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The Holiday Season... A Time for Reflection & Thanks



J. Roger Morton
President and General Manager

Here in Hawaii we are blessed with the beautiful weather year round; and with our local culture, the season of giving spans an entire year—not just the holiday season. Let’s take a little time to reflect on how blessed we all are and take stock of what’s most important to us. Certainly family comes first. Then our friends and neighbors. I hope that for all of you, somewhere lower on the list is our work family.

The end of this year marks my twelfth year as your President and General Manager. I think I’ve grown over my time as your President. I want people to feel that there is a genuine `Ohana here at TheBus and that all of our jobs are important. Building morale and a feeling of pride among all of us will make TheBus a better transit system and will make Oahu Transit Services a better place to work.

Looking forward, I would say our best days are ahead. Despite the ups and down’s of everyday life, I truly believe that we are on the cusp of making TheBus a part of an

even larger multi-modal system embracing rail, bicycles, ride-sharing, and probably autonomous vehicles. I don’t see any of these as threats. Together, with new emerging technologies, we can make a great push to make our Honolulu better.

In the New Year, I invite all employees to join with me as we work toward making our company better. Change is not easy and I look forward to working with all stake holders—employees, city officials, board members, and all aspects our community, and of course, our faithful customers in our mutual quest to be the best transit system in America.

In this time of reflection, may you find peace, prosperity, health, and happiness for you and your family for this year and many years to come.

Wishing you and yours a happy holiday season,

Transit Transfers

Veralene Kekaula, Manager of Service Delivery, Paratransit Services, was promoted on 8/1/2017. Veralene was previously an Assistant Field Operations Manager and has been with OTS, Inc., since 12/21/1988.



Derrick Miyasaki, Paratransit Lead Storeroom Clerk, was promoted on 10/03/2016. Derrick was previously a Paratransit Storeroom Clerk II and has been with OTS, Inc., since 09/13/2001.



Timothy Ho, Schedule & Assignment Tech II, was promoted on 9/01/2016. Timothy was previously a Schedule & Assignment Tech I and has been with OTS, Inc., since 11/24/1995.



Cherie Tafao, Sr. Bus Pass Clerk, was promoted on 10/16/2016. Cherie was previously a Bus Pass Clerk II and has been with OTS, Inc., since 4/1/2009.



Joelle Hussey, Schedule & Assignment Tech III, was promoted on 9/01/2016. Joelle was previously a Schedule & Assignment Tech II and has been with OTS, Inc., since 5/01/1997.



Janet Nakamoto, Schedule & Assignment Tech I, was promoted on 12/01/2016. Janet was previously an Entry Timekeeper and has been with OTS, Inc., since 4/8/2008.



Lianne Maxwell, Schedule & Assignment Tech II, was promoted on 9/01/2016. Lianne was previously a Schedule & Assignment Tech I and has been with OTS, Inc., since 8/01/2009.



Kristine Lorance, HEM—Running Repair, was promoted on 12/12/2016. Kristine was previously a Service Attendant and has been with OTS, Inc., since 6/8/2015.



Raymond Zulueta, Paratransit Lead Mechanic, was promoted on 9/26/2016. Raymond was previously a Paratransit Mechanic and has been with OTS, Inc., since 11/17/2008.



Sean Asakura, Vault Puller Technician, was promoted on 12/16/2016. Sean was previously a Service Attendant and has been with OTS, Inc., since 5/4/2000.



Joseph Gouveia-Chong, Service Station Supervisor, was promoted on 10/1/2016. Joseph was previously a Vault Puller Technician and has been with OTS, Inc., since 03/21/2000.



Timothy Gouveia, Lead Mechanic, was promoted on 12/19/2016. Timothy was previously a HEM-Body Shop and has been with OTS, Inc., since 07/15/2005.



Reuben Lauronal, Instructor, was promoted on 10/1/2016. Reuben was previously a Bus Operator and has been with OTS, Inc., since 8/29/1992.



Walter Oba, Assistant Field Operations Manager, was promoted on 1/16/2017. Walter was previously a Central Radio Controller and has been with OTS, Inc., since 11/1/2008.



Lemuel Ababa, HEM—Running Repair, was promoted on 1/24/2017. Lemuel was previously a Mechanic Helper and has been with OTS, Inc., since 11/1/2013.



Jenny Lemaota, Sr. Vice President & Asst. General Manager, was promoted on 5/1/2017. Jenny was previously Vice President, Finance & Administration and has been with OTS, Inc., since 6/2/2014.



Frederick Liva, Central Radio Controller, was promoted on 2/16/2017. Frederick was previously a Bus Operator and has been with OTS, Inc., since 4/26/1997.



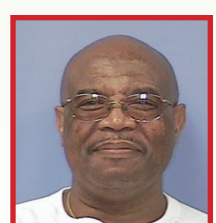
Renee Monces, Confidential Clerk II, was promoted on 5/1/2017. Renee was previously a Confidential Clerk I and has been with OTS, Inc., since 4/5/2004.



Richard Moniz, Sr. Counting Room Clerk, was promoted on 2/16/2017. Richard was previously a Counting Room Clerk II and has been with OTS, Inc., since 11/2/1992.



Kenneth Golden, Vault Puller Technician, was promoted on 5/4/2017. Ken was previously a Service Attendant and has been with OTS, Inc., since 10/5/1993.



Bradley Lamug, HEM—Running Repair, was promoted on 3/7/2017. Bradley was previously a Mechanic Helper and has been with OTS, Inc., since 2/1/2016.



Jiro Takahashi, Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Manager, was promoted on 6/1/2017. Jiro was previously a Systems Engineer II and has been with OTS, Inc., since 11/1/2016.



Alika Ishihara, HEM—Quality Assurance, was promoted on 3/13/2017. Alika was previously a HEM - Running Repair and has been with OTS, Inc., since 3/1/2010.



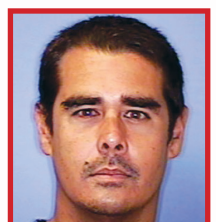
Ashlyn Carvalho, Paratransit Lead Clerk, was promoted on 6/16/2017. Ashlyn was previously a Paratransit Reservationist and has been with OTS, Inc., since 7/18/2016.



Charlotte Yim, Sr. Inventory Clerk, was promoted on 3/16/2017. Charlotte was previously an Inventory Clerk II and has been with OTS, Inc., since 9/6/2002.



Douglas Fernandez, Mechanic Helper, was promoted on 6/17/2017. Douglas was previously a Service Attendant and has been with OTS, Inc., since 7/2/2007.



Renee Deckers, Assistant Chief Storekeeper, was promoted on 5/1/2017. Renee was previously a Storekeeper II, Step II and has been with OTS, Inc., since 12/16/1994.



Daniel Bongo, HEM-Upholsterer, was promoted on 7/17/2017. Daniel was previously a Service Attendant and has been with OTS, Inc., since 10/21/1996.



Harassment and Bullying

J. Roger Morton

President and General Manager

With harassment and bullying consistently in the news over the last couple of years, it's a good time to reflect what this means to employees of Oahu Transit Services, Inc. Harassment and/or bullying of any form will not be tolerated at OTS. Keep in mind, harassment affects EVERYONE. This is not a woman's issue. Men and women are susceptible to harassment and bullying.

So what should you do if you feel you are a victim of some kind of harassment or bullying? First, everyone should know that our doors are open. We understand it may seem scary to talk to us about unwanted advances, inappropriate comments, or sex. Your safety, whether physical, mental, or emotional, is our first concern, so should you feel threatened, demeaned, or made to feel

uncomfortable in the course of your duties, please talk to us or any member of management including our EEO Officer, Angela Lo.

