds barred thing so to perform, no need talent but intestinal fortitude.

By mutual agreement, the Las Vegas group had their own M.C. that introduced their performers. We had ours introduce our "borots," she was Kay Hirayama (522-B) and wariaini did a commendable job. Did what she had to do and none of that grandstand stuff and try to grab the limelight. Like they say, the M.C.'s primary job is to see that the program moves along smoothly and most important of all, be generous with prizes for the performers. It wasn't listed on the evening's official program but Paul (One key) Takiguchi (M), doing Houdini's specialty---"Now you see, now you don't" disappearing act was the slickest, pardon, best performance of the evening.

Mitara, the evening's dinner was the usual boo-fay kine kaukau, futsuna stuff and nothing special. Da Bon-san that gave da "okyo" (grace) was none other than our own Doc Kawamoto. Now, he is the most atarashii Bonsan in our chapter of many. He must have ase don kaite with all his might kokoro koda blessed the food because to some, was so good, tabe sugitemaking buta of themselves, causing them to leave the party to seek some kind of relief. The pain must have been some severe/excruciating because mattemmo, mattemmo of their return to their table, modotte kon. What happened or where could they have gone is anybody's guess. Or arera chitto atama tsukote went just plain sneak out for some more excitement downstairs.

Being one of da "Borots" made it even more difficult to honestly judge how good (or lousy) the group was. Whatever, everybody to the last person went geev'em their best shot and enjoyed, which was the main thing. Why, even da futsuni and mettani Vegas ni ikan mon went too. All "borots" so shoga naino. But what the heck, why not, you not hurting or stepping on anybody's toes and good clean fun. This is no bull, distinctly overheard one of the ladies telling another, "when you come old, you get gutsy, yeah." Meaning something like young time self conscious and hold back. But now, what the heck, no enryo, cut loose and let 'em (the audience) suffer. No truer words were spoken. That's how come da local blahlahs coined the phrase, "more makule, more pupule." Shaka Brah.

A great majority of the itta people are in both the Ukelele and Uta No Kai. Was more than a little sekarashii for them but they enjoyed every minute of it. People so gung-ho, made sacrifices and even held a practice session on a holiday, which is usually a day off. This is no "home town decision," when we say our ladies looked younger and more beppin (go ask the ladies uso ka). It was a first time venture of this nature but with the honhos putting in overtime/hard work and everybody cooperating and pitching in, you can say things, omou yoh ni itta...minna no okage samade.

How this unique "Extravaganzer" came into being is a story in itself. Kenneth Okuma in his numerous previous trips to Las Vegas (leading his HGEA entourage) got to know a certain Mr. Kazama, a travel service entrepreneur home based there in Vegas. The more they ran into each other, the friendlier they became and talking stories, one thing led to another and shiran uchini, voila, this lead to "confrontation." Da kanshima part of it all is, all the planning, leg work, details, etc. were made and finalized on a person to person telephone call. Amazing, you say? Nah, easy and no sweat when involved are two akamai and understanding people, and may we add, good and willing listeners.

The show was only a one night stand thing that's why had more than ample time, so no need to awateru but yoh kenkyu sete yukkuri ni you can go lose your pants, gomen, we mean leisurely go bakuchi utsu at your own pace. You know, you go over there and no go play at least lilibit dis kine and dat kine or even make some kind of furi, people think you not pololoi upstairs. Eh, no fool around boy, da kawaii and johinna wives, like old timers sure knows their way around the casinos --all of 'em. Once there, they like Dr. Jekyll &

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Mr. Hyde. They no wall flowers, they no manini, and just like the pros, gambatte lay'em down, place their bets. No need coaching, they know what they doing. The weaker sex? Baloney. No underestimate them, they more than tamagusu you. Bakuchi is another one of their dohraku. Again, iku tanbini, came home a sadder but wiser (?) man. To which they (Haoles) would come up with something to try to console you like, "nothing ventured, nothing gained." And the old folks ventured to discourage you like, "Baka ni tsukeru kusuri wa nai."

Was a wonderful and most enjoyable trip/experience and all out to go back any time (okane sai areba) to "reclaim" (hopefully) even part of what we "deposited" (not voluntarily) from previous trips. Oh, lilimo forget to mention that the performing troupe stayed at Fremont, a subsidiary of California, where the Beeg Event was held.

Community Service

Our 442 Ukulele/Hula Club's By-laws in parts reads.... "To render services to the community through musical entertainment." Trying to be good club members as well as good community citizens, pays heed to the by-laws and performs to the best of our ability, whenever an invitation is extended to the club, in writing of course. The past few months was a busy time, just like we stay in shobai. Performed at the Waikiki Lau Yee Chai Restaurant for the Oahu Retired Teachers' Association. We must be doing something right, being invited back for a return engagement. That makes two consecutive years and counting. Also performed at the Pearl City Community Church's ground breaking ceremonies for a new building. You will recall that was our Chaplain Hiro Higu-chi's church for many years. Was a pleasant sight to see several 442 boys, (Eddie Tamanaha (G) and Daniel Maeda (L)) sitting among the congregation.

