



## Grandparents honored during season of giving

In honor of the vital role kupuna play in the lives of their grandchildren, the Academy sponsored its annual **Grandparents' Day** celebrations on November 19 and 20.

Over 700 grandparents visited campus during the festivities and spent quality time with their granddaughters.

Students in grades seven to 12 hosted their grandparents during the **"Share Our Blessings"** prayer services, while those in the Lower School treated their grandparents to a myriad of classroom activities.

No matter their class' activity, the students were thrilled to honor their grandparents, and the Academy considers these special days as one of the school's most cherished traditions.



**LEFT:** Glenn Yoshimoto, Stephen Bischoff, Aisa Yamanaka, Amanda Bischoff and Caroline Bischoff proudly display their trees of Thanksgiving.



**ABOVE:** Geraldine Camara helps her granddaughter, Kennedy Barton, weave a Thanksgiving placemat.



**LEFT:** Audrey Effler and her granddaughters, Isabel Yeoh and Ivy Yeoh

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**aloha** GREAT RUN  
 EXPERIENCE THE ALOHA!

FEBRUARY 15, 2016

- > **D. Otani Produce** is again sponsoring participation in the **2016 Great Aloha Run** for 75 students in grades nine to 12 and 25 adults
- > Registration forms available with **Toni Normand** in Room A226 - deadline to return completed forms to her is December 1

## From the Head of School

### HONORING GRANDPARENTS

During the past two days, Sacred Hearts has hosted hundreds of grandparents who play vital roles in the lives of our girls. The students were so proud having their kupuna on campus for our annual Grandparents' Day celebrations.



I share a touching moment that I will remember from these celebrations. We have all been moved by the barbarity in France, and as of this morning, in Africa. It leaves us asking how human beings can plan and carry out such horrific acts. And, we continuously ask God to help us find solutions and watch over people around the world.

Our girls understand that it is only the "Star Spangled Banner" that requires us to stand and place our hands over our heart. For the grandparents' celebration for students in grades 10 to 12, the program concluded with "America, the Beautiful." No standing or pledging needed. However, a few lines into the patriotic and beloved song, one grandmother and her granddaughter stood, placing their hands over their hearts. Slowly and reverently, the whole crowd of about 500 people in a beautiful rhythm followed.

It was a touching moment! And, no one had to comment on the very precarious tenor of our times on the national and world scenes and how grateful we are to live in the United States.

*Betty White*

## Lower School FLL team talks trash

After over a month of preparation, the Academy's **Lower School FIRST LEGO League (FLL) team** tested their skills against 21 other teams at the **FLL Kalani District Tournament** on November 11.

The team showcased their work on "**Trash Trek**," excelling in the four competition segments – robot design, project, robot performance and core values, or teamwork.

Their efforts leading up to the event paid off, as the team was one of only seven to qualify for the **FLL State Championships** on December 5 at the Blaisdell Arena!

Team members, led by **Coaches Lacey Teshima** and **Jennifer Arthur**, are especially appreciative of the over 450 people who either completed their FLL online survey or donated styrofoam trays, the trash subject of the team's project, which included a bean bag chair of the recycled styrofoam materials.



THE  
NUTCRACKER  
DECEMBER 4 & 5 ~ 7 P.M.  
MAMIYA THEATRE (SAINT LOUIS SCHOOL)

**TICKETS:** Reserved seat tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at [www.sacredhearts.org/tickets](http://www.sacredhearts.org/tickets) or (808) 734-5058

## Students march to honor nation's veterans

A contingent from the Academy honored the sacrifices made by those serving in the military, past and present, by participating in the 69th annual **Veterans' Day Parade** in Wahiawa on November 11.

**Director Keith Higaki**

(above), 70 musicians and

10 color guard members proudly marched down California Avenue, playing "Kohala March" and "Bang Bang."

They were led by the Academy's **Intermediate cheerleaders**.

Also, about 14 members of the **Leo Club**, accompanied by **Advisor Whitney Miyahira**, passed out candy and further augmented the appreciation for the hard work and sacrifice of America's veterans.



## Veteran exalts students to always be ready

In honor of **Veterans' Day**, the second graders welcomed to their class **Lt. Lisa Davis**, an active member of the **United States Coast Guard**.

Lt. Davis, a pilot, shared about her experiences with the Coast Guard and provided the second graders with a stellar role model to follow.

She urged the students to follow the Coast Guard motto, "*Semper Paratus*," "Always Be Ready!"



## Seniors reflect on "Beginning from the End"

On November 12 and 13, the Academy's seniors reflected on **"Beginning from the End"** during their overnight retreat at Saint Anthony's Retreat Center in Kalihi.

Despite the rain and a power outage, the seniors, including (below with **Sr. Katherine Francis Miller**, the Campus Minister) **Lauren Remular**, **Brook Silva** and **Alexandra Seto**, went on a journey to explore how the end of one phase of life is the beginning of another adventure. The challenges posed by nature during the retreat were prime examples of unexpected obstacles in life that can be overcome with God's help and the support and encouragement of family and friends.

The retreat was organized by the **Living in Faith Experience team** with assistance from **Campus Ministry**, **Class Advisor Lurline Choy** and a group of dedicated mothers.



## Book Fair was a monster

The students in grades Junior Kindergarten to six definitely got goosebumps patronizing the

**"Monster Book Fair: Reading is So Much Fun It'll Give You Goosebumps"** on November 9, 10, 12 and 13 in the Lower School Library.



This annual Fair builds enthusiasm for reading and gives students access to age-appropriate books.

The Lower School Library was credited with 50 percent of all sales, allowing \$3,311.60 of new books to be purchased for its collection.

In addition, \$125 in donations went to purchase new books for Palolo Elementary School, the Academy's "sister" school.

Thanks to the parents, including (above) **Jaclyn Hanifen** and **Candy Crowley**, who worked at the Fair. And, mahalo to all the event patrons!

## Having fun with hydroponics

Recently, the first graders extended their study unit on plants and delved into the dynamics of **hydroponics**.

With assistance from **Natasha Ho**, mother of **Dylen Lum-Ho**, and the **first grade robotics team**, the students, including (right) **Mikayla Marie Hew Len** and **Leilani Freitas**, discovered how to use hydroponics to grow plants in a mineral nutrient solution, based in water.