I've seen careers ruined because of inappropriate behavior at OTS and urge everyone to consider the consequences before indulging in bad behavior. No one, regardless of rank, is above our commitment to the rights and well-being of you, our employees. OTS is a great place to work. Let's all work to keep it that way.

Transit Transfers Continued from Pg. 3

Tamara Addison, Human Resources Manager, was promoted on 8/1//2017. Tamara was previously a Human Resources Generalist and has been with OTS, Inc., since 4/5/2004.



Carilynn Ishimaru-Infante, Human Resources Specialist, was promoted on 11/1/2017. Carilynn was previously a Transportation Clerk Coordinator and has been with OTS, Inc., since 5/1/2006.



Li Ann Llanto, Mechanic Helper, was promoted on 8/16/2017. Li Ann was previously a Service Attendant and has been with OTS, Inc., since 7/9/2001.



Ana Pagampao, Transportation Clerk Coordinator, was promoted on 12/1/2017. Ana was previously a Clerk Typist II and has been with OTS, Inc., since 8/21/2000.



Steven Tsutahara, Foreman, Running Repair, was promoted on 10/1/2017. Steven was previously a Lead Mechanic and has been with OTS, Inc., since 4/3/1989.



Therese Tokumi, Transportation Clerk Coordinator, was promoted on 12/1/2017. Therese was previously a Sr. Transportation Clerk and has been with OTS, Inc., since 10/25/1993.



Gary Dacuycuy, Lead Mechanic, was promoted on 11/1/2017. Gary was previously a HEM-Machinist and has been with OTS, Inc., since 11/2/1998.



Rogelio Eugenio, Lead Mechanic, was promoted on 12/4/2017. Rogelio was previously a HEM-Electrician and has been with OTS, Inc., since 8/1/2008.



Retiree Corner

Misipati Bird,
Bus Operator,
retired on 6/24/2016 with
34 years of service.



Jerry Teves,
Bus Operator,
retired on 9/1/2016
with 40 years of service.



Claire Sasano,
Administrative Assistant I,
retired on 10/1/2016
with 41 years of service.



Curtis Yuh,
Bus Operator,
retired on 7/1/2016 with
32 years of service.



Gerard Noa,
Bus Operator,
retired on 9/1/2016 with
42 years of service.



Lynnette Fukumoto,
Director of Purchasing
& Materials Manager,
retired on 10/1/2016
with 38 years of service.



Jeffrey Mitsuda,
HEM-Transmission Shop,
retired on 7/1/2016 with
39 years of service.



Bert Takahashi,
Bus Operator,
retired on 9/6/2016
with 40 years of service.



Saffery Brown,
Paratransit Operator,
retired on 11/1/2016
with 13 years of service.



Fili Samifua,
Bus Operator,
retired on 8/1/2016 with
20 years of service.



Burt Garcia,
Bus Operator,
retired on 10/1/2016
with 7 years of service.



Richard Wilhelm,
HEM-Transmission
Shop, retired on
11/1/2016 with 36 years
of service.



Robert Vannoy,
Bus Operator,
retired on 8/1/2016 with
24 years of service.



Bobby Crawford,
Bus Operator,
retired on 10/1/2016
with 8 years of service.



Glen Kaahaaina,
Bus Operator,
retired on 11/1/2016
with 27 years of service.



Raymond Shimabuku,
Paratransit Operator,
retired on 8/16/2016 with
24 years of service.



Keith McMillan,
Bus Operator,
retired on 10/1/2016
with 26 years of service.



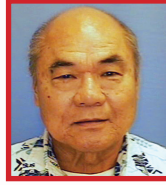
Robert Lyman,
Bus Operator,
retired on 12/1/2016
with 12 years of service.



Leila Keawe-Aiko,
Sr. Bus Pass Clerk,
retired on 9/1/2016 with
with 24 years of service.



Fred Uemura,
Paratransit Operator,
retired on 10/1/2016
with 24 years of service.



John Brown,
Bus Operator,
retired on 12/1/2016
with 22 years of service.



Kenneth Pia,
Bus Operator,
retired on 9/1/2016 with
with 28 years of service.



Kimberly Alcover,
Information Clerk II,
retired on 10/1/2016
with 27 years of service.



Kenneth Morimoto,
HEM-Overhaul Shop,
retired on 3/1/2017
with 44 years of service.



Retiree Corner

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Theodore Hopkins,
HEM—Running Repair,
retired on 3/1/2016
with 43 years of service.



Michael Amantiad,
Bus Operator,
retired on 4/1/2017
with 37 years of service.



John Yuen,
Central Radio Controller,
retired on 5/1/2017
with 41 years of service.



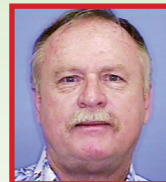
Glen Nebres,
Bus Operator,
retired on 3/1/2017
with 43 years of service.



David Keaweue,
Bus Operator,
retired on 4/1/2017
with 36 years of service.



James Cooper,
Bus Operator,
retired on 6/1/2017
with 9 years of service.



Taimane Stevens,
Bus Operator,
retired on 3/1/2017
with 32 years of service.



Marc Behic,
Bus Operator,
retired on 4/1/2017
with 28 years of service.



Patrick Van Kuren,
Steam Cleaner,
retired on 6/1/2017
with 39 years of service.



Eric Kiriu,
Mechanic Helper,
retired on 4/1/2017
with 37 years of service.



Peter Boncales,
Paratransit Mechanic,
retired on 5/1/2017
with 18 years of service.



Malcolm Quartero,
Bus Operator,
retired on 6/1/2017
with 26 years of service.



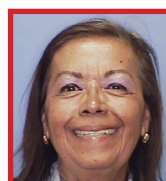
Robert Yu,
Sr. Vice President &
Deputy General Manager,
retired on 4/1/2017
with 26 years of service.



John Butcher,
HEM—Brake Shop,
retired on 5/1/2017
with 37 years of service.



Shirley Davis,
Bus Operator,
retired on 6/1/2017
with 31 years of service.



Deborah Yoshihara,
Paratransit
Reservationist,
retired on 4/1/2017
with 8 years of service.



Joann McKay,
Paratransit Operator,
retired on 5/1/2017
with 25 years of service.



Tita Valdis,
Clerk Typist II,
retired on 6/16/2017
with 19 years of service.



Kennydene Piena,
Paratransit
Reservationist,
retired on 4/1/2017
with 6 years of service.



Glenn Nakagawa,
Bus Operator,
retired on 5/1/2017
with 27 years of service.



James Jeremiah,
Paratransit Operator,
retired on 7/1/2017
with 18 years of service.



Carlson Yamamoto,
HEM—Air Condition,
retired on 4/1/2017
with 29 years of service.



Stanley Reyes,
HEM—Running Repair,
retired on 5/1/2017
with 27 years of service.



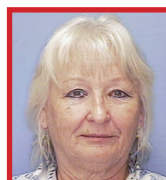
Melvin Lau,
HEM—Body Shop,
retired on 7/1/2017
with 26 years of service.



Craige Naipo,
Bus Operator,
retired on 4/1/2017
with 41 years of service.



Nina Schnieder,
Paratransit Operator,
retired on 5/1/2017
with 25 years of service.



Morris Arakaki,
Vault Puller Technician,
retired on 7/1/2017
with 34 years of service.



Richard Lobendahn,
Bus Operator,
retired on 7/17/2017
with 32 years of service



Michael Chang,
Lead Mechanic,
retired on 9/1/2017.
with 37 years of service.



