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ALLAN YAMAMOTO

Man in the Mirror

When a group of friends joined David Ishii in forming his non-profit foundation over a decade ago, they established a board of directors led by respected business and community leaders with executive experience and financial expertise. All shared a love of golf as well as a belief that the game could serve as a valuable tool in shaping the leaders of tomorrow.

Not all of them were great golfers, however. One who was David's long-time friend and mentor, Allan Yamamoto. The two share some things in common. Both grew up on the Neighbor Islands—David on Kauai and Allan on Maui. Both are members of the Hawaii Golf Hall of Fame.

Their lives differ on other counts. David took up golf as a youngster, guided by people like his father, Chica, and coach Toyo Shirai. Allan, on the other hand, did not take up golf until the age of 25. A strapping 6-1, Allan established himself athletically as a baseball and basketball player in Spreckelsville, Maui.

"I don't think golf was even considered a sport back then," Allan reflects with a grin, although it did provide him with a source of employment. "We used to caddy at the Maui Country Club (a private, nine-hole course located in Paia). I was 12. We got paid 25 cents for nine holes and 50 cents for 18 holes."

After graduating from Baldwin High School, Allan flashed his baseball skills at first and third base for the University of Hawaii at Manoa. He added pitching to his resume when the team transitioned from a civilian to an Armed Forces League schedule, which extended the season to 40-plus games. "We had to play three games a week, which meant we didn't have enough pitchers," he explained. Allan was good enough to be invited to play

pro ball in Japan for the Daiei Unions, a team owned by the Daiei Motion Picture Company.

After returning to Hawaii, Allan resumed his education at UH. "Richard Hadama from Kauai was our quarterback," he recalls. "He had a set of clubs." Golf classes at the time were held in the Quarry. "We used to stand at opposite end zones at old Cooke Field and hit balls to each other," Allan admits. He caddied for UH golf coach Dr. Ed Chui and picked up the game from there. From those modest beginnings, Allan went on to amass one of the most renowned careers in Hawaii golf, including State Amateur, Maui Open, Mid-Pacific, Navy-Marine, and State Open titles, amongst others.

David was in high school when he first met Allan on trips to Oahu. "Allan was the best. Everyone looked up to him," David says. "He was a trendsetter. Whatever he played everybody else wanted to copy. We got to play with him. He gave us clubs... he was always helping young golfers..."

Allan was named head professional at Pearl Country Club in 1979, then later opened his own golf shop. "He helped me get started as a professional," David says. "I owe everything to Allan."

Allan helped other up-and-coming golfers over the years—Kevin Hayashi, Beau Yokomoto, Mark Takahama, Jerry Mullen and Guy Yamamoto, to name a few—often hiring them to work at his shop. "Everyone used to hang around his shop," David recalls. "They would go over there to talk story and listen to his stories."

Indeed, one might say that one of Allan's greatest gifts is his ability to make people feel comfortable. "He's like a natural magnet," David adds. "Age is not a factor, because he never talks down to anyone."



Allan is "a natural magnet," says David Ishii.

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David S. Ishii, President
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The ties between Hawaii and Japan run very deep. And, while the connection between the terrible disaster in Japan and the work of our Foundation might not seem obvious at first, a human tragedy of this scale cannot help but affect all of us on different levels for a very long time.

Already we see that travel between Hawaii and Japan has been severely curtailed, for many Japanese feel it is not right to enjoy themselves while others are suffering so much. The auto industry is also being adversely affected.

But this is far more than an economic issue. We have all been moved by stories of the resilience and courage of the Japanese people, and there are many noble efforts to raise money here to help them to recover.

In the wake of everything that has been going on in the world, and especially in Japan, we are just so grateful for what we have, including the support from everyone – sponsors, volunteers, friends, family – so that we can do what we do to help our youth through the game of golf.

HIADA AWARD

Keith Amemiya presents David with Hawaii Interscholastic Athletic Directors Association (HIADA) Special Service Award at the 2010 DSIF tournament awards ceremony. The HIADA award recognized David for his long-term service to and support of high school athletics, including the work of the David S. Ishii Foundation in supporting high school golfers for more than a decade.



Mission of the David S. Ishii Foundation

A non-profit corporation whose primary mission is to promote and advance the game of golf, and to educate the public as to its benefits to society.

