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# **Nominations Sought for Diocesan Offices**

"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. First Peter, Chapter 4, Verse IO

The Episcopal Church in Hawai'i will come together on October 26-27, 2001 for the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Convention. We are scheduled to elect persons to the following positions:

Standing Committee (4 yr) - 1 clergy, 1 lay
Diocesan Council (3 yr) - 2 clergy, 5 lay
Cathedral Chapter (2 yr) - 1 clergy, 1 lay
Secretary to Convention (I yr) - 1 clergy or lay
Ecclesiastical Trial Court (5 yr) - 1 clergy
General Convention - 4 clergy, 4

All communicants are asked to prayerfully discern whether they or others with whom they worship are being called to place their names in nomination. The diocese needs your help in finding those whom God has already called. Please take time to reflect on appropriate individuals within your family of worship and then ask those persons to follow their call to serve the church! And remember, there is no shame in placing your own name in nomination

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if you feel the call.

Appropriate nomination forms are available from your convention delegates, your priest, your church office, or from the diocese. Deadline for nominations is 4 p.m., Sept. 9. The forms are to be submitted to the Office of the Bishop in order to make the October issue of the Chronicle. The diocese seeks to have a truly diverse and inclusive slate of candidates from which to choose. The necessary commitment is simply to attend all meetings and to actively participate in upholding the canons of the church

In encouraging involvement, the Right Rev. Bishop Richard S. O. Chang said, "This is an important opportunity for members of the Diocese to participate in the mission of the diocese in offering themselves for leadership in the Church.

"Each of these offices have responsibilities that they should look at carefully before putting themselves in a position to be nominated. Serving in the diocese is one way by which we move towards the mission that the church is served by all baptized members."

"Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."— The Gospel according to Matthew Chapter I 1, Verses 29-30

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A Call for Nominations

By Paul Field

Chair, Nominations Committee

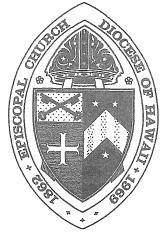
In many respects, being on the Nominating Committee for Diocesan Convention is similar to being on a parish Stewardship Committee. Your job is to ask people to share the gifts that they have received from God. In this case, however, it is not treasure, but time and talent that are required. And, just as with stewardship, the easy part is to get everyone to agree that 'Yes, someone has to do that if the church is going to thrive and prosper." The hard part is to convince them that they themselves, or a person they know, may be that someone.

Now, it is true that not everyone is called to serve in elective office. However, the ability to discern others who are called to serve can come to each of us. Look carefully for the gift of service in members of your faith community and when you see someone with the ability to serve call on them to use their talents. If you are the person called, be open and listen. It is not always easy to discern a call. Remember, it took the Lord four tries before Samuel finally responded, "Speak, for your servant is listening." (I Samuel 3: 1 0) So, if are asked, pause and consider God's will in your life, and, if God whispers your own name, don't be

afraid to step forward and nominate yourself

The offices to be filled at this year's Convention are listed in the previous story. With your help we will have a slate of nominees called to the service of the church. Specific requirements for office are provided. Be certain to read them carefully and remember that all persons elected to these roles must be committed to attend and actively participate in all meetings. For those of you from neighbor islands, air coupons are provided for committee meetings, and every attempt will be made to arrange for airport transportation if needed. Although you don't have to be a delegate to Convention to run for office, it is desirable that people running for office be present at the plenary session to be introduced to the convention delegates. Finally, although the 33rd Annual Meeting does not convene until October, the nomination committee must receive all forms by September 9th for nominee information to be listed in the October issue of the Chronicle. Forms are available from your own church office or from the Office of the Bishop. Although late nominations will be accepted it will be impossible to disseminate your personal information to a wider audience. Mahalo on behalf of the Nominating Committee.

