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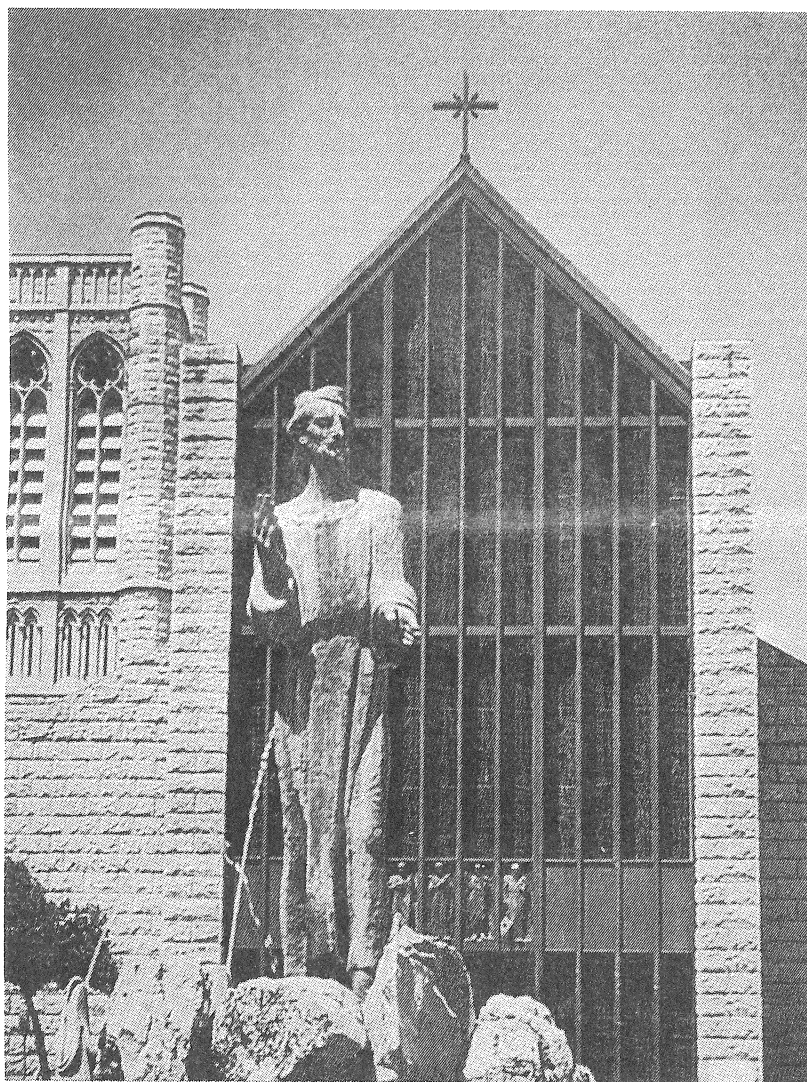
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CHRONICLE

THE 1996 DIOCESAN CONVENTION WILL CONVENE AT ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL ON OCTOBER 25.

On October 25, the Delegates to Diocesan Convention will gather at St. Andrew's Cathedral in Honolulu at 6:30 p.m. for the Opening Eucharist of the 28th Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Diocese of Hawaii.

"This is going to be an exciting Convention. It will be like a new beginning" said Mrs. Mary Day Wilson, one of the delegates from All Saints' Church, Kapa'a on Kaua'i. "The preacher at our Opening Eucharist will be our Bishop-elect, the Rev. Canon Richard Chang," continued Mrs. Wilson. This will be one of the first official duties of Canon Chang since his election as bishop in June.



Delegates may start their registration at 4:30 p.m. that afternoon, and an informal dinner in the Davies Hall at 5:00 p.m. will precede the Eucharist.

Following the Eucharist, the Delegates will assemble in the

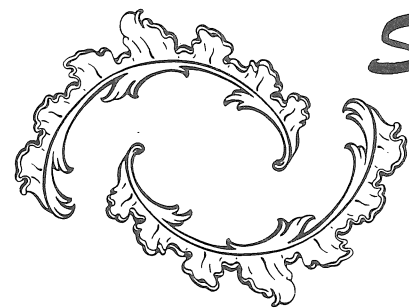
Tenney Theatre at 7:15 p.m. when the Convention will be called to order by the Bishop-elect. The introduction of guests, retired clergy and their spouses, as well as new clergy and their spouses will follow. The first ballot for the various elections will also take

place on the Friday evening.

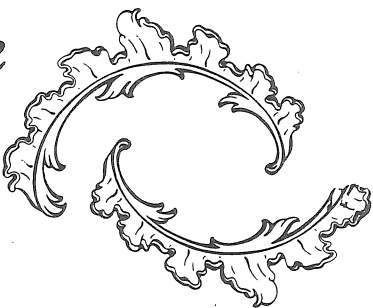
On Saturday morning, Registration for late arrivals will commence at 7:30 a.m., and the meeting will reconvene at 8:00 a.m. The report on the previous evening's first ballot will be given as well as the presentation of the 1997 Budget.