Here Today - Gone to Maui

Went holoholo-ing to Kaanapali konaida with the whole clan as the family's patriarch for a three day "action filled" weekend. Subarashii and totemo yokatta. Gotta be boy, free, tada, all paid trip noni. The only thing on the agenda was to go babysit the two kawaii granddaughters (ages 7 & 5) when the parents went gallivanting. There is an old Japanese saying that goes something like, "Mago wa jibun no ko yorimo kawaii." Maybe so but you wonder at times when they get kolohe, which they do and often. Hagaii de you go scold-'em and tell'em 'ahanna kokole," they give you dakine quizzical look, just like grandpa dohka

shitoru. Ketsuatsu ga tako naru hazuyo. Da kids, ottara yakamashii, oran nara sabishii, no can win. Otherwise was a breeze, only eat, sleep and dakine. No, no taigi, just our imago no day to-day pace.

The no do nothing holiday/vacation was spent at the Maui Marriott, our 442 1985 Reunion headquarters. The weather was near perfect, at times a little windy at the most. The golf course, sugi in front of the hotel, oshii yutara, a beautiful course, with just a mere handful playing. A golfer but not a golfaholic, left da shobai dohgu at home. The most strenuous thing did (besides getting after and scolding the kids) was go promenading along the beach zori haite, making like one tourist. Hey, we were even though for only a couple of days. Honto ni yukaina.

Took a leisurely and bottsurina scenic drive up Kula and surrounding areas and modori shina dropped in at the Kula no Arisumi's (Hiroshi & Edna) to find out arera doh-yuh ambaika. Okage samade, they stay looking some good. Hiroshi's retired completely from heading The Arisumi Bros. Construction Company and taking it "easy" by spending the hard earned and well deserved retirement, working harder, more than full time, sun up to sun down on his two acre persimmons and cherimoya orchard fam. Not forced to but by choice. He stay plant other kind fruit trees too and variety of day to day tsukau vegetables. Blessed with having a green thumb, nanimo uetemo makoto ni everything grow like hell. They have a beautiful place on the slopes of Haleakala, overlooking Kahului and Wailuku. He stay in excellent shape and robust health, not even an ounce of abura on him. Get da kind taikaku a man hambun his age. As busy as he is with so many odds and ends (farm work no more end) to attend to, always makes time to receive and entertain friends, any time. With his warm personality and pleasant smile, put anybody at ease. The author must have had Hiroshi in mind, when he coined the phrase, "You weep and you weep alone, you smile and the whole world smiles with you." He makes hardwork look so much like fun, so honest to goodness, modotte seriously went give'em try (no fool around and try work hard yo) but dame datta. Sill finds doing nothing much more exciting, rakuma and enjoyable. No can re-catch the work stroke, more like burn out.

Being already in town, tsuideni went visit the "whole" town to give'em the once over and oh my goodness, just one glimpse 'ruff, you think you stay somewhere on the mainland. Nothing but haoles, just like arikos, swarming all over the place. The more popular (with the merchants)

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Japanese tourists from the old country arrive by bus loads and floods the town hiru sugite and transforms the place into another instant Little Tokyo. Got the info from a counter girl at the Baskins Robbins Ice cream Parlor, a local lady from Molokai, just across the channel. High and low mitemo, doko ittemo, no difference you no see local (Lahaina) people around, makes you wonder where they hiding. We were thinking, would be really nice if by chance we were to hyokutto run into some 232nd Engr boys like Walter Hiraga, Tetsuo Tada or Morio Ichimura that live in that area, but no such luck. Our biggest da kine now (about Lahaina) is what going happen to the very popular "Lahaina Nasubi." Going the way like the Dodo bird or what.

Now, doko datta was it, that we drove past one of the better "Beware of the Dog" sign, which read, "Never Mind, the Dog, Beware of the Owner." Clever. Things like that contributes in making, "Maui No Ka Oi."

Walter Higa - College Graduate

"77-year old used his golden years to learn, earn a degree." A part of such an article along with a smiling picture of him with cap and gown, appeared on page #7 of the August 11, 1990 edition of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin---was in bold letters. He graduated with 400 others from the UH Manoa. Took him all of nine years of back breaking studying and at times found it difficult to concentrate. Bruned the midnight and on top of that, burned the candle from both ends. After all, murimo naiyo, toshi tottoru noni. Typical of him, needed 124 credits but had more than 130, making darn sure to be on the safe side to graduate "on time." Wanting to give something back, wants to go either to Japan or Brazil and teach English to those who speak Japanese. While in the service, he served as the 232nd Engrs medic and was a good one. A dedicated and loyal company man, retired in 1978 as a supervisor at Kodak Hawaii after 50 years of service, only interruption was WWII. No doubt he leaves a big void. Like our good friend Walter Higa says, it's never too late. All you need is perseverance, a burning desire--not to mention tarai full of perspiration and endless sleepless nights, that's all. It all started after he lost his wife and got a little lonesome. Some excerpts from the newspaper write-up: "The first thing I learned at the university was how much I didn't know." "The first time I saw the library on campus, my wish was to live 200 years so I could read all the books." Him one dakine bookworm yo.