For more information on offices, qualifications, other details turn to page C



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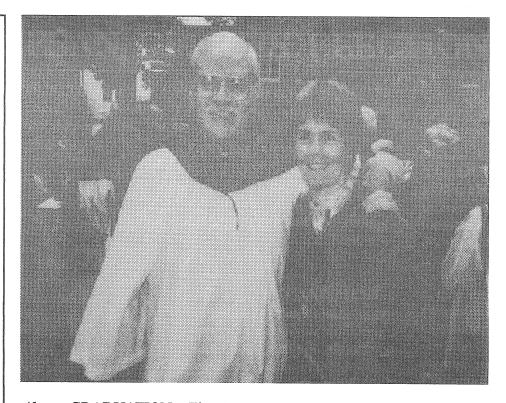
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Above: GRADUATION – The Rev. Peter Van Horne, here with wife Bev, received his D.Min. from Seabury, Evanston, IL, June 1. *Right*: Teresa Bowden was ordained deacon by the Right Rev. Richard S. O. Chang on June 17. Having received her M. Div. from the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest at Austin, Texas, May 15, she will serve as chaplain at Camp Mokuleia this summer.

# Bishop's Letter

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, On a Thursday night in June Dee and I watched a lightning and thunderstorm from the darkened living room of our apartment. The storm was located some 10-15 miles south of Oahu. We watched with awe and excitement at the bright flashes of lightning streaking across the dark night skies. And then we waited in anticipation to hear the crashing sound of thunder that shortly followed each bright flash of light. We were totally engaged in watching this weather phenomenon from the comfort and safety of our living room and lost track of time. We then wondered if the storm would come our way and what preparations needed to be done.

We witnessed the power and glory of God in Creation that evening. These words of the psalmist were read the following Sunday, "Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders" (Psalm 29:2-3).

Living in Hawaii we can become insensitive and blind to the glory of God in Creation beyond these islands. Rainbows, sunsets, trade winds, and pounding surf are taken for granted. We forget about wise use of irreplaceable resources. We take for granted the beauty that surrounds us. We may occasion-

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ally express our concerns about the environment of our island home whether it is trash that washes up on our shores and threatens wildlife, or the resources of our aina.

During this Pentecost let us reflect on our discipleship and call to be stewards of God's Creation. Let us give special attention to how we treat and respect the resources of our island home as we enjoy it with our family and friends this summer. Let us also be conscious that stewardship extends beyond these islands when we travel abroad. Listen to what members of our church are saying about their stewardship of Creation in California with power shortages or oil drilling in the Alaskan wildlife

# Bishop's Visitations

JULY

- 1 West Kauai
- 8 Cathedral
- 15 St. Matthew's
- 22 Grace
- 29 Christ Memorial

August

12 Holy Cross

September

- 9 St. Thomas'
- 16 Calvary
- 30 Christ Church

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refuge.

God has blessed us. The glory of God is experienced in the world in which we live and move and have our being. Give glory to God and be good stewards of Creation.

Faithfully in Christ, +Dick Chang

# DIOCESAN OFFICES ELECTION INFORMATION

# DIOCESAN COUNCIL

FUNCTION: Exercises the powers of the Convention and performs planning and policy making between meetings of Convention.

Oversees the policies, programs, mission, and budget of the Diocese and may initiate new work. Also is the legal corporate body of the Episcopal Church in Hawai'i and, as such, is responsible for the business and property of the Church. The departments of the Council are: Formation, Mission and Support.

COMMITMENTS: If elected, Council members are expected to: Attend a working retreat weekend (November 16 & 17, 2001); Attend all department meetings unless excused by the Department Chairperson;

Attend all Diocesan Council meetings except when excused by the President; If you miss three (3) successive meetings (unexcused), the Council may declare that your lack of attendance has created a vacancy.

COMPOSITION AND MEET-INGS: Six (6) clergy and fifteen (15) lay persons for three-year terms, one-third being elected each year. Also, each of the seven (7) Regions of the Diocese elects one member for a one-year term. The Council meets monthly at St. Andrew's Cathedral at 12:30 pm on the third Saturday of each month. Most departments meet at 9:00 a.m. on the day of the council meeting. Travel expenses for neighbor island members are paid by the Diocese.

