
Growing Great Minds-November Assets School News



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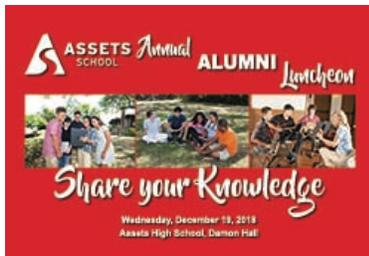
SENIOR CLASS TRIP: Camp Mokule'ia



Class of 2019 took their senior trip to Camp Mokule'ia over the weekend of October 19th. Lead Camp Facilitator, Seini Lino, was incredible in helping to ensure the students and attending faculty had a wonderful time! Seniors participated in a low ropes course that included a caterpillar walk, spider web, and trust falls. They also braved the high ropes course and bonded over a campfire.

Special thanks to senior advisors Trudy Alefaio, Peter Han, Paul Hanna, Tim Kelleher, and Leslie Maus as well as our High School Principal, Dr. Suzy Travis and Larry Shelvey for attending.

ALUMNI LUNCHEON: Call for Speakers



Calling all alumni speakers! We're looking for you to share your knowledge with our current Assets Admirals prior to the 2018 Alumni Luncheon on December 19th.

Potential Speaking Topics:

- Different Majors • Learning Differences • Performances
- Dorms vs. Home • College Life • Community College
- Military • Art Workshops • Bouncing Back
- Mainland vs. Hawaii • Student Loans • Filling out W2s
- Bullying • Diversity & LGBTQ • Straight to Work
- Goal Setting • Accessing Accommodations • Social Media Presence
- Owning/Starting a Business • Investments, Savings and Budgeting

We're also open to considering a topic not listed above that you think is relevant for our students. Email jwagner@assets-school.net or stravis@assets-school.net for more information and to discuss topics.

Following the panel discussions, we'll have the luncheon with students and faculty from 11am-12pm. **Please register for speaking topics at assets-school.net/alumni by November 20th.**

BOARD SPOTLIGHT: Russell Lau



Russell Lau, Chairman and CEO of Finance Factors, was recruited to our Board of Trustees in 1996 by then-Chairman Pat McFadden, who now serves on the Finance Factors Board of Directors. Russell also hired Vice Chair of Assets, Kristi Maynard in 2017 as the CFO of Finance Factors. Russell, Pat and Kristi are passionate people who work closely together for Assets as well as in their professional careers. Russell gave many reasons for serving on our Board, but ultimately, it's because "Assets School takes students who have learning differences and puts them on a path of enjoying

life-long learning."

Gregory and Eric, two of Russell's children, attended Assets lower school where they learned coping skills that have helped them throughout their lives. Gregory attended Assets from kindergarten through 8th grade and went on to the University of Denver for a degree in computer science and an MBA. Then he received his JD from George Washington University law school. Eric attended Assets from kindergarten through 4th grade and went on to the University of Puget Sound earning a degree in business and Chinese. Eric then earned his MS in Finance from Santa Clara University. Russell's oldest child, Jennifer, was diagnosed with dyslexia by Sandi Tadaki, our Assistant Head of School and Director of Admissions, in her junior year at Punahou. She obtained her BS from Wellesley College and MBA from MIT.

For over 20 years Russell was the Treasurer of Assets and now continues to sit on the Assets Board Finance Committee. In his downtime, Russell enjoys home remodeling, traveling, skiing, fitness training and doing yoga with his wife, Connie, who is the CEO of HEI.

ANNUAL FUND: Support our Transforming Lives FUND (TLF)



Annual giving strengthens and sustains the extraordinary opportunities of an Assets education. Our school relies on these contributions to provide critical program support. [Gifts](#) to the TLF have an immediate and direct impact to our students and faculty members.

Like most independent schools, tuition covers only a percentage of the cost of an Assets education. Unlike most of these schools, Assets is not a choice, it is a necessity. We understand that every family's ability to give is different, and we are truly grateful for each and every

gift. Participation, not amount, is the key.

Please [consider giving](#) in a manner that feels right to you. Each gift supports the current year's programming, and we hope each family can find a way to participate. Donations to the TLF will be directed to the general fund unless specified.

Key Upcoming Dates: Mark your calendar



- November 6th: Single Parent's Group Meeting (K-8 Campus)
- November 9th: Schools of the Future Conference (no school for students)
- November 12th: Veteran's Day Holiday (no school)
- November 14th: Public Open House (K-8 Campus) & Honu Society Mahalo Dinner (HS Campus)
- November 21st: 12pm Dismissal
- November 22nd-23rd: Thanksgiving Holiday (no school)
- November 29th: HAIS Learning Walk (HS Campus)

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