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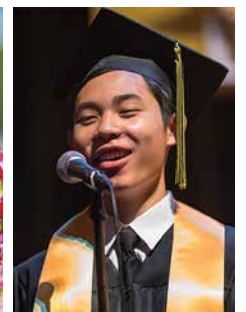
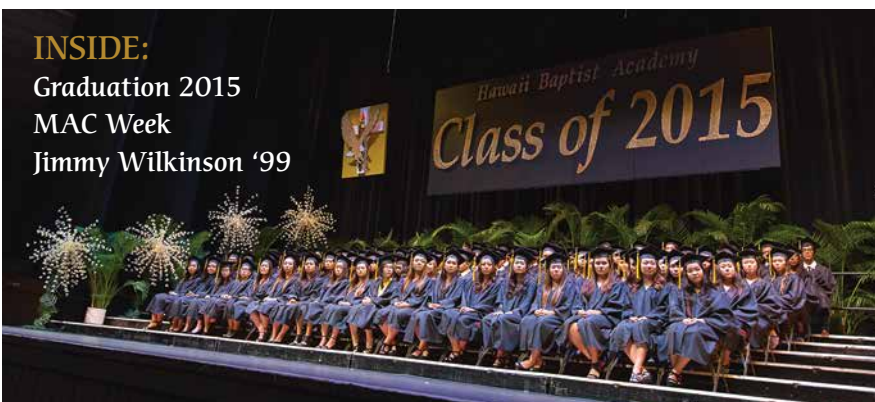
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MAC Week
Jimmy Wilkinson '99



Hawaii Baptist Academy

Located in Nuuanu Valley on the island of Oahu, Hawaii Baptist Academy (HBA) is a Christ-centered, co-educational, college preparatory school for kindergarten through grade 12. Established in 1949 by missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention, the school is affiliated with the Hawaii Pacific Baptist Convention.

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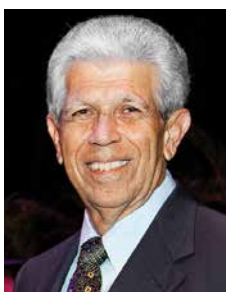
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President's Message



Dear HBA Ohana:

At the end of May, we celebrated the accomplishments of 114 high school seniors who graduated from Hawaii Baptist Academy. As I congratulated each of these young men and women as they walked across the stage, I took great pride in knowing they had worked diligently to earn this honor and are well prepared to enter this new chapter in life.

Sometimes, graduation is thought to be the pinnacle of one's accomplishments, as graduates reflect upon all of the hard work they've completed. Yet by definition, commencement means the "beginning." Education is not something that ends after one receives a diploma; it is a journey that takes a lifetime to complete. That journey includes traveling to new places, meeting new people, and being challenged intellectually, socially and spiritually. I am confident that our students are fully prepared for this new beginning due to the strong academic and spiritual foundation that has been laid by our dedicated faculty. All of our teachers have spent countless hours praying over and mentoring these students, who are now on their way to become the next generation of leaders in our communities and churches. Beyond their academic successes, it is our sincere hope that these young men and women will make lasting changes for His kingdom.

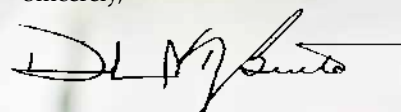
In addition to our graduating seniors, we celebrate another new beginning at HBA with the launch of our Outreach initiative. This initiative is an intentional effort to expand our community beyond our current K-12 school and will complement our existing Supplemental Programs. We will reach students outside of the walls of our classrooms, thus aligning with our mission to provide children with the opportunity for a high-quality education rooted in faith. The program is open to part-time students and homeschool students. We look forward to sharing updates with you as they develop. For more details, visit our website at www.hba.net/outreach.

We also celebrate the beginning of new lives, reborn through the blood of Jesus Christ. In March, nine middle school and high school students made first time decisions to follow Jesus Christ during our Christian Emphasis Week (CEW), and 88 students renewed their commitment to Christ. To date, 110 students from all of our campuses have made first time decisions to follow Christ during the 2014-2015 school year! Please pray for our new believers as we mentor them and nurture their growth.

While we continue to experience many new and exciting developments, we must also take the time to remember those who have faithfully supported our school for many years. In February, we enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship with our MAC (Mainland Advisory Council) friends. Through their support, and the financial gifts we receive from our local donors, we have been blessed with brand new, state-of-the-art facilities at our high school. Since the project began, God has faithfully provided miracles to finance this project. We are now just \$2.8 million shy of completing our \$17 million goal. We ask that you continue to pray for God's provision and what your role will be in the mission of HBA.

Finally, I encourage you to attend our 2015 Legacy Night on November 7. The event celebrates individuals who have made a remarkable impact at our school and in their community. It is also an opportunity to raise funds for our financial aid program, so we can continue to provide students with an excellent education rooted in faith. Registration will be available on our website very soon. We hope you will be able to join us for this wonderful night of fellowship, delicious food, outstanding student performances, and celebrating those who have been called to serve in HBA's ministry.

Sincerely,



Richard T. Bento
President



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Sydney Lau, left, and Joshua Kishaba, right.



THE CLASS OF 2015 CELEBRATED THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS AT HBA'S 62nd COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY ON MAY 30 AT THE NEAL S. BLAISDELL CONCERT HALL.

JOYCE LEE WAS NAMED VALEDICTORIAN, AND JANA SASAKI WAS NAMED SALUTATORIAN. ANNE SHIRAISHI WAS PRESENTED WITH THE H.P. AND MARY MCCORMICK DISTINGUISHED FOUNDERS AWARD FOR CONSISTENTLY EXEMPLIFYING CHRISTIAN CHARACTER DURING HER YEARS AT HBA, AND MEGAN HORITA RECEIVED THE EAGLE SCHOLAR AWARD FROM THE PARENT TEACHER FELLOWSHIP (PTF). TWENTY-FOUR STUDENTS WERE RECOGNIZED AS SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF HBA FOR ATTENDING THE SCHOOL FROM KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 12. ANDREW VITEK, HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE TEACHER AND SENIOR CLASS ADVISOR, GAVE THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL 114 MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2015!

On the back cover:

- 1. Richard T. Bento, president
- 2. Jesse Kaneshiro
- 3. Jonathan Hiyashi, left, Robert Kawasaki, right
- 4. Jeffrey Liang, left, Courtney Togo, right
- 5. Loryn Rimando
- 6. Kailey Pa'ahana, left, Dylan-John Loo, right
- 7. Catherine Piper
- 8. Emily Wada, left, Marissa Nakasone, right

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Joyce Lee, valedictorian, left, with Jana Sasaki, salutatorian, right. Lee, who is the daughter of Steven and Nan Soo Lee of Honolulu, will attend Cornell University. Sasaki, who is the daughter of Ricky and Lori Sasaki of Pearl City, will attend the University of Hawaii, Manoa. Sasaki was awarded the Manoa Chancellor's Scholarship, which is a \$10,000 scholarship given to high-achieving Hawaii high school graduates.

Valedictorian Address

Valedictorian Joyce Lee addressed the Class of 2015. The following was taken from her speech.

Georgia O'Keefe once said, "Where I was born and where and how I have lived is unimportant. It is what I have done with where I have been that should be of interest." Indeed, this is true of all of us today. At the end of four long years, we are graduating.