**TO BE ELECTED in 2001:** Two (2) clergy (three-year term) and five (5) lay persons (three-year term)

QUALIFICATION OF MEM-BERS: Clergy must be canonically resident in the Diocese of Hawai'i. Lay persons must be 18 years or older and communicants. No member having just completed a three-year term is eligible for reelection for one year. Ineligible persons are indicated by an asterisk (\*) on the list of incumbent members. No member of the Standing Committee may serve simultaneously on the Diocesan

# **INCUMBENT MEMBERS:**

CLERGY: \*Peter Besenbruch, Martin Foltz 2001, Frank Cowell, Heather Mueller-Fitch 2002, Carol Amey, Morley E. Frech Jr. 2003; LAY: \*Lynn Ho, \*Ryan Kusumoto, \*Lot Lau, \*William Lucas, \*Nelson Secretario 2001; Linda Burnz, Rosemary Jordan, Robert Kekuna, Lysandra Padeken, Chandler Rowe, Jr., 2002; John A. Decker, Jr.,

Constantino Dela Cruz, Sandra Leialoha, Pamela McCoy, Michael Sumja 2003.

# STANDING COMMITEE:

**FUNCTION:** Serves as the Bishop's Council of Advice. Performs duties as specified by the General and Diocesan Conventions. Serves as the Ecclesiastical authority when there is no bishop. Meets once a month and occasionally on call.

# **COMPOSITION AND MEET-**

INGS: Four (4) clergy and four (4) lay persons for four-year terms, one of each elected each year. Committee meets at St. Andrew's Cathedral on the third Friday of each month. Travel expenses for neighbor island members are paid by the Diocese.

TO BE ELECTED IN 2001: One clergy (four-year term) and one lay persons (four-year term)

QUALIFICATIONS OF MEM-BERS: Clergy must be canonically

resident in the Diocese of Hawai'i.

Lay persons must be communicants.

No member having just completed a full term on the committee is eligible for reelection for one year. Ineligible persons are indicated by an asterisk (\*) on the list of incumbent members.

No member of the Diocesan Council may serve simultaneously on the Standing Committee.

# **INCUMBENT MEMBERS:**

CLERGY: \*Joseph Carr 2001, Donor Macneice 2002, Hollis Wright 2003, Cass Bailey 2004.

LAY: \*Annette Jim 2001, Art Kusumoto 2002, Bud Doty 2003, Linda Sproat 2004.

# **CATHEDRAL CHAPTER:**

FUNCTION: Serve as the Vestry for St. Andrew's Cathedral Parish.

COMPOSITION AND MEETINGS: The Bishop; the Dean of the Cathedral and ten (10) lay persons elected by the Cathedral congregation. Two (2) clergy and two (2) lay persons for two-year terms, one of each, each year, elected by the Convention from the Diocese at large. The Chapter meets on the third Thursday of the month at 4:30 p.m. Travel expenses for neighbor island members are provided.

**TO BE ELECTED IN 2001:** One clergy member for a two-year term and one lay member for a two-year term

QUALIFICATIONS OF MEM-

**BERS:** Must be a communicant. Ineligible members are indicated by an asterisk (\*) on the list of incum-

bent members.

**INCUMBENT MEMBERS:** CLERGY: \*Robert DeWolfe, Lee

Kiefer 2002

LAY: \*Ken Fleming 2001, Frank Embree 2002

# SECRETARY OF THE CON-VENTION:

FUNCTION: Records minutes, enters them in the Journal and, under the supervision of the Bishop, attends to the publication and distribution of the Journal, and performs other duties as prescribed in the Diocesan Consitution and Canons. Serves as chairman of the Committee on Convention Plans for planning the agenda and making physical arrangements for the Convention. Maintains various directories of Diocesan officers, commissions, departments, etc.