Gregory Austin,
Fleet Safety Coordinator,
retired on 11/1/2017
with 31 years of service.



Ernest Fain,
Bus Operator,
retired on 7/25/2017
with 27 years of service.



Robert Mokuau,
Bus Operator,
retired on 9/12/2017
with 44 years of service.



Gary Yamaguchi,
Bus Operator,
retired on 11/1/2017
with 32 years of service.



Cheryann Perry,
Bus Operator,
retired on 8/1/2017
with 35 years of service.



Robert Tabalba,
Paratransit Operator,
retired on 10/1/2017
with 12 years of service.



Herbet Oshiro,
Bus Operator,
retired on 11/1/2017
with 3 years of service.



Faith Kaolulo,
Service Attendant,
retired on 8/1/2017
with 29 years of service.



Donald Tokumori,
Asst. Superintendent,
Maint-Kalihi Division,
retired on 10/1/2017
with 38 years of service.



John Young,
Bus Operator,
retired on 12/1/2017
with 44 years of service.



Lawrence Orion,
Mechanic Helper,
retired on 8/1/2017
with 29 years of service.



Brent Fujimoto,
HEM-Lube/
48K inspection,
retired on 10/1/2017
with 37 years of service.



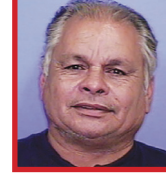
Richard DeRego,
Superintendent
Maint. Kalihi-Division,
retired on 12/1/2017
with 42 years of service.



Michael Lauriano,
Quality Control
Inspector,
retired on 8/1/2017
with 44 years of service.



Clayton Rodrigues,
Bus Stop Crew
Laborer II,
retired on 10/1/2017
with 35 years of service.



Darrell Sato,
HEM-Vehicle Safety
Inspector,
retired on 12/1/2017
with 42 years of service.



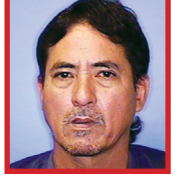
Danny Shimokawa,
Bus Operator,
retired on 9/1/2017
with 20 years of
service.



Thomas Castro,
Paratransit Operator,
retired on 11/1/2017
with 25 years of service.



Stanley Higa,
HEM-Brake Shop,
retired on 12/1/2017
with 34 years of service.



Myron Fujioka,
Service Station
Manager,
retired on 9/1/2017
with 38 years of service.



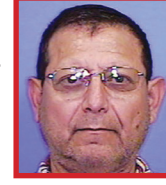
Alan Goto,
Bus Operator,
retired on 11/1/2017
with 20 years of service.



Sitala Togia,
Bus Operator,
retired on 9/1/2017
with 29 years of service.



Luis Franco,
Bus Operator,
retired on 1/1/2017
with 25 years of service.



Bus Operator Class 205
Graduated August 17, 2016



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: **Kristopher Murray, Chad Medeiros, Ross Kneeream, Michael Akana.**
 Back Row: **Charrel Yacapin, Kandel Kauwalu, Christine Souza, Delia Abear.**

Bus Operator Class 206
Graduated October 5, 2016



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: **Kahle Miller, Lucille Aguilar, Sindi Kalua, Terry Tauaefa, Veronica Banegas, Albert Tam Sing, Samuela Makesi.**
 Back Row: **Pouono Hunkin, Larry Ephrem, Ronald Retuta, Kellett Peneku, Lauolefiso Tokio.**

Bus Operator Class 207
Graduated November 22, 2016



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: **Eduviges Uribe, Jared Lee, Tyler Lee.**
 Middle Row: **Robert Kapihe, Edison Toribio, Barry Sullivan, Henry Young, Jacob Gionson, Tyrone Treadway, Adam Kaiwi.**
 Back Row: **Clinton Gumban, Sierra Cabasag, Jennifer Sisavang, Salina Kealoha, Jaydee Randall, Angelica Agor, Philrobinson Sales.**

Bus Operator Class 208
Graduated March 1, 2017



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: **Bruce James, Tracy Hayase, Daniel Monico, Jay Manuel.**
 Middle Row: **Mark Beeh, Brew Masuisui, Kevin Sperry, Joshua Ammasi, Cody Sula, Dawn Kahaleuahi, Walter Fite, Robert Lemafa, Erin Meneses.**
 Back Row: **Davry Paglinawan, Loreto Badua, Malissa Sofa, Lucy Holtzman, Mary Ramones, Sandra King, James Kamakana.**



Bus Operator Class 209
Graduated June 2, 2017

Photo left (left to right) Front Row: **Abrahamalfred Aurio, Jeremy Saramosing.**
 Middle Row: **Ryan Kodama, William Wolters, Sheryce Albin, Jason Costello, Roslyn Hose, Steven Kaahanui, Leslie Erice, Darin Hedemark, Cherrisa Rivera, Numia Evaimalo, James Tucker.**
 Back Row: **Aurelio Ramoran, Ramond Egloria, Rodney Torres, Lanze Nicolas, Darren Astrande, Zachary Miyashiro, Wilfredo Banas.**

Bus Operator Class 210 Graduated August 31, 2017



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: Kealoha Garcia, Peter Purcell, Jessie Kuamoo, Camille Sale`imoa, Marvin Porlas, Cece Kahaleuahi.
Back Row: Cilin Agbayani, Glenn Argel, Lauralee Uyemura, Christian Pangayan, Joshua Faga, Christopher Hughes.

Bus Operator Class 211 Graduated September 29, 2017



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: Romualdo Matias, Aaron Porlas, Aundria Haiola, Spencer Doulatram, Jordan Okimoto, Garrick Militante.
Back Row: William Field, Marjorie Feliciano, Joshua Seals, Harry Kaihana, Jon Neill, Matthew Jon.

Bus Operator Class 212 Graduated October 27, 2017



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: Richard Kapuaala, Richard Parmenter, Carolyn Galago, Moega Misiata, Patrick Fauafa, Robert Wagner, Quincy Au, Flynn Labuguen.
Back Row: Joe Casillas, Alnoy Phithamma, Dustin Mokulehua, Nioi Heleloa, Ratsmy Pounpanya, Michelle Miner, Kahalaomapuana Jose.

Bus Operator Class 213 Graduated December 14, 2017



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: Sean Moon, Jason Bell, Lyle Asato, Donna Taumua, Chantell Mugaotega, Henry Anoc, Raymond Letatau, Charles Akana, Samuel Dahle.
Back Row: Ruben Scott, Ferdinand Delos Santos, Rocky Lacuesta, Ana Marie Mariani, Robert Cullen, Rahunath Vijayakumar, Gregory Sullivan, Harmonie Momoa.

OTS 2017 COSPLAY WINNERS



HALLOWEENIEST
Traci Tsuda

VILLIAN/NIGHTMARE
Sonia Marumoto

HERO
Joseph Hoopili

FANTASY
Gayle Fung

BEST GROUP
Purchasing Dept.