Seven years ago, I went to the movie theaters to watch High School Musical 3, the third installment in the High School Musical series. It follows a group of high school seniors, including basketball player Troy Bolton and brainy-beauty Gabriella Montez, as they are faced with the challenging prospect of being separated after graduating from high school. In its own cheesy way, the movie encapsulates the ups and downs of senior year, reflecting our own experiences, hopes, and fears about the future. As an 11-year-old, I was confused as to why Troy and Gabriella were so worried about their futures and the possibility of leaving each other. Why was Gabriella so upset about getting into Stanford's Honors Program? Why was Troy so conflicted over which college to choose? Would it really be that hard to say goodbye?

Later, as senior year became a reality, things started to make sense. For a fleeting moment, we were placed in the cast's shoes, and we were conflicted over the same issues. Every senior year experience felt so final: we experienced our last prom, we performed in our last musical, and we chose which college we wanted to attend for the next four years. And finally, we felt for ourselves that nostalgic feeling inherent in the annual Senior Send-Off, as we said our goodbyes to the people we cared about and the people we were surprised cared so much about us. In a lot of ways, it mirrored the movie's closing scene, as the main cast runs across the field and bows before the final curtain falls on the East High stage.

Some people mark high school as the best years of their lives. But to be honest, these are just the best years of our lives at the moment. The great thing about this class is that there are so many people with completely different but nonetheless amazing talents. ...Use your unique talents and abilities to better the lives of those around you. These experiences will mark the truly remarkable years of your life and lead you to happiness you would have never expected.

Steve Jobs once said, "Your time is limited, so don't waste it living someone else's life. Don't let the noise of others' opinions drown out your own inner voice. And most important, have the courage to follow your heart and intuition." When we change, I hope that we don't change the good, unique things about ourselves, and I hope that we do it for ourselves, and not to conform for other people.

Use your unique talents and abilities to better the lives of those around you.

Now, as I end my speech, it seems only fitting that I end it in the way that Troy Bolton did--in the way that I had told myself I would years ago, if I ever got the chance to speak at graduation. Had Troy Bolton attended HBA, he might have said something like this: "Hawaii Baptist Academy is a place where teachers encouraged us to break the status quo and define ourselves as we choose. Where a group of guys with seemingly different interests can form the greatest band that ever was, and where the brainiacs can break it down on the dance floor and lose their glasses while doing the worm. It's a place where any person, if it's the right person, changes us all. HBA is having friends we'll keep for the rest of our lives, and that means we really are, 'all in this together.' Because once an eagle, always an eagle."



1. HBA principals. From left to right, Amy Vorderbruegge, elementary school; George Honzaki, middle school; and Marsha Hirae, high school. 2. Anne Shiraishi, left, received the H.P. and Mary McCormick Distinguished Founders Award from President Richard Bento, right. She also received the Mallory Kathryn Ellis Soldier of Light Leadership Award. 3. Danielle Toda. 4. Megan Horita, left, received the Parent Teacher Fellowship's (PTF) Eagle Scholar Award from Russell Johiro, right, PTF middle and high school vice president. 5. HBA Board of Directors. From left to right, Bruce Matsui, vice-chair; Ken Hensarling; Richard T. Bento, president; Morris Kimoto, chair; Ron Shiira '79, executive vice president; Walter Agena; and Hayden Hu. 6. The Class of 2015 turns their tassels. 7. President Richard T. Bento, left, and Michael Dang, right.

Andrew Vitek, high school science teacher and senior class advisor, gave the commencement address. The following was taken from his speech.

I would like to challenge you today, and hopefully for the rest of your life, to choose the more difficult path. I would like to offer one suggestion that will guarantee to always put you on the hardest path, and that is living for others. What do I mean by that? I mean a life of service, a life of love, a life of sacrifice.

Jesus gave us two commandments: Love God and love others. ...So what exactly is in it for you to choose a life that doesn't come naturally? A life that takes work and intention; a life of service, love, and sacrifice. While there are others who do this far better than I do, I have tried to dedicate my life to this very mantra. Here are two things I have learned so far.

First, the joy you experience from making an impact on someone's life far outweighs the joy

you receive from fulfilling your own desires. Out of the countless times I have fulfilled my own desires, not once has the joy lasted for more than a little while. On the other hand, the joy I have received from helping others has stuck with me throughout my life. It's a feeling of contentment and peace.

My second point is this: often times the impact you have is unplanned and spontaneous. Those are some of my favorite moments in life, and to be honest, one of the reasons I love teaching so much. However, here's the catch. You rarely recognize it when you are in those situations. That is why it is important to always be in a state of mind where you are willing to serve and care for others. The effect you have is frequently hidden or only revealed in hindsight. It may be years until you even realize the impact you had on a person.

As I conclude, remember this: your life will be determined by the choices you make. Don't rely on what's been given to you. Rely on God and choose the harder path, the path of love. Serve everyone you can. You don't need to be a teacher

like me to do that. Whatever profession you choose, I promise you will have people in your life that you will encounter. Love them, especially when it's difficult. You never know what impact you may be having on them. There you will find true joy, a joy I hope one day you will experience for the rest of your life. And if you are already living this way, keep going. You still have a long way to go.



Andrew Vitek, Commencement speaker

Hawaii Baptist Academy

CLASS OF 2015

Charisse Agasid Agraan ★▼
Ian Suk Tim Alesna
Chelsie Mikayo Arume
Marques Masatomo Asato ♦
Paige J.H. Avery ★
Breanna Brooke Aweau
Jenee' Kimiko Brown ★
Christopher Clarence Caballes ★
Riley Jeanne Cammack ★▼♥
Christian Jayme A. Castillo ★▼
Kyle Anthony A. Castillo ★▼
Jeremy Makoapono Weng-Yun Chang
Christian Yoshiaki Chee ★▼
Geoffrey Scott Wai Sung Chen
Junlang Chen ★
Jared Susumu Chun ★
Michael K.H. Dang ★▼
Karis E. Garrett ♦
Alecia Chantalle Griffin ★▼
Malia Kiyoko Grinder ♦
Dominique Akiko Hart
Jonathan Hideo Hayashi ♦
Brienne M.W.F. Higa ♦
Jonathan Lucas Higa ♦▼♥
Megan Ann Horita ★▼
BJ Hoku Hosaka ★▼
Jiaying Huang ♦
Katelynn Emi Iha
Ty Minoru Ikenaga ♦
Sean Kenji Inouye
Kayla Shizue Ippongi ★▼♥
Jesse Nicole Kaneshiro
Robert K. Kawasaki
Brandlyn Lei Keahi
John Hyun Kim ★
Joshua Like Kishaba ♦♥
Sydney Wai Yan Lau
Bailey Gene Lee
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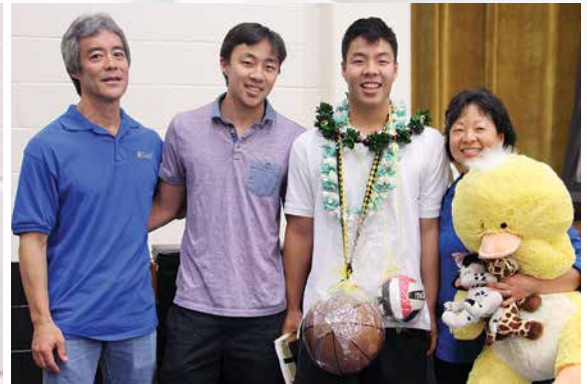
Joyce Hana Lee ★▼
Mina Laiyuk Lee
Jeffrey Yong-Min Liang ♥
Dylan-John Hiroshi Loo ★▼♥
Nicole Jamie Lopes
Adrian K. Low ♥
Gavin Paul Eugene Low ★▼♥
Micah Jeffrey Lum
Kaily Makamae Lum
Raemee Takeko Noelani Manago ♥
Kara Emiko Marushige ♦
Mikayla Kiyome Mau
Amelia Sakiko McKenzie
Andrew Chad Mettias ♦
Candace Chiaki Minami
Davin Takeshi Miyahara ♥
Madeline Ann Morgan
Kelsey Anne Morihara ★▼♥
Raegan Misa Kauikeolani Nakama
Brandon Riki Nakamura ♦
Marissa Miyuki Nakasone ♥
Caitlyn Tsurue Nakatsukasa
Darren Kazuo Nirei
Randi J.Y. Nishida
Alexa Nicole Nucum ★▼
Maclain Wah Keong Oishi ♦▼
Jasha Kealohapau'ole Onogi ♥
Kailey Nohealani Megumi Pa'ahana ♦
Maria Palalay ♦▼
Catherine Imani Piper
Loryn Noriko Rimando
Owen Hideaki Saito
Jamie Mayumi Saito
Evan M. Sakaguchi
Deanna Mika Sanekane
Jana Lynne Sasaki ★
Alyssa Grace Fusaye Settsu
Asia Tome Sheehab ♦▼
Rika Capri Shinsato ♦
Anne Itsuko Shiraishi ★▼

