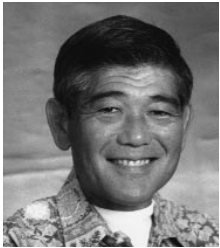




Keeping Up With Mal



It's not a very large flag, only 3 feet by 5 feet, but it flies proudly over our building on "Fort Sand Island." We bought it over 15 years ago, you know, its one of those flags that fly over the Nations Capitol and then sold or given as a gift for a contribution to some patriotic organization. Our flag hung quietly from a staff in a corner of our meeting room for all these

years. We took it out occasionally when we had our Fourth of July picnic and sang the National Anthem or God Bless America. Otherwise it led a very quiet existence.

The horrible tragedy of Tuesday, 9/11 however changed all of this. On Thursday, 9/13, I interrupted Clay Asato's Project Managers Meeting and gave them a mission to have our flag flying over our compound ASAP. By early that afternoon, Clay and his Project Managers Team met the challenge and that flag was hoisted and flew proudly in the wind at half-staff in accordance with the orders from our President, George W. Bush. The events of the World Trade Center tragedy united the country, as we have never seen before. Renewed patriotism and display of our flag burst out across the USA like wildfire. Renewed interest in our flag and the desire to show a patriotic spirit led to stores

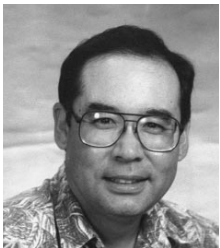
The American Flag flies over Koga's new office building.



being sold out of American Flags and some instances of price gouging.

I don't know about you, but our flag has a special meaning especially in times of crisis and in foreign countries. Having spent time in the military in Europe and Southeast Asia, I can tell you that whenever I see our flag flying over a US military base or the US Embassy, it gives me a warm feeling and I am overcome with emotion. It's like having a safe haven in a foreign land and it really angers me when the American flag is burned or desecrated.

Thanks to Clay Asato and the PM's for their quick response. It gives me great pleasure to arrive at work to see "Old Glory" waving in the breeze. But besides displaying our flag we must also do our part to keep our economy strong and vibrant. As our President has stated, let's get back to normal. Get in those airplanes and travel, patronize your restaurants and business establishments and don't let the Terrorists make us succumb to fear and intimidation. Governor Ben Cayetano has stated his intent to pump out One Billion dollars worth of construction to help boost our slumping economy and that will help us also. So in the long run, I see a stronger and more vigilant USA, which is good. God Bless the USA!



From "Da Boss"

By Glenn Nohara

- "One Nation Under God"*
- "One Nation Under Attack"*
- "One Nation Under Sorrow"*
- "One Nation Overcoming..."*

September 11, 2001 will be a day none of us will forget. We all woke up that morning and watched in disbelief the devastating scenes from New York, Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania. We then observed the nation's response to the tragedy. Rescue volunteers worked through endless shifts, political parties united in support of our leaders, and the entire country pulled together like never before. Within a few weeks after that fateful day, Koga employees came forward to personally donate a sum of \$3,000 towards the relief efforts. The company matched this amount and sent a total of \$6,000 to the American Red Cross - National Disaster Relief Fund. The generous donation is a true expression of aloha from our employees.

We are grateful that none of our jobs had adverse affects resulting from the terrorist attacks. As reported last quarter, a

healthy backlog of work exists and is moving forward. On Kauai we are busy at Princeville, Lihue, Poipu and Barking Sands, with jobs about to start in Kapaa and Puhi. On the Big Island we are active in Hilo and at Hualalai and will start new work at Waikoloa and Kealahou shortly. Though we are finishing up some work on Oahu, we continue to have a heavy bid schedule and expect to get more work for our Oahu crews soon.

We thank all our people who have volunteered to work off island these past few months. Your efforts are truly appreciated and have enabled Koga Engineering to service its clients on Kauai and the Big Island without missing a beat.

Until the next Koga Report, work safely and God Bless America.

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News From Kaua'i

by: Russell Inouye



As you remember in last quarter's edition of the Koga Report. Andy was nursing his "booboo". Well supposedly his booboo is totally healed, but now he is on an extended vacation to the West Coast to visit Mickey and friends. So this quarter the article was passed on to me.

This past quarter Koga's Kaua'i operations were able to complete several projects which included Kaua'i County Bus Maintenance Facility with Shioi Construction and Lawai Road Pipeline Replacement for the Department of Water. Ongoing projects include Consolidated Pacific Missile Range Projects (Primatech), Kaua'i Main Police Station and Villas on the Prince (Shioi), Hanama'ulu Water Development, Marriott's Waiohai Beach Club (Unlimited/Maryl JV), and Wa'apa/Rice Street Resurfacing (Niu Construction). Jobs still on the back burner are Kapaa Homesteads Well No. 2 (DOW), Kaumualii Highway Resurfacing (Glover), and Centralized District Base Yard Complex (Primatech)

Kaua'i's personnel has slowly been growing due to the work boom. The following have recently joined or rejoined the Koga Team. They are Quintin Ragudo, Anthony Prem, Henry Ornellas, David Carvalho, Camilo Sibolboro, Kent Tada, Michael Lopez, Thomas Makanani, and



Stanley Valoroso. In addition, our Oahu brotherhood is currently up to 7 employees. Thanks to Bob, Billy, Garrett, Grady, Marciano, Emilio, and Max for the long hours and "volunteering" to work on Kaua'i. Also mahalo to our departed brothers Curtis and Celso for all their hard work and all the families for allowing your loved ones to work here.

