

RHS '69

Spring
2010

A man in a maroon shirt and blue jeans is seen from behind, standing on a bowling lane. He is pointing his right arm forward. The background is filled with colorful lights from the bowling alley.

SPECIAL SECTION

LOOKING GOOD ON
THE LANES

TAKING THE
PLEDGE: HOW
YOU CAN HELP

A red bowling ball with a yellow logo is positioned on the bowling lane.

PRO BOWL RETURNS
AND SO DO WE

LOOKING BACK
AT THE 40TH

From the Chair

By Vincent Yim, Reunion Committee Chair

Here's the DEAL! The State has a huge deficit and the experts says it will be a one to two years for complete economic recovery.

Parent's are up in arms over teacher furloughs and it's no secret our public schools have no capital for improvement. The timing is good, starting our fundraising now, to be completed and presented at

our 45th reunion. Depending on how much is collected it will be used to improve Roosevelt's campus. A few suggestions have been: put up a fence for our baseball field, renovate and landscape the front entrance and courtyard or enclosing the Senior Patio.

These improvements will never be done unless someone like us can get our classmates to pledge a little each year for the next 4 years.

As an example, \$25 a year donation each of our classmates will total between \$20,000 to \$28,000 in 4 years... We could really make a statement and leave our mark "Donated By The Class of 1969" for a life time!

We have been working with Roosevelt High School and all donations will be under the Roosevelt Alumni Foundation. The foundation is a 501 (C) 3 non profit and your donations are tax deductible. The managing Board will be Administrator: Lisa Lee Reed, Trustee: Roy Yonaoshi, Legal: Eric Yamagata, co-spokesperson: Brian Taniguchi and I.

Now is the time to step up and get involved. Please sign up and make your Pledge and really make our 45th Reunion a very special one! Remember to visit our website (www.RHSclassof69.com) and we will keep you updated on our progress. Go Rough Riders!!



Pro Bowl returns to Hawaii

So mark your calendar for January 30, 2011.

The Class of '69 runs a souvenir booth at the PRO BOWL Block Party usually held the night before. The picture above is from 2005 - when we all looked younger and awesome. A percentage of the money made will go back to the Class of '69. We need manpower to run the booth smoothly. Let us know if you are able to help. We always have a lot of fun!!!!

Lookin' Good

...is not possible when you're bowling and you're no bowler. That didn't stop the Reunion Committee and some brave alumni from taking over Aiea Bowl in March. Since a picture is worth a thousand words - here's 4-thousand.

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All the photos are on the Reunion web site



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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. 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.

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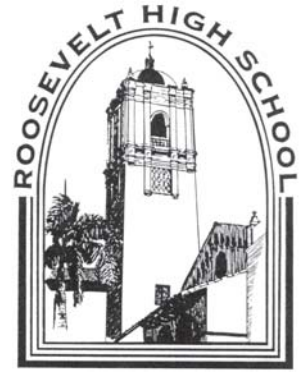
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Dear Class of '69 Rough Rider,

As we approach our 45th Reunion, we would like to help the school that provided us with such wonderful memories. Our goal to give a gift of \$19,690 to go toward a lasting improvement to the Roosevelt campus is ambitious, but definitely achievable!



As authors of this letter, we have already committed to the 45th Reunion Gift Fund. We're off to a strong start, but we still need your help. Please consider giving to the fund at whatever level you are comfortable. You can pay for your pledge over a period of time (up to 5 years).

Please make checks payable to the *Roosevelt Alumni Foundation*, which is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization. **YOUR DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTABLE.**

Together, we can create a gift that will leave a legacy in honor of our great Class of '69!
Thank you and aloha,

*Arthur Akana
Roger Alama
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----- Fill out, cut and send with your check -----

I, _____ pledge, each year for the next 5 years, the amount below to the *RHS '69 1969 plus Zero Fund*. The money collected will be donated to Roosevelt High School in 2014.

\$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 Other \$ _____

Each May you will be sent a reminder card for your donation. No matter what you give, it will be important!
Or, you can make a single donation of \$_____ to help our alma mater.

Make your check payable to: ROOSEVELT ALUMNI FOUNDATION

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