

# THE SCHOOL NEWS

## 1 HONOLULU

### Sacred Hearts Academy

In celebration of October as the month of the Holy Rosary, Sacred Hearts Academy held an all-girls **Living Rosary** on Oct. 2 in front of the Academy's grotto. Students from our lower and upper schools along with our faculty, parents, and guardians formed the rosary and prayed as a faith community. This service was led by our campus minister **Sacred Hearts Sister Katherine Francis Miller**, class of '57, campus chaplain **Sacred Hearts Father Jeremy Sabugo**, theology department chair **Leilani Asuncion-Tagupa**, class of '91, lower school principal **Cynthia McIntyre**, class of '91, **Mary Cruzada** and our **Theology Department**. (Reported by Tiffany Kiyabu Nishimura)



EDITOR'S CHOICE



named "Trot Wars," is a run or walk event that is a fun way for our students to get some exercise and raise funds for the school. Each student obtains sponsors to support them by donating in their name. Students who raise the most funds will win prizes. Students have been divided into four Star War teams who compete for points. The team with the most points wins the Trot Wars Trophy. On Trot Day, the preschool and kindergarten students will enjoy on-campus obstacle events, and first through eighth grade students will run/walk three miles around Enchanted Lake on Keolu Drive. (Reported by Earl Walker)

## 2 MAKAWAO

### St. Joseph Early Learning Center

The students enjoyed a field trip to the **Kahului Fire Station** on Oct. 25. The children got to see the firefighters rappel off the fire house tower. They got a tour of the fire station and got to shoot the hose as **junior firefighters** themselves. As part of **Fire Prevention Month** in October, both the **Butterfly and Rainbow classes** got to wrap up their month of learning with this event. After the tour they enjoyed play time and a picnic lunch at the Keopulani Park. God bless all our civil service workers and crew. (Reported by Helen Souza)



## 5 KEKAHA

### St. Theresa School

Mahalo to **Kumu Shantel** and the **eighth grade** for organizing and facilitating **Waste-Free Wednesday**. We raised \$131 through our recycling program in a huge success thanks to everyone's dedication! Our school reduced its trash by an amazing 70%. Trash collected for the entire school was equivalent to one 13-gallon bag (kitchen trash bag) of trash for over 100 people! This is a remarkable achievement that shows how much we can accomplish when we work together. A special shout-out to **Sister Gloria's classroom**, who achieved zero waste! They have truly set an inspiring example of how sustainable practices can make a huge difference. And lastly, the learners and staff asked a ton of great questions during the process, showing their curiosity and engagement with the environmental impact of our actions. (Reported by David Verdugo)



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### Maryknoll School

Maryknoll School's annual **Noblesse Oblige Award & Scholarship fundraiser dinner**, Oct. 19 on campus, included presentation of the inaugural **Lucile Mistysyn Lifetime Achievement Award** to one of the school's most dedicated school alumna, **Lucile Mistysyn** still going strong at 103 years young. From her days as a student to her enduring commitment as an alumna, Mistysyn's journey is intertwined deeply with the fabric of Maryknoll's history. Graduating in 1937 in the school's third graduating class by her maiden name **Lucile Smith**, her post-graduation years were marked by a relentless spirit of service to the school. She was actively engaged with Maryknoll's **Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts** and played a pivotal role in reorganizing the alumni association. From volunteering at the school front office to establishing the **Lucile Mistysyn**

Endowed Scholarship Fund in 2020, she has left an indelible mark on the school. This prestigious accolade will permanently bear the name **Lucile Mistysyn Lifetime Achievement Award**. ... The Noblesse Oblige Scholarship was awarded to **Maryknoll senior Xander Gabriel Torres '25** for his academic excellence and service to others. Attending Maryknoll since ninth grade, Xander is an inspiration. Currently the student body president, Xander lives the spirit of Noblesse Oblige performing hula at Maryknoll events, working as an after-school care aide, and as a member of Campus Ministry, Music Ministry, Hawaiian Club, Spartan Spirit Club, and the Maryknoll Student Senate. Xander is interested in pursuing nursing, teaching or

kinesiology to become an athletic trainer. ... The **2024 Noblesse Oblige Award for Service** went to **Bishop Larry Silva**. A parish priest for most of his ordained years, Bishop Silva has led 66 Hawaii parishes, 25 mission churches and over 200,000 faithful for nearly 20 years. With Hawaii family roots that extend back to the monarchy of King Kalakaua, he was appointed by **Pope Benedict XVI** in 2005 as the fifth diocesan Bishop of Honolulu. (Reported by Lori A.K. Carlos)

**tion Department**. The evening centered on the theme of saints and sainthood. The goal was to learn more about our saints and why the month of November is a time to honor the lives of those holy men and women who have gone before us. ... The school is donating nonperishable items to support the **annual Thanksgiving food drive** conducted by our parish. We are collecting food items now through Nov. 12 and will deliver them to the parish office on Nov. 13. All donations will be distributed to the windward Oahu parishes of **St. George, St. Anthony, St. Roch and Our Lady of Mount Carmel**. ... Our **Star Wars-themed fundraiser** is in progress until our **Turkey Trot Day** on Nov. 27. This year's event, conducted by our PTSH and

## 4 KAILUA

### St. John Vianney School

On Nov. 2, students and their families attended a **Family Faith Formation** event sponsored by the parish's **Religious Educa-**

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### Saint Louis School

Our **5A and 5B classes** undertook an inspiring initiative by **planting kalo and ti leaf** on campus. The photo showcases our remarkable students in action. The leadership qualities being cultivated at our elementary school are truly exceptional. They demonstrated admirable initiative by choosing to clean up the playground during recess, prioritizing the improvement of our school environment over playtime with friends. The project demonstrated the exceptional work of our elementary school team, as we nurture future Crusaders from a young age. We are immensely proud of their dedication and care for our campus! (Reported by Jon Watase)

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