

HONOLULU QUARTERBACK CLUB

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The Honolulu Quarterback Club, celebrating 67 years, is pleased to announce the following Guest Speakers for their luncheon, Monday, March 18th., at the MGR:

+ Ben Jay - New Athletics Director - University of Hawai'i
+ Kelly Grant - Head Coach - Boys' Varsity Basketball -Maryknoll

Ben Jay - Athletics Director - University of Hawai'i - Ben Jay was appointed Athletics Director last December as the 19th Athletic Director for the University of Hawai'i. Previously, Ben was the Senior Associate Athletics Director for Finance and Operations at Ohio State University for the last 6 years and was responsible for a \$132.2 million dollar operating budget. Before Ohio State, for 13 years, Ben was the former PAC 10 Conference's Associate Commissioner for Business and Finance. Prior to the PAC 10, he was the Assistant Athletic Director for Business and Finance at Fairfield University in Connecticut for 3 years. Ben earned 2 degrees from Ohio State, a Bachelor's degree in accounting and a Master's in athletics administration. He spent time as a general manager for a minor league baseball team, the Redwood Pioneers which was affiliated with the LA Angeles and he was director of operations for the Cleveland Indians between earning his degrees. Luncheon attendees will have an opportunity to speak directly to Ben during the Q & A portion of the meeting.

Kelly Grant - Head Coach - Boys' Varsity Basketball - Maryknoll - Coach Kelly celebrated his 2nd year as Head Coach by almost winning the Division I Hawaiian Airlines/HHSAA Boys' Basketball State Championships. Maryknoll was defeated by Kalaheo 60-54 in overtime at the Blaisdell Arena. This season Maryknoll was 25-3 for the season before entering the state championships. If the team had won the state title, it would have been Maryknoll's first state title since 1984 when Coach Kelly was a senior on the team. Coach Kelly feels his team could have won, but a couple of calls didn't favor his team. He'll talk about the season, the state championship game, the team and his players. Coach Kelly will be available for questions at the luncheon.

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.