Henry Toma - Retiree/Traveler

Ran head on into Henry Toma konaida at the Pali Municipal Golf Course's restaurant, more

like bumped into him. For sure a great majority of the Engrs. boys still picture and remember him being one of the younger guys and on da yase-toru side, more like six o'clock, built straight up and down, while in the army and until tatta recently ma de. You see him now, mama mia, tama-geru hodo he stay come beeg. Remember, we never say fat, momona or anything like that now. It was during a brief stopover for him and his friends on their way home from a group trip down under to Australia, New Zealand and points south, when we got the chance to size him up and got a surprise of our life. Of course, mamenade more than stay looking some good. He is in with the special group of guys that even well advanced in age nattemo, made futoriyori, not tate but yoko yo. Him especially, he must be a late, late bloomer. Boys that come to mind in that group are, Yuso Iwane, Richard Urada, Rodney Yamashiro and Calvin Yasuhara. They are the blessed ones, having plenty of themselves to show for all the good stuffs consumed. Proof of excellent home cooking.

While serving Uncle Sam in the army with the 232nd Engrs. in camp and overseas, he was the assistant squad truck driver to Masami "Hoyle" Horiuchi, 3rd squad, 2nd platoon. Hoyle, a friendly and regular guy is one of the boys that still never find the way to the clubhouse yet. You know, it's later than we think.

For awfully long time, Kiyo Kimura never got any kind of competition and ibatte was the Supreme King of the Hill, all by himself with the most (six) kids. But along came Henry and nonchalantly caught up with him. Just for chotto no aida they were co-title holders until wife, Dorothy presented Henry with tax deduction #7. That brought to an abrupt end to Kiyo's bragging days. With no more challenges, nothing more to prove and the title safely tucked away, he went hang'em up for good and travels.

Like many other war heroes returning home from the army went catch one peachy wahine, got himself married, started a family and not too long after, acquiring itchy feet, uprooted his growing family and headed not west but east for greener pastures and found it in California, a place called Buena Park. Been calling it home for nigh 25-30 years? Anyway daibun naru.

Kolohe bugga dis Henry no yatsu, sparking us guys making a bee-line for the restaurant door to look for anything to quench our kawaitoru throat with something cold after a round of golf, he go wazatto "blockade" the entry and he more than did a good job with his massive body. Again, yoh futot toras, and it's no exaggeration.

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By Walter Matsumoto

E U L O G Y

For RICHARD TADAO MURAKAMI

Service At MILITARY MEMORIAL PARK MORTUARY

Wednesday, 6:30 P.M., September 26, 1990

Friends, Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are gathered here this evening with heavy hearts, to pay our last respects and bid Aloha to our dear friend and comrade-in-arms, the late Richard Tadao Murakami, who passed away on Tuesday, September 18, 1990, at the Kuakini Medical Center. He was 71, and would be 72 in two months. His untimely passing, following nearly two years of failing health, has brought much grief and sadness to his family, relatives and friends.

In February, 1989, he underwent major surgery, involving the removal of his gall-bladder and his cancer-ridden stomach. Recovery was slow and uncertain, as his once robust 175 pounds dropped to 125. In early December, he attended the Engineer Chapter's Christmas Party, but could not enjoy it. In January, this year, he underwent another surgery, this one for colostomy. As his condition continued to deteriorate, he was in and out of the hospital, until August 24th, when he was admitted for what turned out to be for the last time. By now, he could sense that his demise was inevitably approaching, and asked only that he be made comfortable. Finally, at 2:30 PM Tuesday, September 18, he quietly passed away.

In retrospect, his demise, sad as it may be, came as a blessing in disguise for him and Lily. For him, it meant the end of a two-year losing battle against an incurable illness, the last days in excruciating pain and misery, and to Lily, it was the end of two years of devoted and dutiful care and vigil, over him, the last days in a hopeless watch of a struggle, rife with pain and agony.

Richard was born in Palolo, on November 5, 1918. He was the second of seven sons and two older daughters of the late Chokichi and Mrs. Murakami, who had come to Hawaii from Japan as contract laborers on the sugar plantation. When he was six, the family moved to Ewa, where he attended Ewa Elementary School, and spent his youthful years. The family then moved to Kalihi, where he attended and graduated from Kalakaua Intermediate School.

Then at only 16, he went to work at the Ewa Plantation, to help his father supplement the family income, to support their family of nine.

Near the end of the 30's, he went to work at Hickam Field as a carpenter on a defense project. On the fateful Sunday, December 7, 1941, he was at home resting, when the Japanese planes bombed Pearl Harbor and adjacent Hickam Field. When he went to work the next day, he, like all the other A.J.A.'s, was denied entry by the guard. He had to go back later to retrieve his tools. Later, he recounted that, had he been at work on Sunday, he would have been most likely killed, as the hangar he was working on, was totally demolished.

Yet, when President Franklin Roosevelt issued to call for volunteers among the Americans of Japanese Ancestry in January, 1943, to form an experimental combat unit, Richard was among the more than 10,000 to volunteer, and be selected.