Lunch at 12:15 p.m. will be in the Davies Hall and the meeting will resume its business at 1:15 p.m. when the reports of the subsequent ballot will be given.

In the evening at 5:30 p.m. there will be a "No Host Cocktails Reception" at the Cannon Club followed by the Convention Banquet at 6:30 p.m.



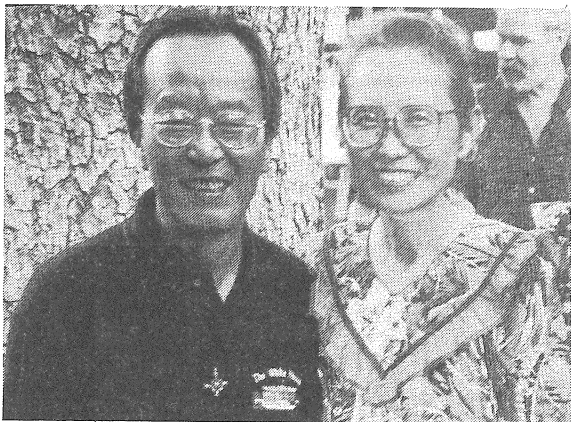
*Seen at the farewell for Bishop George
and Barbara Hunt*



Mrs. Elaine Ohlson & Dr. Rhoda Hackler



The Rt. Rev. George Hunt & Mrs. Hunt



Rev. John Park & Mrs. Park



*Mrs. Winifred Burgess, Mrs. Delia Chang,
Rev. Canon Richard Chang, Rev. Darrow Aiona*



*Seen at the Episcopal Asiaministry
Conference on Kaua'i*



Mrs. Gretchen Y.Y. Jong



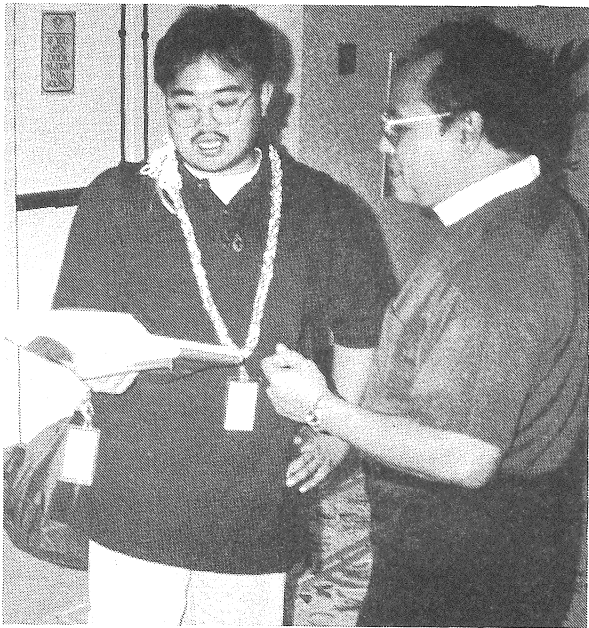
Mrs. Ellen Ching & Mrs. Hatsune Sekimura



*Rev. Imelda Padasdao
Rt. Rev. Catherine Roskam, Suffragan Bishop of New York,
Rev. Simon Carino, Anchorage, Alaska*



Rev. John Park & Rev. Tim Quintero



*Jay Watan and Rt. Rev. Vic Esclamado, Bishop
Philippine Independent Church - U.S.A. & Canada*

Episcopal and Lutheran bishops to meet in joint session October 3-8

In an historic gathering, the Episcopal House of Bishops and the Conference of Bishops of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) will hold a joint meeting October 3-8 at the Mount Laurel Lodge in White Haven, Pennsylvania.

Chief on the shared agenda is consideration of a proposed Concordat of Agreement that would establish "full communion" between the two churches. While the bishops will take no official action on the Concordat, they will be looking toward the 1997 meetings of the governing bodies of both churches that will be voting on whether to adopt it.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. George Carey will attend a portion of the meeting, and will preside at the Sunday morning Eucharist. He will be joined by Dr. Gunther Gassmann, former director of the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches, at 7.30p.m. October 6, is discussing the international aspects of the Concordat.

ECLA Presiding Bishop H. George Anderson and Episcopal Presiding Bishop Edmond Browning will offer concluding reflections on the meeting in the final joint session at 9.00a.m. October 8.

In addition to meeting in shared sessions, each church's bishops will meet independently.

