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The Honolulu Quarterback Club, celebrating 64 Years, is pleased to announce the following Guest Speakers for their luncheon, Monday, May 10th, 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. The luncheon cost is \$15.00 per person for members and guests which includes tax and gratuities.

Mayor Mufi Hanneman - Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu - Assistant Coach - Team Aloha - Hawai'i High School Girls Basketball Team All-Stars - Eighteen years ago, Mayor Hannemann founded the Mufi Hannemann Basketball Jamboree in which high school female athletes are showcased here and on the mainland at the Arizona Elite Tournament. To date, over 2,000 female basketball players have participated in his annual basketball Jamboree. In 2006, he took his vision a step further and assembled a team of high school, female, all-star players who traveled to the mainland to compete. This tournament is regarded as one of the nation's premier showcase events for girls basketball and annually attracts dozens of college coaches. Team Aloha, appropriately named and called in 2006, won the prestigious championship at the tournament. This year, Team Aloha, comprised of 10 all-stars along with new Head Coach Fran Villarmia-Kahawai, went 2 - 2 in the tournament and 3 - 2 overall, matching their previous performance last year. Mayor Hannemann will introduce Coach Fran to HQC Members and attendees on Monday at the luncheon.

Fran Villarmia-Kahawai - Head Coach - Team Aloha - Coach Fran, the new Head Coach of Team Aloha, is a former Aiea High School and University of Hawaii "star" player. She started her coaching career in 1994 at her High School, Aiea and coached JV boys basketball until 1998 and then in 1999 she became Head Coach of the Varsity Girls Team. In 2001, she coached her team to win the state championship but step down from coaching to spend more time with her growing family. She was a walk-on at UH and received a scholarship after her first semester. She will talk about this year's team players and the tournament. The team this year consisted of 4 returnees from last year: **Kalei Adolpho** from Moloka'i, **Brydgette Tatupu-Leopoldo** from Farrington, **Lia Galdeira** from Konawaena, **Mysha Sataraka** from Punahou, and the rest of the team, **Dawnyelle Awa** and **Anuheia Wall**

both from Konawaena, **Kirsten Liana** from Farrington, **Hailey Maeda** from Punahou, **Deyah Fa'asoa** from Kaimuki and from Iolani, **Alex Masa-quel**.

Dana Takahara-Dias - Head Coach - "Wahine" Basketball - University of Hawai'i - First year Head Coach Dana returns to the Honolulu Quarterback Club after the "Wahine" concluded their season with a record of 10 - 20 overall and 4 - 12 in the WAC. Following conference play, 4 "Wahine" players earned all-WAC academic honors and they are: **Rebecca Dew, Courtney Gaddis, Dita Liepkaine** and **Kate Wilson**. Coach Dana will review the season, the players and the team. Next year there will be 11 returning letter-winners, including 4 starters, along with Shawna Kuehu, and 2 new players who each signed a national letter of intent, **Keianna Evans** and **Sydney Haydel**. Coach Dana will be bringing her **Associate Head Coach Da Houli, Assistant Coach Serenda Valdez** and **Director of Operations Sherice Ajifu**. She and her staff will take questions on Monday.

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.