New OTS 'Ohana

Employee	Title	Date of Hire	Employee	Title	Date of Hire
BOYLE, TIMOTHY	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	SULLIVAN, BARRY	Bus Operator	11/23/16
DAVIS, KELLY	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	TREADWAY, TYRONE	Bus Operator	11/23/16
DENNIS, CHARLES	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	URIBE, EDUVIGES	Bus Operator	11/23/16
GUSMAN, RODNEY	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	YOUNG, HENRY	Bus Operator	11/23/16
KO, ROBBIE	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	LEE, JARED	Bus Operator	11/23/16
SUMAILO, DELBERT	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	LEE, TYLER	Bus Operator	11/23/16
TAUALA, ANOSAU	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	SAKIHARA, MAX	Entry Timekeeper	11/28/16
TORRES, TROY	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	YAMANE, KELSEY	Paratransit Sr. Admin. Clerk	12/02/16
UNUTOA, JUSTIN-JAY	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	MATSUMOTO, SHANE	HEM - Body Shop	12/12/16
WAHILANI, PURDYKA	Paratransit Operator	06/25/16	RUIZ, RANDY	Paratransit Mechanic	12/16/16
MANTANONA, NATHAN	Paratransit Mechanic	07/07/16	PALEA, JAMES	HEM - Electrician	01/03/17
DALO, CHRISTIAN	Paratransit Mechanic	07/11/16	KAMARK, KAUIONALANI	Temp. Paratransit Sr. Admin. Clerk	01/09/17
NELSON, BRAEDEN	Paratransit Mechanic	07/11/16	PAGULAYAN, JONATHAN	Storekeeper	01/09/17
CARVALHO, ASHLYN	Paratransit Lead Clerk	07/18/16	SIMMS, CHARLES	HEM - Running Repair	01/19/17
BINGO, HOKUKEHA	HEM - Running Repair	07/18/16	PUPU, JOSHUA	Temp. Entry Counting Room Clerk	01/23/17
CASIM, DIANA	Paratransit Reservationist	07/26/16	INOUE, AUSTIN	Paratransit Operator	02/04/17
WAHILANI, CHEYENNE HOONANI	Temp. Paratransit Reservationist	07/26/16	PAVAO, DAMON	Paratransit Operator	02/04/17
ABEAR, DELIA	Bus Operator	08/18/16	SESEPASARA, JAS	Paratransit Operator	02/04/17
KNEERAM, ROSS	Bus Operator	08/18/16	TOMONAGA, STACEY	Paratransit Operator	02/04/17
MEDEIROS, CHAD	Bus Operator	08/18/16	SMITH, ROBERT	Storekeeper	02/16/17
AKANA, MICHAEL	Bus Operator	08/18/16	CRUZ, ROBERT	Paratransit Fueler/Cleaner	02/21/17
KAUWALU, KANDEL	Bus Operator	08/18/16	HERNANDEZ, GLEN	Paratransit Mechanic	02/21/17
MURRAY, KRISTOPHER	Bus Operator	08/18/16	MCDONALD, DANIEL	Temp. Paratransit Reservationist	02/21/17
SOUZA, CHRISTINE	Bus Operator	08/18/16	TABON, DEXTER	Paratransit Fueler/Cleaner	02/21/17
YACAPIN, CHARREL	Bus Operator	08/18/16	AGLIA, SHANE	Mechanic Helper	02/21/17
ABARO, EDEN	Paratransit Operator	08/27/16	MANTANONA, LOGAN	Service Attendant	02/21/17
ANDERSON, SEAN	Paratransit Operator	08/27/16	KAHALEUAHI, DAWN	Bus Operator	03/02/17
CABRERA, JAMES	Paratransit Operator	08/27/16	KING, SANDRA	Bus Operator	03/02/17
HIRATA, DEAN	Paratransit Operator	08/27/16	MONICO, DANIEL	Bus Operator	03/02/17
RIVIERA, FRANK	Paratransit Operator	08/27/16	FITE, WALTER	Bus Operator	03/02/17
TOME, TALAMELEKE	Paratransit Operator	08/27/16	HAYASE, TRACY	Bus Operator	03/02/17
VILLARINO, JESUS ELMER	Paratransit Operator	08/27/16	HOLTZMAN, LUCY	Bus Operator	03/02/17
NOLAND, SUMMER	Entry Information Clerk	09/01/16	JAMES, BRUCE	Bus Operator	03/02/17
BALDONADO, TEDOMAR	Paratransit Mechanic	09/06/16	KAMAKANA, JAMES	Bus Operator	03/02/17
YUEN, EDWARD	Paratransit Fueler/Cleaner	09/13/16	LEMAFA, ROBERT	Bus Operator	03/02/17
NEEDHAM, CHARLES	Paratransit Fueler/Cleaner	09/23/16	MASUISUI, BREW	Bus Operator	03/02/17
AGUILAR, LUCILLE	Bus Operator	10/06/16	MENESES, ERIN	Bus Operator	03/02/17
LARRY, EPHREM	Bus Operator	10/06/16	PAGLINAWAN, DAVRY	Bus Operator	03/02/17
MAKESI, SAMUEL	Bus Operator	10/06/16	RAMONES, MARY	Bus Operator	03/02/17
TAM SING, ALBERT	Bus Operator	10/06/16	SOFA, MALISSA	Bus Operator	03/02/17
BANEGAS, VERONICA	Bus Operator	10/06/16	SPERRY, KEVIN	Bus Operator	03/02/17
HUNKIN, POUONO	Bus Operator	10/06/16	SULA, CODY	Bus Operator	03/02/17
KALUA, SINDI	Bus Operator	10/06/16	SARRIA, ANTHONY	Temp. Paratransit Reservationist	03/20/17
MILLER, KAHLE	Bus Operator	10/06/16	MATSUKADO, LEANN	Entry Bus Pass Clerk	04/03/17
PENEKU, KELLETT	Bus Operator	10/06/16	KELE, KEONE	Paratransit Fueler/Cleaner	04/03/17
RETUTA, RONALD	Bus Operator	10/06/16	MORINAGA, JASON	Service Attendant	04/03/17
TAUAEFA, TERRY	Bus Operator	10/06/16	MAKAKOA, IOANE	Service Attendant	04/10/17
VENTURA, DESTINY	Entry Counting Room Clerk	10/17/16	OCARIZA, WILLIAM	HEM - Body Shop	04/10/17
ONISHI, ROYCE	HEM - Running Repair	10/17/16	GUSILATAR, ROWENA	Temp. Entry Planning & Data Clerk	04/17/17
LEWIS-VAGAI, SIULAGI	Entry Bus Pass Clerk	11/01/16	BRANCH, JON	Journeyman Tradesperson	04/17/17
TAKAHASHI, JIRO	Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Manager	11/01/16	ARLES, MARTIN	HEM - Running Repair	05/11/17
LEONG, MARISSA	Temp. Para. Reservationist	11/07/16	FUJIKAMI, LANCE	HEM - Air Condition	05/11/17
SONE, DAVID	HEM - Radio Tech/Electrician	11/16/16	TABIOS, HENRY	Paratransit Mechanic	05/15/17
AGOR, ANJELICA	Bus Operator	11/23/16	NAONE, KAWIKA	HEM - Brake Shop	05/22/17
CABASAG, SIERRA	Bus Operator	11/23/16	STILLMAN, SHAWN	Paratransit Mechanic	06/01/17
GIONSON, JACOB	Bus Operator	11/23/16	ALBIN, SHERYCE	Bus Operator	06/03/17
GUMBAN, CLINTON	Bus Operator	11/23/16	ASTRANDE, DARREN	Bus Operator	06/03/17
KAIWI, ADAM	Bus Operator	11/23/16	AURIO, ABRAHAMALFRED	Bus Operator	06/03/17
KAPIHE, ROBERT	Bus Operator	11/23/16	BANAS, WILFREDO	Bus Operator	06/03/17
KEALOHA, SALINA	Bus Operator	11/23/16	EGLORIA, RAYMOND	Bus Operator	06/03/17
RANDALL, JAYDEE	Bus Operator	11/23/16	ERICE, LESLIE	Bus Operator	06/03/17
SALES, PHILROBINSON	Bus Operator	11/23/16	EVAIMALO, NUMIA	Bus Operator	06/03/17
SISAVANG, JENNIFER	Bus Operator	11/23/16	HEDEMARK, DARIN	Bus Operator	06/03/17
			KAAHANUI, STEVEN	Bus Operator	06/03/17