Marriott Waiohai.

News from Oahu

By Alvin Fujioka



Let me begin this article by offering my prayers and sympathy to all those affected by the recent terrorist attack in New York and Washington.

Bryant Akiona and his Raider(s) crew have been real busy this past quarter. The list of recently completed projects include the Makiki Swimming Pool with S&M Sakamoto, Pearl Harbor Fuel Modernization with Hawaiian Dredging and Construction, and the Kealahala Road Extension for the State D.A.G.S. and the Honolulu Board of Water Supply.

The Kealahala Road project started in April 2001 with the installation of 1,012 feet of 16-inch ductile iron pipe for the Board of Water Supply. There was a pre-job, post-job, and numerous mid-job partnering sessions during this phase. Working next to the Koolau mountain range, rain was a daily occurrence and the raincoat and rubber boots was the fashion

Lawai Road Water Line.



This is my first tour of duty on the Garden Isle and so far so good. Recently all the headlines have been on the terrorist attacks and bin Laden. On the lighter side I would like to share some of the major headlines to break so far while on Kaua'i: Ghost seen on Kaua'i, Who ya going to call ...Ghostbusters (Billy and Marciano), Surfer nearly drowns, lucky standing in 5 feet of water (Billy "Shots" Acosta), Man infected with amnesia while intoxicated (Bob "da worm" Connolly), Club on Kaua'i rocking (Kent "Louis of Revenge of the Nerds" Tada), Terrorist sabotage ongoing water line near Spouting Horn (Celso "MANO" Saragena and accomplice Byron "not a pipe man" Ariola), Man's brain explodes due to work overload (Warren "I got more important things to do" Miyasato), Man vanishes Thursday after two beers, not to be found (Derek "I worry" Ebesu), Man cut - bleeds beer? (Kip "Haggar the Horrible" Furugen). Thank you Kaua'i Warriors for making our stay a pleasurable and memorable one. Its just the beginning.....

Until next time, 'a hui hou malama pono.

Kealahala Road Extension at Windward Community College.



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(the crew was equipped to work in Hilo). Just as signs of moss growth began to appear, the rain stopped and all was back to normal. The D.A.G.S. concrete road construction commenced at this point with installation of the drain system, curb and gutters, and roadway grading. Elevations and alignment were checked, double checked, and finally the concrete roadway was poured. This team visualized the process and the finished roadway before the concrete pour, and that was how it turned out after all was completed. The same process eventually set the pace for the sidewalks and remaining curb and gutters, with "continuous improvement". High five's for everyone's "teamwork" on this project's accomplishment and taking pride in their work.

News from the Big Island

West Side Story

By Kyle Sakaitani



Peter Foster & Doug Phillips rockin at Hualalai 2 & 4

In addition to the work on the Hilo side, the Big Island crews are keeping busy rockin in Kona. Work is progressing in the middle of the 1801 Ka'upulehu Lava Flow on the Hualalai Townhomes with

Nordic/Kajima, the Hualalai Reverse Osmosis Filtration System with Kajima Construction, and the Hualalai- Parcels 2 & 4 Subdivision.

Completed jobs this quarter: Kona Highway Baseyard

Upcoming Projects: Waikoloa Village Drains and Kealakehe High School- Increment 4.

Be safe and remember, there's always a better way...



Johnny Sanchez "Get work on Oahu or what?"

Wet Warriors Work Rain or Shine

By Hye Jin Warren



Kamehameha Schools is expanding on the Big Island. The new East Hawaii Campus is located about 8 miles south of Hilo, on the

northwest side of Volcano Road and will be developed in six phases. Dick Pacific Construction recently completed the first phase. The second phase started in August 2001 with Hawaiian Dredging/Kajima Joint Venture as the general contractor. This job started on a fast track, with the goal of completing 11 buildings by July 2002; so the Wet Warriors worked 10 hours a day, 6 days a week for the first two months of the project.

The nature of the ground here is quite different from the projects just completed at Schofield Barracks on Oahu. It was a learning experience to adjust from red dirt to gray gravel and rock. No matter how much it rains, the job never rains out because the soil is so porous that the water just soaks in. That is why the Wet Warriors Work Rain or Shine.

The challenge of commuting was made more difficult because almost 40% of the Honolulu to Hilo flights were cancelled in the wake of the September 11 tragedy. This horrible event grounded our intrepid commuters for three days and poor Willie was solely in charge of the project since Tosh, Steve, Roger and myself were grounded in Honolulu.

We would like to thank Willie, Irving, David, Tommy, and Guy for making Steve, Roger, Lee, Alex, and Aldrin feel comfortable and to extend a warm welcome to Peter, John, Cheston, Lance and Glenn to Koga's Big Island Ohana. Lastly, a big Mahalo to the Hawaiian Dredging/Kajima team for their support and cooperation.

