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## Happy Holidays!

Thanks for your continued support of Hawaii United Okinawa Association!

## HAWAII OKINAWA TODAY TV SHOWS

**Now available for purchase at HOC!**

A Legacy of Honor DVD

Here's a thought for a unique gift for a veteran of the 100<sup>th</sup>, 442nd or the MIS. Now on sale is a DVD copy of the Hawaii Okinawa Today show that aired November 23<sup>rd</sup> that replayed the salute to Okinawan Veterans of World War Two. This salute (A Legacy of Honor) was originally shown at a UOA Bonen Kai in 1993 and each veteran was given a gift copy on VHS tape. As most of you are aware, VHS tapes fade in color and the VHS player may not be readily available today. The DVD on sale is of better resolution than the HOT TV broadcast and the life expectancy is much longer than VHS tape.

And veterans, this DVD as a Christmas gift to your grandkids will preserve your legacy of accomplishments and sacrifices for generations to come.

Other Hawaii Okinawa Today TV shows are available on DVD. Your purchase of a DVD will help the video crew recover cost to film, edit and produce the Hawaii Okinawa Today TV shows that we all enjoy. Please contact HUOA at [tvshow@huoa.org](mailto:tvshow@huoa.org) or call 676-5400. For a listing of shows, go to <http://www.huoa.org/makutu/giftshop/hawaiiokinawatodaydvd.html>.

## HOC HOLIDAY HOURS

**Thurs, December 24**

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

**Fri, December 25**

HOC closed

**Sat, December 26**

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Thurs, December 31**

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

**Fri, January 1, 2010**

HOC closed

**New Office Hours beginning**

**January 2, 2010**

Monday-Friday: 8:30 – 5:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday: closed

## SUPPORT COACH DANA TAKAHARA-DIAS & THE RAINBOW WAHINE BASKETBALL TEAM!

**Monday, January 18th at 5:00 p.m.**

**UH vs. Utah State, Stan Sheriff Center**

HUOA members are encouraged to show their support for head coach Dana and the Rainbow Wahine when they take on Utah State Aggies. Dana is a member of Nishihara Chojin Kai and former HUOA Sports Coordinator. HUOA will have a section behind the coaches' bench in either section EE or FF. **Be a Purple Head! Wear your green shirts and something purple on your head to show your Uchinanchu Pride!** Special thanks to Jimmy and Marian Iha, who are the Head Purple Heads for this event.

**Tickets:**

## HOC & HUOA OFFICE HOURS

Effective January 2, 2010, HUOA Office Hours and Hawaii Okinawa Center Hours have been adjusted to:

Monday to Friday:

8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday:

Closed

The office has been previously

Regular Admission is \$7  
Senior Admission (65 and older) is \$5  
Kids (up to high school) are free. They will be given a pass at the door to the arena.

HUOA has an allotment of tickets for pre sale. To purchase tickets, you may drop by Hawaii Okinawa Center, call 676-5400 or email: [huoa@huoa.org](mailto:huoa@huoa.org)

open on Saturday, but will now be closed in an effort to lower our expenses.

Mahalo for your understanding and support!

## SURF, SHOP, TAX CREDIT! \$4,366 FOR HUOA!

**Congratulations and thanks to everyone who surf the web using Goodsearch, shopped online thru Goodshop, and donated their vehicle to Kokua in Kind, you helped generate a total of \$4,366 for 2009!**

### SURF & SHOP

Do you shop online often? Did you know that your shopping can earn funds for HUOA? Yes, through GoodShop, you can raise money for HUOA by selecting Hawaii United Okinawa Association in the Who Do You Support section, then select your online retailer of choice. You can earn from 0.5% to 35% of your total purchase for HUOA! There is no cost to you, the retailer has an agreement with GoodShop to donate a percentage of sales. So, shop away and help us raise funds for HUOA!

For those that love surfing the web, there is GoodSearch.com, a Yahoo! search engine that will donate one penny per search you make. Last year, we earned 1.3 cents per search! Both opportunities to surf and shop are FREE – no charges or user fees are collected.



Shop at your favorite online stores by clicking on a link from GoodShop and GoodSearch & the merchant will donate a % of your shopping to HUOA! Go to [www.goodshop.com](http://www.goodshop.com) to start shopping!

### DONATE YOUR CAR

We've recently become listed as a beneficiary with Kokua in Kind, a car exchange service that will take your old car and resell it. Proceeds from the sale less a few fees can be donated to HUOA! And yes, this is a tax deductible donation. You will receive a letter from HUOA once we are notified. You don't have to be an HUOA Club member to donate. Encourage your family, friends and co-workers who are considering donating their vehicle to go to Kokua in Kind to benefit HUOA. Our first donor was our very own 2009 HUOA President, Ford Chinen! Check out Kokua in Kind's website for more information. [www.kokuainkind.com](http://www.kokuainkind.com)



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