

**SLC CLASS OF 1955
CHRISTMAS PARTY 2014
REPORT**

At the Waialae Country Club, at 10:30 A.M., on Thursday, December 11th, 34 of us gathered to celebrate Jesus' birthday; and to greet one another with good cheer and wishes for prolonged health. This, in order that we might see each other again, next year for the 2015 Christmas Party celebrations.

Louis & *Barbara Paresa*, as is their continual gift to us, set each table setting with a nicely wrapped container of *Barbara's* "famous bread pudding" for us to take home.

We were called to "assemble" at around 11 A.M., Bernard **Freitas** was called up to say the Opening Prayer, and as usual, his Pule was magnificent. Then we quickly coursed through the Buffet line. Lots of great food, and we were the "first in line" which related to getting everything before items ran out. Then too, the Dessert Table was a smorgasbord of "goodies", all of which was hell on our Diabetes Management styles.

Then, the M. C. for the event was introduced: "Ladies & Gentlemen, I give you **MIKE LYONS**!" Thunderous ovation was Mike's as he snookered the whole gang into "clapping their hands" as part of a supposed relaxation exercise. Mike was fantastic and had the room laughing and laughing at his jokes and "observations". He was so good that he was tasked (shanghaied) to be the M.C. at next year's Christmas Party.

There were some "new faces": Robert **Caires** was there with a guest; Walter **Hosokawa** came with his wife, and George Mauiola brightened up the room with his presence. Nice to see you all, guys. Hope that your presence at our meetings and social events becomes repetitive. We miss you guys!

Johnson Yee moved about freely and with "speed", in order to validate our party with his pictures and videos. To see pics click on

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Our Chairman, DAMIEN **FARIAS** spoke about the upcoming (2015) 60th Reunion anniversary planning. The Oahu venue (Luau) will be on May 2, 2015, at the SLAA clubhouse, and the "KANAK ATTACK" food group has been tasked to provide the Luau food. We are still working on the Mainland (Las Vegas) venue.

Bernard Freitas then got up and sang "his Christmas song", C-H-R-I-S-T-M-A-S, (you still got it Bernie). Fred **Hackbarth** was called on to say the closing prayer; and he did it so very well.

Everyone having something to do with the Christmas Party, was thanked for their kindness; the most important of all were Stanley & **Doris Osada** who sponsored our event.

And then, it was time to go. These parties are getting to be a bit emotional, as leaving encouraged all to reflect on the goodness of God and the short life spans of us and our friends.

A hui hou, until next Christmas!

