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The East-West Center hosted a series of public addresses and meetings of foreign leaders and dignitaries during the 2011 APEC Leaders' Meeting in Honolulu, November 8-13.

Clinton on America's 'Pivot Toward Asia'

With U.S. military involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan on the wane, U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton spoke of an American "pivot toward the Asia Pacific" in a policy address at the East-West Center on November 10th. "It is becoming increasingly clear that in the 21st century, the world's strategic and economic center of gravity will be the Asia Pacific, from the Indian subcontinent to the western shores of the Americas," she said. "And one of the most important tasks of American

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To watch the address visit Vimeo.com/32425064

Pacific Island Leaders Meet with Obama, Clinton

Heads of State and special envoys from 11 Pacific island nations met with President Barack Obama, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and other top U.S. and international officials in a series of meetings organized by the EWC Pacific Islands Development Program when APEC leaders met in Honolulu. At the meeting, Obama told the leaders and envoys, "I am a Pacific Islander, too," having been born and raised in Hawai'i. Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, and Tonga were represented. The Honorable Peter O'Neil, Prime

Minister of Papua New Guinea, was selected as the delegation's chairman, with Premier Toke Talagi of Niue, serving as vice chairman. The leaders discussed climate change issues, already a pressing threat for many low-lying island states. At an earlier meeting with Secretary of State Clinton, U.S. Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawai'i, Pacific Forces Commander Adm. Robert Willard and federal agency officials, discussions addressed fisheries and natural resource management in the region, climate-change threats and access to climate adaptation funding, disaster management, and the region's growing health crisis.

Photos of the delegation's meetings and events are available at <http://bit.ly/vXvySF>



"Community Building and Leadership in Asia Pacific" is the theme of the **2012 EWC/EWCA International Conference** to be held at **Peking University in Beijing, China, September 1-3.**

For more information about the conference, see Page 6.

In Asia, Realigning Growth Toward Domestic Demand

The president of the Asian Development Bank said realigning “sources of growth toward more domestic and regional demand” is the greatest challenge for Asia’s developing countries.

“This will help keep the region’s economies strong while providing opportunities for other regions of the world,” Haruhiko Kuroda, ADB president and chairman, said in a keynote address at the Asia-Pacific Business Symposium in early November. “It will also contribute to the orderly resolution of global imbalances.”

Kuroda spoke at the symposium, co-sponsored by the EWC and Pacific Basin Economic Council, with support from the APEC 2011 Hawai’i Host Committee.

The symposium brought leaders from business, government, academia and non-profits together with top business experts from the Asia Pacific region in Honolulu



Haruhiko Kuroda

for the APEC CEO Summit. Discussions centered on topics that ranged from current trends affecting economies across the region, regional energy challenges, investment interests of China and other APEC economies, green growth strategies, disaster management and resilient communities, and the impact of trade agreements.

EWC Education Programs Explore APEC-Related Issues

In the lead up to the 2011 APEC Leaders Meeting, the EWC AsiaPacificEd Program worked with K-12 educators and students across the U.S., Asia and the Pacific on a series of APEC-related educational projects. The students explored issues around international trade



Students from SMPN 3 Sugio School in Lamongan, East Java, Indonesia proudly display their “jack-o-lantern” carved from a watermelon that was part of a cross cultural activity with their American counterparts.

and its effects on their local communities in the inaugural “Open Channels” online classroom exchange.

Students from the United States, Asia and the Pacific modeled APEC’s approach of cooperation and communication as they learned about international trade in their classrooms. “Open Channels” is on-going and will continue to facilitate youth exchanges across the Asia Pacific region.

During the months prior to APEC, the Center’s Asian Studies Development Program also conducted educational outreach across the U.S. mainland at host institutions, from Youngstown State University in Ohio to Portland Community College in Oregon.

Four regional symposia that drew members of the local business communities, university faculty and the general public focused on Asia Pacific trade; cultural flows and social dynamics; the cultural and social impact of trade with Asia; and the interaction of globalization, APEC and the Pacific Northwest.

For information about “Open Channels,” visit AsiaPacificEdCrossings.org

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statecraft over the next decades will be to lock in a substantially increased investment — diplomatic, economic, strategic, and otherwise — in this region.”

