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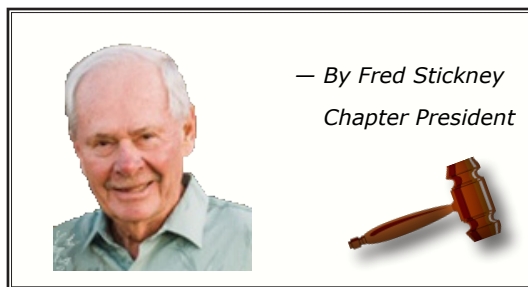
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— By Fred Stickney
Chapter President

Fred's Reflections

Greetings to all from your McCoy President. I assumed the role of President of the McCoy Chapter this summer after Greg O'Brien resigned due to family circumstances. I have served as the Vice President for 6 years working closely with Greg. He has been a good mentor as I step into this role. I am happy to report that Bud Doane accepted the role of VP and Bob Smeenk accepted the role of Membership Chair for the coming year. The board unanimously voted for our new team.

Our board meeting was filled with many new ideas from those who attended. As we go forward planning the activities for the McCoy Chapter for the 2019-2020 programs, we hope to implement some of these ideas. We welcome all thoughts from our McCoy Chapter alumni, as we plan for the next year. We are looking to expand our activities to a broader geographical area, so alumni from different parts of our region can easily participate.

This past year we had successful activities with the Ashland Shakespeare Festival, hosted by our chapter. Next year it will be hosted by the Allen Stone Chapter in April. We had a fun boating trip aboard the Sheble's Nordic Tug to Suisun Bay, and it included a great lunch

at a Suisun restaurant. We look forward to planning more activities that are fun and full of fellowship.

Our goal is to partner with more YMCA alumni that are just retiring, and to build our membership to provide programs that are attractive to all the new and current alumni. We, the board, are excited to move forward with Y Professional Network, in collaboration on identifying new retiring staff.

We all wish **Greg and Chris O'Brien** the best as they go through challenges with health issues. They have been an important part of our McCoy group, and we look forward to their return to activities with us.

As we go forward, I plan to support our McCoy chapter in furthering our activities, membership, and fellowship plans. I am happy to take on this new role and share in the leadership with a great team.

Fred Stickney,
McCoy Chapter President
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Fred

Coming Events...



Oct 21	Google Tour Mtn. View, CA
Dec 6	Christmas Party Presidio Officers Club San Francisco
Feb25-27	Hawaii Trip
April 28-30	Shakespeare Festival, Ashland



Henry J. McCoy
1847 - 1921
First General Secretary
San Francisco YMCA
1881 - 1915

Y Alumni Mission Statement

The mission of the YMCA Alumni Association is to enable members to promote a nurturing worldwide Christian fellowship that provides educational, social service and charitable opportunities.

The Real McCoy is the official Newsletter of the McCoy Chapter of the YMCA Alumni Association..

It is published four times a year: February, May, August and November. Articles and news for inclusion should be received by the 1st of the month of publication.

Some photos may have been "doctored" to make them more interesting.

Submissions may be sent to **Pam Sheble** by e-mail (see emails in next column) or mailed to Pam at 2730 Sequoia Way, Belmont, CA 94002.



Your Invited to our Annual Christmas Luncheon at Presidio Officers Club



The Anza Room, 50 Moraga Ave, San Francisco Presidio, SF
Wednesday, December 4th - 10:30 am
\$25 each

Gourmet Brunch by Arguello Restaurant, Traci Dee Jardins Chef,
followed by fun and fellowship.

RSVP: Bud Doane, budoane@yahoo.com
or call 925 376-6917 by November 20, 2019

(tell Bud if you would like to carpool if available)



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EAF Report

by Ron Markillie
EAF Chairperson

198 Alumni members have donated nearly \$30,000 to EAF so far this year. Our records show that only 6 members of the McCoy Chapter have donated \$600 so far this year.

Contributions by both Y Retirees and Y Actives total \$56,097.

