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The Honolulu Quarterback Club, celebrating 64 Years, is pleased to announce the following Guest Speakers for their luncheon, Monday, May 3rd, 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 is at 11:30 am and the program begins at 12 noon. This week the Honolulu Quarterback Club will begin honoring thirteen 2009 Champions of the Year. Since the Banquet of Champions has been cancelled due to the poor economic conditions, we will be honoring our champions on consecutive weekly Monday luncheons. The cost of the luncheon is \$15.00 per person which includes tax and gratuities. Monday, the HQC will celebrate two more of the 2009 thirteen honorees as follows:

Annett Wichmann - 2009 Female Sportsperson of the Year - This award is selected by committee members of the Banquet of Champions and Sports Persons of the Month Committee Members. There are 12 females and 12 males in this competition. Every month, the Sports Person of the Month Committee selects 1 Female and 1 Male Sports Person who excelled in their individual sports for the month. Annett has been selected for the 2009 Female Sportsperson of the Year. Annett, in 2009 was a member of the University of Hawaii Track Team, won her 4th consecutive WAC heptathlon title, won her 3rd consecutive WAC indoor pentathlon; named co-field athlete at both meets; earned all-American honors at the NCAA championships by finishing 7th in the indoor pentathlon and 7th in the outdoor heptathlon; received the UH Jack Bonaham Award as the top senior athlete of 2009; named to the national, regional and WAC all-academic teams, earned first-team all-academic honors from ESPN The Magazine; and received the Stan Bates Award (in honor of former WAC Commissioner Stan Bates, given to the league's top female and male scholar-athletes, recognizing their athletic and academic achievements; which includes a \$2,000 postgraduate scholarship). Annette will be available for questions at the Quarterback Luncheon on Monday.

Jarrett Akakawa - 2009 Prep Make Athlete of the Year - Iolani High School - A multi-sport athlete, Jarrett quarterbacked the football team, was a starter on the basketball team, and is an ace pitcher and hitter on their baseball team - all while maintaining recognition on the Iolani Headmaster's List for academic achievement. As the "Raiders' starting quarterback, Jarrett completed 24 passes for nearly 3,000 yards and 33 touchdowns and led the team to their 3rd straight State Division II Championship. He was elected a team captain, and was recognized both on and off the field as the team's leader, earning all conference and all-state honors in the process. He was named captain of the basketball team, and helped lead the "Raiders to the state title. But perhaps his favorite sport is baseball - he currently is batting over .55 while playing first base and pitching. He plans to accept a baseball scholarship to the University of Hawaii in the fall. While not playing sports, Jarrett maintains a high honor-roll GPA and even like and received an "A" in Statistics, which many consider to be harder than Calculus to grasp the fundamentals. UH has recognized his academic achievement by awarding Jarrett with a Centennial Scholarship. Jarrett will be appearing on Monday at the Quarterback Club Luncheon. He will be available for 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.