In her presentation on “America’s Pacific Century,” Clinton discussed a renewed focus on the Asia Pacific region: “What will happen in Asia in the years ahead will have an enormous impact on our nation’s future, and we cannot afford to sit on the sidelines and leave it to others to determine our future for us. Instead, we

need to engage and seize these new opportunities for trade and investment that will create jobs at home and will fuel our economic recovery.”

She noted “six key lines of action”: strengthening bilateral security alliances, deepening working relationships with emerging powers, engaging with regional multilateral institutions, expanding trade and investment, forging a broad-based military presence, and advancing democracy and human rights.

Presented by the East-West Center

Truong Tan Sang, President of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, spoke of “Vietnam’s Comprehensive Integration and New Developments in Vietnam-U.S. Relations.” He emphasized the importance of advancing the strategic partnership with the United States in order to increase peace and prosperity in the region. Sang said Vietnam’s economic strategy includes restructuring investment and financial markets, developing a social safety net, reducing poverty and corruption, and developing a sustainable economy.

In his address at the EWC, **Najib Razak, Prime Minister of Malaysia**, said members and leaders of the world’s major faiths need to censure and reject their own extremists and jointly support a “Global Movement of Moderates,” designed to bridge the divide between the broader Muslim world and the West.

Malaysian Prime Minister Najib Razak spoke at the EWC on Nov. 12th.



Vietnam President Sang spoke at the EWC on Nov. 11th.



Carol A. Rodley

Carol A. Rodley, U.S. Ambassador to Cambodia, led a roundtable discussion at the Center in July. She provided an update on U.S.-Cambodia relations, addressing recent developments in the Southeast Asian nation.

Endy Bayuni, former senior editor of the Jakarta Post in Indonesia, shared his perspectives on religion and politics in Indonesia at a presentation at East-West Center in Washington in October. The real political fault line in Indonesia and other Muslim-majority states is not between Islamists and secularists, he said, but rather is along the classic liberal-conservative divide.



Endy Bayuni

U.S., China Diplomats Confer at EWC

The United States and China held their inaugural round of U.S.-China Asia-Pacific Consultations at the East-West Center in late June. Delegations were headed by **U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Kurt M. Campbell** and **Chinese Vice Foreign Minister Cui Tiankai**.



Kurt M. Campbell



Cui Tiankai

News in Brief

Supporting the Center Recent Grants and Contracts

Research

Korea Development Institute
\$190,000

Research/Economics

Korea Maritime Institute
\$45,000
 Korea Transport Institute
\$118,300

Research/Politics & Security

U.S. Agency for International
 Develop./Nathan Associates Inc.
\$36,858
 U.S. Department of State
\$260,000
 Open Society Institute
\$50,000

Research/Population & Health

National Institutes of Health/
 Univ. of California at Berkeley
 Center on the Economics &
 Demography of Aging
\$30,000
 The Global Fund
\$182,543
 UN Population Fund
\$122,289

Research/Environment

Nat'l Oceanic & Atmospheric Admin.
\$1,079,741
 U.S. Department of State
\$299,517

Education

U.S. Agency for International
 Develop./Nathan Associates Inc.
\$49,634
 Nat'l Endowment for Humanities
\$10,000
 U.S. Department of State
\$1,240,000
 Vietnam Internat'l Education
 Develop. Ministry of Ed. & Training
\$28,571
 Roshan Cultural Heritage Institute
\$28,680
 Jean E. Rolles
\$18,000

Seminars

U.S. Department of State
\$1,087,762
 Freeman Foundation
\$265,000
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\$40,000

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\$10,000
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 Foundation
\$50,000
 Bank of Hawaii
\$5,000

3rd EWC International Media Conference Set for Seoul in June

The 3rd EWC International Media Conference will be held at Yonsei University, in Seoul, South Korea, June 22-24. Participants will look at news and journalism issues in Asia, the Pacific and United States through the prism of New Media.

Distinguished speakers and panelists from media, government, business, NGOs and academia will address the theme, "Networked News: How New Media is Shaping Stories in Asia and the Pacific."

The Henry Luce Foundation, a Gold Sponsor of the conference, awarded the EWC a \$40,000 grant to help alumni of the Center's annual Korea-U.S. Journalists Exchange program attend the conference.

International Institute Trains Human Rights Professionals

Sixty-five human rights and international law professionals from 18 countries received advanced training on women's and children's rights in the Asia Pacific region at the Asian International Justice Initiative's 2011 Summer Institute in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights.