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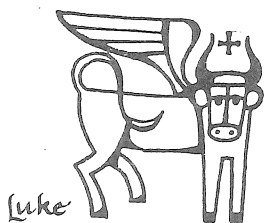
Archbishop calls for resignation of Deans

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. George Carey, recently asked the Dean of Lincoln Cathedral, the Very Rev. Brandon Jackson, and Canon Rex Davis, the Sub-Dean, to resign following years of bitter and public feuding. Canon Davis refused to resign and challenged the Archbishop to bring a case against him if one existed in

CONSULTATION ON BLESSING OF SAME-SEX UNIONS HELD.

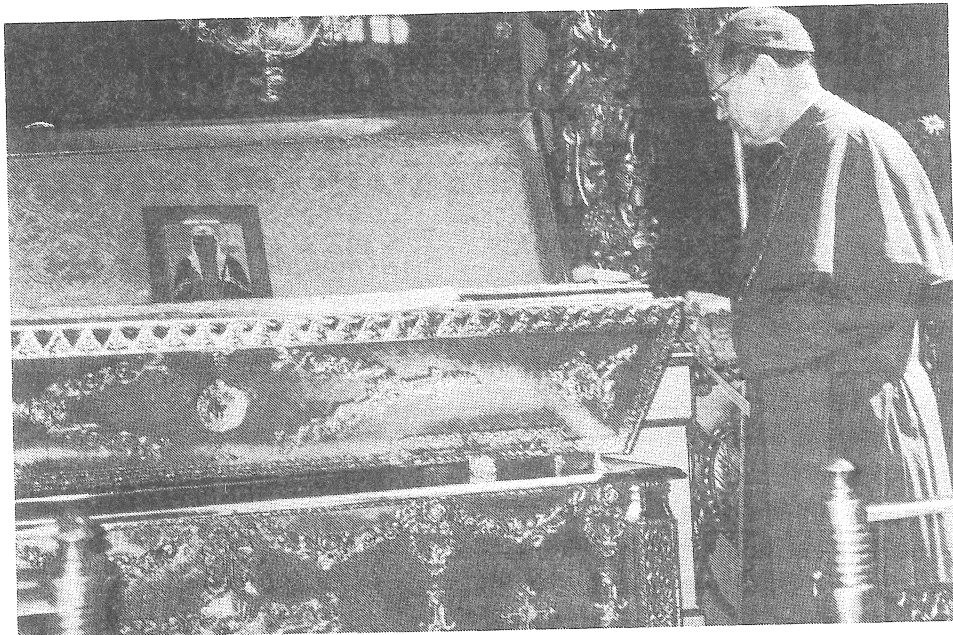
Some 50 bishops, priests and laity, representing 25 dioceses and nine seminaries of the Episcopal Church, gathered for the Second National Consultation for Episcopalians on the blessing of same-sex unions, an unofficial forum held at the College of Preachers, on the grounds of Washington's National Cathedral, July 18-20. The consultation heard presentations on the biblical, historical and liturgical considerations related to marriage and other forms of commitment, as well as an overview of the pastoral, educational and practical issues facing and parish community choosing to express "its thanksgiving to God for God's love manifested in the love of a couple in its midst," according to a news release from the conference. A presentation was offered on heterosexism, "the systematic set of behaviors and practices which result in preferential treatment for heterosexual people and prejudicial treatment for all others." Guest presenters included Andrew Sullivan, senior editor of *The New Republic* magazine and author of *Virtually Normal*, a recent book about homosexuality.

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ecclesiastical law. Both men are able to stay in office until they are 70, another eight years in the case of the Dean and seven years for the Sub-Dean. The Archbishop said that the situation at the Cathedral had "greatly shamed" him. "Wherever I have gone in the world, people have asked me about this scandal at Lincoln. I feel it very deeply, and I think the entire Church does. This situation constitutes a scandal dishonoring the name of the Lord."

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DIOCESES OF NEW YORK NURTURES TIES WITH RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH (96-1549)
Bishop Richard Grein of the Episcopal Diocese of New York views the remains of Saint Tikhon of Moscow and of North America, former Patriarch of the Russian Orthodox Church. Tikhon, who was an archbishop in New York during the early 20th century, helped develop ties with the Diocese of New York that continue today. His remains are kept in the major church of Donskoi monastery in Moscow where he was held under house arrest by the Communist government until his mysterious death in 1925. The remains, hidden under a heating unit in the floor, were rediscovered after a fire in 1991. (Episcopal News Service photo by John Backus)

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EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN NEWS ECW FUN(D) DAY A SUCCESS

The Episcopal Church Women held their annual Fun(d) Day at St. Clement's Church on the 16th August. It started at 9:00a.m. and the rush was on to see what was for sale. Martha Ho's Baked Goods table was a popular spot. Cookies, breads and jams, jellies and mango chutney covered the table. Martha was ably assisted by Gertrude Tyau. The Golden Store manned by Doris Fleming, Harriette Kaleiupu and Daphne Kennedy had many interesting items for sale. Geri Tom's table was laden with used books of all kinds. There were many varieties of plants with Hatsune Sekimura and Elsie Ching at the helm.

