

The Cal Press



Cal Press members watch as coconut husking, which still must be done by hand, is demonstrated at the Maui Tropical Plantation.



John H.C. Riley explains how Hawaii's volcanoes resulted from a "hot spot" in the mid-Pacific, when the Pacific plate shifted northeast from the South American continent.



Susan and Cal Press President Jim Brock on the Maui Tropical Plantation tram ride.

Ship-shape



in Hawaii

Cal Press delegation does the island hop

By Al McCombs
Photos by Diane Donohue

Cal Press travelers fulfilled a long-held association dream last March by going to Hawaii. The group of 19 spent a week aboard Norwegian Cruise Lines' Pride of America, along with 2,000 other passengers and a crew of 800, visiting the four main islands of the 50th state: Oahu, Hawaii, Maui and Kauai.

March 18-25 turned out to be in the middle of the rainy season, which hit the islands heavy this year. Fortunately, our week saw some relief from the constant downpour that had wiped out a reservoir in Kauai and flooded Honolulu after we left.

Some activities were done together, others at will. The Pride of America, less than a year in service, was all-

American-built in the U.S., registered in Hawaii and staffed by Americans. It is a true floating hotel, with two general dining rooms and several specialty eateries, which allowed us individuality at mealtime.

The benefit of the cruise was not having to pack and unpack, go through numerous airport security points and various hotel check-ins as we island-hopped.

Our first excursion, attended by most of our group, was out of Hilo. Holding umbrellas, we visited the Panaewa Rainforest Zoo for a taste of the exotic animals and plants of the tropics, including a rare albino Bengal tiger. At lunch some of the group waded in a seaside geothermal pool fed

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Cal Press supports interns in Madera, Bakersfield

Students from California State University, Fresno and Bakersfield College are recipients of the two Summer 2006 internship grants provided by Cal Press through the CNPA Foundation.

Maria Miranda, a journalist from California State University, Fresno, received the California Press Association Lillian McPherson Rouse Fund scholarship.

She is interning at the Madera Tribune. Juliana Crisalli, from Bakersfield College, received the California Press Association Philip N. McCombs Fund scholarship and is interning at The Bakersfield Californian.

They will receive \$2,000 grants when they begin their internships.

The Cal Press internships are provided by the McCombs and Rouse funds, which

are augmented by direct contributions to the CNPA



Miranda



Crisalli

Foundation by Cal Press members. For more information, please contact Joe Wirt, CNPA Foundation secretary-treasurer, at (916) 288-6021 or joe@cnpa.com.

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Nominations accepted for annual awards

The California Press Association is seeking nominations for its annual awards, to be presented Dec. 1 at the Annual Winter Meeting in San Francisco.

Newspaper Executive of the Year Award: Nominees must be publishers, editors-in-chief or the equivalent who have been involved in the direction of editorial and news by showing exceptional editorial achievement, particularly during the 18 to 24 months ending this June 30.

Their newspaper must have made an impact on its community or influenced local, state or national concerns as a result of the nominee's journalistic effort. The nominee must have used his or her own time and ability, through and outside the newspaper, to accomplish the above.

Reference to past accomplishments, journalistic or other, will be considered.

Send nominations before Aug. 4 to Bill Lynch, blynch@sonomanews.com or c/o The Sonoma Index-Tribune, PO Box C, Sonoma, CA 95476; phone (707) 933-2721.

McCombs Achievement Award: This award honors distinguished newspaper executives who are no longer fully active in the industry but who have served their

communities well for an extended period and have made lasting contributions to the newspaper industry. To qualify for the award, a nominee must be a living person who has been:

- An exemplar of ethical conduct, leadership and service to the newspaper industry and his or her community;
- A newspaper leader on a local, state or national level; and
- A community leader who has contributed, through the newspaper, to the enhancement of community life.

Nominations may be submitted to Jim Brock, 49590 Marne Court, La Quinta CA 92253. Questions? Call Brock at (760) 391-2582; e-mail expressdocs@earthlink.net.

The Hall of Fame: Nominations are also welcome for inductees to the California Press Association Hall of Fame, which honors deceased newspaper men and women whose outstanding devotion to their responsibilities resulted in substantial contributions to their regions and to the development of California. Committee chairman Fred Weybret is also seeking a successor: Contact him at (209) 369-2761; fredw@lodinews.com

In memoriam: Lillian McPherson Rouse, 97

Lillian McPherson Rouse, longtime member of the California Press Association and partner in the Santa Cruz Sentinel Newspaper Corp., died Dec. 8, 2005, at her Watsonville home. She was 97. The daughter of Santa Cruz pioneer families, Mrs. Rouse was the daughter of the Santa Cruz Sentinel's publisher.

