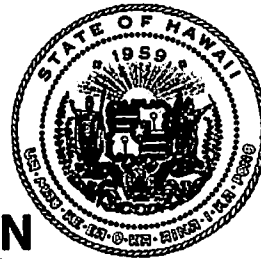




HAWAI'I 50th ANNIVERSARY OF STATEHOOD COMMISSION



LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR
JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
KIPPEN DE ALBA CHU
CHAIRPERSON

415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Telephone: (808) 586-0034 Fax: (808) 586-0006
Website: www.hawaii.gov/statehood

For Immediate Release: August 13, 2008

STATEHOOD COMMISSION ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR 50th ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION ACTIVITIES

SPECIAL FOCUS PLACED ON EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

HONOLULU – Members of the 50th Anniversary of Statehood Commission today announced a comprehensive plan to commemorate Hawai'i's golden anniversary of statehood, with a year-long series of events and activities that begin next week.

The 25-member Commission was established in 2007 under Act 140 to develop, plan and coordinate activities to honor the 50th anniversary of Hawai'i's admission to the United States.

The Commission has been meeting since November 2007 with a charge from Governor Linda Lingle to organize culturally sensitive events and programs that honor the past, respect the present and look to the future, and that include both residents and visitors.

To ensure that Hawai'i's youth have a broad and multilayered understanding of statehood's significance, the Commission has chosen to place a special emphasis on educational outreach for students in grades K-12. The student-specific programs will be executed with support from the Hawai'i State Department of Education and the Hawai'i Association of Independent Schools.

"The diverse backgrounds and expertise of our members has allowed the Commission to come up with a far-reaching plan that hits on several important areas," said Kippen de Alba Chu, Commission chair and executive director of 'Iolani Palace. "The goal of all of the events and activities we have planned is to engage the public in a lively and thought-provoking discussion about the significance of statehood."

"I'm proud of the plan the Commission has developed to commemorate this anniversary," said Governor Lingle. "In emphasizing education and passing on of Hawai'i's rich history to a new generation of leaders, I believe that we are giving this milestone the weight and attention it deserves.

"The plan's varied components will provide residents and visitors of all ages with opportunities to reflect on how statehood has contributed to the Hawai'i of today and the direction we are headed as the youngest and most ethnically and culturally diverse state in America," the Governor added.

A major highlight of the educational programs the Commission has planned will be the *50 Voices of Statehood*, a series of radio and television vignettes recorded for posterity by the award-winning Searider Productions of Wai'anae High School. Featuring diverse and personal perspectives on statehood from 50 residents from across the island chain, the weekly vignettes will air on six television stations and 60 radio stations beginning August 25, 2008 and last an entire year. The Commission has also created an interactive, online forum so that teachers can incorporate the vignettes into their curriculums.

Other educational components of the Commission's plan include time capsules at Hawai'i schools and a traveling history exhibit, as well as student essay and art contests.

Working in conjunction with the U.S. Mint, the Commission also plans to host a launch event on November 10, 2008 for the Hawai'i State quarter in downtown Honolulu, with simultaneous events on the neighbor islands, providing visitors and kama'āina with an opportunity to complete their 50-state quarter set.

To commemorate the day in 1959 that the U.S. Congress passed the bill which allowed Hawai'i to be admitted as a state, the Commission will host a public event at the State Capitol on March 18, 2009, which will include various family activities from noon until 1:30 p.m. in the Rotunda and Capitol grounds. A special joint session of the Hawai'i State Legislature has also been requested.

In addition, a Memorial Day commemorative event and an arrival ceremony for the first commissioned submarine named for the State of Hawai'i, the USS Hawai'i, are being planned for summer 2009 to recognize the invaluable contributions made by the military to Hawai'i both before and after statehood.

Coordinated by neighbor island representatives to the Commission and their local planning committees, each county will host several island-specific events to commemorate statehood.