The institute was held in Singapore, and continued with field experience in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. The Asian International Justice Initiative, or AIJI, is a collaboration between the EWC and the University of California-Berkeley War Crimes Studies Center.



Maya Soetoro-Ng spoke at the opening of an exhibition of the art and artifact collection of the late S. Ann Dunham, which drew large audiences to the EWC Gallery in the fall. Dunham was the mother of President Barack Obama and Soetoro-Ng. An EWC grantee, Dunham is recognized for her anthropological research on small craft industries in Indonesia and was an avid collector of work by Indonesian artists and artisans.

Pakistan Journalist Exchange Programs Awarded \$1.09 Million

The EWC received \$1.09 million over three years to continue and expand training and exchange programs for journalists from Pakistan. The award, from the U.S. Embassy in Pakistan, will fund the continuation of the Center's Pakistan-U.S. Journalists' Exchange program as well as participation by Pakistani journalists in the Center's existing multinational Jefferson Fellowships and Senior Journalists Seminar programs.

Under the overall theme of "Deepening Democracy through Media in Pakistan," the objectives of the EWC project are to promote free, fair and responsible media in Pakistan and to bridge the gaps in understanding between the United States and Pakistan.

The project reflects a joint effort between the East-West Center's Seminars and Research divisions and is being conducted with strong support from the Missouri School of Journalism and a network of Pakistani institutions.



From Cambodia, Online Reports of Khmer Rouge Trial

"Facing Justice," a series of weekly Cambodian TV reports (with English subtitles) about the proceedings in the second Khmer Rouge trial, can be viewed online. The series is a sequel to a similar program on the first Khmer Rouge Tribunal trial, which garnered up to 3 million viewers each week, or 20 percent of Cambodia's population, and provided Cambodians with information about the trial.

Visit: <http://forum.eastwestcenter.org/Khmer-Rouge-Trials/>



The East-West Center in Washington hosted a reception for student recipients of the U.S.-South Pacific and the U.S.-Timor-Leste Scholarship Programs, which are funded by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and administered by the East-West Center.



Q&A WITH: Mary Hammond



Mary Hammond
Dean of Education
in the EWC
Education Program

*In FY 2011,
588 students from
61 countries were
enrolled in education
programs at the
East-West Center.
Of that number,
513 students were
graduate students
and 75 are
undergraduates.*

Learn more about EWC's
Education Programs:
EastWestCenter.org/education

*Dean Mary Hammond
with a group of students
celebrating their arrival
at the East-West Center.*



Q: *What do you consider your top three priorities as Dean of Education?*

A: Within the Education Program, we partner with current student fellows to develop an active and engaged student community, and facilitate opportunities for leadership development, community-building, cultural exchange and dialogue.

Even as we welcome a new student cohort each year, we focus energy on getting the word out about opportunities for future study and scholarships, and manage multiple international competitions throughout the year. We also strive to stay in touch with alumni, especially through social networking.

Also, we're always on the lookout for new funding streams and partnerships to ensure stable pathways through which future students can engage with the Center. Cultivating relationships, building partnerships and grant-writing are important priorities.

Q: *Tell us about some new scholarship opportunities.*

A: We are in the second year of the **East-West Center-National Science Foundation Doctoral Fellowship for Environmental Transitions and Emerging Infectious Diseases (EWC-NSF Doctoral Fellowship)** which provides doctoral funding for three graduate students to be involved with research on avian influenza in Vietnam. The project is a collaboration involving the EWC, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and Hanoi University of Agriculture.

One new program is the **Study of the U.S. Institutes for Student Leaders on Global Environmental Issues (SUSI)**. Funded by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, the institutes bring Southeast Asian and Middle Eastern undergraduate students to the U.S. for five weeks.

The goal is to develop a vibrant network of young leaders dedicated and equipped to create innovative and positive solutions for 21st Century environmental challenges. We partner with over 50 organizations in four states, including the UH Environmental Center, Sierra Club, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, to provide project-based learning.

Q: *You're in your seventh year as Dean, how have students and/or the Education Program changed during this time?*

A: As the number of students has increased, so has the diversity of countries represented — from 35 countries in 2000 to 61 countries in 2011.

One key area of growth, the result of the generosity of alumni and friends, is the creation of scholarships for students who would not be able to participate in Center programs without supplementary assistance. In 2005, the Center provided 12 supplementary scholarships to student fellows from the EWCA Alumni Scholar Awards and the Hawaii Pacific Rim Society awards. This fall, 22 separate supplementary scholarships have been created, the most recent being the Puongpun and ThanhLo Sananikone Scholarship and the Trudy and Al Wong 'Ohana Scholarship. The earnings from these endowments and annual gifts resulted in 62 supplementary scholarships awarded to Center students in August.