Nicholas Joshua Siu-Li ★▼
Francis Kenichi Sonoda ♥
Jaryd Matthew Masaru Sugihara ★
Rylie Mika Sumimoto ♦▼
Dayna Nicole Malie Fujii Sur ♦▼
Kylie A. Takai
Jase Hideo Takimoto
Riley Yoshifumi Timmerman
Danielle Nalani Toda ★▼♥
Dayna Haruko Togami ♥
Courtney Aiko Meiling Togo ♥
Danton Masashi Tominaga
Jarrett Haruo Toyama
Daniel McKenna Traylor
Jessica Kwai Lin Truesdell ♦
Jenna Rae M. Tsuha ♦
Trent Reid Takeo Tsuzaki ♥
Sara Mariko Utsugi ♦♥
Emily Reiko Wada
Rylie Mei Wada ▼★
Brenner Kaponu Wakayama ♦
Tori Shizue Watanabe
Aaron Michael Wilford ♦
Taylor Sachio Wong
Deanna Nobuko Ching Fun Wong ♦
Chad Justin Wong ♦
Raelene M.T. Wong
Danielle Michaela Woo ♥
Brandon Toshio Yama ♥
Krystal Nicole Yamada
Kim Tokie Yamamoto
Tyler Koji Yamashiro ♥
Sarah Ji-Ye Hikaruko Yoo ♥
Deron Matthew Takao Yoshimura
Sharon Zhu

-
- ★ With Highest Honors
 - ♦ With Honors
 - ▼ National Honor Society
 - ♥ Attended HBA since Kindergarten

Mr. & Miss HBA

BJ Hosaka & Danielle Toda



Above: BJ Hosaka, left, and Danielle Toda, right, were elected the 2015 Mr. and Miss HBA. **Upper right (l-r):** The Hosaka Family. From left to right: Bruce Hosaka, father; Kalei Hosaka '12, brother; BJ Hosaka, Mr. HBA; and Jeannie Hosaka, mother. **Lower right (l-r):** The Toda Family. Back row, from left to right: David Toda, brother and HBA sophomore; Dean Toda, father; Danielle Toda, Miss HBA; and Lori Toda, mother. Front row, from left to right: Lauren Toda, sister and HBA fourth grader; and Lindsey Toda, sister and HBA third grader.

On May 12, seniors BJ Hosaka and Danielle Toda received HBA's highest honor as Mr. and Miss HBA.

"I feel very honored but also very humbled at the same time," said Toda. "It's not a testament of what we did, but more of how God was shown through both of us at HBA. We are thankful for the contributions we were able to make to this campus and we're thankful that our classmates recognized that."

"All glory goes to God. It's a big honor and I feel really humbled," said Hosaka.

The award, which began in 1955, recognizes one male and one female senior who typify the best in HBA students, including their contributions to school life through leadership and extra-curricular activities, and also in their character. The winners are elected by their peers. Among the past recipients is Hosaka's older brother, Kalei, who graduated in 2012.

"I'm proud of him and all of the hard work he's put into school and sports. Even if he didn't get this, I'd still be proud of him," said Kalei Hosaka.

BJ Hosaka enrolled in HBA in seventh grade. Since his freshman year of high school, he has played varsity volleyball and varsity

basketball. Last year, he was named HBA's male athlete of the year, alongside Jordan Kauwe '14. Hosaka is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and National Honor Society. He is the drummer for the Soldiers of Light choir, a participant in Servant Group and the President's Aloha Council.

Toda, who has attended HBA since kindergarten, is a member of the National Honor Society, Soldiers of Light choir, Interact, Servant Group, Model UN, Mock Trial, the President's Aloha Council and is an Eagle Ambassador. During her freshman and sophomore years, she played tennis for HBA's junior varsity team. She was also class president during her freshman, sophomore and senior years. This past year, you could see Toda's smiling face almost every Monday on the Eagle Eye's website as she presented the morning announcements. Outside of school, she participates in a leadership program run by the Center for Tomorrow's Leaders, which seeks to equip the next generation of leaders in Hawaii.

"We're very proud of Danielle. I think she's worked hard and accomplished things she set out to do. I always told her that I hope she leaves a legacy through which people would know Christ through her," said Dean Toda, Danielle's father.

High School Awards



Left: Alecia Griffin, senior, receives a Letter of Commendation in the 2015 National Merit Program. **Right:** Megan Horita, center, receives the Sue Nishikawa Scholarship presented by Faith McFatridge, left, and Naomi Masuno, right, nieces of Sue Nishikawa.

Bible

Excellence in New Testament

Dru Pang, Blythe Yoshikane

Excellence in Old Testament

Micah Abe, Renee Galolo

Excellence in Christian Thought

Josh Kishaba, Josh Laxamana,
Jordyn Wang, Raelene Wong

English

Outstanding English 9 Student

Anika Keuning, Jacqueline
Morgan

Outstanding English 10 Student

Renee Galolo, Alexa Yoo

Outstanding English 11 Student

Kainani Gruspe, Sydney Suzuki

Outstanding English 12 Student

Alecia Griffin, Rylie Wada

Outstanding AP English Language and Composition

Chester Hui

Outstanding AP English Literature and Composition

Danielle Toda

Shakespeare Recitation

Kailee Liu

Excellence in News Writing

Kylie Yamauchi

Excellence in Editorial Writing

Danielle Woo, Jaryd Sugihara

Excellence in Blog Writing

Katelynn Iha

Excellence in Editorial Cartooning

Jana Sasaki

Outstanding All-Around Journalist

Kara Marushige, Danielle Toda

Eagle Eye's Most Valuable Staffer

Danielle Woo

Yearbook Production— Excellence in Photography

Darren Nirei, Haley Pilien,
Kylie Takai, Jarrett Toyama

Yearbook Production— Excellence in Videography

Dylan-John Loo

Yearbook Production— Excellence in Layout

Raegan Nakama

Mathematics

Outstanding Student in Geometry

Lucas Chun

Outstanding Student in Algebra 2–10

Megan Yoshioka

Outstanding Student in Algebra 2-Honors

Kellie Akiyama, Dylan Tsuruda

Outstanding Student in Algebra 3

Lauren Chin

Outstanding Student in Trigonometry

Charlene Chen, Aaron Wong

Outstanding Student in Pre-Calculus

Chester Hui, Sydney Suzuki

Outstanding Student in Discrete Mathematics

Anne Shiraishi

Outstanding Student in Introduction to Statistics

Gavin Low

Outstanding Student in AP Statistics

Kara Marushige

Outstanding Student in Foundations of Calculus

Dayna Togami

Outstanding Student in AP Calculus A/B

Paige Avery

Outstanding Student in AP Calculus B/C

Kyle Castillo

HBA Mathematics Team High Scorer

Kyle Castillo

HBA Mathematics Team Most Valuable Member

Maria Agnesi Gaetana,
Dylan Tsuruda

Mathematics Service Award

Christian Castillo, Kyle Castillo

Hawaii State Mathematics Bowl Team

Christian Castillo, Kyle Castillo,
Nicholas Domingo, Alecia Griffin,
Nicole Lopes, Dylan Tsuruda

