

Girl power prevailed at International Conference

Nine students and Director of Special Programs *Toni Normand* recently attended the eighth annual *International Women's Leadership Conference (IWLC)* at the *Sheraton Waikiki*.

Students from the *Academy Choir* joined with *La Pietra* students to launch the day with a rendition of *Bill Withers's "Lean on Me."*

At the IWLC, the students met multiple presenters whom they described as ordinary people who became leaders and chose to do things differently with extraordinary determination. Each student leader came away inspired and invigorated.

Kaitlin Mattison liked the words of *Chief Master Sergeant Denise*



Students, *Kaitlin Mattison, Sarah Tsukenjo, Kuuleilani Woods, Victoria Chang* and *Alexis Damo*, are motivated by *Nicole Marquez* (third from left), a young woman who was on her way to becoming a performer on Broadway when she suffered a near-fatal fall. Through her story, the students recognized the strength, faith and determination needed to pull out of a crisis situation.

Jelinski-Hall who said, "Reach down and bring someone up with you. Reach up to mentors; reach out to the community; reach into yourself."

Shelly Chen remembered the advice of retired *Rear Admiral Marty Evans*, "Those who succeed are those who are ready, willing and able. Hard work is the only enduring characteristic of a very successful person."

Lancer Christian communities lauded

Spearheaded by the *Living In Faith Experience (LIFE)* team, the first meeting of the year for the school's *Lancer Christian Communities (LCC)* brought together more than 30 students from grades seven to 12 to celebrate the birthday of Mary and to reflect on the significant women in the students' lives.

Some students were moved as they thought about and prayed for their moms and grandmothers who show them what love is all about.



LIFE team members *Christy Paulino* and *Brigette Agcaoili* guide attendees at the Lancer Christian Community meeting during one of the icebreakers.

From the Head of School

Leadership is an important quality of an Academy education. It is featured in our Mission



Statement, discussed in many class settings and specifically taught and nurtured in various ways each day for students from Kindergarten to grade 12.

We take seriously the research that indicates that graduates of all girls schools have an advantage in developing leadership potential to enable them to go forth and be the future leaders of our world. Our goal is to help the girls become more comfortable taking risks, accepting credit for success and using their voices.

A small sampling of leadership activities at the Academy include: Lower School teachers emphasizing leadership opportunities, such as prayer leader and attendance monitor; LIFE program developing Christian leadership in the context of Campus Ministry activities; student government giving students, including (above) Student Council Presidents Alana Glaser and Jiaxin Lin, experience in civic leadership; students learning leadership through service organizations, such as the Zonta, Soroptimist, Lion's, Kiwanis and the Rotary Clubs, which have student organizations on campus.

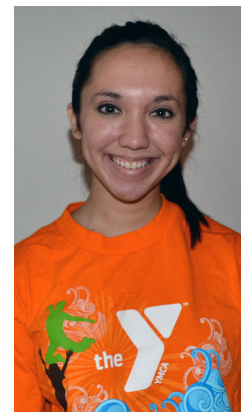
Betty White

Let's hear it for the girls!

▶ ▶ ▶ LEADING YOUTH

Hayley Borges has been involved at the *Nuuanu YMCA* since kindergarten. She attended the summer fun program as a child, then progressed to the Club Mid program for young teens.

Borges has been a Junior Leader, recognized as one of the best leadership programs for teens in the State, working with young children enrolled in the YMCA Summer Program.



Learning to work effectively

One goal of the Academy's first graders is to work effectively with a partner. Completing the assigned task is secondary to working effectively with another student. Students spend time each day discussing and practicing being a good partner, how to take turns, listen to each other's ideas, share the materials and fairly divide the responsibilities.

To underscore the importance of partner work, the first graders, including (below) *Ariana Oshiro* and *Ashley Tom*, planted seeds in a "Friendship Garden," digging deep into the soil to place their seeds, and worked together to care for their new seedling.



What went before...

LEGACY Dinner

September 9

An opportunity for alumnae mothers and grandmothers to share an evening with their Academy daughters



LEFT: Hunter Kim and Keely Kim;

BELOW: Amanda Ng and Paula Ng

ALOHA FESTIVALS Parade

September 24

The Academy's 120-member Marching Band and members of the Choir participated



GRANDPARENTS Day

September 26 & 27

The Academy honored over 600 very special individuals

TOP: Martha German and kindergarten Eve Teraoka; **BOTTOM:** Salvador Martell, freshman Sara Martell and Graciela Martell



On the horizon

WET 'N WILD DAY

October 2, 2011

10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- Those who have not already purchased tickets can enter the park for a special Academy fee of \$20.

- Fee does not include meal and drinks.



SLIPPERS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

October 14, 2011

- For students in grades seven to 12.
- For a \$3 donation, students can "dress down" for the day.
- Proceeds benefit memorial scholarships to honor *Dr. Mimi Dang* and former *Lower School Dean Toni Gopaul*. Both died of cancer during the 2010 to 2011 school year.



MULAN

November 4, 5, 6, 10, 11 & 12

Mamiya Theatre
(Times vary)

- Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15 for non-Academy students, seniors and military.

- Tickets for Academy students were assessed in tuition fees.



- Email specialevents@sacred-hearts.org for more information.