Q: *Could you share an anecdote or two about students who are doing meaningful work in their home countries?*

A: Only one or two examples? What a challenge! **Xuan Thi Manh Le, from Dalat, Vietnam**, completed her master's degree in Library and Information Science with the support of a Ford Foundation, International Fellowships Program Scholarship. While here, she won an award in recognition of the importance of libraries to serve the needs of children and youth in their communities. She returned home to serve as vice-director of the Library and Information Center at Dalat University. She says the Center is truly a "place to learn not only knowledge and skills, but also to develop relationships in our Asia Pacific Community."

Ramy Inocencio from the U.S., a 2009-2010 alumnus of the Asia Pacific Leadership Program, is currently the Asia Business Analyst for CNN in Hong Kong, and a regular contributor to CNN's Business 360 blog: <http://business.blogs.cnn.com/tag/ramy-inocencio/>. He was in Honolulu to cover the APEC meeting.

Hajra Hafeez Ur Rehman, Lahore, Pakistan, is also an alumnae from the 2009-2010 Asia Pacific Leadership Program. After APLP, she established Youth Dividend, a non-profit, non-political youth-led organization in Pakistan committed to empower youth to influence international and national policy and be positive agents of change. She says, "Our organization is working to develop, inform, inspire and mobilize young people through leadership trainings, peer education, awareness raising, skill building, policy and advocacy."

Q: *If you could create a scholarship, what would it be?*

A: We have had a number of donors create scholarships for students in Asia and the Pacific for which we are tremendously grateful. I would like to see more scholarships for American students who have the passion but may not have resources for study and leadership development and engagement in the Asia Pacific region.

In addition, development of funds for travel-related research and field studies would be helpful. Also, I've been hearing from alumni in rural areas in the region of the lack of library resources or electronic access to libraries. Perhaps we might identify partnerships to extend electronic library and information access.

Eddie and Elaine Flores Endowed Scholarship Fund

Eddie Flores, President and CEO of L&L Hawaiian Barbecue, served on the East-West Center Board of Governors for eight years. He established the Eddie and Elaine Flores Scholarship Fund as a \$50,000 Permanent Named Endowment to provide awards for Degree Fellows or Asia Pacific Leadership Program participants with a preference for those from the Philippines, China and Hawai'i.



(L-R) EWC President Charles Morrison, Eddie and Elaine Flores

East-West Center Association (EWCA) Alumni Scholarship Fund

Thanks to the generosity of alumni and community donors, since 2002 the East-West Center Association Alumni Scholarship Fund has been able to distribute over \$222,000, making it possible for 77 students from 19 countries to participate in EWC education programs. The scholarships provide stand-alone scholarships which have helped to increase the number of EWC students, and supplemental funding to graduate degree fellows who need additional support for travel to the Center and for other personal expenses beyond the graduate degree fellowship.

Your gift makes a real difference in the lives of East-West Center students to prepare them for

leadership in the Asia Pacific region. Please make your gift today by mailing your gift or using our secure website at www.eastwestcenter.org/donatenow

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A gift of any size helps the East-West Center today and into the future.

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Arnoldus Klau Berek (Indonesia)

Kencho Dem (Bhutan)

Ruobing Chi (China)

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Hui-Lin Lee (Taiwan)

Yvonne Lee (Malaysia)

Sanae Nakatani (Japan)

Hong Thi Phuong Ngo (Vietnam)

Bonnie Tolson (USA)



Jiwnath Ghimire and Stephen Haus



Hong Ngo (center), Thanh-Lo and Puongpun Sananikone



(L-R) Edward Kuba, Elke Yamazato and Robert Nakasone

Scholarship Recipients

Here are some of the scholarship recipients and donors who met at the Aloha Ceremony welcoming new students in August.

Eleanor and Hermann Haus Fellowships

The fellowships provide awards for Degree Fellows and APLP participants (with preference for a qualified native Hawaiian student) in the fields of design, engineering or management, and commitment toward developing a better environment throughout the Asia Pacific region.

