



RETIRED CLERGY FAMILIES' NEWS



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"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy, 4:7 NRSV



Our Chaplain Team

Together-IN PERSON AT LAST! Our first and last time all together* at the Triennial meeting of the Chaplains to the Retired Clergy in St. Paul, Minnesota, May 2 to 6, 2022. Organized and hosted by the Church Pension Group, our chaplains attended many worship, meal and workshop events to benefit you, our retired clergy family. Here we are from left to right: Rev. Bruce DeGooyer, Mrs. D. Chang, rev. Carol Arney, Rev. Heather Mueller, and Mrs. Norma and Rev Frank Chun. *First and last because D. Chang has moved to Georgia to be near her daughter. (See page #5)

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From the Editor

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News from Hawai 'i and
around the world

Kapuakukui

The celebration of Camp Mokule'ia's 75th Anniversary.

September 3, 2022

Mokule 'ia, Oahu, HI



Serving as Master of Ceremony, the Rev. Moki Hino welcomed guests as they made their way to the tables under the tent. Introductions of staff, those who traveled great distances to be there. Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick then offered the invocation, and the feast began. The local-style buffet featured fresh fruit, green salads, rice, noodles, and entrees of chicken, pork, and fish.

Introducing the honoree was the Rev. Canon Brian Grieves, whose impeccable knowledge of the Diocese and its clergy are well-known. His humorous reference about selecting someone for this honor "who had to be old" elicited laughter, but the choice of David Kennedy couldn't have been more fitting or well-deserved.

Grieves had penned the bio of Kennedy that appeared in the event program, and also collaborated on a detailed historical account of Camp Mokule'ia that was prepared for this 75th anniversary

event. That document, complete with photos from days long gone, can be viewed and downloaded [HERE](#). A special video presentation highlighting the Camp's program and facilities was also shared.

Anyone who has spent time with David Kennedy knows that they are in for a few laughs, generated by his light-hearted sarcasm and stoic delivery. Indeed, he had the audience chuckling within the first 60 seconds of taking the podium. Joking aside, he graciously thanked the bishop for his words and blessing shared at the tree planting earlier. Kennedy reflected on his time with the Camp and how far it had come in 75 years, enduring extreme challenges both physical and financial. Somehow, it always weathered the storm. He closed with a strong message for everyone to support the Camp that has helped shape so many lives over the years. "You may never know the impact you could have on someone," remarked Kennedy in closing.

Mahalo to Sybil Nishioka for these excerpts from the full report which can be found on the Diocesan Website at <https://www.episcopalhawaii.news.org/2022-09-08-kapuakukui.html> .



Oahu Retired Clergy & Widows Lunch Gatherings,

September 6, 2022 IN PERSON! At Nico's Pier 38. As we celebrate the "New normal" of not being rid of COVID, but of adjusting to life with it.



Norma, Richard, Willis, Alison, Hollis, Ethel



Carol C.Teena, Priscilla



Mimi & Peter Wu, +Bob and Bea, Annie & Bill, Brian



Willis, Alison, Hollis, Ethel, Richard

Many thanks to Frank Chun who did all the leg work, emailing, inviting, confirming, and even watching for us in the parking lot. Here's a list of the attendees, Carol Arney, Annie & Bill Aulenbach, Norma & Frank Chun, Carol Connell, Alison Dingley & Willis Moore, Bea & Bob Fitzpatrick, Brian Grieves, David Kennedy, Ethel & Hollis Maxson, Priscilla Millen, , Richard Shields, Teena Urban, Mimi & Peter Wu.



We enjoyed ourselves so much that we did it again on October 4th. (Thanks Carol Connell who made the arrangements and Frank+ who handled communicaitons.) This time we met at Paesano Ristorante. In Waimalu, and had a few new faces join us. Watch for announcement of the next gathering. We are trying to get on schedule with the first Tuesday of every Month.



Hollis and Ethel Maxson



Norma Chun, Richard Shields, Karen Swanson

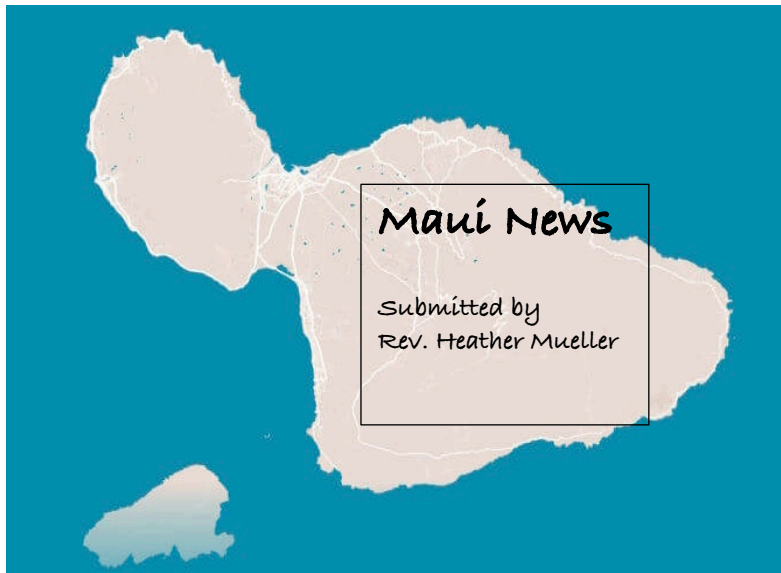


Carol Arney David Ota



Carol Connell, Teena Urban, Greg Johnson

Heather Mueller's report as Chaplain for the retired clergy on Maui, Molokai and The Big Island.