24 EAF grant requests were submitted.

12 requests were approved for nearly \$75,000 and 12 were denied due to not being a current Y Alumni or Y Prime (Active) member.

Although EAF giving normally slows during the summer months, the need for additional funding remains constant throughout the year. Please go to www.YMCAAlumni.org, click "donate now" and give today. Thanks

EAF Liaison - Ron Markillie
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Ron

Up the Suisun Slough

The group met at the Benecia Marina for the day long cruise up the Suisun Slough to Suisun City for lunch.

Going through the Suisun Bay we saw the active tanker traffic going to Pittsburg and Stockton. Once on the slough we went through beautiful marshes and farmland. Many different birds greeted us, and the really big birds of nearby Travis Air Base were flying overhead.

Suisun City was established in the 1850s. Its location made it ideal for commerce and transportation during the California Gold Rush. In 1868—1869, the First Transcontinental Railroad connected to downtown Suisun City via the California Pacific Railroad, expanding the region's reach across the United States. In the 1960s and 1970s, Suisun City experienced rapid growth as the San Francisco Bay Area's suburban ring expanded to the formerly rural Solano County. Extensive redevelopment in the historic downtown in the last 30 years has evolved into a wonderful waterfront and promenade park.

We walked around town, briefly contemplating eating at Bud's burgers, but finally settled on a lovely place in a historic building, and had a great lunch at the Main Street Grill.

Later we sat in the park for a while waiting for the tide to turn and then we sailed home. Nobody in the group had been to this area, and it was really fun and interesting.



Chris Logan, Bob Smeen, Fred and Sally Stickney, Bud Doane, Bud Sheble, Pam Sheble

Redevelopment money was well spent in the new and improved Suisun City.



Bud Doane and Bud Sheble wanted to eat at Bud's Burgers but it was vetoed in favor of Main Street Grill.

Fall Board Meeting



L to R. Jan Dale, Roberta Duncan, Pam Von Weigand, Fred Stickney, Pam Sheble, Bob Smeenck, Chris Logan, Bud Doane, Sally Stickney and Ron Markillie

The McCoy Chapter of the YMCA Alumni Association held a board meeting on August 15th at the Peninsula YMCA in San Mateo. Bud Doane chaired the meeting until Fred Stickney arrived, having being caught in a bad traffic situation. Also present were Bob Smeenck, Jan Dale, Pam Von Wiegand, Pam Sheble, Chris Logan, Ron Markillie, and Roberta Duncan

Guests were Sally Stickney, and also Patick Kelle and Dara Meinerth from the Y Professional Network.

There was a discussion that there is significantly less membership income than in the same period last year. Since dues processing is done by National; notices go out and remittances go back to National. There is no local contact, and we are not kept current as to who has remitted. Most member contact is made through our newsletter. Our membership income has definitely dropped since the collection and billing was taken over by National. Fred Stickney, Bud Doane and Jan Dale will meet to discuss dues billing and tracking with suggestions on how to improve this process.

A motion was made and passed to increase the McCoy Chapter portion of the membership dues by \$10 so that \$25 comes back to the Chapter. This is more reflective of most chapters membership fees. Our fees support the printing and distribution of the newsletter four times a year, the travel costs of our President to YMCA Alumni Meetings, and subsidizing any chapter events that don't break even.

Fred Stickney reported the resignations of Greg O'Brien, President, and Lloyd Licher as a member at large. Greg O'Brien has resigned as President due to the illness of his wife Chris. Fred Stickney recognized Greg for his leadership and contributions to the McCoy Chapter and wished Greg's wife Chris the best possible recovery.

Interim leadership nominations were made as follows:

President:	Fred Stickney
Vice President/Program	Bud Doane
Membership	Bob Smeenck

The Y Professional Network (formerly AYP) was represented by Patrick Kelley and Dara Meinerth who updated us on their mission and plans, and to request our collaboration with YPN, especially in the process of nominating and awarding the McCoy Chapter Leadership Award. Nominations for the McCoy Leadership Award are made by local Y's to be submitted by Sept 6. Bud Doane, Pam Von Wiegand, Fred Stickney and Sally Stickney will review nominations. Nomination criteria will be provided by Patrick Kelle. It is hoped that collaboration between YPN and the McCoy Chapter will mutually support each organization's goals of increasing membership and retention.

