

CLASSMATES REMEMBA WEN.....

Alan Aana

- Playing "guava fights" in the empty dirt lot behind Mom's house in Palolo.
- Catching The Bus after body surfing at Kuhio Beach, carrying my homemade "paipo board".
- Wiping out real bad at Makapuu.
- Hiking along Palolo Stream to find the start. Picking the wild "pe pe yau" from kukui trees.
- Hanging out at Rainbow and Chunky's Drive Inn.
- Drag racing at "Tunnels" and Kunia Road.
- Bowling at Kaimuki Bowl when there were "pin boys".
- Winning the Best Patrol at the Island-wide Boy Scout Jamboree held at Diamond Head Crater.
- Being told to stay away from the "housing" and Jarrett Intermediate.
- Playing hide and seek at the Palolo Pumping Station.

Lorna Ho Cross

- Cutting raw sugar cane from the Makiki sugar cane research facility near the overpass

Lynn Knudsen Fragas

- Lani Moo at Meadow Gold Dairies in Niu Valley and her yearly birthday party, where you had to get on stage and sing to get a half pint of chocolate milk or a milk nickel.
- Hansens' Egg Farm in west Niu Valley.
- Niu Valley with no homes in the valley.
- The end of the bus line on the mauka side of what is now Kahala Mall.
- A two lane road to Portlock Road and beyond. No Hawaii Kai in existence. Koko Head untouched.
- The Lims' Carnation farms east of Lunalilo Home Road.
- No homes on any ridges east of Waialae Kahala.
- Glass balls in the "rubbish pile" floating off the west side of Haunama Bay.
- The "meat market" and dairy farm in the back of Kuliouou Valley.
- The Kaimuki Theater at the "top of the hill" in Kaimuki, where you went to celebrate your birthday and meet your friends on Saturday mornings.
- The 1953? Tsunami; filling sand bags to keep the water out of the neighbors' house. Brother Herb out catching the waves to shore.
- Picking only enough ogo for our needs.
- Being able to throw net from the shore to catch fish large enough for a meal.
- Wild tomatoes.
- They weren't kidding when they called Kamuela, where I now live, "God's Country". I am amazed on a daily basis at the richness of this town and it's environs. I have wild turkeys and pheasants (and chickens too) coming into my yard almost on a daily basis. Everything grows so lushly (even the weeds!), and where else would you be pulling out the sweet smelling ginger because it's a pest?

Patricia Bains-Jordan Haller

- The huge Tamarind tree at the bus stop across the street from UHS (and today finding tamarind candy for sale)
- Eating Tomoe Ami candy when it was still affordable (from the Chink Store by Punahou)
- Wearing DRESSES and “high heels” to school in junior high – and WANTING to do it!
- Making a bound book to write poems (was this 6th grade?) which I still have!
- Dancing and decorating May Day Poles in Elementary grades
- Going to the end of the city bus line and catching the “Country Bus” from Aala Park to go home after school (scary!)
- Listening to J. Aku-Head Pupule on the radio
- Using up the sour poi by mixing it with milk and sugar to make a Poi Milkshake
- Finding wild purple lilikoi along the old Nuuanu Road
- Catching crayfish and guppies in Manoa Stream in the 1950’s when Manoa was still small
- Quonset hut camping right on Makaha Beach with no other neighbors in sight
- Finding and tossing out puka shells at Makaha before they meant anything in the jewelry market
- Catching small hammerhead sharks to use the heads as bait to lure the huge Samoan crabs at Kewalo Basin
- Safely sleeping overnight right on the sand at Pokai Bay, Waianae (Kids, don’t try this!)
- The old Arakawa’s store in Wahiawa
- Not even daring to answer “Yeah” to our parents (had to be “Yes”!)
- Memories of Aiea:
 - Aiea census of less than 300.
 - Walking home 2 ½ miles uphill after school because no bus went to the top of Aiea Heights Drive.
 - The huge garbage pit at the Keaiwa Heiau, Aiea - swinging on a Tarzan tree swing (and falling in once on top of the rusty cans and broken glass).
 - Going “Frogging” as a kid in Aiea Stream and eating the ono fried frog legs afterwards.
 - Homemade frog-skin tom-toms stretched over a coffee can.
 - Safely sleeping overnight as young girls alone at Keaiwa Heiau (no can do now).
 - Cock fights at our neighbor’s house with all the neighborhood men in attendance .
 - The sweet smells from Lyndsey Carnation Farm at the top of Aiea.
 - Paying 25 cents to go to Aiea Star Theater – after paying for one movie, if you were good, you got free ticket for the next movie.
 - Willy’s Chinese Restaurant being the most formal and best restaurant in Aiea.

