A NEW LOOK, A NEW NAME

As the Center approaches its fortieth year of existence (has it really been that long?), it was decided to give the Center's newsletter a face-lift and a new name! The frequency of the newsletter will continue its established numbering system and will make every attempt to publish six times per year (already we are late! Sorry). The major purpose of the newsletter shall continue to be to disseminate information regarding all aspects of the Center for Pacific Islands Studies as well as informing the readership of Center faculty research work, course offerings, workshops, conferences, publications, incoming and graduating students, scholarships, and visitors to the Center. Likewise, we shall continue to endeavor to cover major news items of particular interest and/or issues of pressing concern within the Pacific Islands. The newsletter will continue to be distributed free of charge on request.

Thanks to everyone who responded to our requests for help with a name for the newsletter, whether by suggesting names or offering reasons why suggestions from others might be inappropriate. The new name is a compromise, selected by a committee, who consider it to most accurately reflect the source and purpose of the newsletter; as well, it also avoids entanglement in the mesh of acronyms!

Again, our thanks for your suggestions and support.

NEW ROCKEFELLER FELLOWS: 1990-91

The new Rockefeller Fellows for the forthcoming 1990-91 academic year are Lamont Lindstrom (PhD, Anthropology, UC Berkeley, 1981) and Cluny Macpherson (PhD, Sociology, Waikato University, New Zealand, 1978). Both are well-known figures in Pacific Island studies and have published extensively. Dr Lindstrom is in the Department of Anthropology, University of Tulsa. He is a Melanesian specialist with lengthy fieldwork in Vanuatu. During his residence with the Center, Dr Lindstrom will be preparing a manuscript entitled Cargo, Christianity, and Custom: Social Movements in the South Pacific Today.

Dr Macpherson is a member of the Department of Sociology, University of Auckland. He has been conducting research in Western Samoa since the middle 1970s, and he is working on the transformation of kinship systems in modern Pacific societies. Kinship is the most fundamental element of Pacific Islanders' identity and social organization. It is anticipated that Dr Macpherson's residence with the Center will also result in a book-length manuscript.

Congratulations to both recipients!

ROCKEFELLER FELLOWSHIPS IN THE HUMANITIES 1991-92

The Center for Pacific Islands Studies invites applications for the Rockefeller Residency Fellowships in the Humanities. Sponsored by the Rockefeller Foundation, the fellowship will provide support for scholarly writing and research in Pacific Islands studies.

Three topics within the broad theme of Identity and Change in Contemporary Pacific Cultures have been selected with the intention of addressing areas that are in need of new scholarship: (1) contemporary Pacific social movements; (2) Pacific literature; and (3) the interplay of Pacific art and politics.

The responsibility of the fellows will be to work on an original book-length scholarly manuscript or several major articles relating to one of the selected research topics. In most cases, the Fellowship residency period will be nine months. Research and writing will occupy about 90 percent of a Fellow's time. Fellows will also be expected to give occasional public lectures or seminars, to participate in informal activities of the Center for Pacific Islands Studies, and to be available for consultation with students, faculty, and library staff. At the end of the residency Fellows are requested to present a written report describing work completed and plans for publication. Fellows must be in full-time residence at the University of Hawai'i.
Fellowships are open to academic scholars at junior or senior rank, to independent scholars without academic affiliation, and to other qualified writers in Pacific Islands studies. Applications are welcome from any country. Two Fellows will be selected for academic year 1991-92. The selection will be made by a committee of faculty members from the Center for Pacific Islands Studies and will be announced by March 1, 1991.

Each Fellow will receive a stipend of $30,000. In addition, each Fellow will receive $2,500 in moving expenses and fringe benefits. Fellows may not hold another major fellowship or grant, though sabbatical salaries and small research stipends are allowable.

Applicants must submit the following by December 31, 1990: (1) the application form; (2) a description (1,000-2,000 words) of the proposed research; (3) one sample copy (non-returnable) of publications, if available; (4) a current and full vita; and (5) letters of support from three persons familiar with the applicant’s work, sent directly to the Center.

For further information and applications, write to the Director, Center for Pacific Islands Studies, School of Hawaiian, Asian and Pacific Studies, University of Hawai‘i, 1890 East-West Road, Moore Hall 215, Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96822, USA.

**CENTER NEWS**

In residence at the Center for Spring semester 1990, is Visiting Professor Mr Tony de BRUM. Mr de Brum has had a distinguished career of over two decades of service to the Marshall Islands. He has held a number of positions with his government including Secretary and later Minister for Foreign Affairs. Mr de Brum will be writing on the negotiation process for the Compact of Free Association between the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the United States, from a Micronesian’s point of view. He is also co-teaching with Dr Kiste (Center Director) the PacS 690 graduate seminar as well as giving guest lectures in other courses.