I have kept the clergy informed about the United Health Plan issues.

The window for making changes, or asking questions, in the health plan is October 17-November 9

The number to call is 1 866 519-5401.

The website is "retiree.uhc.com/ECMT"

I have had my home visit with a United Healthcare nurse, and I was very positive. The nurse was very at good answering questions, and she then forwarded her information to my regular doctor.

I have encouraged the retired clergy to

follow up with their home visits.

The Rev. Robert Nelson is a priest canonically resident in Alaska and has lived in Kihei, Maui since 2001 when he moved here with his wife Norma. Norma passed away 7 years ago. Bob has had some very serious health issues during the last couple of years and his support system has been the people at Keawalai, UCC church where he was an active member. Bob also

worked for years with the people at Saint Teresa's Roman Catholic Church to serve the daily meal for the unsheltered folks on Maui. The regular meal was the program called Hale Kau Kau. Father Nelson was a priest who honored ecumenical ties! Thank you, Bob, for being a wonderful example for all of us. Bob plans to move to Portland, Oregon in February of 2023. He is moving to a retirement community. He will be close to some members of his family.

The retired clergy throughout the islands have provided a very important ministry as supply on a lot of weekends. Some of the retired folks on Maui, Molokai and The Big Island are serving congregations as regular Priests in Charge.

Aloha in Christ, The Rev. Heather Mueller



News about D. Chang!

We are sad to lose our team-mate, D. Chang, who has been part of the Chaplains to the Retired Clergy since we reorganized a little over a year ago. Recently D. moved to Georgia to be near her daughter. But you know you can't keep a good woman down! I saw this news item on Facebook recently. This is from the Facebook page of The Rt.Rev. Frank Logue, Bishop of Georgia.

Frank Logue

August 25 at 1:52 PM ·

Victoria and I with D. Chang who

will be assisting us in creating a team of chaplains to retired priests and their spouses. We are so grateful for the experience D. brings from the Diocese of Hawaii where her husband was bishop.

On Oct 6, 2022, at 3:18 AM, Paula Rudinoff <rudinoff1@gmail.com> wrote:



Ciao!

I am back in Venice, after spending 2-weeks on Kauai in August, and attending my daughter Sarah's wedding in Seattle on September 3. The wedding was beautiful and after lots of celebrating, I returned to Italy on September 6.



We just heard from Tom and Jean Buechele via a Facebook announcement “Jean and I will soon be returning to our home in Sun City, Texas in Georgetown. My tenure as "seasonal vicar" at The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection in Little Switzerland, NC ends this Sunday. We will be spending the holiday season in Texas, celebrating the Ridgley Family Christmas Gathering on Dec. 17, and then sometime in late January, early February, be returning to North Carolina to take up permanent residence at Lake Pointe Landing Retirement Community in Hendersonville, NC. We will not be returning to CoR, Little Switzerland next summer. It's been a wonderful summer on the mountain top



The Diocese of *Hawai'i's* Chaplains to Retired Clergy Families gathered for a dinner meal at Gyotaku Restaurant on October 20, 2022, the evening before Education Day and the Annual Meeting of Convention. Seated L-R are Rev. Bruce DeGooyer, Rev. Carol Arney, Rev. Heather Mueller, Rev. Frank Chun, and Mrs. Norma Chun.

Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Diocese of Hawai ‘i



The Convention was a great success! I can't remember when we have had such an energetic convention! We met on the beautiful grounds of Iolani School and worshiped in their wonderful chapel. I think it was the idea of being all together after 2 years of Zoom Conventions! Many retired clergy were present, and we took this opportunity to take our picture with the Presiding Bishop.

L to R: Rev. Linda Decker, rev. Heather Mueller, Rev. Allison Dingley, Rev. Frank Chun, The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Rev. Carol Arney, Rev. Richard Shields, Rev. David Kennedy,

Rev. Brian Grieves.

The Church Pension Group is holding a Wellness Conference in on November 14th in Honolulu. We hope to have some great ideas to share with you when we have completed it. Many of the retired clergy that live in the islands are attending.