PE and Health

Outstanding Female Grade 9 Physical Education Student

Akemi Santiago

Outstanding Male Grade 9 Physical Education Student

Bryce Sakata

Outstanding Female Grade 10 Physical Education Student

Alexa Yoo

Outstanding Male Grade 10 Physical Education Student

Evan Ebesu

Science

Outstanding Student in Biology

Anika Keuning, Joel Lau

Outstanding Student in Chemistry

Renee Galolo, Samuel Hixon

Outstanding Student in Marine Science

Paige Avery, Brenner Wakayama

Outstanding Student in Physics

Megan Horita, Rylie Wada

Outstanding Student in AP Biology

Megan Horita, Nicholas Siu-Li

Outstanding Student in AP Chemistry

Chester Hui, Anna Young

Outstanding Student in AP Physics

Kyle Castillo, Junlang Chen

Social Studies

Outstanding Student in Ancient World History 9

Anika Keuning, Jewel Tominaga

Outstanding Student in Government 9

Zachary Fujita, Natalie Kwon

Outstanding US History 10 Student

Renee Galolo, Paige Oshiro



The 2015 recipients of the White Ohana Scholarship as presented by Winona (Au) White '83, left, and Taylor White, junior, second from the left. Sara Utsugi, third from the left; Alexa Nucum, fourth from the left; Dylan-John Loo, center; Joyce Lee, fourth from the right; Jonathan Higa, third from the right; Kyle Castillo, second from the right; and Malia Grinder, right.

Outstanding Modern World History 11 Student

Chester Hui, Anna Young

Outstanding Economics Student

Paige Avery, Brandon Nakamura

Outstanding AP US History Student

Rylie Wada

Outstanding AP World History Student

Sydney Suzuki

Social Science Scholar

Danielle Toda

Outstanding Psychology Student

Cole Horita

Outstanding Attorney, Mock Trial Team One

Michael Tawata

Outstanding Attorney, Mock Trial Team Two

Danielle Woo

Outstanding Attorney, Mock Trial Team Three

Danielle Toda

Outstanding Newcomer, Mock Trial Team One

Eugene Lee

Outstanding Newcomer, Mock Trial Team Two

Talia Egami

Outstanding Newcomer, Mock Trial Team Three

David Toda

Outstanding Witness, Mock Trial Team One

Joyce Lee

Outstanding Witness, Mock Trial Team Two

Aaron Wilford

Outstanding Witness, Mock Trial Team Three

Haley Piliien

Visual and Performing Arts

Outstanding Achievement in Basic Art

Renee Galolo, Akemi Santiago, Stacie Yamamoto

Outstanding Achievement in Basic Drawing

Esther Chang

Outstanding Advanced Drawing & Painting Artist

Chelsie Arume, Christian Castillo, Kailey Pa'ahana, Asia Sheehab

Outstanding Achievement in Basic Mixed Media

Kyara Bunch, Connie Huang

Outstanding Achievement in Ceramics

Kayci Kumashiro, Kailey Pa'ahana, Haley Piliien

Outstanding Achievement in Mixed Media & Ceramics

Jaci Ishikawa, Brenner Wakayama

Outstanding Advanced Drawing & Painting Artist

Chelsie Arume, Christian Castillo, Kailey Pa'ahana, Asia Sheehab

Outstanding Advanced Mixed Media Artist

Jana Sasaki

Outstanding Achievement in Drafting & Design

Keisha Ching

Outstanding Achievement in Introduction to Programming

Au'ahi Aiu

Outstanding Student in Concert Band

Christian Fee

Outstanding Student in Wind Ensemble

Carly Imaino, Mark Pascual

Outstanding Section Leader in Wind Ensemble

Jasha Onogi

Excellence in Leadership and Achievement

Loryn Rimando

Best Director

Briana Smith

Fall Semester Drama King

Trent Tsuzaki

Fall Semester Drama Queen

Jessica Truesdell

Spring Semester Drama King

Maclain Oishi

Spring Semester Drama Queen

Deanna Wong

World Languages

Outstanding Achievement in Chinese 1

Jamie Lee

Outstanding Achievement in Chinese 2

Kristina Tommee

Outstanding Achievement in Chinese 3

Michelle Chan

Outstanding Achievement in Chinese 4

Michael Dang

Outstanding Achievement in French 4

Aaron Wilford

Outstanding Achievement in Japanese 1

Lauryn Liao, Akemi Santiago

Outstanding Achievement in Japanese 2

Ryan Lee, Kylie Tamaki

Outstanding Achievement in Japanese 3

Dillon Kodama, Chambre Mangiarelli

Outstanding Achievement in Japanese 4

Candace Minami, Brandon Nakamura

Outstanding Achievement in Japanese 5

Maria Palalay

Outstanding Achievement in Spanish 1

Preston Iha, Anika Keuning

Outstanding Achievement in Spanish 2

Renee Galolo, Samuel Hixon

Outstanding Achievement in Spanish 3

Adin Hixon, Anna Young

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High School Awards *Continued from page 7*

Outstanding Achievement in Spanish 4

Kyle Castillo

Overall Excellence in Chinese

Chester Hui

Overall Excellence in French

Joyce Lee

Overall Excellence in Japanese

Rika Shinsato

Overall Excellence in Spanish

Charisse Agraan

National Honor Society Inductees

Kylie Aoki, Cameron Brewer, Nicole Burgess, Matthew Butay, Timothy Chang, Joshua Fujita, Zachary Fujita, Alyssa Futa, Nicholas Kanno, Maia Kawelo, Anika Keuning, Natalie Kwon,

Madison Mizuno, Haley Pilien, Jalen Sur, Kylee-Ann Tawara, Kristina Tommee, Khristian Vinca, Megan Yamauchi

National Merit Scholarship Program

Letter of Commendation in the 2015 National Merit Program
Alecia Griffin

Parent Teacher Fellowship (PTF)

PTF High Achievement Award
Hellen Chen, Renee Galolo, Nathan Hishinuma, Samuel Hixon, Connie Huang, Chester Hui, Joshua Joo, Kayci Kumashiro, April Joy Laxamana, Jennifer Le, Lauren Lee, Ryan Lee, Chambre Mangiarelli, Jantzen Nakai,

Paige Oshiro, Sydney Suzuki, Madison Tanabe, Kristina Tommee, Dylan Tsuruda, Khristian Vinca, Kylie Yamauchi, Anna Young