# TO BE ELECTED IN 2001:

One clergy or lay person **QUALIFICATIONS AND** 

**TENURE:** The secretary elected at this Convention (2001) will serve through the Convention of 2002.

**INCUMBENT:** Nancy Rowe (assistant secretary): term expires 2001

# ECCLESIASTICAL TRIAL COURT:

FUNCTION: Presides over the trial of any priest or deacon under Diocesan jurisdiction after a presentment of said clergy has been made, according to the provisions of Title IV of the National Canons and Canon 43 of the Diocesan Canons, and referred to the Diocesan Ecclesiastical Trial Court for a determination.

**COMMITMENTS:** The Court will meet upon the call of the President after a presentment has been made and the members should be prepared to meet as frequently as necessary until the Court has come to a final determination. The Court will meet no later than two (2) months following the adjournment of each annual Convention to elect one of their number to be the Presiding Judge of the Court until the next annual Convention, and to elect a Church Attorney, as defined by Title IV of the Canons of The Episcopal Church, for a term of one year and until a successor is elected and qualified.

**COMPOSITION:** The Court shall be composed of three (3) clergy and two (2) lay persons, each being elected for five years on staggered terms.

TO BE ELECTED IN 2001: One clergy for a term of five (5)

**QUALIFICATIONS OF MEM- BERS:** Clergy members must be

canonically resident in the Diocese of Hawai'i. Lay members must be communicants in good standing and regularly active in a parish or mission of the Diocese. No member having just completed a five-year term is eligible for reelection for one year. Ineligible persons are indicated by an asterisk (\*) on the list of incumbents.

# **INCUMBENT MEMBERS:**

CLERGY: \*Gregory Johnson 2001, Ernest Uno 2003, Gerald Gifford 2005 LAY: Pearl Nishimura 2002, Nathan Cockett, Jr. 2004

# **DEPUTIES TO GENERAL**

CONVENTION: Deputies will attend the triennial General Convention to be held in Minneapolis, MN July 30-Aug. 8, 2003 and carry out the business of that Convention.

# TO BE ELECTED IN 2001:

Four clergy and four lay. Four Priests and four lay communicatnts shall be elected as alternates to the General Convention. On the election of the four deputies in each order, the next four candidates in each order receiving the highest number of votes shall be considered elected as alternates in the order of their votes. In case any of those elected shall decline such election or will be unable to attend, such individual shall forthwith inform the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese and the said Ecclesiastical Authority shall thereupon appoint one of the alternates in the order of their election.

QUALIFICATION OF DEPU-

TIES: The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four ordained persons canonically resident in the Diocese and not more than four Lay Persons, confirmed adult communicants of this Church, in good standing in the Diocese but not necessarily domiciled in the Diocese.

# Parish Tidings

\*Men of the Episcopal Church will go into retreat the weekend of Sept. 28-30. Bishop James Ottley will be guest speaker. For more information, call Bruce Fink 545-4719 or brucefink@kahala.com.

\*St. Andrew's Cathedral Vacation Bible School will run Aug. 13-17 when students 5-12 will explore Hawaii's cultural traditions and religious practices. Fees are \$50 (9 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.), \$70 (8 am.- 4:30 p.m.) . Call Jenny Wallace, 524-2822 or jennywallace@hawaii.rr.com.

# COMING SOON

# 2 Monday

**\*EAM Consultation Ends Today** 

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

**Support Department Meeting** 11:30 a.m.

# 4 Wednesday

Diocesan Offices Closed Fourth of July

# 5 Thursday

\*Commission on Ministry 3 p.m.

\*North American Episcopal **Anglican Chinese Fellowship** through July 8

# 6 Friday

\*Maui Clericus Meeting 9:30 a.m.

# 10 Tuesday

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

# 12 Thursday

\*Campus Ministry Commission 4:30 p.m.