Over on the church lanai there were several tables of bridge and mahjong going on.

The main attraction of the morning was a Fashion Show that was put on by Karen Wagner of weekender Wardrobe Profile. It was interesting to see how one, with a few well chosen outfits could make them into several different looks. All the clothes shown are great for travelling.

Models for the show were Nita Hougue, Hatsune Sekimura, Gretchen Jong, Annette Jim, Gina Perkins, Grace Iwami and Janet Goff. Elsie Ching was there to help the ladies.

After the Fashion Show, Annette Jim and her committee served a delicious lunch to all who enjoyed the Fun(d) Day. Janet Goff read off lucky numbers for the door prizes she and her committee had gathered.

A good time was had by all.

Pontius' Puddle



ECW NOMINATING REPORT

At the July ECW meeting, Gretchen Jong presented a written report from her committee. The following have agreed to have their names put on the ballot at the annual meeting to be held in October: Barbara Vlachos, president; Grace Iwami, 1st. Vice President; Gina Perkins, Corresponding Secretary; Geraldine Tom, Assistant Treasurer.

Nominations will be taken from the floor.

Holdover officers are: Annette Jim, 2nd Vice President; MarKy Gilliam, Vice President Hawaii; Jeanne Perry, Vice President Maui; Mary Day Wilson, Recording Secretary and Vice President.

UNITED THANK OFFERING

The Episcopal Church Women of Hawaii are pleased to announce that a partial United Thank Offering grant of \$20,000.00 has been awarded to the Diocese' Japanese-American Ministry.

The Spring Ingathering yielded \$5,792.68. The ECW wish to thank all who participated in this tremendous outpouring of gratitude and love for our Lord and all the blessings He gives us.

Applications for 1997 grants will be available the latter part of October from Lucille Tamura at the Diocesan Office. The completed forms should be returned to the Office by December 31, 1996. This year, the deadline for applications has been changed to January 31, 1997.

A Surprise For A Special Lady

Readers may recall that we ran a story on Rose Chee earlier this year. On September 3rd., the Diocesan Altar Guild surprised Rose with a birthday cake to celebrate her 90th birthday which was in September. Elsie Ching provided a beautiful cake and luncheon.

Rose takes the bus to St. Andrew's Cathedral each Tuesday to share her talents with the Altar Guild ladies. Rose is a true Christian, and we all wish her many more happy birthdays.

ABUSE AND MISCONDUCT PREVENTION TRAINING

- by: The Very Rev. Peter Courtney
Dean, St. Andrew's Cathedral.

"You mean we cannot share aloha as we are used to doing?" "I am a naturally affectionate person. I don't want to have to shrink back from affection just because of some insurance company." These are the responses of normal, holy, Christian folk when they find out that the Church Insurance Company has designed an education program to protect the Church from sexual misconduct and abuse. Our insurer requires this program for all church employees and all people who work with children. Employees include clergy, parish secretaries, custodial personnel, Christian education specialists, and musicians. It does not include church school teachers, but does include child care workers and youth group leaders. Required means that if a parish is not in compliance, it will not be able to buy misconduct liability insurance.

The purpose of the program is to make the church safe from abusive, predatory and sometimes, naive people. The experts tell us that the very existence of this program makes the church safer because abusers are fully aware of these safeguards. They can no longer assume that the church is careless about background checks, references, and sensible rules and guidelines in employment practice and ministry with children.

The Episcopal Church in Hawai'i is offering training on an occasional basis to help parishes and their clergy get into compliance. The basic training is eight hours, usually on a Friday evening and Saturday morning. In order to receive credit, a person must attend all four hours of each session. The first four hours are on child sex abuse prevention. The second four hours contain valuable information about the prevention of adult sex misconduct. The two sessions are separated to provide a break in this intense information. For further information regarding the schedules, please contact Lucille Tamura at the Diocesan Office.

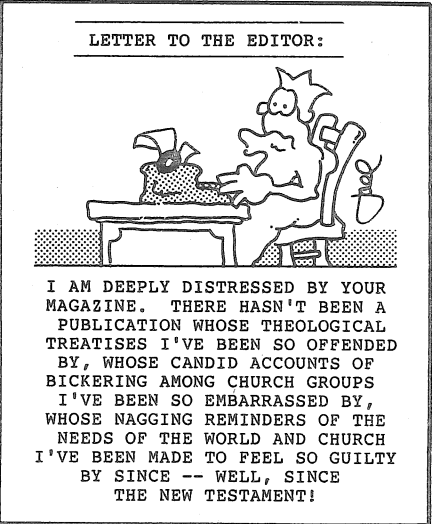
General Synod of Nippon Sei Ko Kai rejects revision of ordination Canon

The issue that drew most attention at the General Synod of Nippon Sei Ko Kai, was the Resolution to revise the Canons of NSKK by removing the word "male" from the qualifications for candidates to be ordained priest. This proposal was made at the last General Synod in May 1994, for the first time and was then postponed until this 1996 Synod. In the meantime, each Diocese had the opportunity to further study and discuss the proposed canonical change.

