

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, May 20th., at the MGR:

+ Laura Beeman - Head Coach - Wahine Basketball - University of Hawai'i

+ Bobby Makahilahila - Head Coach - Girls Softball - Punahou

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Coach Laura makes her second appearance at the HQC as head coach. Tying for first place by beating Pacific shows that Rainbow Wahine Rainbow Basketball is back. It was the biggest win for the team and coach for the season. The efforts of Ashleigh Karaitiana with her 3 pointer with 14 seconds left in the extra overtime period moved the Wahine into a 3 point lead. UOP missed an off-balance shot at the buzzer. Big time players like Shawna Kuehu scored the first six points in overtime and Kamilah Martin again played well. The team was 17-13 overall and 13-5 in the Big West and had a chance to be in their first regular-regular season conference championship since the late nineties but ended in 2nd. place. The Wahine were invited to the WNIT which was the first time in 10 years but lost to San Diego. She has spent over 20 years in both collegiate and pro basketball. Her reputation as a very good coach is based on her successes as one of the best junior college coaches in the country and having a similar success as an assistant coach at USC and the WNBA's Los Angeles Sparks.

+ Bobby Makahilahila - Head Coach - Girls Softball - Punahou - Coach Bobby Makahilahila

has been the head coach of the Punahou girls softball program for the past 6 years with his first season serving as co-head coach with the Mike Okimoto the former Head Coach of Mililani HS who stepped down to become an assistant on his staff due to an illness in his family in their second year. Prior to accepting the head coach position at Punahou, Coach Bobby and Mike served as a varsity assistant coaches at St. Francis HS for 2 years helping head coach Mark Glushenko win St. Francis's 1st. ILH Division I Championship and participating in 2 state tournaments. Coach Bobby also coached at Kamehameha High School for 6 years on both intermediate and varsity squads and was there when his two eldest daughters (Stacy and Kimberly) won one of Kamehameha's state titles in 1998 with his daughter Stacy named Player of the Year and Kimberly all state. He has also coached in community leagues with Koolau Bobby Sox, ASA, and Kailua Little league taking teams to various all-star and national tournaments over his 25+ years of coaching. During his tenure with Kailua Little League the coach advanced to his team to the girls Little League World Series for Softball (players 15-18 years of age) held in Kalamazoo, Michigan. He retired from Bank of Hawaii 3 years ago after 33 years of service where he headed up the bank's Electronic Banking Division which included building the largest ATM network in the state. He is currently the General Business Manager for Diebold Inc. which manufactures bank ATMs, vaults, safe deposit boxes, and electronic security systems. Bobby is a graduate of Kailua High School, attended Kapiolani Community College, the University of Hawai'i Shidler Business School. Coach Bobby will take questions from the audience.

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 guest 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.