# 14 Saturday

**◆ECW** 9 a.m.

•John Turner Ordination 12 noon

# 15 Sunday

**\*ECW Specials Deadline** 

\*Honey Becker Ordination 4 p.m.

# 17 Tuesday

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

• Hawaii Clericus Meeting 930 a.m.

\*Compensation Review 12:30 p.m.

# 18 Wednesday

Oahu Clericus Meeting 12 noon

# 19 Thursday

\*Cathedral Chapter 4:30 p.m.

# 20 Friday

\*Standing Committee 9:30 a.m.

\*Camp Pecusa Summer Program through July 30

# 21 Saturday

\*Council Department Meetings

\*Diocesan Council 12 noon

# 23 Tuesday

Diocesan Staff Meeting

# 24 Tuesday

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

◆PYE San Diego through July 29

# 25 Wednesday

Clergy Newsletter

\*Stewardship Committee 12 noon

# 27 Friday

\*Kauai Clericus Meeting 9 a.m.

# 30 Monday

\*Mission to Okinawa through August 13

# 31 Tuesday

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

# 1 Wednesday

\*Support Department Meeting 11:30 a.m.

\*DI Board 3 p.m.

# 2 Thursday

\*Commission on Ministry 3 p.m.

\*Maui Clericus Meeting 9:30 a.m.

**EFM Mentor Training** through August 5

# 4 Saturday

\*ECW Fun(d) Day

# 7 Tuesday

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

# 8 Wednesday

Church Secretaries and Administrators Workshop 9 a.m.

# 9 Thursday

\*Campus Ministry Commission, 4:30 p.m.

# 10 Friday

\*Standing Committee 9:30 a.m.

# 11 Saturday

Council Department Meetings

9 a.m.

\*Diocesan Council 12 noon

# 14 Tuesday

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

# 15 Wednesay

Clergy Newsletter

\*Budget Mailing

# 16 Thursday

\*Cathedral Chapter 4:30 p.m.

# 17 Friday

\*Diocesan Offices Closed: Admissions Day

# 21 Tuesday

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

# 22 Wednesday

\*Stewardship Committee 12 noon

# 26 Sunday

Preconvention Budget Meetings

# 28 Tuesday

Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

# 3 Monday

Diocesan Offices Closed: Labor Day

# 4 Tuesday

Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

Support Department Meeting 11:30 am.

# 5 Wednesday

\*Compensation Review 12:30 p.m.

# 6 Thursday

\*Commission on Ministry 3 p.m.

# 7 Friday

\*Chronicle Deadline

\*Maui Clericus Meeting 9:30 a.m.

# 8 Saturday

\*ECW (St. Phillip's) 9 a.m.

# 9 Sunday

\*Kamehameha and Emma Lectures (Kauai) 6:30 p.m.

# 11 Tuesday

Deadline for Diocesan Convention Resolutions

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

# 13 Thursday

\*Campus Ministry Commission 4:30 p.m.

# 14 Friday

\*Standing Committee 9:30 a.m.

# 15 Saturday

\*Council Department Meetings

9 a.m.

\*Diocesan Council 12 noon

•**HSSD** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

# 16 Sunday

\*Stewardship Workshops through Sept. 22

# 17 Monday

Deadline for Diocesan Convention Final Mailing

# 18 Tuesday

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

# 19 Wednesday

\*Clergy Newsletter

# 20 Thursday

\*Cathedral Chapter 4:30 p.m.

\*Bishop: Interim HOB Meeting through Sept. 26

# 21 Friday

\*Deadline for Diocesan Convention Registrations

# 25 Tuesday

\*Diocesan Staff Meeting 8:30 a.m.

# 26 Wednesday

\*Diocesan Convention Reports Due

\*Stewardship Committee 12 noon

# 28 Friday

\*Diocesan Convention Final Mail-

\*Kauai Clericus Meeting 12 noon \*Men's Retreat, Mokuleia through

# 29 Saturday

Sept. 30

Deacons Meeting