In addition to the Dioceses of Tokyo and Chubu who proposed the Resolution, the Dioceses of Kyoto, Osaka and Kyushu have passed supporting resolutions at each of their diocesan synods. This time, in a lengthy, rather calm discussion, three different voices emerged: one for the proposal argued that the time has come for a decision after sufficient study, discussion and preparation; one against the proposal reasoned that more theological study on the issue and the dialogue with the Roman Catholic Church and Orthodox Churches is necessary; and one asking for more time to discern the correct decision.

The Resolution was put to the vote and the House of Clergy and Lay delegates approved by a two-thirds majority which is required to revise the Canon. However, the House of Bishops rejected the proposal with a vote of four in favor and six against. The resolution was defeated.

Pontius' Puddle



NOMINATIONS: STANDING COMMITTEE, DIOCESAN COUNCIL, CHAPTER

STANDING COMMITTEE

(Clergy: one to be elected for a 4-year term)

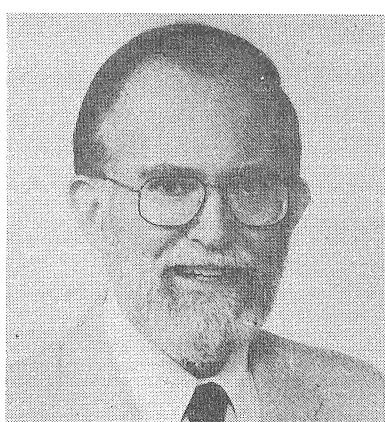


The Rev. Darrow Aiona
St. Mark's, Honolulu

Delegate to General Convention, 1997, Council Member of Province of the Pacific; Board member, Catholic Charities Immigrant Services; Member, Hawaii State Board of Education.

"As one of the very few native Hawaiian priests and a senior priest in this Diocese who has been very active in the state, I would very much like to share what gifts I have with the leadership of this Pacific Diocese."

The Rev. Leonard Howard
Vocational Deacon,
Retired Physician



Diocesan Council, Vestry, St. Timothy's Church; Board Member, Aiea Family Center; Member, Welfare Reform Task Force

"I have served in various offices in the Diocese for the past 21 years. My varied skills, experience, and knowledge provide the ability to be of further assistance by service on the Standing Committee. If elected, I will bring a pragmatic, scripturally-based point of view to the Committee."

(Lay: one to be elected for a 4-year term)

Ernest Dobbs
HIV/AIDS Educator, Lecturer
The American Red Cross
Executive Director
AIDS Project Hawaii

Member, Bishop's Committee on AIDS (1990-1996); Hawaiian Church Chronicle Editorial Board; Lay Reader and Acolyte, St. Mark's Church, Honolulu

"Political intrigue, 'church politics,' and private ambitions have confused and dismayed the Faithful of His flock. Many people no longer fill the pews of our churches. We are at the start of a new era, a new beginning with a new Bishop. We must heal wounds, and welcome with compassion and understanding, those of His flock who wish to come home--to God and His church. A corporate entity, including a church, must be administered under honorable business guidelines, but we must be ever mindful in our business, that 'Inasmuch as ye did it not unto one of the least of these my brethren ye did it not unto me.'"

Robert H. Kessner
St. Andrew's Cathedral
Retired Professor,
Current Lecturer

Children's Facility of Salvation Army, Kaimuki

"If I'm elected, I shall be most happy to serve. My wife supports me in this decision to try to be of help in this way. Should my background of training and experience be of value in this possible service, it would make both of us very happy!"

Arthur K. Kusumoto
Retired Estate Planner

Deputy to General Convention, 1988, 1991, 1994, 1997; Trustee, The Church Pension Fund, 1995-2000; Past member Diocesan Council; Vestry member, St. John's Church.

"The opportunity to resurface the Episcopal Church in Hawaii and working together with our Bishop-elect will be a unique challenge. Let us not be divided."

Kayoko S. Hanano
Senior Accounting Clerk



Diocesan Council (outgoing); Bishop Search Committee; Hawaiian Church Chronicle Editorial Board; Special Committee of Diocesan Council for EHH; and Lay Reader.

"I found serving on the Diocesan Council the past three years and working on the Bishop Search Committee the past year to be challenging, eye-opening, difficult, educational and very exciting. This experience has broadened my outlook on the work of the church and I wish to continue being involved."

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

(Clergy: Two to be elected for a 3-year term.)

(Lay: Six to be elected for a 3-year term.)