Crunching Out The Numbers

By Gregg Ichimura



How does one write an article for this quarter's newsletter without first acknowledging the tragedy of September 11? Most of the people in Hawaii awoke to the horrifying news, shocked and in disbelief that such an event could take place. I happened to be in the Magic Kingdom (LA version), getting my 2-1/2 year old daughter ready for breakfast with Donald Duck and Goofy.

Los Angeles was directly tied-in to the events of that day. It was the scheduled destination for at least two of the four planes and city officials didn't know what that meant, if anything. Not only was LAX shutdown, but all the amusement parks in the immediate Los Angeles area were closed. Needless to say, the remainder of our trip was immediately turned upside down.

Now moving on to Koga Estimating. We would like to think of this recently completed quarter as "quality over quantity" since number of jobs we've acquired totals a whopping four (4 each). Now that being said, the size of these four jobs still allows us, in estimating, the opportunity to feel good about ourselves and keep our self-esteem up.

Our latest jobs are: Kamehameha Schools – East Hawaii Campus (Hawaiian Dredging), Kealakehe High (Dick Pacific), Marriott's Ko'Olina Beachclub (Dick Pacific), and Hualalai Phase IIA – Parcels 2 & 4 Improvements (Hualalai Resort Development). We look forward to working with each of our clients and, as always, striving to "exceed expectations" every day.

On the horizon, we are looking at bidding and getting jobs particularly on Oahu. As the list above shows, many of our fellow employees have been "traveling" to get to work.

As for our Estimating personnel, we now have Kuen Pak assisting us. A few years ago, Keun was a summer hire working in the field, and now returns as a UH senior, majoring in Civil Engineering and set to graduate in May '02. He better graduate since he is always claiming to have to study. Didn't we all use that line also? Keun is the nephew of Hye Jin Warren, a project manager currently working in Hilo.



Kamehameha Schools East Hawaii Campus Phase II

Bits & Pieces

By Lori Isara and Vanessa Suganuma

Have you ever heard of a blue moon? A blue moon is the second full moon in the same calendar month and some believe that this is lucky. In Hawaii on October 31st, Halloween night, the moon will be full at 7:42 p.m. The last time this happened was nearly 60 years ago in 1944. Not everyone on the planet will experience a blue moon for Halloween, but we in Hawaii are fortunate to be in the last time zone. While you are enjoying your Halloween evening, be sure to look for the blue moon.

Congratulations to Toshi Hamada who recently celebrated his first birthday. Toshi was only 2 lbs. 13 oz. and 15 inches when he was born and now he is a healthy 22 lbs. and 30 inches. If you were at his party, you would have noticed most of the men there sucked. But the biggest sucker of them all was Uncle Clay Asato...he won first place in the baby bottle sucking contest.

The new Koga office building is about 90% complete and hopefully we can welcome the New Year in a brand new office. We are looking for suggestions for the artwork in the entryway. Please let Carol know if you have any good ideas.

Thank you all for your generous contributions to the American Red Cross for the national disaster relief fund. Koga Engineering donated \$6,000 of which \$3,000 was collected from our employees.

In support of our local community we will be having our annual Aloha United Way drive in conjunction with our 3rd quarter safety meeting. Remember that your contributions to the Aloha United Way Fund stay in Hawaii. This year the Aloha United Way will be assisting many due to the terrorist acts that has caused our economy in Hawaii, especially tourism, to suffer. If you are able, along with your contribution, please support our tourist industry by visiting our tourist attractions and taking mini hotel vacations in Waikiki or the neighbor islands.

Marketing

By Dennis Okazaki

I would like to start by congratulating our estimating department, Brian "Jits" Kunioka and Gregg Ichimura, for having an excellent third quarter on "Kauai and the Big Island". Oahu continues to be a tough grind. Keep the fate Jits and Gregg "good things come to those who wait."

Thank you Clay "Jet Setter" Asato, who travels 3 to 4 times a week to the neighbor islands, and all his people for doing a bang-up job on all of our projects. A special thanks to all our people who are working off island. Your support is greatly appreciated. Good job!!

For "Safety" next year we are finalizing our "Fleet Policy" and will have it in effect by January 2002. We are also looking into "Behavior-Based Safety" which has been in existence since the 1980's. For "Marketing" we will continue to keep in touch with our old & new clients through "Frequency of Interaction" as well as explore the possibilities of "New Markets".

As promised the last Koga Golf was in July at "Pearl Country Club", and it was a blast. The first sand bagger was Russell Inouye who shot a net 34 on the front nine but the biggest sand bagger was Garrett Ichimura who shot a net 28 on the back nine to tie Russell on the overall with a net 68. Closest to the pin on par 3's was Garrett, Wilfred, Danny and of course myself.

Inspiring Quotes : God gave us two ears but only one mouth. Some people say that's because He wanted us to spend twice as much time listening as talking. Others claim it's because He knew that listening was twice as hard. Think About It.

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