I met Richard for the first time in March, 1943, as the volunteers were assembled at Schofield Barracks, as members of Company 4. Since this was only a temporary assignment, it wasn't until we got to Camp Shelby, Miss. where we were permanently assigned to the 232nd Combat Engineer Co. of the 442nd RCT and eventually to the 1st Platoon, that we got to know each other.

The ensuing year of training was intense and difficult at times, but never a problem. Richard, like the other volunteers, was ever-conscious of the fact that they were all volunteers and not draftees, consequently, they were eager to learn and work extra hard. His diligence and attitude deservedly earned him a promotion to T/5 or corporal.

Thence, it was overseas bound, and time to test our mettle. Richard participated in all four campaigns of the 442nd RCT -- two in Italy and two in France. He was wounded twice, and was awarded the Purple Heart and an oak-leaf cluster. He also shared in all of the unit citations accorded the 442nd RCT and 232nd Combat Engineer Co.

After the War, he returned to Hawaii and settled in Ewa again. The War record of the 442nd, to a large measure, helped in changing the hiring practice at all government facilities. He was hired at Pearl Harbor as a carpenter in the Shipyard's Public Works Center, where he worked continuously until his retirement, as general foreman, in 1977, after 33 years of service.

Also, in 1947, a year after returning from the War, he and Lily were married. They were blessed with four fine offsprings, a daughter and three sons.

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Richard was a good father. As the children grew up, he devoted as much time as possible to them, by taking them to the nearby beach for swimming, fishing and surfing. Even while his sons were too little to play baseball, he coached the area boys' baseball team in the American Legion Baseball League. As the boys grew to scouting age, he himself undertook the job of scoutmaster, and led the way for them to join up. He enjoyed taking the troop, including his sons, on camping trips and cook for them. Lily also got involved and helped whenever she could.

He was always community-minded, and gave countless hours of service in many ways. He was active in the Ewa Community Association, where he also served as president.

Ewa Beach Community was not large enough to warrant a fire station. The City, however, offered to provide an old fire-engine, a shed to house the engine and one paid fireman, if the Community would provide the necessary volunteer manpower to help man the engine at all hours. Richard served for many years as a volunteer fireman.

He was also active in the PTA of Campbell High School, where his children attended. He served as president for a term.

Richard was a jack-of-all-trades. Besides carpentry, he was adept as an electrician, plumber, mason, etc. and used this expertise to do maintenance work for the Community Church. He especially enjoyed doing this.

Unlike many of his buddies, who resorted to golf in their retirement, Richard stuck to his favorite pastime of fishing, and he enjoyed his weekly outings with the late Ben Ono and Gary Kawate, usually in Ben's boat.

Richard and Lily liked to travel by themselves and usually to Japan. They travelled without a rigid itinerary, and made their plans as they went. If they liked a place, they stayed longer and if they didn't, they moved along.

Two years ago, he and Lily moved into their new home in Makakilo, up the hill from Ewa. Here, he concentrated on landscaping the place, and accomplished what he set out to do. It was only unfortunate that he was not able to enjoy his new home a little longer.

Richard was always an active member of the 232nd Engineer-Band Chapter of the 442nd Veterans Club. He was a Chapter past-president and permanent parliamentarian. He was also co-chairman with Masa Yamasaki of our Annual camp-out at Teiji Chirna's beach house at Sunset Beach. While the

golfers were enjoying a round at Kahuku Golf Course, the fisherman casting their lines from the shore, and the poker players bumping away at each other, Richard would be in the kitchen cutting up the meat and vegetables to concoct his unforgettable beef stew. It would be our piece-de-resistance for supper, and again for breakfast, the next morning.

He was well-known for his fantastic memory. He could recall incidents in our war experiences to the minutest detail. I invariably consulted him whenever I felt unsure myself.

And there was the time, when at end of his term as Chapter president, he presented monkey-pod gavels which he made himself to past-presidents, as memento of their service to the Chapter. This magnanimous gesture was typical Richard Murakami. Mine is in my den, on a shelf among my other memorabilia.

Richard's education, by necessity, was limited to the 9th grade. But we know that his mind was that of a college graduate. His friendly presence and participation in 442nd Veterans Club and Chapter activities will be missed. We enjoyed a special kind of bond and friendship, as only those, who have fought side by side in a combat outfit can feel and understand.

To Lily, his loving and devoted wife of 43 years, to daughter Cynthia, sons David, Roger and Dick, 2 grandchildren, 6 brothers and 2 sisters, may I, on behalf of this large congregation of friends, with an extra special word from his buddies of the 232nd Engineers, extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy and condolences, on your great loss. And to Richard, eternal rest and peace.

Mahalo.

In Memory of Thomas (Tommy) Noritomo Kiyosaki

By Gilbert D. Kobatake

We were all surprised and shocked to hear that our dear friend Tommy passed away on October 12, 1990 from a heart attack while at his home. Although most of us knew about his heart condition, still, it is difficult to realize that Tommy will never be with us again. All of us in the 232nd Engineer and Band Chapter will always remember Tommy, for he unselfishly gave so much of his time and energy to plan and make all the arrangements for most of our Veteran's Reunion functions, both here in Hawaii and on the mainland.