The year-long activities will culminate with a one-day public conference on August 21, 2009 called **Commemorating the 50th State: New Horizons for the Next 50 Years**, at which local, national and international leaders will gather to discuss topics about Hawai'i's past, present and future, including technology in our daily lives, education for the next generation, the 21st century economy, and a break-out session entitled "Native Hawaiians: Cultural Navigation in a Sea of Change."

All activities and programs planned by the Commission are supported by state appropriations and matching private funds. More information on the Commission, its members and the commemorative plans may be found at www.hawaii.gov/statehood.

####

For more information, contact:

Kippen de Alba Chu
Chair
50th Anniversary of Statehood Commission
Executive Director, 'Iolani Palace
Phone: (808) 522, 0825

Lenny Klompus
Vice Chair – Events
50th Anniversary of Statehood Commission
Senior Advisor – Communications
Office of the Governor
Phone: (808) 586-7708

8/13/08

50th Anniversary of Statehood Commission UPDATED Budget

*As implemented by 50th Anniversary of Statehood
Commission and Friends of 50th Statehood Commemoration*

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	
Revenues:			
Sponsorships/Underwriting*	\$500,000	\$1,300,000	501 (c) (3)
Legislative Funding (2:1 match required on \$500,000)	\$600,000	\$600,000	Legislative
Total Revenues	\$1,100,000	\$1,900,000	
Expenses:			
Marketing - August 25, 2008	\$15,000		
March 18, 2009 Event	\$85,000		
August 21, 2009 Conference	\$400,000		
Educational Component	\$150,000		
-Three contests: essay, calendar, art			
-Interactive web-based component			
-Traveling exhibits			
-Time capsules			
Commemorative Quarter Launch - November 10, 2008	\$20,000		
Commemorative Quarter Launch Parade (tentative)	\$15,000		
Memorial Day event	\$10,000		
Neighbor Island events	\$100,000		
-Distribution to be determined based on confirmed events by neighbor island Commissioners			
Archival Rights	\$20,000		
Staffing	\$40,000		
Administrative	\$40,000		
-Commissioner travel expenses			
Reserve funding Appropriations	\$100,000		
Total Expenses	\$995,000	1,800,000	
Net Income	\$105,000	\$100,000	

*\$250,000 match required by Legislature; \$250,000 additional support required.

**50 Voices of Statehood
Recommendations**

NOMINEE NAME	NOMINATED BY	HISTORY/BACKGROUND	MESSAGE
✓ Judge Alfred Laureta (Ret.) ✓ Mrs. Anna Sloggett	Lani Nakazawa Lani Nakazawa	Longtime community leader and jurist Educator	Is excited and honored by the nomination Mrs. Sloggett celebrated her 100th birthday recently. A joint interview with her son, David Penhallow, would be very interesting
✓ Mrs. Naoko Ho	Lani Nakazawa	Educator	One of the two seniors honored for their service to Kaua'i this year
✓ Mr. George Toyofuku	Lani Nakazawa	Former legislator, community leader	As a legislator shortly after statehood, he may have some interesting anecdotes
✓ Daniel Lau	Ed Pei	Founder of Finance Factors, decorated WWII veteran, star UH athlete UH Distinguished Alumni, recipient of many community awards	
✓ Robert Wo	Ed Pei	Chairman, CS Wo and Sons, business/community leader	
✓ George Chu	Ed Pei	Chairman, GBC Boxes & Packaging, small business leader; Past President - Chinese Chamber of Commerce	
✓ Reuben Wong	Ed Pei	Attorney at Law; colorful stories of old Hawaii;	
✓ Blossom Tyau	Ed Pei	Tireless community volunteer: articulate & colorful	
✓ Walter Dods, Jr.	Ed Pei	Chairman, First Hawaiian Bank	
✓ Danny Kaleikini	Ed Pei	Entertainer	
✓ Genai Wall Elmer Cravalho, Frm. Mayor	Ed Pei Deidre Tegarden	President, Foodland Supermarkets Elmer Cravalho was Mayor of Maui County from 1969-1979. He began his political career in 1955 as a member of Hawaii's territorial House of Representatives. He also served as House Speaker (1959-1967), a delegate to the 1960 Democratic National Convention, Maui mayor and chairman of the Maui Board of Water Supply.	He is currently head of the Kula Credit Union and can be contacted at this number 871-7710
		Much of Maui's development can be traced to Cravalho's term as mayor. In the 1970s, he was responsible for developing the waterline from Wailuku to Wailea, which enabled the development of Kihei.	
Buddy Nobriga	Deidre Tegarden	Buddy Nobriga began working in the family business (Maui Soda and Ice Works) in 1922. The Nobriga Family is a long-time family in Maui County.	The contact information for Mr. Nobriga is 244-7951.
Shirley Yokouchi	Deidre Tegarden	Wife of the late Pundy Yokouchi, Philanthropist and Maui County icon	
Glen Shea	Keith Vieira	Former President of Hawaiian Arrangements	
Myrtle Lee	Keith Vieira	Island Holidays	
George Correia	Keith Vieira	McKenzie Tours	
Thelma Kam	Keith Vieira	Director, Cultural Services - Starwood Hotels & Resorts	