Richard H. Hagemeyer
Director, National Weather Service
Pacific Region



Member of Diocesan Council for several terms; Deputy to General Convention 1988, 1994, 1997, 1991 (Alternate); Member, Standing Commission on Structure of the Church; Five-year member, Steering Committee, Combined Federal Campaign.

"I have served in a variety of roles in the Church, as Vestry member, Treasurer, and delegate to Convention at the Parish level, as

Council Member and Member and Chair of the Finance and Real Property Department at the Diocesan Level; and at the National level as a Deputy and member of a Legislative Committee at General Convention and as member of a Standing Commission. I would like to return to Council to continue my service at that level."

William D. Foltz
University Professor

St. Mark's, past Senior Warden; Diocesan Council, member and former Vice-president and Secretary; Elections Committee; Convenor, Canterbury House.

"I hope my previous exposure on a parochial and diocesan level could assist our new Bishop in pulling us together again, financially and spiritually."

Sylvia Rowland
Accountant

Junior Warden, St. Elizabeth's (1992-present); Diocesan Council, Hawaii (1993-95); Spouse Abuse Shelter volunteer counsellor; Governor's Committee on Children & Youth.

"Having served on Diocesan Council during the EHH crisis, I feel that I can bring some continuity on this matter. I wish to serve the wider Church in this difficult time."

Esther Chinn
St. Peter's
Retired

Youth Advisor, Junior Warden, St. Peter's (1990-present); Chair, Buildings & Grounds Committee; Delegate to Convention.

"At this important time for our Diocese I am hopeful that my skills can contribute in a significant way to the Council--30 years of working experience at the lay and parish levels, the opportunity to serve in leadership capacities, and, most importantly, a love of the Lord. I have the time and a strong desire to serve."

NOMINATIONS

Pamela M. McCoy
St. George's
Volunteer

Wayne S. Yoshigai
St. Mark's
Attorney

Congregational Development
Dept., 1996; Delegate to
Congregational Development
Seminar, San Francisco, May,
1996; Co-founder, Board Chair,
St. George's Preschool; Bishop's
Committee, St. George's Church.

Paul C. T. Loo
Holy Nativity
Senior Vice President
Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc.,
Pacific Region



Diocesan Treasurer, Diocese of
Hawaii; Senior Warden, St.
Elizabeth's & Holy Nativity;
Trustee, Church Divinity School of
the Pacific; Chair, Hawaii State
Ethics Commission.

Paul's considerable abilities, and
his aloha for the Diocese and our
Bishop-elect, prompted his rector
to ask if he would stand for
election. Paul's reply: "Life is
short, there is much to do in
carrying out God's will, and one
simply makes time for what is
meaningful."

Genesis Television
Series promises
challenging fare

Starting in October, PBS will offer
Genesis: A Living Conversation
with Bill Moyers, a 10-week series
of discussion on 10 wrenching and
often steamy stories found in the
book of Genesis. "Whether we are
believers or not, we share a culture
steeped in the stories of Genesis,"
said Moyers.

"Open the first book of the Bible
and you're at the source of three
great religions, with people whose

Dean, East Oahu Deanery; Vestry,
St. Mark's Church, Oahu; Call
Committee, St. Mark's; Deputy
Vice-Chancellor, Episcopal
Church in Hawaii.

"Serving on the Diocesan Council
would enable me to share my
ideas for church growth into the
next century. I am well aware of
the difficult issues confronting the
Church, but I hope to focus my
Diocesan efforts to spread the
"Good News" to our friends and
neighbors. Our Church has an
important role to play in our
community, and only teamwork
with Bishop-elect Chang will
revitalize this ministry."

CATHEDRAL CHAPTER

(Lay: one to be elected to a 2-year
term.)

David S. Kayner
Retired

Music Director, St. Mark's Church,
1986-1996; Diocesan
Representative, St. Andrew's
Cathedral Chapter, 1988-1992.

"I am again interested in service
on the Cathedral Chapter in order
to strengthen the Cathedral's
liturgical and musical outreach,
its leadership role in relation to
Oahu congregations, and its
ministry to downtown Honolulu.
I offer experience, interest, and
available time for this important
ministry."

names echo through the centuries
and themes as fresh as the morning
news: rage, envy and murder;
brotherhood, faith and courage;
power, ambition, seduction and
intrigue; and dreams of
redemption," he said.

For more than two thousand years,
Jews, Christians and Muslims have
plumbed the stories in Genesis for
their religious, moral and ethical
implications. Each episode in the
series will focus on a different
story, from the creation of the
world to Joseph's exile in Egypt.
The conversation is introduced
with a dramatic reading. Then,
Moyers sits down with a group of

Korean Presbyterian
congregation joins
Episcopal Diocese of
Georgia.