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At Tommy's Memorial Service held on November 17, there were so many of his friends from throughout Hawaii, "Oma and even from Japan, who came to honor and show their respect for this special man. Mr. George Yamada and his daughter Diana, along with her husband Mr. Roger Eaton came from Los Angeles. Mr. Matsui came all the way from Osaka, Japan. Almost all of the active Chapter Club members were present. Present also were many friends, associates and students that knew Tommy during his coaching days at Farrington High School.

As to my relationship with Tommy, we both met when we were assigned to the Second Platoon of the 232nd Engineer Company at Camp Shelby. I was a Platoon Leader and Tommy was a Private. The Army regulations discouraged officers fraternizing with enlisted personnel, so we were not close friends, still I remember Tommy as a good soldier. He was obedient and intelligent and always addressed me as "Lieutenant."

After the War, we became good friends as we spent time together attending Chapter functions. This was in the 1960's, and Tommy was by then the well known and respected coach of the Farrington varsity football team that took the IHL Championship in 1965. While coaching, Tommy used his organizing talents to plan and make the arrangements for the annual trips that club members made to the other islands. No matter which island we went to, Tommy had close friends there who helped us immeasurably (Bert and Primo Kikukawa on Molokai; Roscoe and Barbara Haruki on Kauai; Hiroshi and Edna Arisumi on Maui, and Fred and Midori Fujimoto on the Big Island).

After Tommy's retirement from the DOE in 1978, he became even more active in helping club members, putting the travel arrangements together for almost all of the Nisei Veterans Reunions that were held on the mainland. On all of these trips, Tommy was accompanied by his lovely wife, Sue. Tommy was the leader and Sue was his partner, both assuming the responsibility for caring for the group. All of us who traveled with them really appreciated all that they did for us.

When I recall the last three trips that Tommy planned for us, special incidents came to mind that illustrates how unselfish and caring Tommy was.

In 1980, we attended the 36th anniversary of the rescue of the Lost Battalion of the 36th Division by the 442nd Combat Team. Before going to Dallas, Tommy planned for us a one-week tour of Mexico. After Dallas, Tommy planned for us a one-week motor caravan trip from Dallas to Los Angeles.

During the Mexico visit, while we were in Guadalajara, Walter Matsumoto, one of the group members accidentally snapped his Achilles' tendon outside the hotel entrance the day before our scheduled departure to Dallas. Immediately, Tommy and I took Walter to the doctor's office. Unfortunately, the doctor's office was some distance away from the curb where the taxi dropped us off. With no hesitation, Tommy picked up Walter and carried him on his back to the doctor's office. Because Walter was unable to walk, Tommy got Walter some crutches and arranged for him to have a wheelchair upon his arrival at Dallas.

Regarding the motor caravan trip to Los Angeles, Tommy must have spent many hours preparing the itinerary, for it was so precise. It showed all the stops, the exact mileage between stops and listed all the interesting places that were to be visited. Thanks to his planning, we saw the Carlsbad Caverns, the International Space Hall of Fame, the Petrified Forest and the Meteor Crater, among other sights.

The 1982 reunion was held in Los Angeles and before the reunion, Tommy planned a trip to San Diego and a trip to Alaska afterwards. The itinerary was again, well planned and included many interesting places. The trip to Alaska was spectacular. We visited Anchorage, Fairbanks, Kotzebue (located above the Arctic Circle and inhabited mostly by natives), Nome, and Juneau, the State Capital. We also saw Mt. McKinley and Glacier Bay. On this trip, we saw first hand just how immense Alaska really is.

Reno, Nevada was the site of the 1988 Reunion and Tommy planned the trip to Reno and back to Los Angeles by car. Again, Tommy planned a unique trip, for we took the Western route to Reno and the Eastern route back. On the way, we stopped at Solvang and Morro Bay, then through Sequoia and Yosemite National Parks, and also visited the gold mining area and saw the cabin where Mark Twain stayed and the grave of Okei, a young Japanese girl buried in 1869.

On our trip back to Los Angeles, we passed through Death Valley and visited the site where the Manzanar Relocation Camp for the Japanese was located. However, this trip was different. It was the first trip that Tommy's wife Sue was not with us. I fondly recall her carrying extra bundles of baggage containing a rice cooker, rice and a huge assortment of food and utensils on our trips just so that we could have a good "local-style" home cooked meal while on the road. I will always remember her thoughtfulness.

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Some say that one measure of the greatness of a man is the number of friends he has. If this is true, Tommy must surely have been a great man. He will be remembered by all for his unselfishness and his concern for others. Tommy has my greatest respect and admiration. I will miss him dearly.

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retrace his step (backward) taken as a Prisoner of War. Flew to Munich, Germany and stayed at a hotel right next to the railroad where Bob and other prisoners worked. Rode the train to Moosburg, Germany where the prison camp was located. There were still some barracks there being in use, not as a prison but housing for contract laborers. During the war days it sure looked bleak and desolate, but today it looked pretty good.