Participating Radio and TV stations

60 Radio

Radio

Oahu:

KSSK AM
 KSSK FM
 KRTR AM
 KRTR FM
 KUMU AM
 KUMU FM
 KDNN FM
 KCCN FM
 KINE FM
 KDDB FM
 KPOI FM
 KHCM FM
 KORL FM
 KHUI FM
 KAIM FM
 KGMZ FM
 KQMQ FM
 KPHW FM
 KIKI FM
 KUCD FM
 KHBZ AM
 KHVH AM
 KKNE AM
 ESPN AM
 KGU AM
 KJPN AM
 KHNR AM
 KNDI AM
 KREA AM
 KZOO AM

Big Island:

KWXX FM
 KAOY FM
 KNWB FM
 KLEO FM
 KPVS FM
 KLUA FM
 KAGB FM
 KAPA FM
 KBGX FM
 KKOA FM
 KPUA AM
 KKBG AM
 KHLO AM
 KKON AM

Maui:

KNUQ FM
 KAOI FM
 KDLX FM
 KTBH FM
 KHWI FM
 KONI FM
 KJKS FM
 KPOA FM
 KLHI FM
 KJMD FM
 KMVI AM
 KHBC AM
 KHWA AM
 KNUI AM

9 TV

Kaua'i:

KONG AM
 KONG FM
 KFMN FM
 KSRF FM
 KSHK FM
 KUAI AM

TV

Oahu:

KGMB
 KHNL
 KITV
 KHON
 KIKU
 Kbfd
 Oceanic Cable

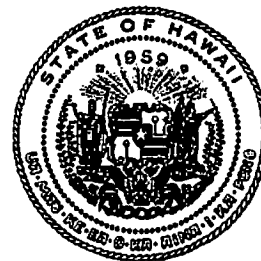
Maui:

Maui TV News

Kaua'i:

Walaau
 Productions

8/13/08



LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR
KIPPEN DE ALBA CHU
CHAIRPERSON

HAWAI'I 50th ANNIVERSARY OF STATEHOOD COMMISSION

415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Telephone: (808) 586-0034 Fax: (808) 586-0006
Website: www.hawaii.gov/statehood

Educational Programs

The 50th Anniversary of Statehood Commission will support various educational events and projects that will be informative for the entire community. The Commission hopes to highlight the history behind this momentous event through several educational components, as detailed below.

50 Voices of Statehood

This exciting and informative project will feature interviews of 50 individuals, who will provide a wide variety of opinions, experiences, and stories about statehood. The award-winning Wai'anae Seariders are producing and filming these vignettes, which are geared towards both school classroom use and community education. Each vignette will be aired statewide from August 25, 2008-August 2009 on radio and television stations statewide. A different "voice" will be featured every week. *50 Voices of Statehood* will provide our community, students, and visitors an opportunity to learn about Hawai'i's history.

