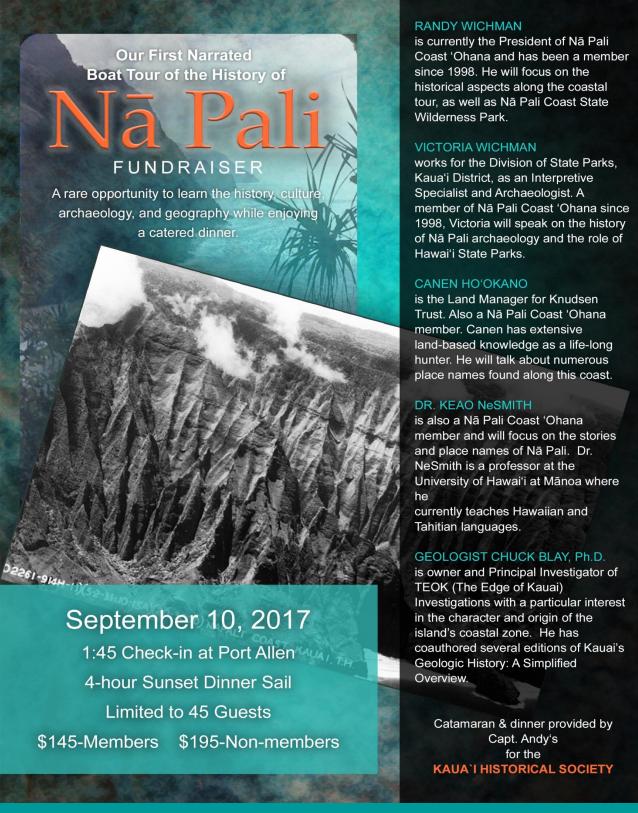
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Research Services Extend Beyond Our Collections Helen Wong Smith, Executive Director

Research requests are often unique and often require searching beyond our collections.

While attending a colleague's presentation on Japanese men detained at <u>Kīlauea Military Camp in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park</u>, audience member Carolyn Sugiyama Classen shared that her relative Sensei Honi Ohye of Kaua'i, a minister at Kealia Fukyojo (April 1915 – September 1924) and Waimea Hongwanji (September 1924 – December 1943), was an internee. Having recently acquired the research notes of Roy Miyake who curated the 2009 Kaua'i Museum exhibit *Kauai Morale Committee of WWII*, which includes the disposition of Kaua'i internees, I offered my card. Classen wrote:

Sensei Ohye was apparently picked up by the FBI after the Pearl Harbor attack, and shipped to the U.S. Mainland to a DOJ [Dept. of Justice] camp. He later repatriated to Japan and was later killed in the bombing by US Airforce in 1945. His wife and daughters remained in Waimea.

Mr. Miyake's research revealed Ohye was in the second group of detainees from Kaua'i sent to the following locations:

Sand Island, HI, 3-20-42 Angel Island, CA, 3-30-42 Fort Sill, OK, 4-9-42 Camp Livingston, LA, 5-1942 Santa Fe, NM, 6-7-42



Ohye is standing at the far left of the top row in this photo taken in Santa Fe. I located his file his file in the National Archives in the record group of <u>War Department</u>. <u>Office of the Provost Marshal General</u>. <u>Enemy Prisoner of War Information Bureau</u>. ca. 1942-9/18/1947. One can download the entire <u>Japanese-American Internee Date File</u>, 1942 - 1946.

Another patron asked for the boundaries of the Makee Sugar Plantation ca. 1900, assuming records of their family who immigrated from Yamaguchi Ken were lost. Our collections reveal Makee Sugar Co. was established at Kapa'a in 1877 with Līhu'e Plantation purchasing a controlling interest in 1910 and becoming the sole owners in 1933. Fortunately, the Hawai'i State Archives Digital Collections has digitized many of the Japanese Passenger Manifests, which included the entry for the wife seen below. Passenger manifests for Chinese and Portuguese are also available.

Chronicaling America by the Library of Congress provides digital copies of English language newspapers across the country. Listed here is Ohye's son, Kazuo in a 1917 draft notice published in <u>The Garden</u> Island.

(Sheet	t #1) Saiki, Tsuchi (wife) Age-37.3 Female
1896 Dec. 29	S. S. Shinshu Maru - Kobe - Yamaguchi - Japan - Farmer
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Edna & Keith Holdeman, 2016 KHS Holokū Gala

Keith Holdeman - Volunteer Extraordinaire

We have lost a true friend in Keith Holdeman. Keith passed peacefully at home on August 24, 2017. Keith has been a faithful volunteer since 2001 after responding to a KHS newspaper ad for help with scanning photos.

He maintained the computerized collection of documents and images. Keith converted all of the VHS movies to DVD and did many projects for the society. Keith was also instrumental in acquiring computing hardware for KHS at a very low price working with Extensis and TechSoup, a service for non-profits.

Volunteer Joe Meboe saw him Thursday afternoons noting Keith's cheerful demeanor and competence at keeping our hardware and software current and working well. Joe noted, "Most Thursdays would find him working away in the office, and it was fun to sit by his side and compare notes."

Laraine Moriguchi, who volunteered with Keith digitizing images for many years, expresses our shared thoughts, "Keith was always pleasant and eager to share his amazing knowledge of computer hardware and software. Through Keith's leadership and guidance, KHS' digital photo collection has grown to more than 14,500 photos. His contribution to KHS and the island of Kaua'i is unsurpassed."

Keith served as Treasurer for the Kaua`i Museum Board and was a longtime docent there. He guided tours at the National Tropical Botanical Gardens and the McBryde Canoe Garden. From 2003 to 2008 he also led Wonder Walk hikes for Koke'e Museum. Other organizations benefiting from his generosity include Kalaheo Missionary Church, Kauai's Master Gardener Program, and the RSVP Program.

Keith will be dearly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Edna, sons Bruce, Eric and family.

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James Tadashi Muneno Family – In memorium



The Kaua'i Historical Society is honored to be one of three organizations chosen to receive donations "in memorium" from the family of James Tadashi Muneno (May 15, 1924 - July 2, 2017). Born in Līhu'e he was the son of sugar plantation worker, Takeshige, and housewife, Chiyo, whom he lost at the age of 7. Drafted into the Army in 1945 he met and married Antie (Ann) Bouckaert in her

hometown of Maastricht, Holland in August of 1948. After earning an engineering degree at New York University, they moved home to Kaua'i. James' career as a civil and structural engineer with the Army Corp of Engineers moved his family to Honolulu. **Mahalo to the Muneno 'ohana for their bequest.**