PTF Service Award

PTF Service Award Grade 9
Megan Yamauchi

PTF Service Award Grade 10
Ty Minatoya, Megan Yoshioka

PTF Service Award Grade 11
Chester Hui, Briana Smith

PTF Service Award Grade 12
Dylan-John Loo, Anne Shiraishi

Special Awards and Service Recognition

Kilohana Kai Scholarship in Memory of Mr. Larry Wong
Kelsey Morihara

L.O. and Johnnie Taylor Outstanding Service Award
Zoe Lilo

Rev. O.W. "Dub" and Grace Efurd Memorial Scholarship
Kelsey Morihara

Sue Nishikawa Scholarship
Megan Horita

Veterans of Foreign War Award
Kylie Aoki

White Ohana College Scholarships
Kyle Castillo, Jonathan Higa, Malia Grinder, Joyce Lee, Dylan-John Loo, Alexa Nucum, Sara Utsugi, Rylie Wada



1. Zoe Lilo, left, receives the L.O. and Johnnie Taylor Outstanding Service Award from Ryan Frontiera, right, high school vice principal. 2. Kylie Aoki, left, receives the Veterans of Foreign Wars Award. 3. Kelsey Morihara, center, receives the Rev. O.W. "Dub" and Grace Efurd Memorial Scholarship presented by Stephen Efurd, left, and Laura Efurd, right, children of Dub and Grace Efurd. 4. Kelsey Morihara, center, receives the Kilohana Kai Scholarship in memory of Larry Wong, presented by his sister, Evelyn Chang, left, and Richard Yaginuma, right, president of Kilohana Kai.



Middle School Awards

Bible

Excellence in Bible 7

Kathryn Harada, Zach Lau

Excellence in Bible 8

Kristin Lau, Aaron Thomas

English

Best Overall in English 7

Natalie Narito, Anna Uehara

Best Overall English 8

Dakota Bates, Reanne Inafuku

Outstanding Novelist 8

Katelyn Higashiya

Outstanding Poet 8

Lauren Uchimura

Outstanding English Teacher Apprentice

Michelle Hong

Mathematics

Outstanding Student in Math 7

Kathryn Harada, Zach Lau

Outstanding Student in Algebra 1

Brandon Okazaki, Nicole Tommee

PE and Health

Outstanding Performance in Health and Fitness

Caitlin Ching, Payton Lee, Brandon Okazaki, Julia Oliveira

Outstanding Performance in Physical Education and Health

Kailee Ishikawa, Cyndi Yoshida

Science

Outstanding Student in Earth Science 8

Emily White, Shea Yuen

Outstanding Student in Science 7

Alyssa Mayeshiro, Natalie Narito



Gabrielle Chun, left, recipient of the Ka'imi na'auao (Seeker of Wisdom) award (Academic Excellence Grade 7), with Rena Takatsuka, center, and Emily White, right, recipients of the Soaring Eagle (Academic Excellence for Grade 8) award.

Social Studies

Outstanding Excellence in Geography

Maya Liao, Alyssa Mayeshiro

American History 8 Knowledge Award

Elisabeth Matthews, Caily Okazaki

American History 8 Outstanding Student

Kristin Lau

Visual and Performing Arts

Aspiring Artist

Dakota Bates, Anna Kerr

Fabulous in Fine Arts 7

Ashley Oshiro, Marissa Uehara

Fantastic in Fine Arts 8

Racen Horita, Christianne Young

Outstanding Achievement in Beginning Programming 8

Caily Okazaki

Outstanding Student in Middle School Beginning Band

Lytic Albios, Ka'imilani Duncklee, Ryder Watanabe

Outstanding Student in Middle School Band

Courtney Lee, Natasha Loh

Thriving Thespian

Dakota Bates, Madelyn Weaver

Special Middle School Awards

Ka'imi na'auao (Seeker of Wisdom) Award (Academic Excellence Grade 7)

Gabrielle Chun

Soaring Eagle (Academic Excellence for Grade 8)

Rena Takatsuka, Emily White

PTF Service Awards

PTF Service Award 7

Cobi Pimental, Cyndi Yoshida

PTF Service Award 8

Dakota Bates, Madelyn Weaver

6th Grade Academic and Recognition Awards



The recipients of the All-Around, J.O.Y., and Citizenship Awards. L-R: Sydney Senter, Logan Tom, Julia Matsuzaki, Len Silva, Kellie Takai, Kyra Yamashiro, and Malama Fujimoto.

High Academic Average Awards

Chelsea Baba
Johnson Lin
Riana Santos
Sydney Senter
Tani Yoshioka

President's Award for Academic Excellence

Noah Abe
Chelsea Baba
Sherise Chan
Mia Eshima

Daniel Jurek
Logan Kaneshiro
Kai Keuning
Jacob Kikuta
Summer Lee
Johnson Lin
Erica Lo
Amber Loo
Joy Maehara
Julia Matsuzaki
Dayna Okazaki
Jasmine Oki
Riana Santos
Sydney Senter
Len Silva
Logan Tom
Kylie Trang

Landon Wong
Tani Yoshioka

Citizenship Award

Kellie Takai
Kyra Yamashiro
Malama Fujimoto

J.O.Y. Award

Julia Matsuzaki
Len Silva

All Around Awards

Sydney Senter
Logan Tom

Eagle Eye Wins Best in State



The 2014-15 Eagle Eye Staff received Best in State on April 23 at the annual Hawaii High School Journalism Awards. Back row, left to right: Tanner Isaacs, senior; Aaron Wilford, senior; and Mikayla Mau, senior. Front row, left to right: Karly Tom, sophomore; Danielle Toda, senior; Jaryd Sugihara, senior and Eagle Eye co-editor; Danielle Woo, senior and Eagle Eye co-editor; Amelia McKenzie, senior; Kylie Yamauchi, junior; and Shannon Mau, junior. PHOTO COURTESY OF DANIELLE TODA.

Hawaii Baptist Academy's student newspaper, the Eagle Eye, has been named Best in State for the 2015 Hawaii High School Journalism Awards.

On April 22, the Eagle Eye staff beat out 16 public and private high schools across the state for the top honor. Following behind in second place was Mililani High School, and Kamehameha Schools Maui in third.

According to the Honolulu Star-Advertiser, entries from public schools and private schools were first judged separately. From both divisions, winners of each category were then judged to

determine the overall winner. Schools that collected the highest points across all categories received the top best in state awards.

The Eagle Eye staff collected seven first-place awards in the private school division, and five first-place awards in the state division.

"We worked really hard throughout the year. Ms. Sim definitely pushed us a lot to write works that would be entertaining for the school, but also strong so we could win the award. I'm definitely and extremely proud of the whole staff for what we accomplished. It means a lot," said Jaryd Sugihara, Eagle Eye co-editor.

Athletic Awards



From left to right: Jeffrey Liang, Ken & Rosemond Street Sportsmanship Award; Megan Horita, Ken & Rosemond Street Sportsmanship Award and the Robert Fulford Scholar-Athlete Award; Rylie Wada, Athlete of the Year; and BJ Hosaka, Athlete of the Year and the Robert Fulford Scholar-Athlete Award.

The 2014-15 school year was an outstanding year for HBA's athletics program. A record nine teams won their respective ILH Championships. These were girls and boys basketball, girls and boys volleyball, girls and boys tennis, girls and boys bowling and softball (PacFive).

At the annual Varsity Athletic Banquet held in May, about 120 students were presented with certificates, letters, pins and team awards.

Individual State Champions

Shelby Suzuki, junior (bowling)
Darren Nirei, senior (air riflery)

Pac-Five Award Winners

Kayla Ippongi, senior (swimming)
Jonathan Higa, senior (boys soccer)
Jamie Saito, senior (girls soccer)

Darren Nirei, senior (air riflery/precision riflery)
Bailey Lee, senior (baseball)

Ken & Rosemond Street Sportsmanship Awards

Male: Jeffrey Liang, senior (tennis)
Female: Megan Horita, senior (volleyball, basketball, track)

Athletes of the Year

Male: BJ Hosaka, senior (basketball, volleyball)
Female: Rylie Wada, senior (volleyball, basketball, track)

Robert Fulford Scholar-Athlete Award

Male: BJ Hosaka, senior (basketball, volleyball)
Female: Megan Horita, senior (volleyball, basketball, track)



HBA's first Ministry Team Camp. The students who were invited to attend this camp have either served as Bible study leaders and/or family group leaders at grade level camps. New student leaders were also invited to attend so they could begin training for next year.