Visiting the Center for the 1990 calendar year is Mr Vilsoni HERENIKO, a Rotuman playwright and lecturer at the University of the South Pacific. Mr Hereniko is here as a research intern under joint sponsorship by the Pacific Islands Development Program of the East-West Center and the Center for Pacific Islands Studies, undertaking research and writing towards the completion of his PhD.

Dr Robert KISTE, Center Director, spent the last three weeks of January in Fiji as part of a consulting team assisting the United States Agency for International Development on its next five years of development planning in the Pacific Islands region. Also, Dr Kiste was in Washington, DC on two occasions in April at the Directors of National Resource Centers meetings at the Department of Education.

In early April, four Center faculty received research support totaling $8,236 from the University of Hawai‘i’s Research Relations Committee for work they are initiating this academic year. The recipients, their departments, and their projects are listed below:


**SIXTH ANNUAL TEACHERS’ WORKSHOP**

Fifty-four people participated in the sixth annual Pacific Islands Teachers’ Workshop, March 27-28, 1990. The two-day workshop was entitled, *History, Culture, and Social Change in the Pacific Islands.* The workshop was designed to provide teachers with an overview of the history and cultures of the Pacific as well as to examine the more recent impacts of commercialization, urbanization, population growth, and modern technology on the environment and life-styles in the islands.

Speakers included University of Hawai‘i faculty and students in anthropology, geography, and political science as well as Tony de Brum, member of the Nitijela (Parliament), Republic of the Marshall Islands, and William C. Clarke formerly of the University of the South Pacific.

In addition to teachers from elementary, intermediate, and secondary schools throughout Hawai‘i, participants in the workshop included members of the University community and the wider Honolulu community in the fields of education and teacher training, agricultural development, business, and peace studies.

**OCCASIONAL SEMINARS**

On 9 February, Dr Roy MacLeod, Professor of History at the University of Sydney, gave a seminar entitled *Embryology and Empire: Cambridge and the Laboratory of the Pacific* sponsored by the Center and the UH Science and Technology Studies Reading Group. Dr MacLeod’s
particular interest is in the social and economic history of science, medicine, and technology. Much of his recent research has focused on the Pacific, in particular the problems of the transmission of science from the West to the Pacific and the resulting character of imperial and colonial science.

On 13 February, a special colloquium jointly sponsored by the Department of Geography and the Center, was presented by Dr Edvard Hvilding, Research Fellow at the Center for Development Studies, University of Bergen, Norway. The title of his talk was, *Mining, Logging, and the Politics of the Sea: Customary Tenure versus National Policy in Marovo Lagoon, Solomon Islands.

Dr Stewart Firth, Associate Professor in Politics at Macquarie University, Australia, gave a presentation on *Papua New Guinea in the Light of its Colonial History*, at a 22 February occasional seminar while visiting the Center.

The Mirage of Development: Island States in the Modern World, was the topic of a presentation given on 6 March by Dr John Connell, Senior Lecturer in Geography at the University of Sydney. Dr Connell’s primary research interests have been in the development and decolonization of island micro-states, economic and political change in New Caledonia, and migration, employment, and development in the Pacific.

On 14 March, the Center co-sponsored with the Department of Anthropology, the Soviet Union in the Pacific-Asian Region Program, and the Pacific Islands Development Program, a presentation by Dr. Danil D. Tumarkin, Principal Researcher, Institute of Ethnography, USSR Academy of Sciences, entitled, *Pacific Studies in the USSR.* Dr. Tumarkin is a noted historian and ethnologist who has been writing about the Pacific Islands (including Hawai‘i) for the past thirty years. Among the topics he has written about are depopulation in Hawai‘i in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, navigation in Polynesia, the Miklouho-Maclay expedition to New Guinea, and social development.

Dr Grant McCall, Director of the Centre for South Pacific Studies at the University of New South Wales, gave a presentation on *South Pacific Studies Down Under*, on 20 March. Dr McCall has been Director of the Centre for South Pacific Studies since its inception in June of 1987. An anthropologist, he has long-term research interests in Rapa Nui (Easter Island) and recently spent several months conducting research on Mangaia in the Cook Islands.

On 3 April, Dr Karen Stevenson, a 1989-90 Rockefeller Fellow in the Humanities at the Center, spoke about *Authenticity and Artistic License: Tahiti’s Reinterpretation of Tradition.* Dr Stevenson received her doctorate in Oceanic Art History from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1988 and has taught in the field of Pacific Art. She has written on Tahitian adornment, traditional crafts, the arts of Tahiti, and most recently, the heiva, a Tahitian festival.