AUTUMN and upcoming Birthdays

Clergy

September

- George Clifford Sept. 1
- Vince O'Neill Sept. 5
- Richard Winkler Sept. 11
- Imo Tiapula Sept. 13
- Timothy Sexton Sept. 19

October

- Lani Bowman Oct. 2
- James Loughren Oct. 3
- Dale Hathaway Oct. 4
- Tom Buechele Oct. 5
- Marion Keator Oct. 7
- Honey Becker Oct. 19
- Bill Aulenbach Oct. 28
- David Kennedy Oct. 29
- Linda Decker Oct. 29

November

- Linda Lundgren Nov. 13
- William Albinger Nov. 27
- Frances Johnson Nov/ 29
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Clergy Spouses

September

- Geraldine Aughton Sep. 3
- Simeona Geston Sep. 5
- Joanne coon Sep. 7
- Rebecca Johnson Sep. 22



October

- Anapesi Langi Oct. 4
- Robert Lundgren Oct. 22
- Shirley Cannon Oct. 22
- John Decker Oct. 25
- Carol Connell Oct. 25

November

- Mark Ledoux Nov. 9
- Catherine Brown Nov. 12
- John Whitlock Nov. 19

Surviving Spouses

September

- Mary Wise Sep. 4
- Myrtle Kaneshiro Sep. 18
- Rebecca Kennedy Sep. 18
- Patricia Browning Sep. 30
- Delia (D.) Chang Sep. 30

October

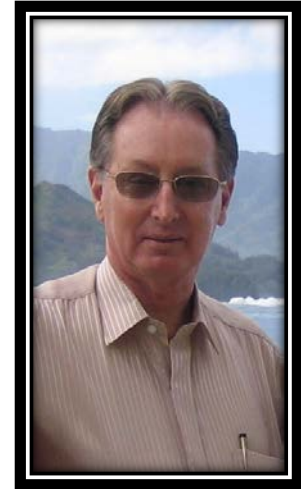
- Kilisilola Lino Oct. 11
- Richard Lipka Oct. 22
- Charlesta Snyder Oct. 22
- Barbara Longo Oct. 29
- Marcia Dettweiler Nov.

In Memoriam

RIP The Reverend A. Donor Macneice

The Reverend A. Donor Macneice died on Friday, May 20, 2022, at the age of 88. Donor retired (in 2006) from Hawai'i after serving as the priest at Christ Memorial Church and St. Thomas Church on Kauai . In retirement, he resided in Cambodia.

In 1993 it was announced by Bishop Hart that The Rev Alan Donor MacNeice would be the new Vicar of Christ Memorial Episcopal Church, Kilauea, Kauai. Father MacNeice was a native of Ireland born in January 1934 and ordained in the Church of Ireland in the 1960s and received into the Episcopal Church in 1983. His ministry was in Ireland, New Zealand, Jamaica, England and the USA. Most of his service in the American Church before coming to Hawaii in 1993-2005 was in the Diocese of Newark, New Jersey under Bishop John Shelby Spong. He retired in 2005 and moved first to the Philippines for a short time and then to Cambodia by 2006 where he settled until his recent death on 20 May 2022.



In the 12 years he served at Christ Memorial he was very active with rebuilding the Thrift Shop and Parish Hall after Hurricane Iniki 9-11-1992, hosting his own radio show on KKCR sharing his love of Opera, a weekly prison ministry at the Kauai Community Correctional Center, ongoing connection to those in need on the North shore of Kauai, serving also at St Thomas Episcopal Church in Hanalei, and arranging for special speaking events attended by Bishop Spong and the 13th Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem Riah Hanna Abu El-Assal.

Donor offered numerous trips for his parishioners to the Holy Lands, Ireland, England, and various third world countries in Southeast Asia including Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam, Laos, Burma, Bhutan, with stop overs in India, Japan, and South Korea. He always said it was important to go to the places where you were praying for its people. At the end of all his thoughtful and entertaining sermons was this closing prayer he shared after every communion:

You have brought us to the start of another week, O Lord. We know not what it will bring forth, but make us ready, Lord, for whatever it may be. If we are to stand up, help us to stand bravely. If we are to sit still, help us to sit quietly. If we are to lie low, help us to do it patiently. And if we are to do nothing, let us do it gallantly. Make these words more than words and give us the Spirit of Jesus. AMEN

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It was just in our February 2022 newsletter that we shared a letter from Donor. It was cheerful and full of optimism; one would never know that it would be the last time we would hear from him.

I remember many things about Donor from my time as a newly minted priest on the island of Kaua'i, back in the "90's". Such as how at a service at Christ Memorial, he would be officiating at a service, then scoot over to the organ to play a hymn, then go back to officiating again. And how every week he would hurry from Kilauea to Hanalei to lead the worship with his second congregation, St. Thomas in Hanalei.

I remember when the Bishop Candidates were on their tour of the islands, and he insisted then visit the taro and the pig farms of Hanalei. And especially, at our annual meeting of Convention, he would stand and address the bishop with some witty observation, first addressing him as "My Lord Bishop" in true Anglican style.

Submitted by Rev. Carol Arney Editor.