HBA Hosts First Ministry Team Camp

The department of Christian Ministries hosted its very first Ministry Team Camp in April at the Puu Kahea Conference Center in Waianae. The camp replaced Servant Group Camp, which for many years had served as a training ground for the City of Joy ministry and grade level camps at the beginning of the school year.

"Ministry Team Camp is unlike any camp we've ever done. We really wanted to show our appreciation for our student leaders who worked all year long to serve and lead their peers. We also wanted to provide better training for our leaders so they will be more confident when they lead family groups and Bible studies next year," said Rob Lockridge, Christian Ministries Director.

Camp began on Thursday evening with an appreciation dinner for the student leaders. Following the meal, the students walked to Pokai Bay where they prayed and worshipped God while watching the sunset on the beach.

"It was an amazing experience. It's one thing to worship in the gym for chapel and it's a totally different feel worshipping in His creation," said Jalen Sur, freshman.

Beginning late Thursday night and Friday evening, students attended discussions with professional missionaries and pastors. Training workshops led by HBA faculty members were provided on Friday.

The students were also challenged to teach a scripture using any type of creative means. Some students wrote and performed songs, while others performed skits and created paintings.

The camp ended Saturday morning with a special foot washing ceremony. In John 13, Jesus washed his disciples' feet and commissioned them to serve others. In a similar fashion, faculty members washed the feet of the seniors, then offered words of affirmation.

"I was so humbled when the teachers washed our feet. That was the first time I experienced something like that, and the affirmation and the love shown by the teachers truly touched my heart," said Kelsey Morihara, senior.

At the end of the ceremony, the seniors washed the feet of the underclassmen.

"It was a very powerful and emotional experience as the seniors passed on their legacy," said John Kaneshiro, Christian Ministries associate and worship leader.



Debra Tenney, 8th grade English teacher, right, washes the feet of Anne Shiraiishi at HBA's first Ministry Team Camp.

MAC Week 2015: Love Does



Brandon Yama, senior, with Betty Ellerd of Tulia, Texas.

Plan to attend **MAC WEEK's 40th Anniversary**
February 16–19, 2016

Morning sessions will be held at the
Hale Koa Hotel

Visit www.hba.net/MAC for more details
and video highlights from MAC Week 2015

THE MAINLAND ADVISORY COUNCIL

is a body of Christian supporters who believe in the purpose of HBA and are committed to ensuring its financial and spiritual well-being. The council was first organized in 1977 with 54 members. Today, nearly 300 families from 28 states belong to the family of HBA supporters. Members attend the annual meetings in Honolulu at their own expense.

The Mainland Advisory Council (MAC) held its 39th annual meeting in Honolulu in February. MAC members and their guests visited HBA's campuses and met with students, parents, faculty and staff.

This year's theme was "Love Does." The theme, which is also HBA's school-wide theme, comes from the book *Love Does* by best-selling author Bob Goff. Through short, personal testimonies, Goff challenges readers to show Christ's love through creative and incredible ways. Throughout the week, students, faculty members and alumni shared how "Love Does" has affected them during this school year. For the elementary school, administrators shared that all of the students practiced "Love Does" by participating in service projects in the school's neighborhood during Christian Emphasis Week. Brian Okazaki '92 shared how his son, Max, who just entered kindergarten and struggles with Crohn's Disease, was welcomed with incredible love at HBA.

"Every time Max comes to school he's greeted with high-fives. He's like a celebrity," Okazaki said.

At the Wednesday evening worship service, General Carlton and Mary Ann Fulford of Edgewater, Maryland, shared their experiences with HBA. The Fulfords moved to Oahu in 1985 and needed to find a school for their two sons. Ironically, HBA was not their first choice, but they soon realized it was the perfect fit. Mary Ann taught history at HBA in room 107, next door to two veteran social studies teachers, Maurine King and Joyce Wong, who became "best mentors" to her. For the Fulford boys, HBA laid the foundation for higher education and Christian leadership.

During their visits to the elementary and middle school campuses, MAC members participated in art projects alongside the students. At the elementary school, they continued the third section of the stained glass mural project that began in 2012. The murals represent the five acts of the Bible. This year, the students created murals that represented the third act which is Israel. The new murals will be installed at the

elementary school chapel alongside the murals created in the previous years.

At the middle school, students and MAC members designed and painted tiles that will be installed onto a hallway wall. At the center of the tiles will be a large tile featuring an eagle, HBA's mascot.

At the high school, MAC members were treated to a wonderful worship service featuring the school's Wind Ensemble and Halau Hula 'O Kalama 'Ula.

Pastor James Shiroma '88 of The Gathering in Mililani, Hawaii was the guest devotional speaker for the week. Shiroma, who also serves on the school's Board of Directors and has previously served as HBA's development director, encouraged MAC members to put "Love Does" into action.

"Love takes risks," said Shiroma. "I encourage all of you to pray about how God is calling you take a risk with HBA."

Bill Cobb of Dallas, Texas, was elected MAC Chair for 2015-2016. He succeeds outgoing chair Wade Johnson of Atlanta, Georgia. John Stanford of Surfside Beach, South Carolina, will serve as vice chair.

In his address, President Bento shared that the new facilities at the high school are being well-used and are very much appreciated by the faculty and students. The cost for the entire project is \$17 million, with \$2.8 million to be raised.

"Without a doubt I know the Lord will provide because He has performed miracles after miracles for HBA. Raising that money will not be easy but we expect great things from God because I believe this is His school and HBA is in His plans," Bento said.

The week concluded with the Aloha Banquet, featuring an outstanding concert by the Soldiers of Light, Halau Hula 'O Kalama 'Ula, and the high school and middle school choirs, directed by Todd Yokotake '84. Additionally, Lou and Louis Daugherty from Seal Beach, California, Bill and Carolyn Cobb from Dallas, Texas, and Stanley and Joan Togikawa of Honolulu were inducted into the Ali'i Eagle Circle, which recognizes donors whose lifetime gifts to Hawaii Baptist Academy exceed \$100,000.

SHARE HBA'S STORY! Robert Whitfield from Dallas, HBA's Mainland Donor Relations Officer, can help share HBA's story with your church, Sunday school class, senior adult group, or any small group. He is also available for Missions Fairs or missions events. Contact him at (214) 559-0048 or trwfriend@aol.com



(1) Succeeding MAC Chair Bill Cobb with outgoing MAC Chair Wade Johnson. (2) President Bento inducts Bill and Carolyn Cobb from Dallas, Texas into the Eagle Circle. (3) Mary Ann Fulford, former HBA faculty and wife of General Carlton Fulford, from Edgewater, Maryland. (4) Pastor James Shiroma '88, of The Gathering in Mililani, guest devotional speaker. (5) Lou and Louise Daugherty of Seal Beach, California. (6) Stanley and Joan Togikawa of Honolulu.

The Legacy Belongs to God

By Joyce Wong, HBA faculty, 1960–1997



As one of the recipients of the Legacy awards, I would like to thank HBA for having this special event. Throughout the 2014 Legacy Night celebration, hundreds of images flooded my soul. I say soul because it was a spiritual experience for me.

