

# A W E S O M E . . .

## Class 69

### BEST WAY TO DESCRIBE OUR 40TH REUNION DINNER

If you nevva go, 'sup wit dat? Anyway, you weni miss out. 120 of us old futs actually paid the cash fo' go plus had another 30 guests for a grand total of 150 humans.

Some guys came from faaaaaaa away like Roseana (Duenas) Palmer, Guam; Stewart Hong, Virginia; Karen (Brotin) Sieburgh (who only went soph year with us), Maryland; Tsulan (Smith) Husted, Oregon; Bart Martinez, Las Vegas; Terrence Ching, Peter Endo and Gerald Sekimura from Califrisco side and of course, Janie (DeNeeve) and Randy Ching from Vancouver, WA.

Also had guys from only faaa away like Roger Alama and Pamela (Frendo) Punihaole from Kona-ville, Wayne (Manoa) Maeda and Catherine Haru Hiu-Arian from Maui and couple guys from Kapolei. We were really tricked out that a couple classmates came to a reunion for the first time (gulp) like Stephen (Lumpy not Dr.) Lum, Irving Emoto and Momi Kobayashi.

And wassup Kauai gang? Boycotting? No mo' Superferry, so no can come?



Had all kine stuffs going on. Our VW bus cut-out was a big hit with Ipo Cullen (Laverne Yam for all you rookies) taking pictures so you can make like "flower

power" like the old days. We also had the mandatory group picture which came out kind of "groovy" with Doug Young diving in right at the flash. We also had one "mixer" where we had face-fans of our classmates handed out at the sign-in table by Sylvian Cho-Moody, Wes Mukawa, Jo (Oda) Oshima and Dayle (Fujii) Hoopai and you had to find the living old fut version of someone's grad picture (Yikes!) Was good fun plus the fans came in handy 'cuz had so much "hot air" going around. Also, Lisa (Au Young) Chang, Nellis



(Miyashiro) Kunieda, Cheryl (Miwa) Osumi and their gang had a great display of posters from the '60's, enlargements from our annuals, past slam books and albums from our previous reunions. Also, Mahalos to Lani (Kuwana) Harrington for doing all our "accounting", her husband, Courtney for setting up our "boss" website, Guy Blackiston, Harold Fujii, Glenn Nohara and Brian Kashiwaeda for helping to set up, John Takara for doing the slideshow and kupuna Clyde Namuo for doing the prayer.

And it wouldn't be one Class of '69 Reunion without some music by our classmates (no, honest, they was choice!). The Beat Boys (with Russ Shiroma) gave a full-on oldies concert and Meridian (with Miles Lee and Ernie Morikubo) opened everything up with some mellow jazz offerings. Greg Fong, Glen Okano and Art Akana sang terrific solos and Roy Yonaoshi and Randy Chang both grabbed guitars to back them up. We all sang "Happy Birthday" to Lisa (Lee) Reed.

The music sounded even better because Alan Young donated a couple of cases of vino (wine) to be given away as prizes and John Silva donated specially labeled bottles of water especially for the Reunion made by his bottled-water company. Big Mahalos to all of you who donated money and stuff. All the pictures of the 40th reunion are on the web site: [www.RHSclassof69.com](http://www.RHSclassof69.com). Go check 'em out.

A big phat Mahalo goes out to Vincent (and his wife Wendy who lets him do all these crazy Reunion things) and the Reunion Committee, which has now grown to over 20 people. We have almost monthly Reunions that are secretly called "Reunion Committee meetings". No shame, come join us! Life is too short.