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2014 EWC/EWCA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN OKINAWA
Preliminary planning is already underway for the next international conference which will be hosted by the EWCA Okinawa Chapter and held in Okinawa, Japan in September of 2014. The EWCA Okinawa Chapter has been awarded twice as the EWCA’s Outstanding Chapter so we can look forward to an excellent event. Keiko Yamazato (ISI, MA, 68-70) and Gordon Kem Lowry (TDI, PhD, 69-72) are serving as co-chairs of the conference. Begin planning now to join international colleagues in renewing acquaintances, making new professional contacts, updating your knowledge of the region, and discovering the beauty and diversity of Okinawa. The conference’s webpage will be available soon and information regarding the conference will be posted as it becomes available.

**ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS**

Read about some recent achievements our alumni have received.

**Arsenio Balisacan** (RSI - RI and JDI, 82-85; Fellow 85-86), was appointed as the new Socioeconomic Planning Secretary and Director-General of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) by Philippine President Noynoy Aquino. He was also previously honored as Academician of the Philippines’ National Academy of Science and Technology.

**Brian T. Daly** (IEP, MA, 91-93) has joined the firm of Schulte Roth & Zabel as a partner in its Investment Management and Regulatory & Compliance groups. Mr. Daly graduated, with distinction, from Stanford Law School in 1996. He received his B.A. in History, *magna cum laude*, from Catholic University of America and an M.A. in Asian Studies from the University of Hawaii (with an East-West Center fellowship), where he qualified in Mandarin and also studied Cantonese.

**T.K. Jayaraman** (ISI, MA, 68-69) published “A Single Currency for Pacific Islands” with a Foreword by EWC President Dr Morrison. He is an Associate Professor in the School of Economics, University of the South Pacific, Fiji.

**Parwiz Kawa** (Journalism Program, 2011) Editor-in-Chief of the Hasht e Subh Daily Newspaper in Afganistan, wrote that her newspaper has been awarded the 2012 International Press Freedom Prize of the Reporters without Borders. Parwiz traveled to Paris to receive the award on December 18.

**Fidelis Manuel Magalhães** (USTL Scholarship, BA, 2003-2006) is the spokesman for José Maria Vasconcelos, popularly known as Taur Matan Ruak, who was elected as President of Timor-Leste in April 2012. Magalhães will remain as the principal spokesman for the President-elect on the transition team and into the new Timorese administration.

**Chaiwat Satha-Anand** (Communication, PhD, 77-81) The El-Hibri Charitable Foundation announced Dr. Chaiwat Satha-Anand as the sixth recipient of its annual Peace Education Prize. Dr. Satha-Anand is the first international candidate to be honored with the award which carries a $20,000 award. Known internationally for pioneering research and work in Islamic nonviolence, Dr. Satha-Anand is one of the premiere voices for peace in Thailand.

**Charles Tseng** (ISI, MA, 61-63) has run a Medical Education and Training Program for physicians and health care communities in China. The program began in 2001 training pediatrics specialists and nurses from Chicago to Beijing to meet their counterparts. Since then he has visited more than 30 hospitals in China and brought Chinese doctors to Chicago for training. He notes that his work in exchanging professionals from China and the U.S. carries out the mission of the East-West Center.
Shari Villarosa (Diplomat-in-Residence, 00-01) was recently confirmed as U.S. Ambassador to the Indian Ocean island nations of Mauritius and Seychelles. She hopes to support the efforts of Seychelles to counter piracy and promote better security. She has served as Charge d’Affairs in Burma and helped establish an embassy in Timor-Leste.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**Senator Daniel K. Inouye** passed away on December 17, 2012. Senator Inouye was awarded the East-West Center Association Makana Award for life long dedication to the East-West Center's mission. He received this award for his steadfast support of the Center as one of its founding fathers and his instrumental role in promoting understanding and better relations with the Asia Pacific U.S. region.

**George Beal** (CI, PA, 73, 77 and ICC, 86-87, 88) died on September 20, 2012. After teaching for many years at Iowa State University, he retired in 1977 and moved to Kailua, Hawaii to take a position as Research Fellow in the Communications Institute at the East-West Center. He enjoyed 35 years of living in Hawaii.

**Jo Lonam** (ISI, MA, 62-64) was 81 when she passed away on May 12 of this year. After receiving a master's degree in art history while at the East-West Center, she taught at California State University, Chico, before moving to Sacramento. She joined the faculty at CSUS in 1966 and was a professor there for 28 years.

**Jim Richstad** (ICC, Fellow, 83-85, 87, 89-90, 92) died in December 2012 at the age of 81. Dr. Richstad served as a Researcher in the East-West Communications Institute for many years. He was a graduate of the University of Minnesota, School of Journalism.

**Tony Sukowatey** (ISI, MA, 63-65) came to the Center to study Chinese history and spent many years as a student and scholar of China. He was known and admired for his quiet, humble life. He is missed by his many friends and colleagues. He passed away on December 1, 2012.

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**Quarterly Report.** EWCA Vice President for Chapter Development, Estrella Besinga Sybinsky (OG, MA, 70-71) collects and collates quarterly reports from EWCA Chapters. Estrella notes that many chapters are active in promoting community service activities which contribute to the well being of their local communities and spread the impact of the East-West Center throughout the region. To view the current quarterly chapter report, go to [http://www.eastwestcenter.org/alumni/ewca-announcements-and-news](http://www.eastwestcenter.org/alumni/ewca-announcements-and-news).

**New Chapter in Latin America.** Representing South and Central America, the Latin American Chapter was formed in October 2012 and was formally approved by the EWCA Executive Board in January 2013. The Chapter has two co-chapter leaders, (L to R) Michelle Taminato (APLP, 2012-2013) and Laura Viana (Graduate Degree Fellow 2008-2012).

**Tokyo Chapter.** The Tokyo Chapter held an Aloha Party on September 17, 2012. 24 alumni including 3 new members attended the event and a good time was had by all.
Southern California Chapter. 20 members of the Southern California Chapter met on February 16 at Jay and Geeta Brara’s home. Claire Langham Richmond (ISI, MA 63-64) was selected as President and Vijay Trehan (Communication, MA, 77-79) serves as Treasurer.

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