The program was so thoughtfully planned, featuring alumni and current students. The entire evening was an example of how God works. The melding of visionaries of the past with alumni involvement and the talents of students set the bright hope for the future.

I was truly amazed at the progress and the beauty of the campuses. The faculty were impressive and the administration and staff seemed to have one goal: glorifying God in every effort.

Through 66 years, HBA has always been God's school; it had to be because we were all "just ordinary people" being used by an extraordinary God. To God be the Glory!

As Mother Teresa once said after being honored for her humanitarian efforts, "I was only a pencil in the hand of God." As a teacher through the 36 years, even on the days when teaching was a grind, I always felt I was a part of something beautiful and it was something bigger than we were; it was God putting together a special school that would help to put hope into young lives for many years to come.

Seeing so many alumni leading happy, productive lives and getting hugs from them was a highlight for me. I also loved seeing those with whom I served still passing on the torch.

Thank you, God, for being the brightest star in the legacy of a place called Hawaii Baptist Academy.

HBA proudly presents Legacy Night 2015

An evening to honor our award recipients for their impact on HBA's history and success for future generations.

Saturday, November 7, 2015, from 4:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Hawaii Baptist Academy, High School Campus, 2429 Pali Highway



TICKETS:	\$5000 Platinum Table of 10	\$3000 Gold Table of 8	\$1500 Silver Table of 8	\$125 Individual seat on a table	\$100 No Seat Stand Up Rounds
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Lifetime Legacy Awards



Dan Kong
Past President (1988–1993)
Vice President-Development
(1973–1983)



Patricia Simmons
Former Faculty (1963–1982)
Development Director
(1992–1999)

Distinguished Alumni



Dennis Sasaki '71
Assoc. Dir., Flow Cytometric
Technologies, La Jolla, CA



Susan Utsugi '82
Sr. Vice President,
Central Pacific Bank

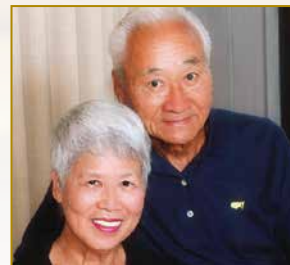
Silent Auction donations are needed. For more details, please email Carole Masaki at cmasaki@hba.net. Table sales will begin on July 31. Individual Eagle Sponsor sales will begin on August 17. Please go to **www.hba.net/legacy** for ticket sales. All proceeds from the benefit dinner go directly towards the Alumni Association Scholarship Endowment and financial aid for current students.

Distinguished Service to God



Itsuko "Sue" Nishikawa
Missions Promoter
Hawaii Pacific Baptist
Convention

Distinguished Service to the Community



Andrew & Mary Ann Young
Former HBA Parents

Distinguished Service to HBA



Todd Yokotake '84
Faculty since 1990

Jimmy Wilkinson '99: Seeing Hawaii from a Bird's Eye View

By Christina Yasutomi



Clockwise from left: Jimmy Wilkinson '99 and his aerial drone (photo: Jimmy Wilkinson), Wilkinson prepares to launch his drone from "Pali Notches" (photo: Matt Stevens '97), "Heaven's Light," (photo: Jimmy Wilkinson), "Kaawa Valley," (photo: Jimmy Wilkinson).

If you're looking for stunning images of Hawaii's pristine landscapes and coastlines, then you must check out @opticalhi on Instagram. The feed features aerial, drone photography and video by Jimmy Wilkinson '99. In March, Wilkinson's feed was named by HuffPost Hawaii as one of the top 10 Instagram feeds that Hawaii enthusiasts should follow. As of May, his feed had more than 10,000 followers.

In the spring of 2013, an acquaintance introduced Wilkinson to a drone camera while they were surfing on the North Shore.

"I checked it out and instantly said, 'wow, this is the coolest thing!'"

He then researched drone technology for a few months.

"I wanted to make sure I was getting the right drone because I wanted it to be for fun, but I also wanted it to do the things I wanted it to do, like film high quality video and take great photos. I hadn't thought of doing a business at the time. It was just a hobby. After I bought it, I realized that not only was it really fun, but some of the stuff I was producing was really cool."

Wilkinson started posting his photos and videos on Facebook and Instagram and would receive comments from fans requesting to purchase prints.

"My entrepreneurial brain kicked in and I figured I could start a business."

In July 2014 Wilkinson officially launched his photography company, OpticalHI. Canvas and metal prints of his images are available for purchase on his website,

www.opticalhi.com. If you're cruising in downtown Kailua, you can see his work featured at Twin Islands store and the Kailua General Store.

"It's nice to have a hobby that pays for itself."

The photos and video are taken on hiking trips, at parks, beaches and other popular tourist attractions around the island. To get some of his more unique shots, he sometimes travels on trails with steep terrain. He warns all photography enthusiasts to be cautious.

Wilkinson's interest in photography and videography began in high school and was fueled by his love for extreme sports. Sterling Lee, who was the Bible teacher at the time, helped Wilkinson and his friends put together a skateboarding and wakeboarding video that was shown to the entire school.

Wilkinson's entrepreneurial skills were also developed at a young age. When he was eight years old, he and his brother, Brian '01, worked a newspaper delivery route in Kailua. The brothers would also purchase large packs of gummy worms and gummy bears from Costco, repackage them with li hing, a local sour-flavored powder, and resell them to their classmates.

While Wilkinson wasn't a straight A student at HBA, he's grateful for the love and care he received from his teachers, such as Diane Hom and Lynne Nakano.

"HBA prepared me for life, and not only scholastically but in general. When I was at college, I was able to balance life very well. I wasn't constantly stressed about schooling and I was able to have a good time."

Wilkinson also appreciated being in a Christian environment because he could talk to any of his teachers about issues he was facing and receive good counsel and prayer.

Wilkinson is a graduate of Azusa Pacific University, where he received a bachelor's degree in communications.

For his day job, Wilkinson is the Sales/Operations Manager for JW Sales, Inc., which is a family owned company. JW Sales is a wholesale distributor primarily for construction materials and roofing products. Wilkinson also helped his brother start Slick Products USA, a specialized line of cleaning products for automotive motorsport, bicycles and marine vehicles. Brian now runs Slick Products from Huntington Beach, California.

Jimmy lives in Kailua and attends Kailua Community Church with his family. His wife, Lani, recently gave birth to their twin boys Dylan and Zac. Lani is a former art teacher at HBA's elementary school.



Jimmy Wilkinson '99, left, and his wife, Lani, right, with their twin sons Zac, left, and Dylan, right.

Class Reunions



The Class of 1990 celebrated their 25th reunion on June 6 at Ala Moana Beach Park. Back row, L-R: Dana (Nagao) Akeo and son, Carla Villamor, Tony Nickelsen, Lisa (Yoshioka) Hoxha, Scot Yamashita, Kelli (Kaneda) Williams, Natalie (Han) Phillips, Marc Hirai, and Joanie (Tokuda) Miyazawa. Front row, L-R: Ryan Shigeta, Jeff Roache, Rasa Fournier, Jennifer Marshall and Brandon Toma. *Photo courtesy of Rasa Fournier.*



The Class of 2004 celebrated their 10 year reunion in December. In this photo: Chris Kam, Jared Gandia, Jason Shimoda, Wendianne Chu-Takenaka, Jeremy Nelson, Jade Higa, Lester Leung, Dawn Kato, Josh Nelson, Roque Pun, Travis Tonini, Lauren Tamanaha, Micah Munekata, Erica (Cordery) Smith, Nicholas Cadiente, Sage Clary, Eric Yeung, Jessica Ho, Alexandra (Poleshaj) Love, Nathaniel Smith, Cherie Ann Park, Eric Kobayashi, Courtne (Tokuda) Chang, Lauren Kajiura, and Julia (Wong) Johnson. *Photo courtesy of Luther Beck.*

CLASS OF 1980 MINI-REUNIONS Bruce Hara has been traveling the country with his job and catching up with classmates. In July 2014, Laurie (Miller) Chareq and Doreen (Faleski) Tanner showed him around the D.C. and Manassas, VA area.