Employee	Title	Date of Hire	Employee	Title	Date of Hire
KODAMA, RYAN	Bus Operator	06/03/17	PORLAS, AARON	Bus Operator	10/02/17
MIYASHIRO, ZACHARY	Bus Operator	06/03/17	SEALS, JOSHUA	Bus Operator	10/02/17
NICOLAS, LANZE	Bus Operator	06/03/17	DOMINGO, CLAIRE ANN	Entry Maintenance Clerk	10/09/17
RAMORAN, AURELIO	Bus Operator	06/03/17	ABRAHAM, SHANE	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
RIVERA, CHERRISA	Bus Operator	06/03/17	AGUINALDO, WILLIE	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
SARAMOSING, JEREMY	Bus Operator	06/03/17	ALINSUNURIN, CONRADO	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
TORRES, RODNEY	Bus Operator	06/03/17	BELIZON, MICHAEL	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
WOLTERS, WILLIAM	Bus Operator	06/03/17	CAMPBELL, JACQUELINE	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
MCCOLGAN, JAVIER	Service Attendant	06/05/17	CORREA, MELANIE	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
JOHNSON, CLIFFORD	HEM - Air Condition	06/05/17	DULDULAO, SHAUN	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
MORALES, TRENTON	Mechanic Helper	06/05/17	KLOPP, JOANNE	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
ALVARADO, DAVID	Service Attendant	06/26/17	MANATAD, JEFFREY	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
CADIENTE, MARLYNN	Temp. Paratransit Reservationist	06/27/17	SCANLAN, STANLEY	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
CHING, JACQUELINE	Temp. Paratransit Reservationist	07/03/17	SIMO UTAI, DOLORES	Paratransit Operator	10/14/17
WASANO, KIARA-LIN	Paratransit Finance Intern	07/03/17	CRUZ, MICHAELA	Temp. Paratransit Reservationist	10/23/17
PEREZ, RUTH	Temp. Entry Inventory Clerk	07/03/17	AU, QUINCY	Bus Operator	10/30/17
GASTON, RODNEY	HEM - Body Shop	07/05/17	CASILLAS, JOE	Bus Operator	10/30/17
WANG, ZHIEN	Software Engineer I	07/10/17	FAUFA, PATRICK	Bus Operator	10/30/17
ONO, PATRICK	Storekeeper	07/17/17	GALAGO, CAROLYN	Bus Operator	10/30/17
YAMAGUCHI, MICHAEL	Storekeeper	07/17/17	JOSE, KAHALAOMAPUANA	Bus Operator	10/30/17
MONSELL, CHAYMES	Temp. HEM - Quality Assurance	07/17/17	KALUA HELELOA, NIOI	Bus Operator	10/30/17
KIM, JOHN	Vice President, Finance & Admin.	08/01/17	KAPUAALA, RICHARD	Bus Operator	10/30/17
CABRADILLA, REXON LLOYD	HEM - Running Repair	08/01/17	LABUGUEN, FLYNN	Bus Operator	10/30/17
COLBURN, KAEO	Paratransit Operator	08/05/17	MISIAFA, MOEGA	Bus Operator	10/30/17
LAUIFI, TYLER	Paratransit Operator	08/05/17	MOKULEHUA, DUSTIN	Bus Operator	10/30/17
REZENTES, MARK	Paratransit Operator	08/05/17	ORTIZ, MICHELLE	Bus Operator	10/30/17
WOLL, KIERAN	Paratransit Operator	08/05/17	PARMENTER, RICHARD	Bus Operator	10/30/17
KUNI, JONATHAN	Service Attendant	08/10/17	PHITHAMMA, ALNOY	Bus Operator	10/30/17
NOA, BLAISE	Service Attendant	08/10/17	POUNPANYA, RATSMY	Bus Operator	10/30/17
MACATO, DAVID	HEM - Running Repair	08/10/17	WAGNER, ROBERT	Bus Operator	10/30/17
ALLERDINGS, MICHAEL	HEM - Radio Tech/Electrician	08/10/17	MEDEIROS, DOMINIC	Temp. Utility Worker	11/01/17
COLLIER, SHJANELLE	Entry Information Clerk	08/16/17	ESTACIO, MARK	HEM - Brake Shop	11/13/17
MULLER, CAREY	Temp. Paratransit Reservationist	08/16/17	MAMUAD, REGGIE	Service Attendant	11/13/17
PAULINO, IVANIA	Confidential Clerk II	08/16/17	NAGLE, JONATHAN	Temp. Journeyman Tradesperson	11/13/17
MERCADO, PAULINE	Clerk Steno	08/16/17	ALFORD, KEONI	Paratransit Operator	12/14/17
GONZALEZ, CHERIE	Temp. Paratransit Reservationist	08/28/17	BENEDICTO, GLENN	Paratransit Operator	12/14/17
AGBAYANI, CILIN	Bus Operator	09/01/17	COSTELLO, JASON	Paratransit Operator	12/14/17
ARGEL, GLENN	Bus Operator	09/01/17	GATDULA, BRIAN	Paratransit Operator	12/14/17
FAGA, JOSHUA	Bus Operator	09/01/17	HILO, NATHAN	Paratransit Operator	12/14/17
GARCIA, KEALOHA	Bus Operator	09/01/17	KAE0, DELANO	Paratransit Operator	12/14/17
HUGHES, CHRISTOPHER	Bus Operator	09/01/17	KAUWE KAM, GARYLYNE	Paratransit Operator	12/14/17
KAHALEUAAHI, CECE	Bus Operator	09/01/17	LEE, SAMSON	Paratransit Operator	12/14/17
KUAMOO, JESSIE	Bus Operator	09/01/17	SOTERO, JOCELYN	Paratransit Operator	12/14/17
PANGAYAN, CHRISTIAN	Bus Operator	09/01/17	KURITA, MICHAEL	Paratransit Fueler/Cleaner	12/18/17
PORLAS, MARVIN	Bus Operator	09/01/17	CAMEROS, ELAINE KENLYNN	Entry Information Clerk	12/20/17
PURCELL, PETER	Bus Operator	09/01/17	PASCAL, MARK	Entry Information Clerk	12/20/17
SALE'IMOAA, CAMILLE	Bus Operator	09/01/17	PAULINO, CATRINA	Clerk Steno	12/20/17
UYEMURA, LAURALEE	Bus Operator	09/01/17	CADDALI, EDWARD	Paratransit Mechanic	01/02/18
FRANCO, HADEN DAN	Paratransit Mechanic	09/05/17	CAMPBELL, CHRISTOPHER	Mechanic Helper	01/02/18
NUEKU, BRAD	Paratransit Mechanic	09/05/17	PIRGA, MICHELLE	Clerk Steno	01/08/18
PANTOHAN, PALANI	Temp. Service Attendant	09/11/17			
SCHOONOVER, BRANDON	HEM - Running Repair	09/11/17			
ALULI, REANN	Bus Operator	09/15/17			
BULL, MATTHEW	Temp. Paratransit Reservationist	09/19/17			
DOULATRAM, SPENCER	Bus Operator	10/02/17			
FELICIANO, MARJORIE	Bus Operator	10/02/17			
FIELD, WILLIAM	Bus Operator	10/02/17			
HAIOLA, AUNDRIA	Bus Operator	10/02/17			
JON, MATTHEW	Bus Operator	10/02/17			
KAIHANA, HARRY	Bus Operator	10/02/17			
MATIAS, ROMUALDO	Bus Operator	10/02/17			
MILITANTE, GARRICK	Bus Operator	10/02/17			
NEILL, JON	Bus Operator	10/02/17			
OKIMOTO, JORDAN	Bus Operator	10/02/17			

Paratransit Van Operators Of The Month

September 2016
Jay Ishiyama

October 2016
Kalani Makekaku

November 2016
Kawe Williams

December 2016
Joseph Manog

January 2017
Gordan Tengan

February 2017
Timothy Lewis

March 2017
Simon Lam

April 2017
Danny Castillo

May 2017
Rueben Cezar

June 2017
Ladrakeus D. Martin

July 2017
Ralph H. Wilms

August 2017
Ariel Ponce

September 2017
Kyle Hussey

October 2017
John S. Okamura

November 2017
Jose Penera Jr.