The YPN has gone through a major reorganization in order to represent a broader group of Y personnel. The upcoming Conference will be Oct 17 and 18 in Walnut Creek. Dara Meinerth outlined the topics that will be discussed relating to

the theme of this year's conference, which is Self Care. Representatives from the McCoy chapter will participate on a panel about the value of contributing to the Y retirement fund while working, and the value received after retirement. It was noted that the Y retirement fund is fully funded and therefore very secure. It was suggested Pam Von Wiegand be part of this panel.

Program Reports centered on the Ashland Shakespeare event which drew 31 participants. This event is co-hosted by the Allen-Stone and McCoy Chapters. Attendees reported it was a fun event and created a real sense of community. Next year's event, to be held in April, is in the planning stages.

It was proposed, using the Ashland event as a model, that the McCoy Chapter plan Board meetings within the context of a recreational activity. Fall Event: A Google Headquarters tour was proposed. Chris Logan will investigate. Bud Doane will investigate a new venue for our annual Holiday Party and we will have information by the next newsletter.

New Membership Chair, Bob Smeenck, reported membership retention across the country is mediocre. Membership strategies were discussed, such as having luncheons to introduce ourselves to potential retirees in bigger Y's, and tagging onto scheduled retirement talks at various Y's across our entire service areas, including both large and small Y's. CEO's have generally been receptive to these ideas.

Ron Markillie gave the EAF Report. Donations have been dropping over the past years. There is also a problem tracking donations based on how they are recorded by National. In order to ascertain if they are being correctly credited to the McCoy Chapter, Ron will follow up on this.

Y National Travel Program. Fred Stickney reported alumni associations nationally are sent brochures offering Y sponsored travel trips. It was reported that these trips are well planned, and well-priced, making them a great travel option. Pam Von Wiegand will be our Chapter travel representative. You can check on future trips by going to the YMCA

Bea Halk Recognition



Bea Halk was recently inducted to the National YMCA Hall of Fame, held during the YMCA General Assembly July 20th in Anaheim CA. Bea Betterton-Halk pioneered modern-day human resources in the Y Movement. She was a vocal advocate for creating strong networks of human resource leaders across the country. Specifically, she paved the way for all Ys from operating with essentially a clerical human resources position to a more strategic approach that featured best practices to meet organizational objectives. She was the driving force behind the formation of the largest human resource nationwide network: The North American Urban Group Human Resource Officers. She was known for her many selfless acts, including investing her own resources to introduce others to training opportunities and scholarships. Bea immigrated from Mexico when she was eight and endured many personal hardships, including the passing of her parents while still a teen, all which strengthened her resolve to be a leader and advocate for multicultural awareness in the Y Movement. Additionally, she attained an M.S. in Human Service Administration & Organizational Development from Springfield College while working 2 jobs and raising 5 kids, and was a presenter at graduation. Upon her retirement in 2002, the North American Urban Group Human Resource Officers instituted a perpetual award entitled the "Bea Betterton-Halk Human Resources Career Excellence Award", which honors retiring H.R. officers who meet the criteria.

Join Us
April 28 - 30, 2020 for the
Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland.
Plays: * **Peter's Starcatcher**
 * **Midsomer's Night Dream**
 * **Copper Children**



Larry and Erlene Benevento (Visalia, CA) recently spent a couple of days with **Bud and Pam Sheble** (Belmont, CA) before going on a trip to New Orleans to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Bud introduced Larry to Erlene when he hired Erlene to be the



camp nurse at YMCA Camp Loma Mar in the Santa Cruz Mountains. He had hired Larry to be the Program Director during the summer.