Next day rode the train to Innsbruck, an Austrian border town, and transferred on to another train for the Brenner Pass on the Italian side of the border. This pass is very high on the Alps and very famous in history. The scenic view all along the way was very beautiful and flowers in bloom all along the way.

Our final stop, Rome, Italy. Went to Florence via train to see if Bob could recall his capture point south of the Arno River. He had to make a pretty rough guess being what it is today comparing it to what it was.

All in all it was a very enlightening trip. Came home to good old Hawaii on the 13th of May. Robert & Edna Kuniyuki

Bob and Edna just recently visited with Al Kariya and Sa Nakata in Seattle.

That's it about Bob and Edna, they have also travelled very extensively all over, enjoying their retirement looking for the fountain of youth.

Another note of interest, Erni Uno was one of the principal speakers at the State Capital on the reparation for the AJAs. Quite a speech it was, very touching, tears and memories to those who remembered.

Well this is it, not much more to write about, "Harry New Year." Ciacco.

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the national parks in the southwest. After three days of reunion in Las Vegas, the group would visit Zion National Park and Bryce Canyon National Park in Utah. Then into Colorado to see the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park followed by a ride on the Silverton-Durango scenic Railroad. Other suggested visits are the Aztec Ruins National Monument, Tram ride to Sandia Peak near Albuquerque. Continue south thru Apache Indian country to Carlsbad to tour the Carlsbad Cavern National Park.

Those of us who are in good condition can tour the cavern by entering the natural opening and walk down to the "Big Room". Others can use the elevator to descend 600 feet into the cavern. Lunch will be at the snack shop in the cavern. We will return to the motel in the afternoon to rest. In the early evening we will prepare picnic dinner and return to the cavern to view the millions of bats leaving the cave for their nightly food hunt. The following day is to El Paso, Texas and a short tour of Juarez for shopping. The tour continues into Arizona to Phoenix and then to the Grand Canyon National Park. The next stop will be at Lake Havasu City with its original London Bridge. Before returning to Las Vegas, we will stop over at Laughlin on the Colorado River. This mini Reunion and tour is tentatively planned to start about the second or third week in September.

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the Rainbows yet. Ralph and Alice Tomei came back with many stories from South America; meeting with Alice's relatives in San Paulo for the first time made it more special. Paul and Yuki Takiguchi really lived it up on their Caribbean cruise on the Carnival Holiday; hurricane season was over and weather conditions were quite good.

On the 9th of September, with good luck charms, frogs, ti-leaf wristlets and leis, a bunch of us flew off on the Ukulele and Hula Club Uta No Kai Las Vegas Spree escorted by Jimmy Kanemori. Members joining the group were Hiroshi and Grace Yamashiro, David and Janet Umeda, Betty Tomikoshi, Ralph and Alice Tomei, Yoshio and Elsie Teruya, Paul and Yuki Takiguchi, Jimmy and Frieda Kanemori and Shige and Yori Inouye. All had a good time, but more so for a few of the guys who were luckier--but that David, him not so smart--he put it all back!

Pau for now. Here's wishing you all a happy holiday season!

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"Let us touch someone as a sign of our unity in God. God, once again we come before you to ask for your blessing. Last night was a beautiful time to celebrate, and we are thankful for the wonderful hospitality of Paul & Genny."

"As we swing into the second day of our pre-reunion, let us turn our thoughts to the first time many of us met. Some of us had hard decisions to make, decisions that may have alienated euphemistically called relocation camps. We have been privileged to see the day the U.S. has ruled that, that confinement was a violation of our basic human life. And, we have also seen, in the past year, people rise up against totalitarian government demanding a restoration of their human rights, and even today a prime example of resistance, Nelson Mandela was received by the president of U.S."

"Think now of our comrades who are not with us today, those heroes who fell in battle or died since then with their motto of God, Honor, Country, those who have answered the final roll call. May I ask that all of us, before our Maker, grieve in silence for these heroes, but also very grateful that our paths have crossed, however briefly. Let us be in silence."

"God, we look to you for our spiritual nourishment. May the food that has been prepared for us, nourish our bodies so that we may accomplish your purpose for us. Thank you for your precious gift of life, and bless us all, we pray. Amen."

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and be thankful that the LORD has provided us with another year of generally good health, good friendship and lots of ALOHA. With that, writer wishes to thank you all for bearing with him in the manner the reports have been written. Finally this writer wishes to use this means to wish everyone a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR filled with much happiness and good health. ALOHA. T.I.

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RETIRES GOLF CLUB

By Eddie Tamanaha

On September 4, 1990, a group of Retirees Golf Club members made their 6th Annual trip to RMC. This writer missed this trip but report was all had a great time as usual and an enjoyable golf tournament. Sorry for not getting the results.

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to our chapter. They wrote: "Bill T. worked so hard and also spent freely of his cash for Hq 2 and I know he wouldn't want to be reimbursed - not with cash anyway. What a big heart he has! We don't want to see that happen again. So Yuki and I are donating something to help the club's financial situation".