In an historic move, the
Episcopal Diocese of Georgia
gained a new mission June 30,
when Bishop Henry I. Louttit,
Jr., received the congregation of
the Korean Central Church of
Hinesville as baptized members
of the Episcopal Church.
The ceremonies at St. Philip's
Episcopal Church in Hinesville
established the Korean
congregations as an "organized
mission" of the diocese, and
named the Rev. Daniel Ki Chul
Lee the congregation's pastor, as
a "pastoral leader" under the
direction of St. Philip's rector,
the Rev. Samir Habiby.

The congregation had been
affiliated with the Presbytery of
the Korean Presbyterian Church
(in America). In a service earlier
the same day, the Rev. Daniel
Lee was confirmed by Bishop
Louttit. Eventually he will be
received as an Episcopal deacon
and then as a priest upon
completing the canonical process
for ordination. At that point, the
congregation all will be accepted
in full "union" with the diocese.
The Korean Presbyterian
Church, which has about 500
congregations in the United
States, is one of the largest
national Presbyterian bodies in
Korea. The Hinesville
congregation included members
of several different

seven notable men and women--
renowned scholars, clergy
members, artists, writers, and
other--to consider the many
questions raised by the story.

Contemporary issues are brought
into the same forum as eternal
debates about the nature of faith,
the struggle between good and evil,
and the path to redemption.
Participants examine the lessons of
the stories from the perspectives of
their own lives, their communities,
and the events of the world. No
one tries to mask his or her own
religious beliefs, but respects the
integrity and boundaries of the
religious traditions of all others in
the group.

The show will have its premiere on
Wednesday, October 16, at 8:00
p.m. on PBS and continues on
subsequent Sundays, beginning
October 20 at 6:00 p.m.

denominations, including the
Episcopal Church.
The Rev. Samir Habiby said he
was surprised when Mr. Lee first
approached him expressing his
interest and that of his
congregation becoming members
of the Episcopal Church. Mr.
Habiby said that the reception
of the congregation marked "the
first time that an Asia-American
congregation of another
communion is being received into
the Episcopal Church." Other
Korean Episcopal congregations
have drawn their membership
primarily from the three
Episcopal dioceses in Korea, Mr.
Habiby said.

Mr. Lee represented his
congregation and the Diocese of
Georgia at the bi-annual meeting
of the Asia-America Ministry of
the Episcopal Church which was
held on Kauai in August.
- James Thrall, Episcopal News Center



The Archbishop of Canterbury, The
Most Rev. George Carey,
presenting to the Most Rev.
Desmond Tutu, the first ever award
for Distinguished Service to the
Anglican Communion that has
recently been created by Lambeth
Palace. The silver casket is
inscribed with the text and
Canterbury Cross and also includes
local South African stone to make
the gift more meaningful to the
Province.

- Courtesy The Anglican Communion
Office

Ellen Cooke sentenced to five years

Rejecting the claim of former Episcopal Church treasurer Ellen Cooke that mental illness caused her to embezzle more than 2 million dollars from the church, U.S. District Court Judge Maryanne Trump Barry sentenced Mrs. Cooke to 5 years in prison on Wednesday July 10. Judge Barry dismissed as "spurious" Mrs. Cooke's claim that a bipolar disorder combined with stress led to the embezzlement. She referred to a letter from senior church staff describing the high cost of the crime to the wider church's ministry in opting to set a stiffer sentence than the court guidelines usually suggest.

Mrs. Cooke was ordered to report to Alderson correctional facility in West Virginia on August 26. Her attorney Plato Cacheris, however, later announced that Mrs. Cooke will appeal her sentence. He added that Mrs. Cooke might begin her sentence as scheduled on August 26, or ask to be released on bail pending her appeal. That decision has not yet been made.

The United States Court of Appeal in Philadelphia will set up a schedule for the filing of briefs and for the court hearing on the appeal, Mr. Cacheris said, noting that it can take from six to nine months for a hearing, depending on the court's case load.

Because the case is under litigation, Mr. Cacheris declined to comment on the arguments that he will offer in his brief to support the appeal. At the time of the sentencing, however, he indicated that an appeal might be based on Judge Barry's dismissal of defense claims that Mrs. Cooke suffers from a bipolar mental disorder that led her to forget or block out the events of the embezzlement.

- Episcopal News Service

Following the sentencing, the Presiding Bishop issued the following statement:

"In this sentencing of Ellen F. Cooke, the judge herself recognized the enormity of the tragedy of this embezzlement and its effects on our church over these last eighteen months.

As stewards of church funds, our task has been the restitution of what has been stolen, the restoration of confidence and the assurance of a financial operation of soundness and integrity. As members of a faith community, we have faced the equally difficult task of coming again and again to our knowledge of sin, repentance, redemption and healing.

As this day marks the end of an enormously painful chapter, may it mark as well a beginning characterized by our knowledge that all is possible in Christ. My prayers are with Ellen Cooke and her family."

