

President Rich Proctor called the November 24, 2020, zoom meeting to order at twelve noon and exuberantly welcomed all attendees. Jim Reed gave an inspiration recalling memorable Thanksgivings of his past. **President Rich** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Al Linton** sang "America the Beautiful". Meeting guests included Mr. Yamanaka from Kyoto, Cean Tukes (guest of **John Keene**), PDG Del Green, Nancy Youngren, Byron Eliashof, and Scott Wishart. **Richard Hunter** is the only birthday of the upcoming week. The week's club anniversaries are Jake Jacobs (30 years), Ann Miller (4 years).

Trustee Chair **Carolann Biederman** announced the many additional John Warren and Maile Hale Fellows resulting from the recent campaign. There were 24 John Warren and 38 Maile Hale donors who reached the next \$1000.00 mark. She explained the Maile Hale donations augment the club's endowment and are restricted. John Warren funds support the many club service projects. **Carolann** announced the final campaign total of \$110,123 and thanked everyone for their support. **President Rich** announced members would shortly be receiving a letter asking for their generous support of the Centennial Park Waikiki project.

President Rich asked members to reach out to fellow members who are not attending the zoom meetings, encouraging them to join the group. The meeting was turned over to break-out sessions with the question "What are you grateful for this Thanksgiving?"

Member **Joanna Amberger**, an evening law student, introduced the speaker Camille Nelson, the new dean of the William S. Richardson School of Law at the University of Hawaii. Dean Nelson has many accomplishments in the field of law, including serving as Dean of American University Washington College of Law, and the first woman and person of color to serve as Dean of Suffolk University Law School in Boston to name a few of many. (See last Friday's *Tradewind*.) Dean Nelson spoke generally and in specific about "The Future of the Law School". The pandemic has caused a disruption in education, the past ways will not be those of the future. It is a time to think outside of the box. There will be many constraints, budget issues, and chaos raising the question of how to address the new abnormal. The post-pandemic climate for law schools will be one of hyper competition. Students will be able to attend law school *non situate*, giving rise to increased admissions competitions and adjustments of colleagues to zoom teaching. The pandemic shows how internet connectivity cannot be denied. It will be important for law schools to focus on mental health and wellbeing issues that have surfaced during the pandemic. The stress of the pandemic, the racial reckoning, and the election have brought to the surface latent mental ill health, e.g., depression. Schools need to converse about how to address the heightened student expectations, cultural competence, hiring practices, ideology and political diversity, the climate of justice and inclusion, the environment, and access to health care. Innovation of technology and a virtual strategy to give greater access, diversity and support is necessary. She discussed tuition costs and that returning to last year is not possible. It is time to be in conversation with city leaders, the community and the justice

department. Dean Nelson thanked the club for her invitation to speak and agreed to a Q & A, which followed.

President Rich announced next week's speaker will be Colonel Speros Koumparakis, commanding officer at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, and that there will be a meeting of the peacemakers committee after next week's meeting. After the closing song, he wished everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving and adjourned the meeting right on time.

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