Traveling Exhibits

These exhibits will allow students to really experience the 50th anniversary of Statehood commemoration first-hand. From January-December 2009, the exhibit will travel throughout the state to any school that is interested in experiencing this unique interactive opportunity. The exhibit will include a TV monitor with video of the *50 Voices of Statehood*, a computer with internet connection that students can use to search for more information about Hawai'i's history, and a unique photo panel. This specified panel of "then and now" photographs will change for each location, as each school will be able to display the photos of their own campus both in 1959 and now.

Time Capsules

For this exciting project, all Hawai'i schools will be invited and encouraged to participate in creating their own unique Statehood commemorative time capsule. This project will take place during the second semester of the 2008-2009 school year. Time capsule participants will have a rare opportunity to preserve and commemorate today for the students of tomorrow. By gathering commemorative items to place in the capsules, students can think about how much things have changed since 1959, the year of statehood.

Essay Contest

The essay contest for middle and high school students will fulfill the Commission's efforts to foster statewide learning about this milestone in Hawai'i's history. For their essays, students will focus their writing on one person who has made a positive impact on Hawai'i, how this person lived, and what we can all learn from it. Students will also be able to answer the question of how *they* will make our state a better place, based on the experiences and the challenges of the people in their essays.

Calendar Contest

The calendar contest, involving students in kindergarten through twelfth grade, will allow for a wide range of critical thinking and creativity. The contest will focus around a theme

of civic responsibility in Hawai'i. Students involved in the calendar contest will not only learn about our state's remarkable history, but will also explore the importance of civic responsibility and think about what they can do to help others in order to make Hawai'i a better place.

Art Exhibit

Students in kindergarten through sixth grade will be able to visually interpret the meaning of statehood by creating pieces of art that will be displayed at the Hawai'i Convention Center. Although the art will focus on a statehood theme, students will explore a broader understanding of Hawai'i's history as they create their pieces.

Website

The award-winning Wai'anae Seariders, who in addition to producing and filming the *50 Voices of Statehood*, will also assist the Commission in creating an interactive voices website. This online component will be accessible to teachers, students and the general community. The website will provide clips of the *50 Voices of Statehood*, biographies of each "voice", photos, blogs, historical and background information, and much more. Teachers will be able to access the website for ideas and information to use in their classrooms.

For more information about how you can become involved in the educational activities as related to the 50th Anniversary of Statehood, email statehood@hawaii.gov.

8/13/08

Education Investigative Committee
Statehood Commission
August 12, 2008

Meeting: July 23, 2008

Dep. Superintendent Clayton Fujie
Director of Curriculum Rosanna Fukada
Lenny Klompus
Corrie Heck

DOE Memo being prepared to announce.

1. Calendar Contest Kindergarten – High School *12th grade
2. Essay Contest Middle – High School
3. Art Exhibit: Kindergarten – High School

Announce website with video clips including Bio's and encourage teacher/student participation.

Traveling Exhibit: Exhibit allows students to view statehood with a hands on and personalize approach. Part of the exhibit will be devoted to the school hosting the exhibit. Through photos and possible volunteers each school can take the students back 50 years to their campus and State activities.

Meeting: August 04, 2008

Hawaii Association of Independent Schools
Robert Witt, ED, HAIS
Cynthia Jordan, Director of Communications, HAIS
Kippen de Alba Chu
Lois Hamaguchi

Support from the HAIS, email to be sent to the administrators of each school under the HAIS umbrella.

