

# HONOLULU QUARTERBACK CLUB

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## PRESS RELEASE

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The Honolulu Quarterback Club, celebrating 67 years, is pleased to announce the following Guest Speakers for their luncheon, Monday, January 28th., at the MGR:

**+ Mike Trapasso - Head Coach - Men's Baseball - University of Hawai'i**  
**+ Bob Coolen - Head Coach – Women's Softball - University of Hawai'i**

**Mike Trapasso - Head Coach - Men's Baseball - University of Hawai'i** - Coach "Trap" is entering his 12th year as head coach of the Men's Baseball program. The season opens February 15th playing a 4 games against Oregon here at Les Murakami Baseball Stadium. There are 16 new players this year. Hawai'i will make it's first entry into the Big West Conference, which has a strong reputation for baseball. The team will replace 15 letter winners including four starting position players and will require a pitching staff reorganization. Last season, Coach "Trap" was named WAC Coach of the Year for the third time, as UH was named Co-Regular Season Champions for the first time since 1992 and earned the No. 1 seed in the WAC Tournament. The Rainbows advanced to the championship before falling to Fresno State, finishing the season with an overall record of 34-25. We'll get the latest information on the player's new and returning.

**Bob Coolen - Head Coach – Women's Softball - University of Hawai'i** - Coach Bob is beginning 22nd season as the "Wahine" Women's Softball Heread Coach. UH opens the season playing in the Oceanic Time Warner Cable Classic on February 7th at Rainbow Wahine Softball Stadium. Last season, the 2012 Rainbow Wahine won its fourth WAC regular season title with a 17-3 conference record and earned an at-large bid to their 10th NCAA tournament. UH started the season with a school-record 21-game win streak and finished the year with a 44-9 record, the highest win-percentage in school history. Highlighting the season was a thrilling, come-from-behind, 10-inning, 3-1 win over then-undefeated and top-ranked California in-which Ricketts, UH's great senior pitcher, earned a complete-game victory and Jessica Iwata drilled a two-run, walk-off home run in the bottom of the 10th to lift the 'Bows to the win. Coach Bob has earned conference Coach of the Year honors for all five of his title-winning seasons. Who will replace Stephanie Ricketts? Will team have the same success in 2013 as it did in 2012? On Monday, Coach Bob will talk about is team, his recruits and returning members at the luncheon on Monday.

**The Maple Garden Restaurant is located at 909 Isenberg (near the corner of King and Isenberg directly across from the Old Stadium Park) and there is free parking next to the Restaurant or street parking is available. The entrance to the meeting room is located at the rear of the Maple Garden building through the parking lot. Lunch is at 11:30 am and the program begins at 12 noon. The luncheon cost is \$15.00 per person for members and guests which includes tax and gratuities.**

**THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS INVITED**

**Come to our meeting & celebrate these speakers!**

There is parking next to the Maple Garden Restaurant and plenty of street Parking.