Larry went on to spend over 16 years with the Y before starting a successful business in Visalia. He also spent 37 years serving the Y Camping Programs of the Sequoia Lakes area either on a professional or board level. Photo is of Bud, Pam, Erlene and Larry after a good dinner at the local Chinese Restaurant.

Kathy Catanho & Dave Eakin (Castro Valley, CA) went on an Alaskan Cruise earlier this month. The cruise, which originated out of and returned to Seattle,



visited Juneau, Skagway, Glacier Bay, Ketchikan and Victoria. They travelled on the Ruby Princess with Kathy's family. Her Grand-niece Regan, 12, won back to back on board Bingo games totaling \$728. Although children are allowed to play Bingo on the ship, Regan's money had to cross her parent's hands before landing in her own. Kathy is on the left and the man in the red bowtie is Guido, the Bingo caller from Italy. Missing is husband Dave, who wasn't into Bingo.



Jean Crichton (Kenwood, CA) The picture is of Jean Crichton celebrating her 98th birthday with a friend's gift of a huge bouquet of fresh fruit. Rick and Lori treated their Mom to a special dinner of roast duck with plum sauce and buns. The platter was artfully displayed with slices of duck, white steamed buns around the edges and a beautiful orchid for decoration.

When we looked more closely at the dish, we noticed there were four legs and no wings. Rick commented "We didn't get a duck, we got a puppy!"

Carl and Mary DuBois (Reno, NV) met **Bill and Sherry Hubartt** (Shingle Springs, CA) for brunch at the "Squeeze In" in Reno to celebrate the birthdays of Mary and Bill which are only a day apart. This is going to be an annual birthday event. Last year they met at a lodge in Tahoe for dinner, without checking prices; they almost had to wash dishes to get out of there. Photo shows Mary, Sherry, Carl and Bill.



Terry and Kathy Horak (Fresno, CA) "I just took my 26th Exchange Student to Las Vegas to watch my daughter, Tess, show her new horse, Khaleesi, in the High Roller Reining Classic at the South Pointe Hotel. She did really well for her first time showing this little four year old filly. Big things yet to come. And during our "free time," Lukas and I got to visit Hoover Dam, the Gold and Silver Pawn Shop, and walk through many hotels and casinos on the strip! "



More Member News

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Jerry and Pat James (Austin, TX) Jerry and Pat were in recently in San Diego for the wedding of their granddaughter, Megan Gittins, to Dr. Tima Abdurashidov at the Naval Base Point Lima. The newlyweds will be living in San Antonio. Tim is a resident at Fort Sam Houston, and Megan is in her last year of medical school. Jerry and Pat helped raise granddaughter Megan and her two sisters after their daughter died of cancer when they were young.



Lloyd Licher and Inga Gilbraith (Corte Madera, CA) Note from Lloyd: "Bad news to start off with this time. Inga fell at home recently and hurt too much to be moved, so I called 911 and the Paramedics took her to Kaiser's Emergency Room. X-Rays showed a broken leg bone near the hip, so she was operated on later that day and has been recovering ever since, a few days in the hospital, and since then at the Marin Post-Acute skilled-nursing facility in San Rafael. She's still pretty weak, so will likely be there another week or two before coming home again. We will probably need to hire some part-time help. Her nearby children and friends are supportive and have been paying her visits, and I go there to spend time with her every day. Meanwhile, it's pretty lonesome around the house without her presence, but I seem to be surviving all right."



Chris Logan (Palo Alto, CA) "With friends, I did a Viking River Cruise from Budapest to Amsterdam with stops in Austria and Germany. Saw lots of castles and we did this gondola ride in Koblenz, Germany over the Rhine river."



Photo: Rod and Linda Whitten, Janis O'Driscoll and Chris Logan.



Chris also recently worked on a Habitat for Humanity project in Fremont in the Centerville area. It was a team of volunteers from Grace Lutheran church in Palo Alto. "God's Work Our Hands" was the theme for the day. They finished the project day with lots of nails in boards and a standing wall!