We thank you, Salty and Yuki, for the most generous donation to Hq 2. We assure you that we will not allow anyone, in future events, to be placed in a position where he can shoulder any part of the cost.

The November meeting was one of the worst in attendance for the year. Missed some of the regulars like Jimmy Sakamoto, Masa Yamamoto, Quanto Watanabe, Richard Nakamura, Bill Thompson and Tanigawa. But was happy to see Ken Saruwatari and Skully Shimizu. Have not seen Masa Yamamoto for sometime. We know that he has been troubled by severe skin ailment. We can only hope that he can make an early recovery.

The 442 Veterans Club has approved the formation of a Sons and Daughters Chapter. A nucleus of sincerely dedicated and inspiring young people has been working on organizational plans. They have asked that we submit the names of our children to prepare a roster of potential members of the new chapter. Forms are available but you can use any piece of paper; list names, address, phone number, your name and chapter affiliation.

The New Year will be upon us shortly. We wish you a healthy and active 1991.

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On September 13, 1990, 25 members gathered at the Pali Golf Course. When all score cards were turned in after 18 holes, Herb Yamamura was the winner with a net 72. Teiji Uehara came in second, one stroke back with net 73. Yoshi Higa and Jensen Takasaki were tied for 3rd, even with our tie breaker. Neka Matoi came in fifth. Front nine was won by Dick Uyemura, net 36½; back nine, Milton Uchigaki, 36½. Closest to the pin was won by Dick Uyemura, #7 hole and Milton Uchigaki, #15 hole.

On October 11, 1990, 29 members showed up at Pali Golf Course. This day Neka Matoi came in first place with a respectable net 69. One shot back with a 70 was Yoshi Higa for second. Third place was tied with 73s by Ed Tamanaha, Lefty Sugihara and Tom Mayeda. With our tie breaker system, Ed was third, Lefty fourth and Tom fifth.

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Best front nine was turned in by Jensen Takasaki with a net 34 and back nine by Sho Miota with 34. Closest to the hole was Yoshi Higa, #5 and Teiji Chinna, #15.

October 22, 1990, 24 member golfers assembled at Honolulu Country Club at Salt Lake. Neka Matoi was again on his game. He shot a net 65 to again come in first. Two shots back with 67s were Mits Honda and Yoshi Higa. With the tie breaker system, Mits was second and Yoshi, third. Another stroke back was Hiichi Matsumoto for fourth and John Bull Kikuyama was fifth with a 71. Best front nine was won by Maui Okamura with a net 33½ and the back nine was Sho Miota, net 33. Closest to the pin on the #4 hole was Steve Hirotsu. The #13 hole must have been a back luck hole, as no one put it on the green.

November 19, 1990, 29 members turned out for the shoot out at Honolulu Country Club. This day was our annual meeting and therefore, we had an extra special tournament which included individual prizes, 2-man team Calcutta, and 3-man team blind partners. When the smoke cleared on this wet and soggy day, Tadashi Kunishige was the winner with a net 66. One stroke back with a 67 was Rocky Tanna for second. Stan Yamamoto was third with 71 and Charley Igarashi and Kats Ibara were tied at 73. With the tie breaker, Charley was declared fourth and Kats fifth. Best front nine was turned in by Milton Uchigaki, net 36 and John Bull Kikuyama won the back nine with a 33½. Closest to the pin were Bull Namba, #4 hole and Speed Tanna, #17. The Calcutta big winner was Tadashi Kunishige and his partners who shot a decent net scores. The 3-man team blind partners were first place: Rocky Tanna (67), Tom Mayeda (75) and Charley Igarashi (73), total net 215. Second place was Sho Miota (74), Tadashi Kunishige (66), and Bull Namba (77), total net 217. Tied for third were teams of Teiji Chinna (75), Kats Ibara (73) and Terry Ihara (77), net 225; and Milton Uchigaki (74), Neka Matoi (75) and Bruno Yamada (76), net 225. Our annual meeting was held soon after the golf tournament at the Inn of Six Happiness. Rocky Tanna made the reservation with co-owner Francis Suzuki. A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all. The annual meeting was held after lunch with the following being railroaded into office: President, Ed Tamanaha; Tournament Chairman, Hiichi Matsumoto; Handicap, Tom Mayeda; Assistant, Harry Tokushige; Treasurer/Secretary, Maui Okamura and Schedule, Ed Tamanaha. The members voted to change the By-Laws by inserting a provision that members may be expelled from the club for not participating in at least 50% of the scheduled tournaments without proper excuses like sick, travel, etc. Also, the present waiting list of prospective members be wiped clean and a new list be made with the prospective members being full informed of requirements of being a member of the club.

Some of the requirements are: Must be a paid up member of the 442 Mother Club; must buy and wear club golf shirt at tournaments; must participate in at least 50% of tournaments; must pay \$6 hole in one insurance each time a hole in one is made; must pay annual dues which includes annual meeting and all tournament prizes; notify tournament chairman as soon as possible when not participating in tournament; check in at least 45 minutes prior to tee time; etc. A seven member Membership Committee will maintain a waiting list of prospective members and screen all applicants.