*Marquesan Memories* was the title of a presentation given on 5 April by Dr Robert C. Suggs, dealing with his experiences as one of the first archaeologists working in French Polynesia. Dr Suggs is a research associate with the National Congressional Commission for Migrant Education and is an anthropologist who worked in the Marquesas Islands in the 1950s. Among his books are *The Island Civilizations of Polynesia, Hidden Worlds of Polynesia,* and *Marquesan Sexual Behavior.*

Dr Renate von Gizycki, reader and researcher at the Institute of Ethnology, Göttingen University, and a specialist in contemporary Pacific Islands literature, gave a presentation on 5 April entitled, *Poets in Polynesia: Yesterday and Today.* Dr von Gizycki has also written on traditional Pacific Islands literature, and she has made and published translations of the literature of the region in German.

On 20 April Dr Stephen C. Leavitt gave seminar on *Christianity and Cargo in a Papua New Guinea Revival Movement: Some Images from Autobiographical Narratives.* Dr Leavitt graduated with a degree in religion from Swarthmore College and in 1989 received his doctorate in anthropology from the University of California, San Diego. He wrote his dissertation on Bumbita interpersonal relations and religious experiences after 26 months of fieldwork among the Bumbita Arapesh of the East Sepik Province of Papua New Guinea. Dr Leavitt is currently a Rockefeller Fellow in the Humanities at the Center where he is writing a book entitled, *Nostalgia for the Dead,* about the Christian revival movement among the Bumbita.

The Pacific Business Center Program: Past, Present, and Future, was the topic of an address on 23 April by Ms Angela Williams, Director of the Pacific Business Center Program at the University of Hawai‘i. The Pacific Business Center Program provides management, scientific, and technical assistance for business, industry, and community development organizations in the American-affiliated Pacific Islands. Ms Williams received her MBA from the UH College of Business Administration in 1983.

On 30 April, Mr Petelo Suluape, traditional tattoo artist from Western Samoa, gave a talk on *Samoan Traditional Tattooing.* Mr Suluape demonstrated the art of Samoan tattooing and the traditional instruments of tattoo. He also discussed the role of tattooing in modern Samoa with Dr Tusi Avesgali and Mr Viva Tanielu. Mr Suluape was on his way back to Samoa after attending an international conference on tattooing in Amsterdam.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

*Cultural Identity and Ethnicity in the Pacific,* edited by Jocelyn Linckin and Lin Poyer (University of Hawai‘i Press, 336 pages, 3 maps, ISBN 0-8248-1208-5, $35.00). This collection of thoughtful and imaginative essays investigates the range of cultural identities found in the
modern Pacific, raising provocative questions about the applicability of ethnicity as a scholarly concept.

_The Contemporary Pacific_ Volume 2 Number 1, Spring 1990 is now available. This is a special issue focusing on the impact and implications of the Fiji coups and includes articles by Yash Ghai, Roderic Alley, Bruce Knapman, John Garrett, Shireen Lateef and Nicholas Thomas with an introduction by Journal Editor Brij Lal and an extended review article on the literature of the Fiji coups written by Barrie Macdonald.

**TROPICAL PLANT QUARANTINE COURSE OFFERED**

Plant quarantine serves as a country's first line of defense against unwanted and destructive pests. Therefore, to manage an effective quarantine program, a country's agricultural officers must be knowledgeable and have an understanding of the various aspects of entomology and plant pathology that are applicable to plant protection through exclusion.

Currently, the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources at the University of Hawaii is conducting a short-course in tropical plant pest quarantine methods. There are six trainees in the course from the Solomon Islands, Fiji, Tonga, Papua New Guinea, Western Samoa, and Vanuatu. All of the trainees were nominated by their country's agricultural ministries and funded by USAID.

The short course provides a mix of classroom and other academic training with practical experience in the state and federal quarantine research labs and checkpoint stations. The College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources plans to offer this short course again next year. Tentative dates are March 4 - May 10, 1991. For further information please call Martha Staff at (808) 948-6441 or write: Hawai'i Institute of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, University of Hawai'i, 3050 Maile Way, Gilmore Hall 202, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822.

**IMI HO'OLA PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM**

The University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine is now seeking applicants for the 1990-91 Imi Ho'ola intensive pre-medical program. The application deadline was April 30, 1990.

Imi Ho'ola, which means "those who seek to heal," is a program that helps open careers in medicine to men and women who are underrepresented in the field. It is designed to increase the medical school enrollment of Filipinos, Hawaiians, Samoans, and Micronesians who may not be sufficiently prepared academically but show great promise in other respects. As a result of Imi Ho'ola, there are now 66 additional physicians practicing medicine, and another 35 are currently enrolled.

The purpose of the program is to develop students into highly successful medical applicants for admission as M.D. candidates. Students participate in a one year, pre-professional program which concentrates on English, review of the sciences (biology and chemistry), and improvement in study skills. To insure academic success the school also offers tutoring, assists in locating financial aid resources, and provides counseling for personal and cultural adjustment.