Chris says, "One of our members is putting together a team of Habitat volunteers to do an international project in 2020. If anyone is interested in learning more about it, contact me at christine.logan@gmail.com."

Chuck Osborn & Jan Gaeden (San Mateo, CA) "In late May we took a Viking river cruise for 8 days. It was called a Windmills and Tulips Cruise. We had stops in Amsterdam, Bruges, Hoorn, Flanders, Arnhem, Kinderdijk, Antwerp, Ghent. We also had trips to the Delft Factory and to the Keukenhof Gardens. We saw the old



and modern windmills and lots and lots of tulips. We also visited a private home and saw lots of tombstones in

Flanders. We got our share of Belgian chocolates too. Unfortunately it was much colder than we expected. The first day the boat loaned us an umbrella. We started with rain and ended with snow! The rest of the trip, though cold, was very pleasant."

Picture is of Jan and Chuck enjoying the beautiful gardens, dressed for the chilly temps.



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Even More Member News!

Fred and Sally Stickney (Moraga, CA) The Stickney Clan had a family get-together in Bend, Oregon to celebrate Grandpa Fred's Birthday. We drove, flew and caravanned to Tetherow Resort! A fun spot for all ages as we spent our days rafting, hiking, fishing, swimming, eating and trying out the Breweries of Bend. Our clan, that included 19 relatives,



Sally in Biege and Fred in green shirt in center of group

enjoyed the wonderful weather, warm days, neat thunder clouds, and beautiful nights. We visited our friend, J. Chester Armstrong's woodworking studio in Sister's, where he had just completed a giant 36ft. Totem Pole. He worked with the Portland YMCA Camp Meehan in the 70's, where he started making Totem Poles.



The week went by too fast with all our activities, and everyone so enjoyed being together as many live outside of California. We all traveled safely back to our homes, in Portland, Oregon, St. Louis, Mo and the Bay Area.

Dave and Mary Alice Thornton (Palo Alto, CA) " We are moving Sept. 28 to Channing House, a CCRC (Continuing Care Retirement Community, Life Care) in Palo Alto, a move almost 3 miles closer to downtown Palo Alto. Our new address is: 850 Webster Street, Apt 735, Palo Alto CA 94301-2863. This has been a big challenge as we moved everything from our previous house to this one, so 43 years of accumulation of stuff. We have been surprised at what our kids & grandkids are taking! Still, lots & lots downsizing from 2350 sq. ft. to 1008 sq. ft. We are on the 7th floor looking Southwest at Stanford University & Santa Cruz Mountains."



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Dale Ventres (Redlands, CA) On September 1st Dale celebrated 34 years of retirement from his 36 years of YMCA Service. Dale says "I'd like to visit the Hollywood Y again to see the interior changes. The outside looks larger than when I was a neophyte Program Director there in 1949. The last time I visited the building was with a Redlands van full of our capital campaign planners, looking for Fitness Center ideas. We didn't copy any of their facilities, but we noted some neat things at the Downey Y that we 'improved-on' and built. Our Hollywood Executive was probably one of the Top Five in the USA. All we staffers loved him. Erie Chapman and I kept in communications until the day he died."



Your news could have been here too! Next time send it to Pam Sheble - pamsheble@comcast.net

Important Websites to Checkout:

Y Alumni Website:

<http://ymcaalumni.org>



AYReports Online:

Click on AYR Website above and then double-click the newsletter in the lower right corner

YMCA Retirement Fund Website:

<http://www.yretirement.org/default.aspx>

McCoy Facebook Page:

Online readers click below:



[McCoy Chapter Alumni FaceBook Page](#)

Printed copy readers go to:
www.facebook.com and search for McCoy Chapter Alumni.

