

Celebrating 100 Years of Service to Our Community!

Konan Studying At UHHC On Hilo Woman's Club Scholarship

Laura Takashiba of Captain Cook, Kona, is recipient of the Hilo Woman's Club annual scholarship for a year's matriculation at the University of Hawaii Hilo Campus.

She is the 10th recipient of the scholarship in 13 years, the club having given \$3,000 to this cause.

Miss Takashiba was a guest at the club's first fall meeting last week.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yoshitaka Takashiba of Captain Cook, Kona, she was graduated from the Konawaena High School on Aug. 27. She is an active Girl Scout, having been selected to represent this island at the National Jamboree in Idaho in July. She was seen on television with three other island girls as they departed from Honolulu. At the UHHC she will major in elementary education and will live in the university dormitory.



65-66 — Tribune-Herald Photo
Laura Takashiba
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Notable "Fundraising Projects" and events during this period.

- The Hilo Woman's Club Cookbook was first published in June 1937 and there have been five revisions and twelve printings.
- Pink Elephant Thrift Shop opened May 1956 and was located at 187 Kino'ole Street along with the Hilo Woman's Club office. The shop was operated by volunteer club members to raise funds to donate to worthy causes in the community. Goods were donated by the community and members.
- Fashion shows were started in 1967 and raised funds for scholarships.
- The first "Aloha Tea" was held September 1964 with an enthusiastic program of music, songs, and dances. Joann Chinen, scholarship recipient as presented and introduced.

Beautification

1950 Replaced and added new plantings at the entrance and exit of the airport.

1951 Planted Plumerias trees along Kanoehua Ave and Kalaniana'ole Avenue (Few remained due to vandalism)

1953 Placed plantings at Hilo Veterans Cemetery

Worked toward a billboard ordinance.

1954 Prevented the placing of electric poles on Bayshore Drive. Poles were placed on Kamehameha instead.

• Worked to prevent the graveyard look of bayfront area and assisted the Board of Supervisors in landscaping and improving the surroundings of the bus depot

1955 Sponsored benches for Mooheau Park; the County paid for materials and Kulani Prison supplied the labor.

1957 Conducted an extensive campaign regarding litterbugs

1958 Endorsed the creation of a botanical garden at Wailoa Park.

1959 Worked to secure a landscaping master plan for the Hilo Civic Auditorium

1961 Miss Caroline Shipman donated 700 coconut seedlings to planted along the bayshore area.

• Originated and spearheaded hanging baskets in various area with assistance from the Lions Club and Hawaii Technical School

• Presented 15 shower trees to new homeowners on Iwalani Street. Planted pink and white shower trees and olive trees at Wailoa Park.

1964 Landscaped the Geriatrics Center

• Planted the first tree at Kaiko'o area.

• Landscaped the reservoir on Waianuenue Avenue.

• Instrumental in getting outside of the County Jail painted

Education, Culture and Arts

1950 Sponsored the University of Hawaii singers to promote tours and concerts.

1951 Presented antique shows at the new County Library.



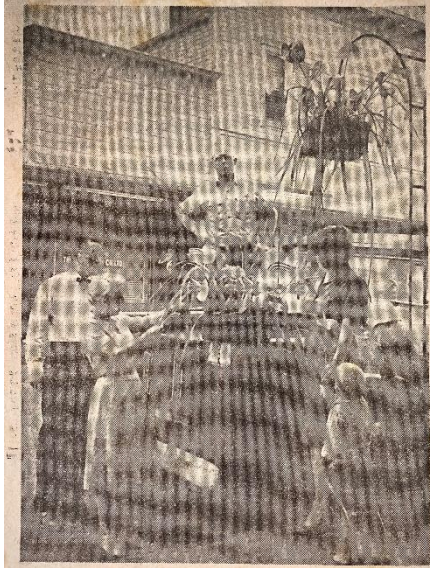
In this 1956 photo, Hilo Woman's Club members, from left, Mrs. Charles Atkinson, an unidentified woman, and Mrs. Anthony Paul look at items on sale at the Hilo Woman's Club Store, originally located at 181 Kino'ole St. The business became the Pink Elephant Thrift Store in 1963.



GRAND OPENING — In 1956, the Thrift shop were, from left, Emily Pierce, Mrs. Isadore Maggioro, and the Rev. Abraham Akaka.



Women Go To Town



The first of the Hilo Women's Club baskets go up to beautify the city. From left, Minoru Shigeoka, head of the Parks Dept. of the County of Hawaii, Mrs. Charles Atkinson, Carl Jensen, Mrs. James Case and her son, Russell. The baskets have been accepted by the Board of Supervisors which will maintain them after the show.



Mrs. Richard Sloggett Jr., chairman of the 39th annual Flower Show of the Hilo Women's Club, stands beside one of the flower basket standards on Kamehameha Avenue.

- 1953 Established a scholarship program for female high school graduates on the Big Island attending the University of Hawaii Hilo (*Still exists today*)
- 1954 Helped organize the Hawaii Concert Society
 - Sponsored an open forum on penal institutions.
 - Protested the sale of inappropriate reading material for children and turned the project over to the PTA.
- 1955 Recommended a program for the mentally challenged.
- 1957 Made a recommendation to Chief Justice Rice for an appointment of a second judge.
- 1960 Publicized various needs for the East West Center and need for federal funds for the center.
- 1962 Arranged the Academy of Arts displays at Hilo Library every two months.
 - Established the Filipiniana Collection at the Library of Hilo College
- 1965 Brought attention to hazardous conditions of school crossing on Waianuenue Avenue.
- 1966 Help finance Hilo High School Chorus trip to Japan.

Health and Welfare

- 1951 Collected and refurbished toys for children that were given to the Salvation Army.
- 1952 Collected clothing for the Olaa Old Folks Home
- 1953 Recommended to the County that all garbage trucks have some type of covering to prevent trash from blowing on the roads.
 - Worked with Judge Sapienza to get a full-time psychiatrist on the island.
 - Sponsored a law to prohibit animals and other livestock on the highways.
- 1954 Recommended an escape road for Keaukaha residents for tidal wave protection.
- 1957 Sponsored an extensive community liter campaign (*Club's Outdoor Committee*)
- 1961 Advocated for the community to give full support to having a maximum-security state prison.
- 1964 Starting in partnership with the Hilo Lions Club the Volunteer Hearing Screening program for school age children.
- 1966 Called public attention to and notified the County Supervisors of unsanitary conditions at Kawaihae rubbish dump.
- 1968 Suggested to the County the need for 50 additional rubbish containers and supplied a map showing placement for the containers.
 - Assisted the Red Cross with "Operation Stop Over" for young men going to Vietnam by providing refreshments at the airport.
 - Sent cookies for the 95th Battalion in Vietnam a total of 60 dozen each time.

Recreation

- 1950 Made monetary donations to the Police Department for JPO annual party and additional funds for juvenile delinquent support.
 - Provided tickets to underserved children to see the movie "*Hansel and Gretel*."
- 1953 Collected magazines and other reading materials for Kulani Prison.
- 1954 Sponsored children for YWCA camperships through 1962
- 1961 Sponsored children for Girl Scout camperships through 1964
- 1961 Prepared and mounted plaques on the walls of Children's ward at the hospital