December 2017
Albert L. Diggs

Paratransit Safety Awards

JUNE 2016

Eight (8) Year Award
Mark Jackola
Ten (10) Year Award
Joel Sagaysay
Thirteen (13) Year Award
Darlene Kawelo

JULY 2016

Five (5) Year Award
Jonathan Kahue
Samuel Kaleikoa
Six (6) Year Award
LaDrakeus Martin
Seven (7) Year Award
Eleanor Leusu
Eleven (11) Year Award
Lisa Parker

AUGUST 2016

Five (5) Year Award
Leilani Omeli
Eight (8) Year Award
Albert Maghamil
Nine (9) Year Award
Allan Sablan
Ten (10) Year Award
Eric Dixon

SEPTEMBER 2016

Five (5) Year Award
Jeffery Kwon
Six (6) Year Award
Jesse Kobylanski
Eight (8) Year Award
Loreto Bartolome
Nordine Espaniola
Shannon Itagaki
Ten (10) Year Award
Thomas Castro
Twelve (12) Year award
Theresa Gomes

OCTOBER 2016

Five (5) Year Award
Cynthia Robinson
Six (6) Year Award
Kevin Au
Rex DeJesus
Seven (7) Year Award
George Pusins
Eight (8) Year Award
Glenn Bocoboc
Nine (9) Year Award
Irene Baker
Ten (10) Year Award
Mercedes Laquihon
Ricky Quibodeaux

OCTOBER 2016 Cont.

Eleven (11) Year Award
Abram Cassel

NOVEMBER 2016

Five (5) Year Award
Danny Gervacio
Jose Penera
Six (6) Year Award
Jose Balaras
Ruben Pokipala
Twelve (12) Year Award
Marian Gaea

DECEMBER 2016

Five (5) Year Award
Lani Capua
Six (6) Year Award
Loimata Potoae
Fourteen (14) Year Award
Violet Ahia-Young
Randall DeGuzman

JANUARY 2017

Six (6) Year Award
Ronald Colling
Nine (9) Year Award
Benjamin Calamayan
Twelve (12) Year Award
Ruben Cezar
Fourteen (14) Year Award
Norman Cabalo
Desiree Harvey

FEBRUARY 2017

Five (5) Year Award
Reginamae Martin
Eight (8) Year Award
Patsy Scanlan
Nine (9) Year Award
Ranine Agag
Twelve (12) Year Award
Martin Luckhaus
Thirteen (13) Year Award
Stanley Souza
Fourteen (14) Year Award
Isaako Loa
Joselito Suga

MARCH 2017

Five (5) Year Award
Timothy Lewis
Jordan Moniz
Eight (8) Year Award
Elvira Pacarro
Ten (10) Year Award
Jacob Turner
Roy Uehara

MARCH 2017 Cont.

Eleven (11) Year Award
Jonah Mawae
Thirteen (13) Year Award
Robyn Freitas
Fourteen (14) Year Award
Ernie Haili
Lavone Ikeda
Ariel Ponce

APRIL 2017

Six (6) Year Award
Charlene Lawelawe
Seven (7) Year Award
Warren Oasay
Eight (8) Year Award
Roel Jandoc
Eleven (11) Year Award
Wendy Naile
Fourteen (14) Year Award
Faapale Sipili

MAY 2017

Six (6) Year Award
Gregory Chang
Amelia Willing
Nine (9) Year Award
Michael Woodward
Thirteen (13) Year Award
George Biacan

JUNE 2017

Five (5) Year Award
Robyn Antonio
Nine (9) Year Award
Mark Jackola
Gary Nettles
Ten (10) Year Award
Rodolfo Perucho Jr.
Eleven (11) Year Award
Joel Sagaysay

JULY 2017

Six (6) Year Award
Jonathan Kahue
Seven (7) Year Award
LaDrakeus Martin
Ten (10) Year Award
Bryan Natividad
Twelve (12) Year Award
Lisa Parker
Fourteen (14) Year Award
Darlene Kawelo

AUGUST 2017

Six (6) Year Award
Maximiano Jardin

AUGUST 2017 Cont.

Nine (9) Year Award
Albert Maghamil
Ten (10) Year Award
Allan Sablan
Eleven (11) Year Award
Eric Dixon

SEPTEMBER 2017

Five (5) Year Award
Joseph Manog
Patricia Quiambao
Six (6) Year Award
Leilani Omeli
Seven (7) Year Award
Jesse Kobylanski
Eight (8) Year Award
Eleanor Leusu
Kevin Takeda
Nine (9) Year Award
Nordine Espaniola
Eleven (11) Year Award
Loreto Bartolome
Thomas Castro
Thirteen (13) Year Award
Theresa Gomes

OCTOBER 2017

Six (6) Year Award
Samuel Kaleikoa
Jeffery Kwon
Seven (7) Year Award
Kevin Au
Rex DeJesus
Ryan Diez
Eight (8) Year Award
Pusins, George
Nine (9) Year Award
Glenn Bocoboc
Eleven (11) Year Award
Mercedes Laquihon
Ricky Quibodeaux

NOVEMBER 2017

Six (6) Year Award
Danny Gervacio
Jose Penera
Seven (7) Year Award
Jose Belaras
Ruben Pokipala
Nine (9) Year Award
Glenn Bocoboc
Ten (10) Year Award
Irene Baker
Twelve (12) Year Award
Abram Cassel
Thirteen (13) Year Award
Marian Gaea

Paratransit Class 57 Graduated August 26, 2016



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: **Talameleke Tome, Eden Chun, Renee Sellars, Noelani Delizo.**
Back Row: **Dean Hirata, Frank Riviera, Sean Anderson, James Cabrera, Jesus Villarino.**

Paratransit Class 59 Graduated August 4, 2017



Photo above (left to right): **Tyler Lauifi, Kieran Woll, Mark Rezendes, Kaeo Colburn.**

Paratransit Class 61 Graduated December 13, 2017



Photo left (left to right) Front Row: **Keoni Alford, Glenn Benedicto, Jason Costello, Brian Gatdula.** Back Row: **Nathan Hilo, Delano Kaeo, Garylyne Kam, Jocelyn Sotelo, Samson Lee.**

Paratransit Class 58 Graduated February 3, 2017



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: **Jas Seseapasara, Stacey Tomonaga.**
Back Row: **Thomas Pleimann, Damon Pavao, Austin Inouye.**

Paratransit Class 60 Graduated October 14, 2017



Photo above (left to right) Front Row: **Joanne Klopp, Dolores Utai, Michael Belizon, Conrado Alinsunurin, Shaun Duldulao, Jeffrey Manatad.** Back Row: **Willie Aguinaldo, Jacqueline Campbell, Stanley Scanlan, Shane Abraham, Melanie Correa.**

Holiday Luncheon 2016



KALIHI FACILITY ▲ ▼ **PARATRANSIT FACILITY**

▼ **PEARL CITY FACILITY**



Holiday Luncheon 2017

December 14, 2017



▲ KALIHI FACILITY

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Fare Collection Revolution in Hawaii

Jenny Lemaota

Senior Vice President & Assistant General Manager

Sometimes technology has a funny way of making me wonder about all the possibilities that are still out there to make day-to-day life better! From asking “Alexa” to find my favorite Journey song to turning my home alarm on/off while in another state via my phone, all I can say is, “What’s next?”