Our tournaments for the first two months of 1991 are: January 3, Pali, 11:30; January 17, Shafter, 8:17; January 31, Makalena, 12:18; February 14, Pali, 11:00 and February 28, Shafter, 8:17.

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Kauai 442 Tournament By Bruno Yamada

Chairman Yuki Arashiro and his gang on the Garden Island will be expecting a very good participation in their next Thirty Six Hole Tournament to be held at the Wailua Golf Course on March 19 and 20 (Tuesday and Wednesday.)

George Taketa of Hilo (Club 100) will be there to defend the title he won last March with brilliant games of 70 at Wailua and a 62 at Kiahuna for a 132 total.

Some added features will be a "SPECIAL" Tournament for those ages 70 and over and also the maximum handicap of 27 will now be unlimited.

Senator Dan Inouye's Trophy and Governor John Waihee's Koa Bowls will be awarded to the overall champion and the flight winners.

A welcome pupu party will be held at the Hanamaulu Cafe and an award banquet will conclude this fun tournament on Kauai.

Anniversary Tournament

The 442nd Veterans Club 48th Anniversary Golf Tournament will be held again at the plush Mamala Bay Golf Course (Hickam Air Force Base) on Friday, March 22, one day after the Kauai Invitational.

Entry deadline for this 18 hole tourney will be on March 8 or till the first eighty entries are received. Tee off time will be from 7:30 A.M. (Front and Back).

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Registration Form:

I COMPANY 44ND REGT MINI REUNION '91

-----October 21-24, 1991-----

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Wife/Guest: _____
 Others: _____
 Street: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Guests of: _____
 Arrival date/time: _____ Departure date/time: _____
 Mode of transportation: Air: _____ Auto: _____ Others: _____
 Total number of persons in the party: _____
 Total Number of Rooms required: _____ Single (1 person 1bed)
 _____ Double (2 people 1 bed) _____ Dble/Dbble (2 people 2 beds)
 _____ Additional persons in same room: \$7.00 per night each.
 Room rate \$48.00 per night plus 8% room tax (triple add \$7)
 Activities reservations:
 Mon. Oct 21 Reception buffet/dinner: number attending _____
 Tue. Oct 22 Carson/Virginia City tour: Number taking _____
 Tue. Oct 22 Number of Golfers in Party: Men _____ Ladies _____
 Wed. Oct 23 Lake Tahoe, casino tour: Number taking _____
 Wed. Oct 23 Number of Golfers in Party: Men _____ Ladies: _____
 Thu. Oct 24 Farewell/Awards Banquet: Number attending; _____
 Cancellations of the activities:
 can be made 60 days prior to the Reunion when the final head count and payments will be made. Only those checked above will be contacted to be included for final count.
 Register early to confirm rooms!
 When completed mail with registration fee of \$20.00 per person & room deposit of \$50 per room (no room deposits for Hawaiian participants). Send to Jim Yamashita 1320 Carol St. La Habra, Ca. 90631 Make check payable to "I CO.442nd Reunion '91" Amt. Enclosed Registration _____ Rooms _____

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I COMPANY 442ND Regt
MINI REUNION RENO '91
October 21-24



- Who:** Veterans of I Company 442nd Regimental Combat Team, relatives, friends and guests.
- Dates:** October 21 - 24, 1991 (Optional days 2 days before/after) at the Reunion rates. Check in time is 2pm or earlier if rooms are available. Check out time is 2pm. Baggage room available for late departures.
- Place:** SANDS HOTEL/CASINO 345 No. Arlington Avenue at Third St. in downtown Reno Nevada
- Rates:** VIP rate of \$48 + taxes per night (single or double occupancy) or, special air fare/hotel package for Hawaiian participants.
- Misc:** Airport shuttle runs every 1/2 hour @ \$2.45 per person each way and taxi service is available for approximately \$6 per trip.
- Golf:** Tuesday and Wednesday at Wildcreek and Northgate, both are City courses with the least cost. Tentative 20 tee times
- Tours:** Tues. - Nevada Capitol, Carson City, Virginia City (est. 6hr)
Wed. - Lake Tahoe scenic and casino tours (approx. 8 to 10hr)
- Hospitality:** This being a No Host reunion, cost of food and drinks will be shared by all participants. This amount will be included in the initial registration fee. Hotel policy is, other than gifts of food brought by guests, that all food and drinks served in the hospitality room must be purchased from the hotel. Hospitality Suite will be furnished at no charge. "KP" duty to operate the Hospitality Room will be voluntary, or assigned. So be prepared to assist.
- Deadline:** We have presently 100 rooms reserved. They will be confirmed on first come basis. Either sign up for a "Hawaii Package" if you are from the Islands or a deposit of \$50.00 per room mailed with your reservation. If you have any interest make your reservations now. You may cancel 30 days prior to Reunion and all you monies will be refunded. Early head count will be helpful for the committee to firm up all of the commitments and activities planned.
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