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Serving on our Advisory Council are the following members:

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PLANNED GIVING

As life’s circumstances change, so do insurance policies related to your financial planning. You can have the satisfaction of helping McKinley High School, its teachers and students in the future by gifting an insurance policy that’s no longer needed. If a donor transfers a life insurance policy to the McKinley High School Foundation, the gift is tax-deductible for gift tax purposes. If the donor pays subsequent premiums due on the policy, those additional premium payments constitute additional gifts that would also qualify for the gift tax charitable deduction.

In addition for the first time, IRA owners can give a portion of their retirement savings directly to charity without first counting it as income and pay income tax. In 2006 & 2007, holders of traditional and Roth IRAs who are at least 70 1/2-years-old can make direct charitable transfers up to $100,000 per year.

For more information, please contact the McKinley High School Foundation at (808) 536-3832 or send in the short form below.

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**An Interview with Incoming President Bruce Nakaoka**

**By Carl Takamura**

The Foundation Board of Directors is very pleased and excited to have Bruce Nakaoka as our incoming President as of July 1, 2010. I had a great discussion with Bruce over lunch recently and the following is a brief recap of our conversation as a means of introducing Bruce to all of you.

Let’s begin with the typical “local” question and tell me when you graduated from McKinley and what was your experience like there?

Let me go even further back to credit my parents. My father is from the Big Island (Hilo HS) and my mother is from Maui (Baldwin HS). I am a proud member of the Class of 1975, which I vaguely recall as having close to 1,000 students. Both my sister and brother also graduated from McKinley. I would say I was a decent student and was fortunate to have a great group of friends, many of whom I remain close with to this day. My time at McKinley prepared me to matriculate to the University of Hawaii-Maui where I received a BBA in Real Estate and Management and later an MBA.

So what career did McKinley help prepare you for?

For the past four years I have been a managing director with Tradewind Capital Group, which is the investment subsidiary of Island Holdings, Inc. and engages in private equity and real estate investment activity. I began my career as a commercial real estate appraiser then joined the Kamehameha Schools/Bishop Estate where I eventually headed the real estate investment division. It was an exciting time as we built a diversified investment portfolio, across the U.S. and internationally. I was fortunate to work closely with trustee Matsuo Takabuki and Tony Sereno, who became mentors. I left Bishop Estate, and with EN Capital formed our own investment firm, EN Capital, which was acquired by and merged into Tradewind Capital Group. The founder of the Island Holdings family of companies was Masayuki Tokioka, McKinley Class of 1921, and the first person of Japanese ancestry to earn an MBA from the Harvard Business School.

What other community organizations are you involved with and what do you do in your “spare” time?

I also serve on the boards of the Boys & Girls Club of Hawaii and Institute for Human Services, the investment advisory committee for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and the Ke Alii Pauahi Foundation’s committee for the Goldman Sachs, Matsuo Takabuki and William Richardson scholarship funds. My priority is to spend time with my wife, Vanina, and our two children, Nicolas and Noëlle. Since we are currently homeschooling our kids, we like to take family outings where we can learn about things firsthand. In my “spare” time, I get to throw soccer balls, eat popcaramel at the Ice Palace, walk our two dogs, clean the fish tank and bird cage, and feed our rabbits.

How did you become involved with the McKinley Foundation?

I had been a donor to the Foundation and one day Patsy Young, who was then the Foundation’s Executive Director, called to ask if I would consider becoming a member of the Board of Directors. I was honored because I believe in the Foundation’s mission of supporting its graduates to achieve their dreams, and wanted to give back. McKinley has a unique and storied history, and I am grateful for all that the school has done for me. My fellow directors feel that same sense of aloha.

What ideas do you have on how we can strengthen the Foundation so that it can better serve the school and its students?

Thanks to the loyal and generous support of McKinley alumni and donors, the endowment has continued to grow. I am interested in taking a deeper look at how we can use technology to reach out to our alumni and other supporters in a more effective way. Recently, three of the Board’s younger members, Hauela Greeny, Reiko Lin and Adrian Dhakhwa, utilized their knowledge of social networks to reach out to their classmates and friends and raised an amazing $2,700 for a Class of 1994 scholarship fund. In May, a $1,000 scholarship and a $500 scholarship were awarded, respectively, to Roche Kwon and Hong Dong Ma, both members of the McKinley Class of 2010. They used their phones to video the award ceremony – and it was on the internet to their classmates shortly thereafter. I also want to explore how the Foundation can encourage and support a wonderful “tradition” that was initiated by former McKinley counselor Barbara Kolaks in which each graduating class raises money to provide a scholarship for a member of the succeeding graduating class. This year, a Class of 2009 scholarship of $1600 was awarded to Jane Li. This is an amazing act of unselfish giving that has inspired me and the other members of the Board to rededicate our commitment to McKinley.

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Carole Kai

Perhaps one of the most recognizable traits of a McKinley Tiger is the deep pride in knowing that you attended a school that emphasized academic excellence and respect for others located on one of the most beautiful campuses in Hawaii. Another is the commitment to community service that characterizes so many of our alumni.

There is no doubt that one of our alumni that best represents this characteristic is our own Carole Kai ('62). Carole’s contributions to our community are countless, from the unique Carole Kai Bed Race, an event she founded in 1974 to benefit Variety School of Hawaii, to the internationally renowned Great Aloha Run. Her tenacity and energy are contagious and it is difficult not to get caught up in her desire to make Hawaii a better place.

Carole credits her mother, Ethel Shinzue Akamine, with instilling in her the confidence to accomplish whatever she sets her mind to do. Her mother was hardworking, honest and persevering; in other words, a wonderful role model for the amazing woman that Carole Kai is today.

Too often, we fail to tell or show people how much we appreciate them. Carole, we want you to know that we do appreciate you and all that you continue to do for the people of Hawaii, and that we are so very proud that you are a McKinley Tiger.

One way in which each of you can show Carole how much we appreciate all that she has done for our community is to volunteer, participate in, or consider making a donation to, the Great Aloha Run. Please go to their website - www.greataloharun.com - for information on how to get involved.

Class of 1942

A very big mahalo to the Class of 1942. The reunion committee has donated their remaining funds to the Foundation, stating that while they felt that they would no longer be holding formal reunions they wished to support the Foundation. The Board of Directors are extremely grateful to the entire class of 1942 for their continuous support we wish them the very best.

Class of 2010

Upholding a heartwarming tradition, the members of the Class of 2010 have donated money to go toward scholarships for the Class of 2011. This tradition began several years ago, under the direction Ms. Barbara Kakuda, and each graduating class has carried on the tradition. Instilling in our young people the importance of giving back to the community is a legacy that Ms. Kakuda can treasure. We sincerely thank her for her dedication and to the students for their generous contribution.