For the past few years, the City and County of Honolulu (City) has been working on a new electronic fare, account-based smart card system. After careful evaluation of the various system options and what would seamlessly work with existing and future public transit in Hawaii, the City is on the verge of launching its own smart card system.

The overall vision is to provide Hawaii’s public transit customers with a seamless way to purchase and use public transit including bus, rail, bike-share, and possibly car-share in the future. The smart card system will be implemented on TheBus first. TheBus customers will be

able to load their smart card with different products (monthly, annual, day passes, or cash value to be used on the bus only) at the Bus Pass office, City Satellite offices, retailers like 7-Eleven, or on ticket vending machines, smart card website and phone. If customers opt to register their smart



cards online, they will be able to manage their smart card(s) online such as loading products, checking balances, canceling lost/stolen card, and moving value to a new card.

The customers’ experience on TheBus will also be immediately enhanced. They will be able to quickly “tap-on” without the hassle of looking for exact change, and in the near future, they will “tap-on” to the City’s up-and-coming rail system using the same smart card.

What does this mean for our fearless bus operators? The City is expecting a quicker transaction time as customers load the bus. Paper products like passes will no longer exist and have to be closely scrutinized for validity. When customers tap their smart cards onto the bus validator, the operator will see a green light for a valid card and a red light for invalid card.

Cash will still be accepted on TheBus for single trips. Maybe one day we will be able to say Aloha Oe to cash as well.

The City’s plans to install the new smart card system are already underway. By early next year you’ll see the smart card validators on the buses. The pilot program is scheduled to start in June 2018. Stay tuned for more information!!

In Memory of . . .

Bert H. Arakawa passed away on July 29, 2016. Mr. Arakawa was employed with MTL, Inc., on July 2, 1973. He retired on January 1, 2008, as a Central Radio Controller with 35 years of dedicated service.

Gilbert Rivera Sr. passed away on August 18, 2016. Mr. Rivera was employed with HRT, Co., Ltd. on March 3, 1966. He retired on May 1, 2000, as a Bus Operator with 34 years of dedicated service.

Joseph M. Engle passed away on September 9, 2016. Mr. Engle was employed with MTL, Inc., on January 18, 1982. He retired on February 1, 2014, as a Mechanic Helper with 28 years of dedicated service.

Augustin Almodova passed away on December 28, 2016. Mr. Almodova was employed with HRT, Co., Ltd. on January 17, 1947. He retired on September 1, 1988, as a Counting Room Supervisor with 41 years of dedicated service.

Myra Canines passed away on January 28, 2107. Ms. Canines was employed with MTL, Inc., on September 10, 1974. She retired on May 1, 2013, as a Bus Operator with 39 years of dedicated service.

Walter R. Rowland Sr. passed away on February 10, 2017. Mr. Rowland was employed HRT, Co., Ltd. on April 22, 1947. He retired on June 1, 1990, as a Chief Storekeeper with 43 years of dedicated service.

Rodney Y. Tomita passed away on March 1, 2017. Mr. Tomita was employed with MTL, Inc., on March 3, 1980. At the time of his passing Mr. Tomita was a HEM-Upholsterer with 37 years of dedicated service.

Gary Kim passed away on March 23, 2017. Mr. Kim was employed with OTS, Inc. on March 12, 1994. He retired on December 6, 2004, as a Bus Operator with 10 years of dedicated service.

Melvin M. Ito passed away on April 25, 2017. Mr. Ito was employed with MTL, Inc. on June 6, 1981. He retired on July 1, 2010, as a Storekeeper II, Step II with 29 years of dedicated service.

C. Kealii Bertrand passed away on June 11, 2017. Ms. Bertrand was employed with OTS, Inc. on September 27, 1992. She retired on August 1, 2011, as a Bus Operator with 23 years of dedicated service.

Annie V. Kaawa passed away on June 12, 2017. Ms. Kaawa was employed with OTS, Inc. on September 10, 1974. She retired on June 5, 2007, as a Bus Operator with 33 years of dedicated service.

Operator Safety Awards

Month	Years	Month	Years
July 2016		March 2017	
John Keanini	21	Edward Kama Jr.	27
William Vasconelles	27	Derek Lauronal	20
August 2016		April 2017	
John Pang	22	Alan Lalau	22
		Robert Shinsato	23
September 2016		Fred Tauvela	20
Eloy Birtodaso Jr.	21	May 2017	
Michael Moya	26	Keith Souza	33
October 2016		Jason Hoshida	26
David Kilborn	26	June 2017	
Edward Nakamura	40	David Kasaoka	43
November 2016		Derwin Yamaguchi	36
Donald Chang	40	July 2017	
Karl Delos Reyes	20	John Keanini	22
William Hepa	20	Adam Lalau	24
Erik Kam	26	William Vasconcelles, III	28
Herbert Titcomb	32	August 2017	
December 2016		Stanley Abalos	24
Terry Caberto	31	Roslynn Dunaway	21
Iameli Kaio	31	Paul Fernandez	35
Tadena Lorenzo	20	John Pang	23
Scott Ludington	20	September 2017	
Douglas Perry	23	Eloy Birtodaso	22
Terry Pruitt	20	Paul Coleman	24
January 2017		Alan Farias	32
Leighton Loo	20	Linda Kauhini	29
February 2017		Patrick Lum	20
Lincoln Alvarez	35	Michael Moya	27
Tony Medina	22	Vance Vidinha	27
Derrick Tanaka	34	October 2017	
George Wong	28	Aaron Iramina	20
March 2017		Wanda Kekua	20
Susan Bega	28	David Kilborn	27
Edwin Dela Rosa	25	Robert Yamaguchi	20

Bus Operators Of The Month

KALIHI DIVISION

PEARL CITY DIVISION

September 2016

Robert Shinsato

September 2016

Rodney Alesna

October 2016

Georrine Akiona

October 2016

Albert Pablo

November 2016

Sii Maiava

November 2016

Raymond Chun

December 2016

Ashly Garcia

December 2016

Jane Ching

January 2017

Richard Ramseyer

January 2017

Victor Olegario

February 2017

Scott Staszko

February 2017

Evan Souza

March 2017

Mose Tuumalo Jr.

March 2017

Melia Ke-A

April 2017

Glenn Balais

April 2017

Rogelio Cajimat

May 2017

Roslynn Dunaway

May 2017

Peter Liashenko

June 2017

Robert Mokuau

June 2017

Lucky Gray

July 2017

Clifford Helepololei

July 2017

Tony Choe

August 2017

Bette Poli

August 2017

Pamela Self

September 2017

Sang Choe

September 2017

Spencer Miller

October 2017

Dino Jones

October 2017

Lynette Cazimero

November 2017

Herbert Titcomb

November 2017

Christopher Kam

December 2017

Glenn Gima

December 2017

Kevin Holu

In Memory of . . .