Seabeck Conference Welcomes McCoy Members



The Seabeck meeting of Allen Stone is held each year in September. The facilities are located on 90 beautiful acres with sweeping views of Hood Canal and the Olympic Mountains. The grounds are reminiscent of a small village, complete with walkways that meander past manicured lawns, fruit orchards, and wooded trails. Seabeck is a Conference Center run by a board and is a non-profit organization that has all types of groups using the grounds and Building for retreats. This year's theme was "Healthy Aging", and we had speaker from the Olympic Medical Center on Wellness programs with the Sequim YMCA. Many of the participants shared healthy tips on staying mobile. Lots of fun times doing exercising, games, singing and great fellowship.

This year Bob Smeenck and Fred and Sally Stickney attended the conference. Allen Stone also has their yearly Annual Meeting at this time as well. Bob especially enjoyed the 9/11 ceremony that was performed by several fire companies at the flag pole on the conference grounds. Another highlight was working on the grounds of the cemetery located on site. There are some very old headstones with some fantastic stories.

Some of the Allen Stone group have been on the board of the Seabeck Foundation, and the YMCA history is important here as Allen Stone was on the original staff of Seabeck, way back in the day. If you are interested in attending next year's Seabeck Conference, please contact Gary Huff at glhuff2@olypen.com.

We also were joined by Mary Tikalsky of the YMCA International Program. She will be joining us on October 21, for the meeting at Google to share some information on the current YMCA programs.

Contributed by: Sally Stickney and Bob Smeenck



Fred Stickney chatting with Lony and Gary Huff

Come to Google With Us!

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Join us on
October 21st.



McCoy Chapter members have a unique opportunity to visit the GOOGLeplex in Mountain View for a tour and lunch hosted by **Dan Russell** on Monday, October 21st. Dan has been with Google for over a decade as Senior Research Scientist for Search Quality and User Happiness. He will show us the campus and share insights about Google culture. Google has gone from concept to a multinational technology company in 20 years with over 100,000 employees.

Dan's family has been active in the Y for many years. His wife, Lynne, served on the Board of the Palo Alto Family Y and will join us for the day. His book *The Joy of Search* is coming out soon. Check out YouTube uncscils Daniel Russell: "Adventures in Teaching People How to Search" to see Dan in action.

The tour and lunch are FREE

Registration details:

Contact Bud Doane to register : budoane@yahoo.com by

- **Let us know if you need ADA parking or other accommodations**
- **Plan to carpool if possible**
- **Meet between 10:30 - 10:45 at 1600 Amphitheater Parkway, Mt. View, CA**
- **Specifics about exact building location and parking will be emailed to participants**
- **Tour begins at 11:00 followed by lunch in the famous GOOGLE dining room.**
- **We plan to wrap up at 1:00 pm.**

Dan said the tour is somewhat difficult if people have mobility issues. Wheelchairs are fine, but if people aren't able to walk well (or very far) this tour is probably not for them. Carpooling is recommended, but Dan will alert the valet service that a group is coming so they *might* save some parking spaces. Here's Dan's bio and the link to purchase his book (definitely not required, but in case someone is interested). He's happy to sign books!

Bio & Book Info: **Daniel Russell** is Google's Senior User Experience Researcher in the area of Search Quality and User Happiness. He earned his PhD in computer science, specializing in Artificial Intelligence. These days he realizes that amplifying human intelligence is his real passion. His day job is understanding how people search for information, and the ways they come to learn about the world through Google. Dan's current research is to understand how human intelligence and artificial intelligence can work together to be better than either as a solo intelligence. His 20% job is teaching the world to search more effectively. His MOOC, *PowerSearchingWithGoogle.com*, is currently hosting 3,000 learners / week in the course. In the past 3 years, 4.5 million students have attended his online search classes, augmenting their intelligence with AI (which means that his talking head has been on a computer screen for more than 250 years).

Contact Chris Logan for more information: christine.logan@gmail.com or 650 380-4137.