In September, a group met for lunch in Portland, OR. Front row, L-R: Karen and John Connell, Katie (Sayre) Suppan, Grace (Matayoshi) Smith, Suzanne Ganote, Laurie (Starks) Dowless, and Cristi (Moore) Hamilton. Back row, L-R: Bruce Hara, Larry Suppan, the Hamilton boys (Jesse, James, Ben), and Noah Dowless.



In October, Bruce met up with Mark Smith, left, and Steve Newman, middle, in Fort Worth after a worship service at McKinney Bible Church where Steve is the Worship Pastor.

In Memory

The Aloha Council

Paul Gima, 91, of Kailua, Hawaii, died Dec. 7, 2014. He taught shop and science during HBA's early years. After retiring as a public school teacher, he volunteered with landscaping at HBA's elementary campus on Bates Street for almost 20 years. He also assisted the third grade with their gardening project. Survivors include son Preston, daughter Pauline Rediger '73, and grandchildren Lara Rediger '07 and Matthew Rediger '10.

David Petherbridge, 95, of Honolulu died Jan. 25. He taught at HBA before pastoring Wakiki Baptist Church, which was organized in 1952. He also pastored Kaumana Drive Baptist Church in Hilo, Kaunakakai Baptist Church on Molokai and Palolo Mission in Honolulu. He was editor of the Hawaii Baptist paper, 1951–1957. After retiring, he taught English as a Second Language. He is survived by his wife Betty, sons Sidney and Nathan, six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Roy Omoto, 79, of Honolulu, died Jan. 28. He was the owner of Roy and Associates Realty. He is survived by his wife Carol, sons Randall '78 and Garrett '79, daughters Crystal Shiroma and Annette, and seven grandchildren, including Jessi '13, Kaci, HBA 10th grader, and Sean Shiroma, HBA science teacher.

Sandra Rosa, 85, of Honolulu, died May 4. She was a finance voucher examiner for the federal government. She is survived by her husband William "Bill," son Eric '81, daughters Dayle Rosa-Tom and Kathylynn Tabandera, seven grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Mainland Advisory Council

Edna Carpenter Booker, 93, of Iowa City, Iowa, died Nov. 8, 2014. She and her late husband Brooks lived in Germany and numerous states, including Hawaii, while he served in the U.S. Air Force. She was involved in many organizations, including Goodwill Industries, Daughters of the American Revolution and Parkview Evangelical Free Church. Survivors include a son Brooks III; daughters Carolyn Cannon (MAC member) and Sandra Gay; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Virginia Bost, 91, of Shelby, NC, died Dec. 1. She was active at First Baptist Church, Shelby, and various organizations, including the Cecilia Music Club, the Cleveland Springs Garden Club and the Chicora Book Club. She is survived by her three sons, Loyd Jr., Byard and Harlan; daughter Jann Ford; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Helen Toole, 95, of Shelby, NC, died Jan 5, 2015. She was retired from Belk's in Shelby with more than 40 years of service. She was a member of Central United Methodist Church, Cleveland Country Club, and the Shelby Junior Charity League. She is survived by her son James Jr., two grandchildren, and one great-grandson.

Charles W. Clark, 78, of Tierra Verde, Fla., and Morgantown, Ky., died Jan. 20. He was retired as the district manager for Western Southern Financial Group. Charles was a member of Aberdeen Missionary Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife Hilda Fae, son Charles, daughter Drexia Jo Gross, two grandsons, three stepchildren, and 14 step grandchildren.

Lester "L.E." Alford, Jr., 78, of Gastonia, NC, died Jan. 29. He was retired as owner/broker of Century 21 Better Homes of Gastonia. He served as a Sunday School teacher and deacon at Parkview Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife Patricia; sons Bryan and Christopher; daughter Terry Gage; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Earl Bell, 88, of Frankfort, Ky., died Feb. 9. He served as an ordained Baptist minister for over 60 years. He was also a chaplain at the Frankfort Career Development Center and chaplain emeritus of Appalachian Regional Healthcare, Inc. He is survived by his wife Linda; daughters Carey Durrett and Allison; son Mark; five grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Mary Frances Bryce, 93, of Shelby, NC, died March 3. She was retired from the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond, Va. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Shelby and an active volunteer with the American Red Cross.

Robert Cargill, 85, of Fort Worth, Texas, died April 4. He served as pastor, director of development for Oklahoma Baptist University, and vice president of financial resources for the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. In 1976 he founded Cargill Associates and raised funds for churches and other non-profit institutions. He assisted HBA with the Mission Aloha capital campaign on the mainland in 1977. Bob is survived by his wife Sara Lou; son Stephen; daughter Sara Beth Lee; daughter-in-law Ginger Cargill; 12 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Billy Joe Devine, 84, of Menifee, Calif., died May 2. He was a retired pastor. He is survived by his wife Katheryn; sons Joseph Devine and David Devine; and daughters, Diane Devine, Becky Powers and Rachel McMullin.

Other Friends

Nancy McDill, 80, of Pleasant Grove, Ala., died Feb. 6. She and her late husband Joe were Mission Service Corps volunteers with HBA and the Hawaii Pacific Baptist Convention for over 20 years.

Philip Moore, former HBA physics teacher, died March 28. He was retired from Leeward Community College.

W. Winfred Moore, pastor of First Baptist Church of Amarillo, Texas, from 1959 to 1989, died May 8 at age 95. He led the church in supporting HBA for 40 years. He was the keynote speaker at the dedication of the HBA multipurpose building in 1984.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is also expressed to the following HBA staff on the loss of loved ones:

Arlene Huster, high school librarian, on the passing of her husband **Joseph Huster**, 54, of Mililani on December 20, 2014. He was the father of Jonathan '14.

Michele Oda, high school secretary, on the passing of her mother **Pauline Oda**, 88, of Honolulu on Feb. 25. Pauline was the grandmother of Morgan Machuta '10.

Ronald Shiira '75, vice president, on the passing of his father **Tadashi Shiira**, 83, of Honolulu on April 22. Tadashi was also the father of Mark '79 and grandfather of Andrew '05, Noah, HBA 5th grader, and Ilana, HBA 4th grader.

Carolyn Casey, kindergarten teacher, on the passing of her father **Stanley Tom**, 88, of Honolulu on May 11. He was the grandfather of Jessica Truesdell '15 and Logan Tom, HBA 6th grader.

Baby Eagles



Luke Noboru Makana LaBarre was born on June 13, 2014 to Maulia LaBarre and Nicole (Matsusaka) LaBarre '05. He was 20 inches long and weighed six pounds and 11 ounces. He was born on a full moon on Friday the 13th, but he has brought nothing but light and blessings into our lives. He is such a happy baby with a sweet temperament. He needs it to put up with 3 older sisters. Siblings: Kaylee, 7; Blair, 5; and Brooke, 2.

Suvi Song-Yan Hanson was born on May 5, 2015 to Taylor Hanson and Eunice Sim, Eagle Eye advisor and yearbook teacher. She weighed six pounds and 13 ounces.



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