Randy T. Fernandez passed away on June 15, 2017. Mr. Fernandez was employed with OTS, Inc. on October 24, 1981. He retired on May 1, 2012, as a Bus Operator with 31 years of dedicated service.

William Panui passed away on July 11, 2017. Mr. Panui was employed with MTL, Inc., on July 6, 1981. He retired on October 1, 1996, as a Paratransit Customer Service Supervisor with 37 years of dedicated service.

Derek Gasper passed away on August 25, 2017. Mr. Gasper was employed with MTL, Inc. on January 9, 1979. He retired on December 1, 2015, as a Bus Operator with 36 years of dedicated service.

Glenn Ida passed away on August 28, 2017. Mr. Ida was employed with MTL, Inc., on November 13, 1976. He retired on September 1, 2009, as a Bus Operator with 33 years of dedicated service.

Dean Rodrigues passed away on November 10, 2017. Mr. Rodrigues was employed with OTS, Inc. on December 5, 2009. At the time of his passing Mr. Rodrigues was a Road Supervisor with 8 years of dedicated service.

Charles Kaeo passed away on November 27, 2017. Mr. Kaeo was employed with MTL, Inc., on November 9, 1973. He retired on June 1, 1999, as a Bus Operator with 26 years of dedicated service.

All-Electric Buses Are Coming!

Jenny Lemaota

Vice President & Assistant General Manager

The State's dependence on imported fossil fuels with volatile prices is no secret. Fuel prices are relatively low to what we experienced just a few years ago when prices neared \$5.00 per gallon; but as we all know, that will not last forever. This, in addition to striving for a cleaner environment, has driven state regulations and now Hawaii has one of the most aggressive renewable electricity goals at 100 percent from renewable resources by 2045 (a combination of solar, wind, and geothermal). This is a tremendous task for our State and the City & County of Honolulu plans to make its bus and paratransit systems valuable partners in attaining the State's goal.

The majority of Hawaii's fossil fuels go to transportation, making Oahu Transit Services, Inc. (OTS) one of the top consumers of fossil fuels in Hawaii. The enhancements in electric vehicle technology over the past ten years makes it clear that electric buses will no longer just be a topic of discussion at OTS. Batteries are becoming smaller, cheaper and are providing more range than ever before. Most vendors are claiming 200 plus miles on a single charge with one claiming 1,000 miles on a single charge.

The front runners of electric buses include Proterra, BYD, and New Flyer. In October 2017, Gillig announced its partnership with Cummins on all-electric buses. It is very encouraging to see our partners like Gillig, who is the largest all-American bus manufacturer in the United States, enter the all-electric bus platform.

What does this mean for OTS? Change and excitement! We will need to rethink our traditional operation model, invest in infrastructure, and most importantly, invest in our people with education and technical training.

Be on the lookout for electric buses early next year. The City is expecting some vendors to put on a demonstration of their electric buses in Hawaii for a few months. Also, the City received a \$1.45 million federal grant for the purchase of fully electric buses. The federal grant along with City-matched funding will be used to purchase at least three buses and the related charging infrastructure that would be rolled out in 2019. This pilot program will give the City the chance to put the electric bus technology to the test in Hawaii's dynamic environment.

2017 OTS Friends and Family Fishing Tournament

MEN

White Ulua /Papio 1st Reid Ogata 21.05 lbs
2nd Daven Tong 4.3 lbs

Omilu 1st Miles Kaneshiro 15.4 lbs
2nd Bobby Spry 2.25 lbs

Oio 1st James Williams 5.10 lbs
2nd Drake Fuchigami

Other 1st Tyler Simao 27.9 lbs Kagami
2nd Alan Hanson 8.35 lbs Paopao

WOMEN

1st Jen Menor 3.5 lbs White
2nd Nicole Yanagihara 2.45 lbs Omilu
3rd Jessica Haleck 1.2 lbs Omilu

TEEN

No fish caught

KEIKI

1st Esiah-James Fines 6.35 lbs Nenu
2nd David Kaya 4.15 lbs Nenu
3rd Tyler Hiranaka 2.6 lbs Oio

INVASIVE

Largest Weslan Kobayashi 1.7 lbs Toau
Most Reid Ogata 18 fish
Smallest Jed Wakui .2 lbs Taape



Seven Retired Honolulu Buses Find New Purpose on Big Island.

Herb Barboza

Vice President, Maintenance

Earlier this summer, seven 1997 forty-foot Gillig buses were retired and subsequently donated to Hele-On Bus on the Big Island of Hawaii. All seven buses started their service life supporting the Halawa Division operation back in 1997. In 2002, a decision was made to move the 300-series fleet from then the Pearl City Division to the Middle Street location. In 2016, the City began the process of retiring and replacing the 300-series fleet.

It's not a well-known fact that the 300-series fleet is the only bus fleet I'm aware of that served out of three separate divisions during three separate times in history. By redirecting the seven buses from retirement back into revenue service on the Big Island, these seven buses will have now served four different locations on two different islands. I believe it's a fact worth mentioning.

The decision to donate the seven retired buses came at the request of Hele-On Bus. It was reported that 25 of the 55 Hele-On Bus fleet was out of commission as a result of pending major repairs. Limited resources coupled with high service demands made it difficult for Hele-On Bus officials to keep their aging fleet service ready. It is thought the additional seven buses will go a long way in complimenting Hele-On Bus's fleet numbers and allowing for some much needed relief in meeting daily vehicle assignment.

I believe the larger story comes with the fact that the Maintenance Department of Oahu Transit Services, Inc. does such a fine job of maintaining the City's capital assets that those assets can continue to service yet another entity after retirement. The donated buses are twenty years old and have accumulated over 800,000 revenue miles. I fully expect those seven buses to continue on and service the Big Island community for another 200,000+ miles.

The mere fact that twenty year old buses have maintained a state of good repair which lends itself to be redirected back into service after retirement, speaks volumes about OTS's maintenance program. A strict regimen of factory recommended maintenance practices coupled with on-time scheduling is the true game changer. Once again, the men and women of OTS Maintenance have demonstrated their level of commitment and expertise. Job well done!



Photo Above: **Hawai'i County Mass Transit Administrator Curtis Sharp, Mayor Kirk Caldwell, O'ahu Transit Services General Manager Roger Morton, Department of Transportation Services Deputy Director Jon Nouchi.**

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Calendar of Events

January

- 1 - New Year's Day Holiday - Sunday Schedule (AZ off)
- 14 - Deadline to submit "Division Transfer" memos to Dispatch
- 15 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday - State Holiday Schedule
- 29 - Regular Run Sign-Up: Start Time 1:30 p.m. at both divisions
- 30 - Regular Run Sign-Up: Start Time 9:00 a.m. at the Pearl City Division
- 30 - Regular Run Sign-Up: Start Time 1:30 p.m. at the Kalihi Division
- 31 - Regular Run Sign-Up: Start Time 9:00 a.m. at both divisions

February

- 5 - Regular Run Sign-Up: Start Time 9:00 a.m. at the Kalihi Division
- 9 - Presidents' Day Holiday - Saturday Schedule
- 13 - Relief Run Completion: Start Time 9:00 a.m. at the Pearl City Division
- 14-15 - Relief Run Completion: Start Time 9:00 a.m. at the Kalihi Division

March

- 4 - Effective Start Date of the March Sign-Up
- 26 - Prince Kuhio Holiday - State Holiday Schedule

March *Continued*

- 30 - Good Friday - State Holiday Schedule

May

- 28 - Memorial Day Holiday - Sunday Schedule (AZ on)

June

- 2 - Last Day of March Sign Up
- 3 - Effective Start Date of the June Sign-Up