Education Committee met with:

Saint Louis School
August 7, 2008
Sione Thompson, Dean of Students

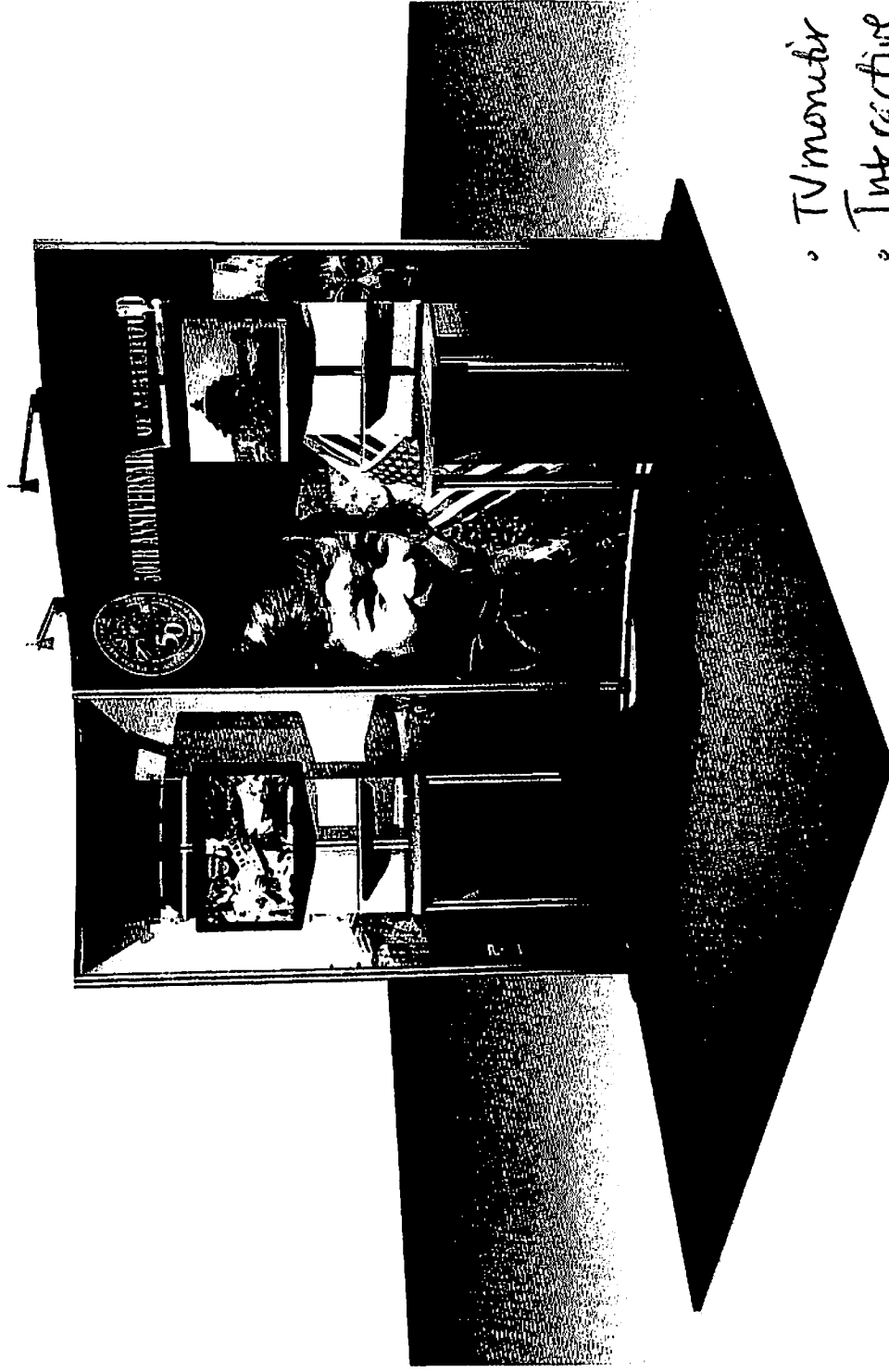
Sacred Hearts Academy
August 7, 2008
Betty White, President

Iolani Schools
August 11, 2008
Cathy Chong, Director of Communications
Lily Driskill, Assistant Headmaster and Dean of Faculty

Punahou School
August 12, 2008
Bruce Schauble
Director of Instruction

Responses were all positive with verbal commitment to participate in the educational activities. Will provide follow-up meetings to give additional details, especially on the website component. Thought starters in the meetings regarding curriculum development related to panel/forum discussions, application to Hawaiian studies, English, social studies and/or debate were also well received.