Joseph Fred Hilton

- Going to Pawa Theater on Saturday mornings to attend the "Mighty Mouse Club" and watch cartoons, sing songs, play games and see cowboy movies, all for 10 cents. What a bargain.
- Mynah Bird Drive-In
- Village Inn
- The old Like Like Drive-In
- The original K.C. Drive-In
- Kau Kau Korner (Coco's)
- Scotty's Drive-In
- Kapiolani Drive In Theater
- Waialae Drive in Theater
- Ala Moana Center Phase One
- Pawa theater, Liberty theater, King, Queen, Palace and Royal theaters
- The Civic Auditorium
- Andrews Amphitheater
- The Poi Boys (Tom Rounds, Dave Donnelly, Bob Lowrie-The Beard, Ron Jacobs, Jack Kellner, Tom Moffat and the Coke hi-Fi Club)

Louneille Ching Michinaka

- Teachers mimeographing copies on that old hand cranked machine in the room across the library or using that purple gel in the baking pan?!
- Singing the Korean Arirang song and others taught by Mrs. Yang and making mundoo, too!

Glenn Sakimura

- Reading Dick and Jane (and Spot) in a group in the hallway of second grade. First days of third grade one new boy wen beef with one oldtimer boy on the steps of third grade.
- Sent to principals' office for pulling out one chair under one girl in fourth grade.
- Pulling shades down of those humongous windows and crawling under the tables in "air raid drills" in fourth grade.
- Making and selling Kim Chee, making book, printing "Little Peepers" calendars, camping at Camp Kokokahi in Mrs Yang's fifth grade class.
- Watching plays (Momotaro, etc) and putting on plays (I forgot what was) in the "match box" auditorium.
- May Day on the Metcalf lawn.
- Lining up and marching onto the Metcalf lawn in fire drills with the ringing of the fire triangles.
- Well, classmates, that building is gone now (destroyed in fire yesterday –I passed by during– how tragic and sad), but the memories are still there and priceless.
- But one of my fondest memories of elementary school was hanging out with others (Kamala, Patrick, Sharlene, Michelle, Lynn Nakamura, Pepe, Jeannie, Nakashima, Phyllis Minn, etc.) everyday after school waiting for our parents under the kiawe tree outside the steps of the sixth grade building (still there)

Tommy Tanimura

- Rainbow Rollerland on Keeaumoku Street. It's the first place I ever saw french fries of all things.
- Hanging out at College Inn before and after school.
- In the 7th grade before the locker rooms were built, at the end of P.E. Mr. Tominaga (and I think it was Mr. Chang) used to have all of the boys stand on the concrete stairs mauka of the Barn and shoot us down with a garden hose. We used to have to take home our wet shorts, T-shirts and BVDs in our towels. I can't remember what you girls did?
- When we finally could drive, I remember trying to "powershift" on the parking lot road beginning at the Industrial Arts Building and ending up where the old library was.
- I think I spent practically one whole summer at the Wall trying to learn to body surf with Nelson and Tsuji. I don't think I caught a single wave the whole summer. Fortunately, I didn't know any better and had a great time.

Marilyn Lum Wild

- Being able to park on the street in Waikiki...next to the seawall
- No a/c. Getting into the car with hot hot vinyl seats after a trip to the beach. So hot, you're sitting on your wet towel until you get moving. Roll down your windows, push out the wings, head out to one of the shave ice joints along King or Beretania-10 cents, 15 cents for shave ice w/beans. Now, how much?

Norma Imada Yamamoto

- Black and white tv
- Dressing up (men in suits, women in dresses) to go to the mainland... 9 hours prop airplane ride and having all your friends and neighbors bring leis to see you off.
- Black rotary dial telephone
- 5 digit telephone number
- Catching the HRT (Honolulu Rapid Transit) to school, transferring at the "bottom" of the hill.

Roy Yempuku

- Getting up by the cannery whistle and coming home by the Aloha Tower horn
- Eating purple plum and making your mouth pucker up

Carl Yorita

- Big family dinners at Wo Fat, the best Chinese food in town-uncles drinking the whiskey bottles set in the center of the table-white tablecloths, etc.
- Hiking through all the beautiful valleys, drinking from the clear streams, full of oopu and crayfish.
- Forests full of lilikoi, bananas, ulu, ginger, etc. The clear, clean air, filling your lungs with it till you ached.
- Skindiving and seeing live coral of all colors, reefs teeming with fish, aku boats at Kewalo Basin filled with fresh aku, ahi, mahimahi, etc.
- Going for saimin at many small places-Smith Street saimin, Hall Saimin, etc. Long nights of talks filled with youthful dreams, romance at a distance, glances of affection.