Her grandfather, Duncan McPherson, bought into the newspaper in 1864. She

was vice president when the paper was sold in 1982 to Ottaway Newspapers.

Following a proclamation in December 2000, Cal Press designated one of its two annual scholarships as the Lillian McPherson Rouse Scholarship.

Mrs. Rouse is survived by her son, Robert M.; daughters, Mary Ellen Irons and Ruth; eight grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

California Press Association

Annual Dues and Registration Form

129th Annual Winter Meeting

Friday, December 1, 2006 • Marines' Memorial Club & Hotel
609 Sutter Street, San Francisco, CA 94102



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 If you require special accommodations to fully participate, please attach a written description of your needs.

VOLUNTARY INTERNSHIP FUND CONTRIBUTION

Your voluntary contribution to the CNPA Foundation will be used to provide equipment, training or internship grants to deserving California college students who are pursuing careers in newspaper journalism. Two internships are awarded annually in the names of Lillian M. Rouse and Philip M. McCombs as a part of the California Press Association's support of the internship program. Donations to the CNPA Foundation are tax-deductible through the Section 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation.

I am enclosing a separate check payable to the CNPA Foundation, which qualifies for a tax-deduction.

Total Contribution \$ _____

DUES, REGISTRATION and MEAL FEES

ANNUAL DUES FOR YEAR 2007 \$40.00

REGISTRATION/MEAL FEES

A. REGISTRATION

CPA Principal Registrant @\$50.00 . . \$ _____

Additional Registrant(s) @\$15.00 . . \$ _____

B. MEALS/EVENTS (mark entree choices)

11:30 a.m. No-host Reception

Noon Awards Luncheon _____ @\$55.00 \$ _____

Seared Filet of Sea Bass on Orzo Pasta with Pesto & Arugula

Sautéed Breast of Chicken on Corn Pudding with Asparagus

6:00 p.m. No-host Reception

7:00 p.m. Awards Banquet . _____ @\$69.00 \$ _____

Filet of Beef topped with Mushroom Duxelle

Pan-roasted Salmon on Creamy Polenta with Wilted Greens

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Hawaii from Page 1

by fresh water heated by the volcano. We visited Lava Tree Park to see the unusual tree-trunk molds left after lava overran the rain forest.

On Maui, some went whale watching, very successfully. Others visited the historic Hawaiian whaling village and old capital of Lahaina. At the Tropical Plantation, a tram ride provided an educational cross-section of all of Hawaii's crops. Others went to the Maui Ocean Center. On both tours was the popular Iao Valley and the 2,250-foot cinder cone needle, a sacred place for native Hawaiians.

Back to the big island, we spent a day at Kona. Those that took a dolphin cruise were disappointed, although they did spot a mother humpback whale teaching her calf to swim.

At Kauai, the golfers braved starting-time rain on one of the Garden Island's famous courses, but they finished in sunlight. Most of the group took the popular Wailua River-Opaekaa Falls-Fern Grotto trip. The weather cleared enough for those soaring over the lush island in helicopters



In Hilo at Ahaloni Park after wading in the warm seaside pool fed by hot springs, l to r: Mary Ellen Irons, Ben Irons, Al McCombs, Maxine Blankenburg, Mary Lewis, Rick Blankenburg, Dick Blankenburg, Mary Louise Riley, John H.C. Riley, Diane Donohue, Jackie Kahler and Mel Hodell.

to have a rich adventure.

Back in Honolulu for debarkation day, some took the round-the-island tour; others went to Pearl Harbor to visit the Arizona and U.S.S. Missouri memorials before catching redeye flights home.

Hawaii is made up of a chain of volcanoes, and a highlight of our trip was a seminar by John H.C. Riley about how it

all came about, as the Pacific tectonic plate traveled northeast over a hot spot in the ocean bottom, creating the volcanoes. Then tropical forests formed as plant life took hold in the decomposed lava.

One feature of the trip not overlooked was shopping. At pier-side we had our choice of Kmart, Wal-Mart and other big boxes. Yes, Hawaii has changed. We learned about growth-no growth battles, the declining pineapple and sugar cane industries, and the housing,

which is nearing West Coast prices.

Those on the trip were CPA president Jim and Susan Brock; Dick, Maxine and Rick Blankenburg; Mel Hodell and Jackie Kahler; Mary Ellen and Ben Irons; Mary Louise and John H.C. Riley; Arnold and Mary Lewis; Shirley Wood; Nancy Work; Al McCombs; Diane and Keli Donohue; and Debbie Foster.

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