COE’s FROG Buildings Grand Opening (continued)

Dean Donald Young, State Representative Chris Lee, and other distinguished guests.

The FROGs are the first net-zero energy buildings at the Manoa campus and will be the prototype for future buildings across the UH campuses. The structures were funded in part by a grant from the Office of Naval Research and managed by UHM’s Hawaii Natural Energy Institute (HNEI). HNEI will be using the structures as research platforms to test efficient building technologies. The funding for site work and landscaping was provided by the UHM’s Office of Planning and Facilities.

The FROGs are new technology. The structures have high-efficiency LED lighting with adjustable modes and sensors that respond to natural daylight; the walls and ceilings are insulated, the windows are glazed to allow light and to minimize heat gain; and the classrooms include natural ventilation and regular air conditioning. Also, each of the classrooms has a real-time dashboard that shows current and past operating conditions, inclusive of outdoor climate and indoor comfort indicators as well as energy use by the different components.

Dear College of Education Alumni:

It is my pleasure to share with you some of the recent developments in the College. Many of you may have heard me talk about the College as more than anyone knows, and that is more than just a slogan.

Today the College has evolved as the leading educational institution in Hawaii with responsibilities for preparing future teachers, educational leaders, and researchers, from preschool through higher education. In addition, our Kinesiology and Rehabilitation Department prepares physical therapists, athletic trainers, health science practitioners, and vocational rehabilitation counselors. In fact, KRS has the largest undergraduate enrollment in our College.

Our faculty has worked diligently to increase enrollment, decrease time to degree completion, and provide new programs to meet the changing dynamics of our communities. We have established a new EdD degree in Educational Professional Practice, a new PhD in Learning Design and Technology, and new master degree concentrations in STEM education, literacy, teacher leadership, and private school leadership, just to name a few.

And we are reaching out to support our new graduates by providing additional mentoring for new teachers two years into employment. We recently established a working partnership with the DOE’s Waipahu Complex to establish professional development schools throughout the complex in which the schools host our pre-service teacher candidates as well as energy use by the different components.

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COE Dean’s Message

Dean Donald Young
dates and our COE faculty provides professional development at the school level.

COEAA has been right there supporting the College, i.e., providing scholarships for our students, supporting our education students and beginning teachers, and supporting

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The financial support from our Alumni is outstanding. The COEAA consistently provides the highest number of individual donations of any school at Manoa.

Thank you for your continued support of your College. We need you and appreciate all that you do on behalf of our students and graduates.

MAHALO!
Donald Young, Ph.D.
COE Dean

"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all." 
Aristotle

Mahalo to Board Members

The COEAA would like to extend a sincere gratitude and thank you to the following outstanding educators: Katherine Kawaguchi, Roberta Mayor, Don Nugent, Catherine Payne, and Karen Yanagida for their leadership, expertise, services, and contributions to the Board. These officers and Board members worked arduously and unselfishly for six consecutive years to meet the goals of the organization in its efforts to support the COE. Many mahalos to all of you.

A Partnership with OSAS and CESA

Reid Kuioka, academic advisor, reports that the Office of Student Academic Services (OSAS) at the COE is excited to be partnering with the COEAA on future endeavors and projects. He states that the main purpose of this partnership is to collaborate on ways to recruit and interest students into the teaching profession and to pursue a B.Ed. degree at the COE.

Also, he comments that this partnership is a means of developing awareness among COE students of the COEAA goals and mission. He further states that the COEAA may be able to increase its present membership by recruiting recent COE graduates.

In addition, the COE Student Association (CESA), under the leadership of Cory Mau and the guidance of OSAS, will be partnering with the COEAA on hosting presentations and workshops by alumni for current COE students.

The COEAA looks forward to working with OSAS and CESA!

“Welcome to COEAA’s New Board Members

At the General Membership Meeting held on June 3, 2016, at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii, five new members were elected to the COEAA Board. The new Board members are Evelyn Hao, DOE Honolulu District Principal (retiree); Sashenka Lau, DOE Evaluation Specialist; Vail Matsumoto, COE Assistant Professor; Charles Naumu, Hawaiian Immersion School Principal (retiree); and Charlotte Unni, DOE Honolulu District Principal (retiree). The COEAA Board of Directors look forward to collaborating and working with these new members to meet the goals of the organization and to provide support to the COE.

Talking Story with Thelma Nip

Mrs. Thelma Nip, a distinguished and committed educator, has been active with the COEAA for many years. She states that her COEAA membership spans from the time she was a principal at Kaimuki High School to the present. In 2003 and 2011, she served full six-year terms on the COEAA Board as a Director and Officer.

Thelma is grateful for her education and development as an educator. She enjoyed putting theory into practice, applying skills to build relationships, and advancing students and teachers to meet their challenges in education and life. She believes that as a support group, the COE alumni can bring about new initiatives, raise funds, and collaborate in seeking solutions that challenges the institution. Currently, the COEAA includes a representative from CESA, an organization for undergraduate students and COEDSA, a graduate student organization.

She states that some of the initiatives initiated by the COEAA during her tenure as a member are:

1. Creating student scholarships through two golf tournaments
2. Instituting the 501(3)(c) Federal Tax in 2001 to encourage gift giving
3. Establishing a professional chair through funds from the Million Dollar Hugh Everly Fundraiser
4. Supporting the name change of Wist Annex to Hugh Everly Hall
5. Joining the COE Recognition Dinner, honoring outstanding educators
6. Participating in symposia for new teachers in “Teachers Helping Teachers”
7. Sponsoring two receptions for COE graduates
8. Selecting and honoring Distinguished COEAA Alumni at its annual luncheon meeting
9. Providing funds for the COE/Bukkyo University Student Exchange Program in Kyoto, Japan
10. Supporting UHAA functions such as the Distinguished Award, Golden Scholars, and Life Member Events (Note: The COEAA won the Chapter Award in 1990 and 2015.)