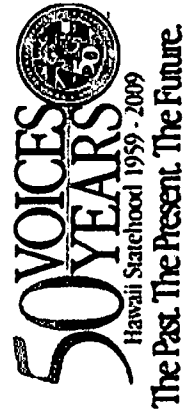
Rendering of Traveling Exhibit



- TV monitor - 50 voices
- Interactive component
- Designs specific to schools
- 6 traveling exhibits
300 hrs / 3 Neishor Island

8/13/08

8/13/08



Welcome to 50 voices 50 years website for students



VIDEOS

✓ BIOS & MORE INFO

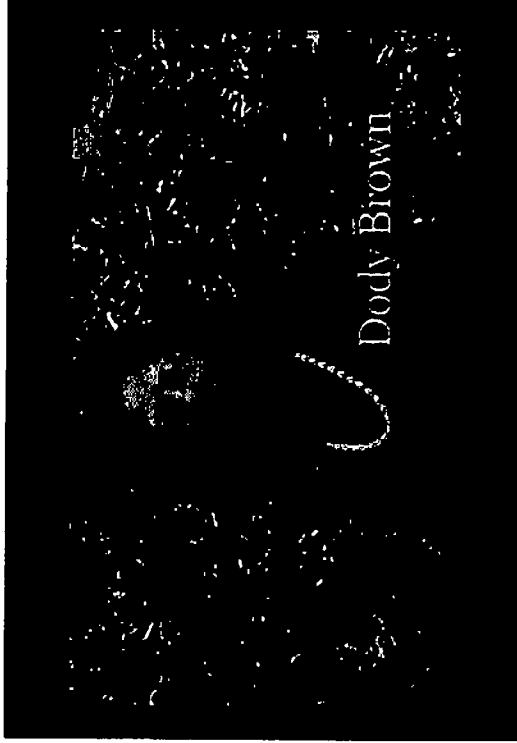
✓ FOR TEACHERS

✓ FOR STUDENTS

WEEKLY UPDATES

Interactive

Capitol



Welcome, statehood 50 year 50 vocee laorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Etiam neque metus, tempus vel, pellentesque eu, mattis at, nisi. Morbi quis felis. Aenean volutpat venenatis ligula. Vestibulum libero ligula, aliquam id, pharetra et, luctus nec, velut. Maecenas adipiscing suscipit ante. Sed rhoncus, diam nec porttitor fermentum, nibh nunc vehicula massa, sed congue felis leo et nisl. Curabitur at sem. Pellentesque ipsum metus, blandit non, suscipit vel, cursus non, odio. Donec sem. Fusce luctus facilisis diam. Aliquam erat volutpat. Integer ornare libero vel nulla. Sed porttitor. Quisque nisl eros, rutrum a, vehicula id, suscipit a, massa.



Hawaii Statehood 50th Anniversary Coin
 The United States Mint, Denver, CO



8/13/08

The 50th Anniversary of Statehood Commission
is pleased to kick-off

The Commemoration of Hawai'i's 50th Anniversary of Statehood



Beginning today, listen and watch for *50 Voices of Statehood* daily on television and radio statewide.

Essay and art contests will be conducted in public and private schools, along with time capsules and traveling exhibitions as part of the educational outreach concerning Statehood.

Look for events around the state from March to August 2009. Stay informed; learn details about and join the Gold Email List by visiting the Commission website:

www.hawaii.gov/statehood