

Skal International Hawaii



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SAVE THE DATES!

- February 26th
 Annual Meeting
 Waialae Country Club
- March 26th
 Installation Banquet
 Oahu Country Club
- April 30th Will announce soon!



Presidents Message

Aloha Fellow Skalleagues,

Congratulations once again to our very special Skalleagues for their many years of membership. For those who could not attend our January meeting we honored our members who have been a Skalleague for 35 years, 25 years and 15 years by presenting them with respective Skal pins and Certificates acknowledging their years of membership.

We were honored to have in attendance at our January meeting the SIUSA Board members who chose Honolulu and the Skal International Hawaii Club to host their Winter Board meeting and to kick off the start of the 70th Anniversary of Skal International USA.

As part of this 3-day event the SIUSA Board members and Skal Hawaii board members conducted a presentation on Skal International, Young Skal and Trends and Forecast of the Travel Industry in the airline, hotel, travel agency, and travel marketing segments at the University of Hawaii Travel Industry Management School and KCC Hospitality and Tourism Department. We spoke to over 75 students and had an overwhelming response to join Young Skal Hawaii. Tom Anusewicz, incoming VP/Membership Chairman, will be spearheading our Young Skal program for 2009.

Again, many thanks to Sheraton Waikiki and Cheryl Scellato host of January meeting; Hilton Waikiki Prince Kuhio and David Givens host Hotel for the SIUSA Board; Roberts Hawaii and Deems Narimatsu Transportation host; Greeters of Hawaii and Peter Fithian sponsor of the Kukui Leis; Mira Mar Hotel and Richard Oshiro Sponsor of the Breakfast Joint Board Meeting; Hilton Hawaiian Village and Maria Sung Sponsor of the farewell cocktail party on Saturday night; HVCB and Julie Zadeh sponsor of the welcome gifts; SIUSA Reps Phil Sammer and Richard Oshiro for their help in coordinating our UH and

KCC visit; Standard Parking and Mike Miller for sponsoring parking; Ilima Hotel and Phil Sammer for sponsoring the wine at the KCC dinner a the Ka Ilena.

Congratulations to our incoming Board for 2009! (see announcement) We look forward to a strong year ahead! Valerie Davis will be setting another "first" for Skal Hawaii as she will be the first President whose husband also served as Skal Hawaii President (Richard E. Davis 1996)

Skal,

Susan



January
SKAL Meeting
was indeed a
special way to
start 2009!

The Sheraton's Niihau Room overlooking Waikiki was the backdrop for a wonderful evening.

SIUSA President,
Bobby Husain
joined Susan to
give our Skal toast
with Nane Aluli
following with the
toast in Hawaiian.

Bruce Bolton gave an invocation that only a season Skalleauge could present. Mahalo!

A special induction of new member, Gerald Glennon General Manager, Halekulani Hotel by Bobby Husain.

It was a privilege and honor to host the SIUSA Board and their guest.



















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A Special Salute to Long Time Members







Susan Weander - President and Val Davis – VP/Membership joined by SIUSA board members congratulated our long time members.

35 Years

Bruce Bolton,
Peter Fithian,
Richard Matti,
Joseph Hale,
Edward Swofford,
Robert Cobb,
J. Hans Strasser,
Calvin Lui,
Nane Aluli,
Philip Sevier

25 Years

James Ando,
Thomas Adachi,
Walter Smith,
Charles Williams,
Leon Brossier,
Ron Adams,
Eugene Cotter,
Alfred Resch,
John Brogan,
Douglas Halcro,
Daryl Matsuo,
Shigeru Tomita,
John Brunold,
Maria Sung

15 Years

Bradford Jencks, Fred Honda, Jean-Pierre Cercillieux, Koen Witteveen. Tsuyoshi Sakata, Carlton Kramer, Frank Hoak, Ronald Takeuchi, Gary Hogan, Michael Kobayashi, Perry Sorenson, Neil Takekawa, Stephanie Uyeda, Steve Winter. Deems Narimatsu, Nani Mahoe, Renee Cochran, John Foy





It was a special day for Skallegues, students and faculty at the Travel Industry Management School at the University of Hawaii and the Hospitality and Tourism Education at Kapiolani Community College. It was not only an opportunity to discuss the state of our industry with the

students but to also to introduce the importance of Skal International and Young Skal to all that attended. Susan Weander along with the SIUSA board gave presentations that reassured the students that the future is bright...so complete your degrees and develop relationships in the industry and what better way to talk with industry experts than to get involved with Skal.

The students were excited about the opportunity and many signed up to hear more about Young Skal.

We finished the day at
"Ka Ikena" with a
wonderful five course
dinner prepared by the
faculty and students of
KCC Culinary Arts
Absolutely superb!

Mahalo to all who assisted in making this day a very special event.







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Mr. Robert Bader



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"When I was younger, I could remember anything, whether it happened or not."

- Mark Twain

John Brunold **David Givens Steve Winter** Tom Adachi John Brogan **Gary Ettinger** Tom Anusewicz **Greg Brossier Doug Halcro** Mary Lou Lewis **Bob Cobb** Laura Richards **Richard Oshiro** Joe Hale Leslie Enderton Shzo Noda

"Birthdays are nature's way of telling us to eat more cake."





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To fellow skalleauges everywhere... HAPPINESS-!

Waikiki Beach...finally

Mok Signh - SKAL International Councillor USA





SKAL Annual Meeting Feb. 20th

