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The Honolulu Quarterback Club, celebrating 64 Years, is pleased to announce the following Guest Speakers for their luncheon, Monday, February 22nd., at the Maple Garden Restaurant. The Maple Garden 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 begins at 11:30 AM and the program begins at 12 noon:

Jim Donovan - Athletics Director - University of Hawai'i - Jim is completing his second year as Athletics Director and is responsible for 19 teams with over 500 athletes in Division I. There are around 150 full-time employees under his administration and he is responsible for a \$25-\$26 million dollar budget. He inherited an accumulated deficit of around \$4.9 million and by June 2010, the accumulated net deficit could reach over 10 million. According to Donovan, projections are difficult to make with one of the worst recessions, increases in airfare, and overall expenses not anticipated before his arrival as Athletic Director.

Of the men sports, baseball is one of the biggest financial losers with a shortfall of over \$650,000 in 2007 - 2008. Jim has said that UH is the only school in the WAC doesn't receive some form of student fees and UH doesn't receive any revenue from parking fees at the stadium and the Athletic Department pays for student housing and shares very little in the sale of the UH logo items. Has Jim cemented his relationship with the Legislature, since he was the first AD since Hugh Yoshida to go to the Capitol without being ordered to do so? The next challenge Jim has is to evaluate the men's basketball coach Bob Nash and extend his contract. He has hired 3 coaches since taking over the AD's position, men's volleyball, women's basketball and women's golf. Has he understood the concerns of the coaches and has he improved communications within the department, resolve the assistant coach shortages and provided contracts for several coaches that had expired? He has eliminated seventeen

positions in the department saving a over \$500,000. Jim's vision is to have the University as a designation of choice for student athletes and that the athletic department provide entertainment value for the fans. He provided value by reducing ticket prices and the creation of family packs. He had taken over the concessions on lower campus and anticipated a 25% reduction in food prices. Did that happen? Also, Donovan provided a 50% reduction in pay-per-view rates for season ticket holders. How did that work out? He has negotiated new Television and Radio Contracts which will provide more revenue for the University and secured a partnership with ESPN Regional Television and Koa Anuenue enrollment has increased providing more monies. and received a \$5 million gift. Would the University of Hawaii benefit financially by leaving the WAC and switching to the Pac 10? Come to the luncheon and find out what's next on Jim Donovan's agenda. Hear how Jim's plan will reduce debt that has been raising since 2002. Jim will take questions from attendees at the luncheon.

Patrick K. Shea - Partner - First Vice President - Outrigger Duke

Kahanamoku Foundation - The Outrigger Duke Kahanamoku Foundation (ODKF) is a public nonprofit foundation created on February 18, 1986 in honor of one of Hawaii's greatest athletes, three-time Olympic Gold Medalist and Native Hawaiian Duke Paoa Kahanamoku, whose Olympic career spanned 20 years. The Foundation's objective is to keep Duke's memory alive by helping Hawaii's athletes participate in athletic competitions and further their education with the hope that they emulate Duke's remarkable accomplishments and character. The ODKF announced the awarding of \$191,000 in college scholarships and grants this year to 95 outstanding Hawaii athletes and nonprofit organizations participating in "Duke Sports" – water sports and volleyball. Patrick will present the ODKF to the Honolulu Quarterback Club on Monday. He is a Punahou graduate and while there, he participated in ILH Paddling and Kayaking, which was a new sport in the early 1990s. Following College on the mainland, Patrick worked in San Francisco and continued to paddle for local clubs. He was an officer in the San Francisco Outrigger Canoe Center and later was involved in the Benica Outrigger Club. Returning to Hawai'i, he's been paddling with the Lanikai Canoe Club, and is assisting in coaching their Youth OC-1 Program and he has also assisted in coaching the Iolani Boys and Girls ILH Kayaking Team. Patrick is a principal in a law firm, Shea & Kamiya and co-owner of Sweet Home Waimanalo, a roadside café in Waimanalo. Attendees at the luncheon will have the opportunity to ask questions.

THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS INVITED!

Come to our meeting & celebrate these speakers!

There is very limited parking next to the Maple Garden Restaurant but there is plenty of street Parking.