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Journalists amass accolades for online newspaper

The staff of the **Ka Leo**, the school's online newspaper, won multiple awards at this year's **Hawai'i High School Journalism Awards** on April 20 at the Pagoda Hotel Ballrooms, including being named the third best student newspaper in the State.

The Ka Leo was entered in 19 different categories, ranging from photography to editorial to comics.

On the State level, the Ka Leo was judged against newspapers produced by private and public schools as well as in a division only for private schools. The accolades acquired by the Academy journalists included:

FIRST PLACE IN STATE AND PRIVATE SCHOOL DIVISION

- Action Photography
- Commentary Writing
- Multimedia Story Presentation
- Photo Essay
- Photography
- Website

SECOND PLACE IN STATE AND FIRST PLACE IN PRIVATE SCHOOL DIVISION

- Editorial Writing
- Online Video

Among only private school newspapers, Ka Leo also received second-place notoriety for hand-drawn illustration, infographic and blog and won third place for profile



This year's Ka Leo staff: (bottom) Mariko Galton, Janelle Medrano, Shajaira Fiesta, Zoierae Hill and Aileen Journacion; (middle) Celine Arnobit, Frances Nicole Tabios and Ashley Lardizabal; (top) Kelcie Ching and Kailanianna Ablog

writing, sports writing, editorial cartoon and comic strip.

The hard-working Ka Leo staff is advised by **Gaylen Isaacs**, with assistance with videos from **Alyssa Myers**.

To view the Ka Leo, visit kaleo.sacredhearts.org.

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From the Head of School

SPECIAL EVENTS AND SPEAKERS

It was an inspiring day for us this past Thursday with the May Day programs, and we enjoyed having many of you on campus. The traditional May crowning of Mary will be on Friday, May 6, and this will also be our annual Memorial Mass. Students can remember close relatives who have died during the year, and information should be forwarded to Tiffany Kiyabu at tkiyabu@sacredhearts.org.



If you have not received communication about the Athletic Department's Senior Breakfast or Convocation, please contact Natasha Vendiola at nvendiola@sacredhearts.org. The Honors Convocation is organized out of Cyril Pires' office at cpires@sacredhearts.org.

Today, approximately 75 students in grades nine to 12 were treated to a fantastic visit by Yasmeen Hassan, the Executive Director of Equality Now. Many thanks to Colleen Wong and Allene Wong who made her visit to Sacred Hearts possible.

Most of the students were unaware of Equality Now, but became excited that the speaker looked like George Clooney's wife. And, they left with a better understanding that life in this island paradise is not beyond the impact of global events that connect us as humankind. Ms. Hassan opened our minds to the challenges that girls and women have around the world.

Betty White

Senior doubles at championships

Senior **Phoebe Kirk** led the Lancer effort at the 2016 **Interscholastic League of Honolulu (ILH) Varsity Track and Field Championships** from April 20 to 22 at Kamehameha Schools. Kirk won the 800- and 1500-Meter events in 2:19.22 and 4:40.05, respectively. This is Kirk's second 800-Meter league title.

Other top performances included:

- **Jocelyn Chen** finished fifth in the Long Jump and eighth in the 100-Meter Dash;
- **Leinani Lacio** was fifth and eighth in the 100- and 300-Meter Hurdles, respectively;
- **Sade Mizusawa** placed seventh in the 300-Meter Hurdles;
- **Kiley Pazcoquin** was eighth in the 200-Meter Dash.

With third place performances in both the 4x100 and 4x400-Meter Relays, the Lancers finished fifth as a team.

Currently, Kirk is training for the **State Championships**, slated for May 6 and 7 at Kamehameha Schools. A number of Lancers will be joining her, with additional spots to be determined after a "last chance qualifier" meet this weekend.

At the league's **Junior Varsity (JV) Championships**, sophomore **Pakalana Kam** and freshmen **Raina Santiago** and **Mizusawa** led the Lancer effort, with Kam finishing fourth in the 400-Meter Dash; Santiago and Mizusawa raced to fifth and seventh-place finishes in the 200-Meter event, respectively.

With a large number of underclassmen and Junior High runners on the JV and Intermediate levels, the future looks bright for the **Lancer Track and Field** program, which is guided by **Mari Kuroyama-Ton** and **Kelly Figueira**.



Aspiring programmers engage in VEX-in competition

Led by **Peter Park**, a contingent of students, with robots in-hand, trekked to Louisville to participate in the 2016 **VEX IQ World Championships** from April 20 to 23 at the Kentucky Exposition Center.

The three teams qualifying for the Championships were comprised of Junior High students **Auli'i Ludington** and **Lauren Matsukawa**; sixth graders **Prudence Russell** and (below right) **Kammiee Ardo** and **Nanami Mehring**; and the fourth and fifth grade team of **Abegail Aguirre**, **Madison Iwashita** and **Hyatt Yoshioka**.

At the Championships, which **Park** described as "epic in scope," teams competed in this year's challenge, "**Bank Shot**," requiring robots to shoot "baskets" and maneuver a ramp.

In the **Elementary Division** of 150 teams, the sixth grade team finished ninth in programming skills and 19th overall, while the fourth and fifth team was tenth in programming skills.

In the **Junior High Division**, the Academy's eighth grade duo finished 22nd in programming skills among the 197 teams competing.

Park concluded, "The sheer size of the event was astonishing and set a new Guinness World Record for 'Largest Robotics Competition' with over 1,072 teams from around the world."

Visit <https://www.facebook.com/185372304864726> to view more from the VEX IQ experience.



Golfer goes the distance en route to States

At the **Interscholastic League of Honolulu (ILH) Varsity Golf Championships** at the Oahu Country Club and Turtle Bay Golf Club on April 18 and 21, senior **Zoe-Ann Yamamoto** finished strong, shooting a 156 for 36 holes and placing seventh in the League.

Next up for Yamamoto is the **State Championships** on May 2 and 3 at Wailua Golf Course on Kauai.

Also golfing for the Lancers this year were **Lauren Chung** on the **Varsity** and **Junior Varsity (JV)** levels; **Saki Shimada** and **Shuning Zheng** in JV play; and **Intermediate** athletes **Cienna Abara**, **Julia Guzzardo**, **Minami Nagahama**, **Cayla Noh** and **Sea Hee Yook**.



Videographers hit the Red Carpet

The **Lower School Digital Media Club** showcased their top 22 videos at the sixth annual **Red Carpet Event** in the Auditorium on April 22.

Family and community members, friends, teachers and students enjoyed the video premieres, as well as the photobooth and free popcorn.

The audience also voted for the winner of the **"People's Choice Award,"** given to fourth grader **Danilla Monk** (right with **Anna Pinkerton**) for her video *"10 Moments of Awe-some-ness."*

Club members wrote, produced and directed the entire event and operated the lighting, sound, videos,



music and engineering.

The Club is advised by **Laurel Oshiro**, and thanks are extended to the parents and student volunteers who assisted at the event.



Freshmen honor mothers at annual luncheon

Members of the **Class of 2019** and their mothers joined together for fun, good food and fellowship at the annual **Freshman Mother-Daughter Luncheon** on April 17 at the Manoa Grand Ballroom.

The Luncheon was an opportunity for the students to show appreciation for all their mothers do on a daily basis to ensure their happiness and success.

The theme of the event was **"Mom Is Your Best Friend,"** and the event's program included entertainment by members of the class, including a rousing mother-daughter duet of the song *"Mama Mia"* by **Kira Stone** and **Liz Stone**.

Another highlight of the day was playing a myriad of games, including movie trivia and a "scavenger hunt."



Camille Naeole and her mother Celeste Naeole