Jiwnath Ghimire (Nepal), doctoral degree fellow in urban and regional planning

Puongpun and Thanh-Lo Sananikone Scholarship

The fellowships will provide awards for Degree Fellows, Student Affiliates or APLP participants from Laos and Viet Nam, or of that heritage.

Hong Thi Phuong Ngo (Vietnam), doctoral degree fellow in educational technology

Worldwide Uchinanchu Business Association (WUB) Scholarship Endowment Fund

The scholarships support young people of the WUB community who are unable to meet the full cost of program participation.

Elke Yamazato (Brazil), APLP fellow



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Arthur Schwartz
Margery Schwartz*

Programs

AsiaPacific Breakfast Briefing at Bank of Hawaii

May 24, 2011: Dr. Melissa Finucane, EWC Senior Fellow, and Dr. John Marra, Director of NOAA, spoke on the challenges of climate change for Pacific Island communities in the talk, "The Challenge of Understanding and Communicating Climate Change."

July 12, 2011: Dr. Robert Retherford, EWC Senior Fellow and Coordinator of Population and Health Studies, spoke on "Why Do Newly-Married Japanese Couples Live with Parents?"

Arts 'Ohana

April 5, 2011: During the "North Korean Art on Paper" exhibition, Nicholas Bonner, co-curator and British-born filmmaker, described his experiences in North Korea and gave an overview of the exhibit which included items from his private collection.

October 4, 2011: Maya Soetoro-Ng talked about her mother's work during the exhibition, "Through Her Eyes: Ann Dunham's Field Work in Indonesia" and Grammy nominated singer Raiatea Helm performed a special song.

Nippon Club

June 16, 2011: Dr. Robert Retherford, EWC Senior Fellow, spoke to Nippon Club members on "Japan's Baby Bust: Causes, Implications, and Policy Responses."

Planned Giving Seminar

October 27, 2011: Estate planning attorney, Stephen Reese, Esq., spoke on recent tax law changes, estate planning concepts and the use of charitable gifts during the seminar, "How to Manage Your Assets to Achieve Your Goals."

Vice President For Development

Mangmang Qiu Brown has joined the East-West Center Foundation as its new Vice President for Development. She will be responsible for the overall planning and management of development strategies for the Foundation. Ms. Brown comes to EWC with a diverse professional background in government, law, nonprofit management and more than 20 years of international engagement. She was most recently with the University of Hawai'i Foundation as the Assistant Vice-President responsible for strategic planning and managing the Foundation's international relationships, with a primary focus on Asia and the Pacific.

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The EWC/EWCA International Conference

September 1–3, 2012

Peking University,
Beijing, China

Circle September 1st to 3rd on your calendars. That's when the 2012 EWC/EWCA International Conference will convene in Beijing, China. The conference, with the theme "Community Building and Leadership in Asia Pacific" will be held at Peking University, and is being organized by the EWC, EWC Association, Peking University and the EWCA Beijing Chapter.

Participants will be coming from across the Asia Pacific region and around the globe to renew acquaintances, establish new professional contacts, update knowledge of the region — and discover the beauty and diversity of China.



2012 EWC/EWCA International Conference in Beijing "Community Building and Leadership in Asia Pacific"



VENUE: The conference will be at the Yingjie Exchange Center at Peking University. Peking University is situated in the western suburbs of Beijing.

PROGRAM: The program will include plenary, concurrent and poster sessions on a wide range of themes such as Good Governance, Social Justice, Community Building and Education and Environmental Issues. Conference participants are encouraged to submit abstracts for inclusion in panel, discussion and poster sessions. The deadline for submission of abstracts is March 31, 2012.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Accommodations will be available at several conveniently located lodging facilities within walking distance of Peking University. Prices range from \$32 to \$145. Details about the suggested lodging facilities and reservation information will be posted on the conference website as soon as it becomes available.

TOURS: Post-conference tours are being planned for Beijing/Xi'an/Suzhou/Shanghai, Beijing/Xi'an/Guilin/Guangzhou/Hong Kong, and Xi'an/Lhasa of Tibet/Chengdu/Shanghai. Details will be posted on the conference website as soon as details are confirmed.

REGISTRATION FEE: Includes Opening Ceremony, Welcome Reception, Chinese Cultural Performance, Aloha Dinner, Lunches, Coffee Breaks, a Half-Day City Tour, all Program Sessions and Conference Materials. Early Registration for EWCA members: US \$275. Rates will increase on April 1, 2012.

