On April 28, 2016 a gathering of alumni and friends of McKinley enjoyed a most impressive program at the GALA fundraising dinner held at the Sheraton Waikiki. It was a grand finale to the preceding events celebrating McKinley’s 150 year anniversary. A grateful “Mahalo” to all of you who participated in any of the events recognizing McKinley’s tradition of Pride and Excellence. All of the events were well attended – Tiger Pride lives on!

Again, a big shout out to the McKinley Band and their performance at Carnegie Hall – and a sincere thank you to all who contributed to this prestigious honor. Please take a moment to read about their experience in this newsletter. Donna Hesch, the McKinley Band director has encouraged her students to be the best they can be – and they did by scoring a 98 out 100 points, the highest ever by any band in the history of this invitational band festival.

Many of the graduating classes have pledged their support for our scholarship program – challenging their classmates to donate in their respective class scholarship program. One of the very first was the very involved and generous Class of 1954. In 2008 Robert Iwai from the Class of 1954 got together with classmates and the Class of 1954 Scholarship was created – they are still going strong and this year have awarded five scholarships to the Class of 2016.

This year, at the McKinley Awards Ceremony on May 13, 2016, the Foundation awarded 56 scholarships to the graduating Class of 2016. It is only because of the generosity of many of you that this can happen. The one main goal of the Foundation is to be able to financially assist students as they go on to higher institutions of learning. On their behalf we thank you for helping them achieve their goals.

As McKinley enters into its 151st year we look back at the past 150 years with a great deal of pride and wonderment – these hallowed halls have produced many outstanding alumni who have not only done momentous things for their community – they have also done momentous things that are far reaching world wide.

The Library at McKinley was recently renamed to honor Senator Daniel K. Inouye. We want to thank the Daniel K. Inouye Institute for their help in making this happen.

Please enjoy a safe summer with your families and friends. As always, we are grateful for your contributions and welcome your input. Please feel free to contact us at any time.

Aloha,

Neal Takamori
President
Meet the 2016 Scholarship Recipients

On Friday, May 13th the McKinley Foundation awarded the following 56 graduating seniors scholarships:

Vivien Chen Alexander & Baldwin Inc./Matson R.J. Pfeiffer Community Scholarship - $4,000
Hiu Shan Au McKinley High School Foundation Scholarship Honoring Eyvinne & Kay Lee - $4,000
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McKinley High School Band

McKinley High School Band Performs at Carnegie Hall, Receives Gold Rating!!!!

The McKinley High School Symphonic Wind Ensemble I, led by directors Donna & Thomas Hesch, proudly represented their school, their community and the state of Hawaii as performed at Carnegie Hall on March 8, 2016 for the 2016 New York Wind Band Festival. It was the first time in the school's 150-year history that McKinley had been invited to perform there.

McKinley shared the stage at Carnegie Hall that week with some of the top bands in the nation, as well as the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, the Russian National Orchestra, the Minnesota Symphony and the New York Pops Orchestra. It was a wonderful educational opportunity for McKinley's students to perform in the same hall as some of the world's finest musical organizations, and experience many famous and important cultural and historic sites in the area.

McKinley's performance consisted of two college-level selections, including a masterwork composed by Stephen Melillo that is so advanced that only 2 high school bands had ever attempted it in the 20 years since it had been written.

McKinley's spirited performance and “tiger pride” electrified the audience at Carnegie Hall, for which they received a rousing standing ovation. Many in the audience later expressed appreciation to McKinley's students and directors for their heartfelt appreciation of their performance, and that they were moved to tears by the beauty of McKinley's music. That evening during the awards ceremony, McKinley was awarded a Gold rating for the performance, the highest rating possible.

Dr. William V. Johnson, Artistic Director of the New York Wind Band Festival, awarded McKinley a 98% (out of 100), the highest score ever recorded in the history of the festival, and congratulated them for exceptional performance, describing it as “stunning and inspirational….with sonorous grandeur, deep meaning and beauty.”

Dr. Johnson, who is also President of the World Association for Symphonic Bands and Ensembles (WASBE), enjoyed hearing and working with McKinley's students so much that he wanted to work with them again, and traveled to Honolulu in April to be a part of the 2016 McKinley High School Band & Orchestra Spring Concert.

About the McKinley High School Symphonic Wind Ensemble

President William McKinley High School, founded in 1865, is the oldest public school in Honolulu, Hawaii and is listed on the National Register of Historical Places. 2016 marks the school's 150th Anniversary. Nearly 40% of McKinley's students are enrolled in music courses.

McKinley High School’s Wind Ensembles have enjoyed a rich tradition of excellence dating back nearly a century, and has been recognized by the John Philip Sousa Foundation in its Historic Roll of Honor. The Symphonic Wind Ensemble I has been invited to perform in years past at venues throughout the world, including national conventions of the America Bandmasters Association and the National Association for Music Education (NAfME), and previously traveled to Boston, California, Florida, Washington, D.C., Canada and Tokyo, Japan. In 1983 McKinley was the first band from the U.S. to perform in communist China.

Alumni of the McKinley Ensembles Include:

Gabe Baltazar Former lead saxophonist, Stan Kentan Orchestra
Ronald Baltazar Former principal clarinet, the "President's Own" U.S. Marine Band
Daniel K. Inouye Former U.S. Senator, Congressional Medal of Honor recipient
Eric Miyashiro Former lead trumpet, Buddy Rich Orchestra
Ben Rietveld Musical director for Carlos Santana
Allen Won Saxophone instructor, Mannes College of Music

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Directors of the McKinley Band

Donna Hesch, director of bands & orchestras at McKinley, has been a respected educator in Hawaii’s public school system for over 30 years. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees in music education from the University of Hawaii and is a member of the NAfME, the American String Teachers Association, the Hawaii Music Educators Association and the Oahu Band Directors Association. She previously served as assistant director the Honolulu Community College Concert Band and the Kahuku High School Band.

Thomas Hesch has served as assistant band and orchestra director at McKinley since 2001. He is also a clinician and adjudicator for the Hawaii Youth Symphony and the Pacific Music Institute, and performs professionally with the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra, the Royal Hawaiian Band, and the Honolulu Brass Quintet. He has performed at regional and national conventions of the American Band School Directors Association and the College Band Directors National Association and previously served with the 282nd Army Band, the 25th Inf. Div. Band, and 111th Army Band; as a guest-conductor of the Hawaii Pacific University Symphonic Band and the Los Angeles Symphonic Winds; and as director of the Honolulu Community Concert Band (HCCB). Under his leadership and baton, the HCCB traveled to Australia and New Zealand, receiving a five-minute standing ovation after their sold-out performance in the main hall of the Sydney Opera House.

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Class of 1954

In February the classmates of 1954 got together in Las Vegas to celebrate their 80th birthdays and the 150th Anniversary of McKinley High School. They asked their classmates for voluntary donations that they could consolidate and forward to the Foundation for scholarships for deserving seniors from the Class of 2016. They were able to finance 5 $1,000 scholarships to the graduating class. The classmates of 1954 have been most generous and since 2008 18 graduating seniors have been the recipient of a McKinley Class of 1954 Scholarship. Thank you to the Class of 1954!

Several other classes have stepped up and also established or preparing to establish scholarships from their classes. Included are the recent graduating classes who have donated the residual funds from their class treasures to offer scholarships for the classes that follow them.