For detailed information and to obtain an application form, contact Agnes or Annette at (808) 948-7423 or write: The University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine, Imi Ho'ola Program, 1960 East-West Road, Biomedical Building B104, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822.

**BULLETIN BOARD**

**Workshop on macro-economic development planning**

The United Nations Department of Technical Cooperation for Development (UN-DTCD), in collaboration with the government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, is organizing an inter-regional workshop on Training in Macro-Economic Development Planning and Management in Island Economies, in October 1990. Workshop participants will include representatives from island governments in the Pacific and Indian Ocean regions, the Caribbean as well as from other international and bilateral agencies. The themes to be dealt with during this workshop include, the presentation of recent macro-economic simulation modeling work undertaken by the UN-DTCD, country experiences regarding macro-economic development planning and management, and a discussion and identification of appropriate training programs and training modalities for strengthening macro-economic development planning and management capacity in island developing countries. For further information and workshop details contact: The Secretariat, Inter-regional Workshop on Training in Macro-Economic Development Planning and Management, October 1990, PO Box 18, Majuro, Republic of the Marshall Islands, 96960, Fax (679) 3412.

PTC'91 issues call for papers

The Pacific Telecommunications Council's conference, _Accessing the Global Network: Weaving Technology and Trade in the Pacific_, seeks paper proposals for its 13th annual conference to be held in Honolulu, Hawai'i, January 13-16, 1991. **Deadline for proposals in June 30, 1990.** To obtain further information and a proposal submission form contact: PTC'91, 1110 University Avenue, Suite 308, Honolulu, Hawaii 96826. Telephone (808) 941-3789 or Fax (808) 944-4874.

**Conference on Pacific Islander migration & settlement**

A Conference entitled, _Pacific Islander Migration and Settlement: Australia, New Zealand, and the USA_, has been announced for the weekend of September 21-23, 1990 on the campus of the University of New South Wales in Kensington, Australia. The purpose of the conference is to bring together researchers and community leaders from Australia, New Zealand, and the USA involved with South Pacific Islander migration to and settlement in these areas; to exchange experiences and approaches as
well as to present concrete data on the evolving characters of those settlements. Comprehensive papers from invited speakers will be made available for circulation to participants before the conference. For further details, please contact: Grant McCall, Centre for South Pacific Studies, The University of New South Wales, Kensington, NSW 2033 Australia, telephone (61) 2 697 2408.

**Conference on technology for community development**

Technology for Community Development in Australia, Southeast Asia and the Pacific, scheduled for 9-11 July 1990 in Alice Springs, Australia, aims to provide a forum for the discussion of technology for sustainable development, technology policy and planning for rural and peri-urban communities. The conference also aims to address the participation of women, children and young people in technology and development and to examine the role of appropriate training strategies to achieve self-determination and employment. Papers are invited on energy; food and agriculture; health, water supply and sanitation; housing and community building; technology policy and planning; transport and communication; and income generation and small industry. The conference is co-sponsored by the University of Melbourne, the Centre for Appropriate Technology at Alice Springs, and the Australian International Development Assistance Bureau. For further information contact: Development Technologies Unit, Faculty of Engineering, University of Melbourne, VIC, 3052.

South Pacific place names conference

Geographers, cartographers, scholars, technical specialists and managers with an interest in the formation, development and recording of South Pacific place names on maps and in gazetteers and other publications are invited to attend the New Zealand Geographic Board’s South Pacific Place Names Conference. The objectives of the Conference, to be held in Wellington on 5-7 November 1990, are to: exchange information on the existing practices and procedures related to place names in the South Pacific as well as to develop policies for a common and coordinated approach to future place naming; an exchange of information on common and/or related Pacific place names including those in the Polynesian, Melanesian and Maori languages; the establishment of conventions for geographic place naming through formalized standards which will assist with international mapping; discussions on the value of cultural bases for place naming similar to the principles of the New Zealand convention which gives priority to original Maori names; and to encourage countries in the Pacific region to place emphasis on place naming as a means of recording history and genealogy. Requests for further information and/or indications of interest should be sent to: Conference Secretary, South Pacific Place Names Conference, CPO Box 170, Wellington, New Zealand, Fax (64) 4 722 244.

**Conference on ethnicity and political institutions**

The Institute for Polynesian Studies at Brigham Young University-Hawai'i is hosting a conference of the Research Committee for Ethnicity and Politics of the International Political Science Association, to be held 9-11 August 1990. Papers will address the topic and title of the conference, Ethnicity and Political Institutions: The Experience of the Pacific Area, including the Pacific rim and Pacific islands. There may be some travel funding available. For further information please contact: Dr Jerry K. Loveland, Institute for Polynesian Studies, BYU-Hawai'i, PO Box 1979, Laie, Hawaii 96762.