For more information, be sure to check the conference website periodically for updated information at

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Alumni Happenings



Juan Romeo Nereus Acosta (CUL 89-94, ET 94, Assoc 06) was named to the newly created cabinet post of Presidential Adviser for Environmental Protection by Philippines President Benigno Aquino III.

Acosta will coordinate environmental policy. A former elected representative from Bukidnon province in Mindanao, Acosta was known as a leader on environmental issues, including authoring the country's landmark Clean Air Act. Prior to his appointment, Acosta served as associate professor at the Asian Institute of Management and the Ateneo de Manila University. He earned his doctorate degree in political science from the University of Hawai'i in 1994 as an EWC grantee.

Amefil "Amy" Agbayani

(ISI 64-69, PI 77, Assoc 06, 10) was nominated one of the 100 Most Influential Filipina Women in the U.S. by the Filipina Women's Network. The network is a private, non-profit organization founded and operated to raise funding and awareness of the activities, careers and status of women of Philippine ancestry living in the United States. Agbayani was nominated a finalist in the category *Policymakers & Visionaries*, which recognizes Filipina women leaders who have made or are making a difference in U.S. government policies or laws that impact business, industry and society and who enrich the lives and careers of others by sharing the benefits of their wealth, experience and knowledge.



Heidi Chang (Media 03), recently won the two highest honors for radio news and feature reporting from the *Society of Professional Journalists Hawai'i Chapter*. The Excellence in Journalism Awards recognized work produced in 2010.



Tim Higgins (EWSem 10), business writer for the *Detroit Free Press*, was a finalist for the 2010 Livingston Awards for Young Journalists. The Livingston Award, the nation's largest all-media award, provides three \$10,000 prizes to journalists under the age of 35 for local, national and international reporting. Higgins was selected for a story he wrote about a trip to Jakarta in 2010.

Calvert Johnson (ASDP

00) is the Charles A. Dana Professor Emeritus of Music and College Organist at Agnes Scott College (Decatur, GA), where he serves as chair of the Music Department and teaches organ, harpsichord, sacred music and a course on women in music. Johnson was touring Japan earlier this spring, but the tour was truncated in the wake of the March earthquake.



Photo: The Santa Barbara Independent

Steve Johnson (AsiaPacific Ed 06), a high school teacher in South Carolina, had articles on the history of Angkor Wat published by the Angkor National Museum of Cambodia and in *Strategy & Tactics*, a U.S. magazine. He also was named one of the co-editors to the Angkor National Museum Bulletin.



Blain Keller (EP 08-11) worked during the summer as a volunteer intern at the Japan Association for the United Nations World Food Program (JAWFP), where APLP (09-10) alumnus **Hitomi Yokote** (Assoc 06, OEA 08, APLP 09-10) works as Executive Officer. Keller's Boren Fellowship and intensive Japanese language program were canceled after the earthquake and tsunami in Japan. He then decided to spend the summer as a volunteer intern in Japan.

Mahendra Lawoti (EP 95-97, Wash 05, 06, 08), an associate professor at the Department of Political Science, Western Michigan University (WMU), received an early promotion of full professor. Lawoti, also a columnist at *The Kathmandu Post*, has authored a number of books and received several awards for his research work. He received the Distinguished Service Award from the East-West Center in 1997. He is the co-editor of the book, *Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict*.



Patricia M. Loui (CI 73-74, OG 89, OEA 08, Assoc 10), founder and chair of OmniTrak Group Inc., an international marketing and research consultancy focused on Hawai'i and Asia, was nominated by President Barack Obama to serve as a member of the board of directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

Peter Nunan (ISI 66-68, Assoc 10), author and vice president of the EWCA Brisbane Chapter was awarded the Medal (OAM) of the Order of Australia in the General Division for service to the community as a volunteer with maritime and geographical organizations.



Nan Sussman (CLI 77) recently published *Return Migration and Identity: A Global Phenomenon, A Hong Kong Case*, by Hong Kong University Press (2010). The book examines cultural identity shifts and population flows during a critical juncture in Hong Kong history between the Sino-British Joint Declaration in 1984 and the early years of Hong Kong's new status as a special administrative region after 1997.