A Word About Our Newsletter

Through the Green is the official newsletter of the David S. Ishii Foundation. The USGA defines the phrase “through the green” as “the entire golf course, except for tees, greens and designated hazards.” In tournament play, the phrase is used to mean that everything else is “in play.”

Through the Green is the Foundation’s way of saying to Hawaii’s young golfers: pursue your goals, play it as it lies, and strive to be the best you can along the way...

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2010 Yasuko Asada Memorial College Scholarships

The DSIF Yasuko Asada Memorial College Scholarship Awards were presented at the 10th Annual DSIF Golf Tournament held on June 10, 2010, at the Pearl Country Club. Four outstanding Hawaii high school seniors received \$2,500 scholarships:

- **Ryan M. Marvick**, Kealakehe High School, Wesleyan University
- **Caitlyn K. Miyamoto**, Baldwin High School, Chaminade University
- **Liana L. Otake**, Maui High School, University of Hawaii at Manoa
- **Alex F. Wong**, St. Anthony, University of Connecticut

The DSIF scholarship program is dedicated to the memory of longtime friend and supporter Ms. Yasuko Asada. The awards are intended to encourage the pursuit of higher education by members of high school golf teams in Hawaii who have demonstrated a high level of academic achievement.

New Guidelines/How to Apply

Starting in 2011, the foundation will grant two scholarships (one boy and one girl) valued at \$4,000 each. Checks of \$1,000 to be made payable to the awardee and his/her school each year that the recipient attends for a total of four years. Verification of student status will be required each year. Applications must be



(L-R): David Ishii, Ryan Marvick, Alex Wong, Liana Otake, Caitlyn Miyamoto and Dayton Asato at the 2010 DSIF Tournament banquet.

postmarked by April 30, 2011.

Eligibility: Applicants must graduate high school in the 2010-2011 academic school year, be an active member of a high school golf team in Hawaii, and plan to attend college full-time leading to a baccalaureate (4-year) degree at an accredited college or university located within the United States.

For information and application forms, please visit www.davidsishiifoundation.org. Questions can be directed by email to: Dayton Asato, DSIF College Scholarship Committee Chair, at: d810@yahoo.com.

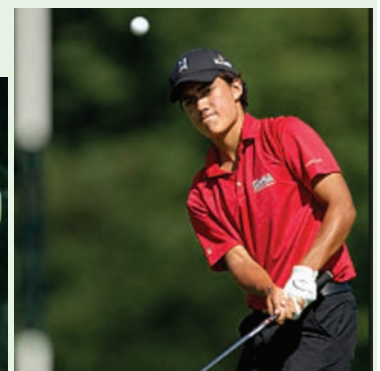
Boys U.S. Junior Amateur Travel Stipend

The DSIF Boys U.S. Junior Amateur travel stipend provides assistance to male junior golfers who qualify to compete in the national amateur championship. Female golfers receive financial support from the Hawaii State Women's Golf Association.

In 2010, Maui golfers Justin Keiley of Haiku and Aaron Kunitomo of Lahaina carried the Hawaii banner to the U.S. Boys Junior Amateur golf tournament held July 19-20 at the Egypt Valley Golf Club in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Both Keiley and Kunitomo earned their place in the tournament at the USGA Junior Amateur sectional qualifier held at Makaha Resort & Golf Club in June 2010. The DSIF helps to subsidize the cost of travel up to \$500 per golfer.

Applicants must submit a completed application and tournament entry form. Recipients must also turn in a written report within 30 days of the tournament completion.

For additional information and to download an application, go to www.davidsishiifoundation.org, or contact Guy Yamamoto, DSIF Boys Junior Amateur Travel Stipend Committee Chair, at 688-2104.



(L-R): Keiley, Kunitomo

2010 DSIF HHSAA State Golf Championships

Punahou swept both the Boys and Girls team championships at the 2010 David S. Ishii Foundation/HHSAA Golf Championship. Both Boys and Girls tournaments were held concurrently May 4-5 at the 36-hole Turtle Bay Resort on the North Shore of Oahu.

The Punahou boys enjoyed an 8-shot margin of victory over Iolani and Moanalua, who tied for second, followed by Kamehameha (Oahu) and Baldwin. The Punahou girls also won by 8 strokes over second place Baldwin, followed by Waiakea and Kauai high schools.