Edmond L. Browning
Presiding Bishop

Dr. Pamela Chinnis, President of the House of Deputies also issued a statement:

"After more than 17 months, we are finally able to bring some measure of closure to this painful and traumatic chapter in the life of our Church.

When the matter of Ellen Cooke came under the justification of the Federal Courts, it was removed completely from any influence or control by the Episcopal Church, though there were many who wondered why the leadership of the Church could not hasten a decision in this case. Now, for good or ill, the legal justice system has spoken and all must abide by that decision.

Fortunately, the Church has managed to recover most of the monies that were taken so the damage to our evangelism and outreach programs will not be permanent. The new financial team at the Church Center has restored integrity within our system and, together with the clergy and lay members of the Church with oversight responsibility, developed additional means to minimize our future vulnerability.

We can only pray that God will bring healing to all who have been affected by these acts and that we can move on to do the work God has given us to do."

Pamela Chinnis, President
House of Deputies

THE BABY BLOOMERS ARE COMING

In the Diocese of Hawaii our ministry to older members of the congregations is encouraged by the diocesan organization known as The Episcopal Ministry on Aging (E.M.O.A.). It is a counterpart of the national organization known as The Episcopal Society for Ministry on Aging (E.S.M.A.).

In May and June workshops were held on Oahu and Kauai, and workshops for Maui and Hawaii are planned for later this year. Fifty-five persons have attended the workshops thus far.

One goal of the workshop is to help older persons understand themselves and other older persons, and to help younger people understand the needs of older people in the Church and the community. In a short time the "bloomers" will be a part of the older community and will constitute a large segment of society. The Church needs to be prepared for pastoral ministry in serving older people.

- The Rev. Dr. G.G. Gifford
Chair E.M.O.A.



*Let everyone heed
what he hears*

Filipino Ministry to start at Kilauea

The Vestry of Christ Memorial Church, Kilauea are extending their program of outreach to include the Filipino community in the area. Starting on Saturday October 5th at 5.30p.m., services will be held in Illicano. The Vestry wishes to thank the Rev. Timoteo Quintero who will fly to Kauai to preach and celebrate at the first service.

High energy was keynote of National Episcopal Youth Event.

The calm summer days at Terre Haute's Indiana State University were shattered July 30 when 1,400 exuberant young Episcopalians descended upon the campus for the triennial Episcopal Youth event (EYE).

For the next five days, young people from 95 of the 99 domestic diocese, augmented by others from diocese in Central and South America, sang, prayed, talked, danced, laughed and cried together in a oving display of the church's strength among this generation. Teens from as far as Alaska and Panama, Hawaii and Florida, Ecuador and Minnesota joined hands in a spiritual party, the memories of which will last for ever.

"What I will always carry with me is the clapping and singing, so much excitement and so much energy," said one of those who attended. She was describing the daily morning gatherings, led by a 12-person ensemble of singers and musicians, with meditations by Presiding Bishop Edmond Browning and teen speakers, that set the theme for each day.

Many of the young people found it difficult to believe their church's broad diversity reflected in the youth gathered, a diversity that had been a goal of the EYE planning team. African-Americans, Hispanics, native American, Asians and Anglo-Europeans created a multi-racial gathering described by one young person as "a humongous" experience.

The young people from Hawi'i who attended were: Scott Lucas and Jennifer Biehle, Holy Nativity; Jeana Nakamura, All Saints'; Loea Akiona, St. Philip's; Vanessa Convard, St. Barnabas'; Brennan Hanaoka, Epiphany. They were accompanied by Amy Tamura and Kua Apple.



EPISCOPAL YOUTH EVENT UNDERSCORES CHURCH'S DIVERSITY (96-1539)

The national Episcopal Youth Event (EYE) in Terre Haute, Indiana, gave 1,400 youth an opportunity to experience the church's diversity at an outdoor cultural festival showcasing each diocese. Above, Roya Millard of the Diocese of New York and Jeremy Boyd of the Diocese of West Tennessee line up for samples of maple syrup from Kevin Leahy of the Diocese of Vermont. (Episcopal News Service photo by Jerry Hames)

SIX RESOLUTIONS TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE CONVENTION

Six Resolutions will be on the floor for consideration when the Diocesan Convention meets in October.

1. An amendment to Canon 43, Sec. 43.3 and Sec. 43.5 dealing with the trial of a priest or deacon.
2. A Resolution to amend the minimum voting age of delegates from 18 to 16.
4. A Resolution denouncing the war

on drugs and commanding that the National Church through its Peace and Justice Department condemn this war and seek alternative methods to "a war on drugs"

4. That a Task be established to research communication in the diocese and report back to the 1997 Convention.

5. That all Diocesan Committee Meetings meet

quarterly face to face, but otherwise meeting be conducted by other means of communication.

6. Resolution from the Diocesan Compensation Review Committee that Clergy Compensation Schedule for 1997 remain the same as 1996 for parochial clergy.