EWC Alumni Share Their Stories on NPR

EWC alumni **Ric Trimillos** (ISI 62-64, CLI 83, ICC 84, APed 05, OEA 05), **Amy Agbayani** (ISI 64-69, PI 77, Assoc 06), and **Azeema Faizunnisa Vogeler** (POP 97, EP 05-10, 11) and her husband **Kuhio Vogeler** (ET 94-95, EP 95-98, 05-07) shared their personal stories and experiences at the East-West Center with StoryCorps, one of the largest oral history projects of its kind.

Since 2003, StoryCorps has collected and archived more than 30,000 interviews from more than 60,000 participants across the United States. Each conversation is recorded on a free CD to share, and is preserved at the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. Millions of people in the U.S. listen to the popular weekly broadcasts on National Public Radio's *Morning Edition*.

For more Alumni Happenings visit the EWCA Blog at EastWestCenter.org/ewcablog

AROUND the Globe

NORTHEAST ASIA

Japan – Tokyo

In response to the devastating earthquake and tsunami in eastern Japan on March 11th, the chapter focused efforts on a fundraising drive to aid the victims. Thirty-two members donated a total of \$6,600 to the Red Cross Society.



L to R, Katsuno, Mitsu Kato (in the back), Oka, Kisaka, Yutaka Harada, Teruhisa Ichihara (in the back), Kazuko Tonoike, Chie Hashimoto, and Shigeo Tonoike.



Members of the Kansai chapter approved by-laws at a recent meeting.

Japan – Kansai

The UH Alumni Association and the EWCA Kansai Chapter hosted a Kansai Sake Brewery Walking Tour. This tour included visits to a brewery, sake museum, wine-tasting, shopping and dinner at a restaurant. In August, Chapter President Seiko Furuhashi, attended a conference in New Zealand and visited Waikato University, meeting with local officials and individuals with EWC ties.

South Korea

In response to Chapter Leader Jeong Taik Lee's request that members support the EWC Alumni Scholarship Endowment, donations of \$1,000 each were received from alumni Hee Nam Jung and Eung-Seon Kang.

SOUTH ASIA

India – Chennai

In collaboration with the Association of British Scholars and the Pemanda Monappa Trust, the chapter organized a presentation by the award-winning Producer Hugh Welchman on filmmaking at the British Council, Chennai.

Nepal

The chapter recently took part in the 10th Commemoration Ceremony at the U.S. Embassy. In September, EWC alumni participated in a reception, organized by USEF, welcoming the 2011-2012 Fulbright scholars. Chapter communication liaison Nirendra Maske was elected to the EWCA Executive Board and appointed Chair of the Board for 2011.

Sri Lanka

W.A. Siriwardena, former chapter vice president, coordinated a visit by EWC alumnus Cindy Yoshiko Shirata. Shirata is an accounting professor at the University of Tsukuba in Tokyo. Chapter members helped the professor establish ties with the Science Council of Asia and scientific establishments in Sri Lanka, and held a meeting at the USSL Fulbright Commission.

SOUTHEAST ASIA

Burma

After many years of dedicated service and leadership, U Maung Maung has stepped down as Chapter Leader, but will continue as advisor to the chapter. U Thein Lwin (OG 84-86) is taking over the role of Chapter Leader. The establishment of an endowment fund was discussed at a recent meeting and support for EWCA fundraising was affirmed.

Laos

Chapter Leader Chanthavong Saignasith, in response to the call for chapter support of the EWC Alumni Scholarship Endowment, is working to secure an appointment with the U.S. Embassy in Laos for information and guidance on supporting and financing Laotian student scholars to the EWC.

Malaysia

The re-activated chapter held an annual meeting to discuss future plans and activities.

Singapore

The chapter has hosted several activities in support of the EWCA, including a party to welcome APLP alumnus Andrea Merrigan of Ireland, who assumed a teaching position in Singapore. In September the chapter hosted a dinner for EWCA alumnus Garrett Kam of Bali, who presented a lecture and demonstration at Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts Symposium. The chapter also supported the symposium on "New Asian Imaginations: Researching the Arts in Southeast Asia."

PACIFIC

Australia – Brisbane

The chapter is broadening its membership by including "virtual" members in Melbourne and Sydney. The chapter continues to support the Nepalese Australian Friendship Association as a community service project. In August, members attended a dinner in honor of Indira Rana Magar, Director of Prisoners Assistance Nepal Children's Homes. The chapter also donated educational books to a school in Kathmandu. Currently, the chapter supports two economically disadvantaged student recipients in Nepal.

