

Castle Alumni/Community Association



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The Association is a registered 501 (c)(3) Non-Profit organization established in 1989 whose mission is to promote and support the development of all 10 schools in the Castle Complex: Castle High, King Intermediate, and Waihole, Kahaluu, Heeia, Ahuimanu, Ben Parker, Puohala, Kapunahala, and Kaneohe elementary schools.

Aloha! We hope you are all safe and well. The pandemic has changed all of our lives and your alumni association has been working through this to support the students in the Castle Complex schools. Given the safer-at-home restrictions, we will not be having an in-person annual meeting this year. Instead, we are reaching out to you with this newsletter.

Alumni annual gathering and fun-raising events

Interested in having an alumni gathering?

We'd like to establish an annual gathering for all alumni at a location such as Waikalua Loko Fishpond. (<https://www.thepaf.org/waikalua/>)



We are looking for volunteers to help us plan and organize an annual alumni event. And other fun-raising events. Send us your ideas and contact information at chsalumknights@gmail.com or post on our Facebook Group Page at the address below.

Castle Alumni/Community Association Scholarship

The Castle Alumni/Community Association established this scholarship in honor of Hank Iida to recognize the community service provided by a graduating senior of James B. Castle High School and to support their pursuit of higher education. Hank Iida, a founder and past president of the Association, was known for his years of dedicated service to Castle High School and the Windward community.

We want to increase the scholarship amount to \$1,000. And the number of recipients. Please help us by donating.

Quote from one of the recipients:

"Thank you so much for the scholarship this past school year, it has been a blessing in helping me to pay for school and because of your generous scholarship and others, I was able to not work during my first year of college so I had enough time to gain a position in a competitive research lab on my campus, which has been an amazing opportunity for my future. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of all the seniors who receive this!"

Class of 2020 scholarships of \$500:

Aisha Yamamoto.

Will be attending the University of Southern California on a Presidential Scholarship.



Carlee Kasadate.

Will be attending University of Hawaii at Manoa.



Class of 2019 scholarships of \$500:

Tani Simms. Attends University of Hawaii at Manoa

Jenna Katayama. Attends Brigham Young University

Some examples of community service by our recent scholarship recipients

"Volunteer weekly to mentor sixth-graders from a low-income Elementary School in the area in order to encourage them to attend college and to just be someone they can trust to talk about their lives and struggles."

"Volunteering with some community organizations such as Castle High School and Kokokahi Gymnastics Team."

"One project I participated in was the 'Letters of Love' where we joined the medical capstone class to write/send a letter to a Pohai Nani resident."



Donated \$2,500 to Schools During COVID-19 Pandemic

We donated \$250 to each of the ten schools in the Castle Area Complex to support student recognition in transitioning grades; namely 6th graders at the elementary schools, 8th graders at King, and seniors at Castle. We asked the schools to use the donation to support activities and/or recognition to “graduating” students and provide some semblance of normalcy during the pandemic.

Donations Needed

Our schools need community support more than ever! Join our ohana and make a donation!

<https://donorbox.org/castle-complex-perpetual-fund>



Election of Officers and Directors

Five positions on our Executive Board were up for election to serve two-year terms from July 2020 through June 2022. Per our By-laws, the General Board of Representatives (GBR) elects our officers and directors. Given the pandemic restrictions, we could not have an in-person meeting, so we sent out emails to the GBR asking for nominations to add to the Board-recommended candidates, followed by a vote by email. Elected are Jay Miyaki as Treasurer, Kay Chin as Secretary, and as Directors Meredith Maeda, Karen Kimura, and Herman Chin.

More Representation Needed

We need more alumni to become representatives for your graduating class. Members of each class can select 2 voting members and 4 alternates. Representatives must be graduates of Castle High School and a member of our Association.

We would count on you to vote on major commitments, expenditures, and budgets. A majority vote of the General Board of Representatives is needed for certain business of the association but we also value your input and participation on projects and activities. You are a valuable link between the association and your class and we need you to help bring your class members along!

Below are the classes that already have representation of at least two representatives. All other classes have vacancies that need to be filled. For the list of alumni who are on the General Board of Representatives, go to

<http://chsalumknights.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/GBR-as-of-062619.pdf>

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1972	1976	1982	2007
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Join the Association

It's easy to join. Just visit our website at <http://chsalumknights.org/membership/>.



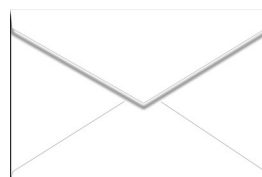
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