Congratulations and best wishes to the following couples:

65 Years

Maria & Robert Garcia Oct 17

60 Years

Carl & Mary DuBois Nov 22

Bill & Joanne Newton Dec 27

55 Years

Jack & Carolyn Wylie Dec 27

50 Years

Royce & Joyce Starr Dec 16

44 Years

Bud & Marcy Doane Dec 20

20 Years

Bill & Sherry Hubartt Oct 9

Rod & Ellie Carpenter Oct 23



Jim Daughn	Oct 5
Edith Stratman	Oct 5
Yee-ling Fong	Oct 7
Jo Bagelmann	Oct 9
Donna Roper	Oct 12
Jan Greer	Oct 16
Jan Dale	Oct 19
Eileen Murray	Oct 22
Mike Murphy	Oct 26
Chris Logan	Oct 27
Bruce Ahlquist	Oct 28
Tracy Muckey	Oct 29
Greg O'Brien	Oct 30
Chris O'Brien	Nov 4
Ron Markillie	Nov 8
John Boore	Nov 9
Don Zerwer	Nov 14
Steve Rogers	Nov 17
Madelaine Stiver	Nov 18
Jerry James	Nov 22
Dee Bright	Nov 23
Stan DuBose	Nov 26
Rosella Zerwer	Nov 27
Sally Huebner	Nov 28
Pat Bergthold	Nov 30
Pam Sheble	Dec 5
Lois Hornstra	Dec 6
Mary Lipscomb	Dec 15
Jane Bostwick	Dec 17
Arnold Leonard	Dec 18
Ralph Drake	Dec 19
Neil Homer	Dec 19
Joyce Mercer	Dec 20
Jim Lipscomb	Dec 21
Rod Carpenter	Dec 22
Alan Wong	Dec 23
Diana Garcia Zachariah	Dec 24

Please let us know your birthday so we may light a candle for you.



We would really like to acknowledge all wedding anniversary dates and birthdays, so please give us yours next time you pay your dues or send the information to Pam Sheble at 2730 Sequoia Way, Belmont, CA 94002 or via email at

pamsheble@comcast.net

To keep your marriage brimming, with love in the wedding cup, whenever you're wrong, admit it; whenever you're right, shut up.

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HONOLULU HAWAII

February 25 - 27, 2020

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The Allen-Stone & McCoy Chapters of YMCA Alumni will gather at the New Otani Kaimana Beach Hotel on Oahu Island - February 25-27, 2020. The hotel is located right on the beach at the far Diamond Head end of Waikiki. It is an easy 10-15 minute stroll from the hotel to the center of Waikiki passing the Honolulu Aquarium along the way. The hotel has a retro feel to it and kind of takes you back to the 1960's and 70's. There is a really good fine dining restaurant (Hau Tree Lanai) and a Japanese restaurant (Miyako) in the Hotel. Rooms can also be booked before and after the gathering dates.

Room rates run from a moderate \$170 to various views at other rates. The link to the room types is www.kaimana.com/rooms-suites/?category+rooms.

To book your room, contact Arlene Chmolack at 808-921-7016, or email her at achmo-lack@daimana.com.

Room rates start at \$170 up to \$300 deluxe.



PROGRAM

Tuesday, February 25

Welcome dinner at the Hotel – 7:00 pm in the private Sans Souci Room overlooking the ocean. Gather 6:30 pm for drinks. Order off the Hao Tree menu individually and charge your meal and drinks to your room.

Wednesday, February 26

"Circle Island Tour" by coach. This is an all day adventure that takes you to many popular sights around the island with 30 minute stops for lunch. North shore surf viewing and a pineapple plantation.

Thursday, February 27

Pick your own tour or activity. For tours, sign up with Tom Forbes in the lobby or contact him ahead at (808) 921-7007, or email him at motalahak@gmail.com. Tours offered are Polynesian Cultural Center, Pearl Harbor sites, Waterfall Adventures, Zip lining, Diving with sharks and many more. Other possibilities by other arrangements are a beach front Luau at Paradise Cove. View venue at www.paradisecove.com. The Sugar Bowl is the memorial and grave site of servicemen killed in the Pacific during WWII.

Send Registration Fee of \$100 per person to Gary Huff, 450 Fox Hollow Road, Sequim, WA 98382

More info: Gary Huff - glhuff2@olympen.com