Papua New Guinea

Alumni members, Lucas Manduru and Evelyn Pusal attended a gathering at the U.S. ambassador's residence for Kurt Campbell, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs. Chapter Leader Solomon Kantha has distributed information and spread the word about EWC scholarship programs for PNG students. He also met with PNG artist Jeffrey Feeger, before Feeger traveled to Honolulu in November as an Artist in Residence at the University of Hawai'i.

UNITED STATES

Arizona

The chapter is developing a Facebook page to keep EWC alumni in Arizona informed, and is engaged in distributing information about the EWC Alumni Scholarship Endowment. Tomi Johnston assumed the position of Chapter Leader in September.

Hawai'i

In August, more than 170 incoming EWC students and alumni gathered at an annual picnic at Kapiolani Park in Waikiki. The chapter also hosted a sale of donated kitchen items for incoming EWC students. An EWC birthday celebration was held at the Elks Club and hosted by EWC Hawai'i Board Member Sue Heftel-Liquido. At the event, retired Alumni Officer Gordon Ring was honored for his 31 years of service to the EWC.

The chapter made a donation to the Red Cross for the victims of the disaster in Japan. And the chapter is continuing ProLink (Professional Linkage Program), which enables an EWC participant to "shadow" an alumnus for first-hand experience in the workplace.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Asian Studies Development Program (ASDP)

The 17th Annual ASDP National Conference on Globalization, Higher Education and Diversity was held with scholarly presentations, including findings on China's terracotta army and Japan's strategy in the world economy.

Asia Pacific Leadership Program (APLP)

The chapter celebrated the 10th Anniversary of the APLP Alumni and Generation 10 Fellows with events in Islamabad, New York City, Los Angeles, Washington D.C., San Francisco, Honolulu, Bangkok, Jakarta, Tokyo and Beijing. *The Navigator*, a special issue of the APLP newsletter, was circulated at these events and the chapter alumni network continues to strengthen ties.

In Memoriam



Father Daniel Dever, a Newman Center chaplain in the 1960s, died in Kaneohe, Oahu, in October after a long illness. He married many EWC couples, and many grantees remember him as a warm, caring advisor and friend. To the numerous EWC alumni who knew him, Father Dever was beloved for his humor, storytelling and selflessness, and as "a man of hope."

Lang Nguyet Duong (ISI 63-65) died in New York in July. Originally from Vietnam, she was at the EWC as an undergraduate student.

Louis John Goodman (TDI 71), 89, died in Florida in June. During the 1970s, he was acting director of the East-West Technology and Development Institute. Goodman retired after 45 years of work in the area of civil engineering, having authored and co-authored over 70 research and technical articles in numerous national and international journals and conference proceedings.

Atina Amosa Hanna (ISI 66-69), 75, died in Kansas in May. Born in Western Samoa, she returned to teach in Samoa after attending school in New Zealand. She then earned a B.A. in English at the East-West Center. Hanna moved to Kansas after marrying her husband, Gerald, and was active in community organizations and promoting social justice.

Sam Mitchell, 55, (ICC 85-90, ET 97) died in China. He was guest curator and photographer of the EWC Gallery exhibition, "Minority Peoples of Northwest Yunnan" in 2004. While at the EWC, Mitchell founded the Indian Film Series, was active in South Asian research, and received his M.A. in Asian Studies and Ph.D. in History from UH-Mānoa.

Mitchell and his wife, Lu Yuan, met at the EWC and went on to become authorities in China's ethnic minority nationalities. Based in Kunming, he served for two decades on the faculty of the School for International Training (SIT), whose headquarters are in Vermont. He also was on the faculty of Yunnan Normal University until 2007, when he became a professor of Yunnan Nationalities University.



Jerry Russo (PI 90), 55, who held a joint appointment as a Fellow at the EWC Program on Population and member of the economics department at the University of Hawai'i, died in Honolulu.

His lectures on health economics for the EWC Summer Seminar on Population provided inspiration and challenges to hundreds of young academics and government officials from Asia working in the field of health care.


Jon Van Dyke, (EAPI 79, 81, 82-83, RSI 89, IEDP 91, Rsch 00, 01, PIDP 09) an Adjunct Senior Fellow at the EWC and professor at the University of Hawai'i William S. Richardson School of Law, died in November.

He was a leading authority on constitutional, international and maritime law, as well as indigenous and environmental issues. Weeks prior to his death, he participated in an EWC-organized meeting of supreme court justices from ASEAN countries.



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