Campbell High School sophomore Rudy Cabalar, Jr. took the boys individual title in a playoff over Nainoa Calip from Kamehameha (Big Island). Cabalar shot the low round of the tournament, a three-under 69, on the final day to tie first round leader Calip. Cabalar then birdied the first playoff hole to capture the win.

Baldwin's Cassy Isagawa (73-74—147) won the girls individual honors by one stroke in another tightly contested victory over Kauai High School's Kelli Oride (74-74—148). Iolani's Marissa Chow shot the low round amongst the girls with a one-under 71 final round. She finished in a tie for third with Alina Ching of Punahou.



Punahou boys and girls golf teams pose for a joint photo op with coach Ed Kageyama (far right).



David Ishii congratulates the individual boys top finishers.

2010 Team Results

Boys

1. Punahou: 299-307—606
2. Moanalua: 305-309—614
3. Iolani: 309-305—614
4. Kamehameha (Oahu): 321-312—633
5. Baldwin: 321-324—645
6. Lahainaluna: 328-320—648
7. Seabury Hall: 342-315—657
8. Waiakea: 334-324—658
9. Campbell: 343-322—665
10. Aiea: 341-341—682

Girls

1. Punahou: 229-226—455
2. Baldwin: 229-234—463
3. Waiakea: 240-477—477
4. Kauai: 243-238—481
5. Moanalua: 254-246—500

Boys Individual (Top 10)

1. Rudy Cabalar, Jr. (Campbell) 72-69-141*
2. Nainoa Calip (Kamehameha-BI) 71-70-141
3. Aaron Kunitomo (Kamehameha-Maui) 74-72-146
4. Lorens Chan (Iolani) 74-74-148
5. Justin Keiley (Baldwin) 76-73-149
6. Jae Maeng (Moanalua) 75-74-149
7. Brian Lee (Punahou) 73-76-149
8. Bradley Shigezawa (Punahou) 73-76-149
9. Ryan Kuroiwa (Aiea) 74-76-150
10. Alika Bell (Kamehameha-Oahu) 78-73-151

**won in playoff*



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State Golf Championships



David congratulates the top-performing girls with their individual medals at the 2010 DSIF/HHSAA state tournament at Turtle Bay.

Girls Individual (Top 10)

1. Cassy Isagawa (Baldwin) 73-74-147
2. Kelli Oride (Kauai) 74-74-148
3. Marissa Chow (Iolani) 79-71-150
4. Alina Ching (Punahou) 75-75-150
5. Marissa Suehiro (Punahou) 75-76-151
6. Eimi Koga (Moanalua) 78-73-151
7. Michelle Condry (Punahou) 77-74-151
8. Nani Yanagi (Waiakea) 74-77-151
9. Cyd Okino (Punahou) 79-74-153
10. Charlee Kapiioho (Iolani) 75-78-153

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Pearl Country Club

2010 DSIF Tournament Highlights

(Right) Great eats and treats greet golfers both on and off the course.



(Below-right) Golfers search for great, one-of-a-kind deals at the silent auction.



(Right) Platinum sponsor Yoshie Yoshikawa. (Below) Part of the gang on the 1st tee at Pearl, where teams could purchase a long, straight drive for just \$10.



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Allan Yamamoto...

David also found Allan's teaching method to be unique. "It's not based so much on theory or doing things in a specific way. His approach is more practical, because everybody is different—people's body type, their limitations. He tries to help the not-so-good golfers, too. 'Try this,' he'd say. Sometimes he would tease them, make it fun. People enjoy playing with him; he puts a smile on people's faces."

On these key issues, Allan and David again seem to mirror each other. "I watch David giving lessons sometimes and I shake my head," Allan says. "He drops whatever he's doing to give lessons to those kids. They are his



priority. Not just the good ones, either. Some can't even break 100. He doesn't have to do that. His only reward is to see that his student got better. Yeah, David is one of a kind—they threw away the mold."

"You know what he does?" Allan adds. "I saw him pay his student one dollar for every ball he chipped into the basket—out of his own pocket! He obviously doesn't do it for money. David does it because he gets the big picture. Unlike some others, David feels like he owes it to the game of golf."

Allan might shake his head in disbelief, but he need only find a mirror to see how David might have gotten such crazy notions.



Friends through time: (Above-left) Party at Pearl Country Club, circa 1985. (Above-right): David's Yakudoshi in 1996.

