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HAWAIIANS MAKE UP 1 IN
5 DIABETICS IN THE STATE

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Dayna Pa, who has Type 2 diabetes, holding son Dallas, with her doctor, Dr. Laurie Tom, on right and Dr. Marjorie Mau, whose research has shown that social support plays a role in Native Hawaiians having healthier lifestyles. - Photo: John De Mello

OHA 30TH ANNIVERSARY

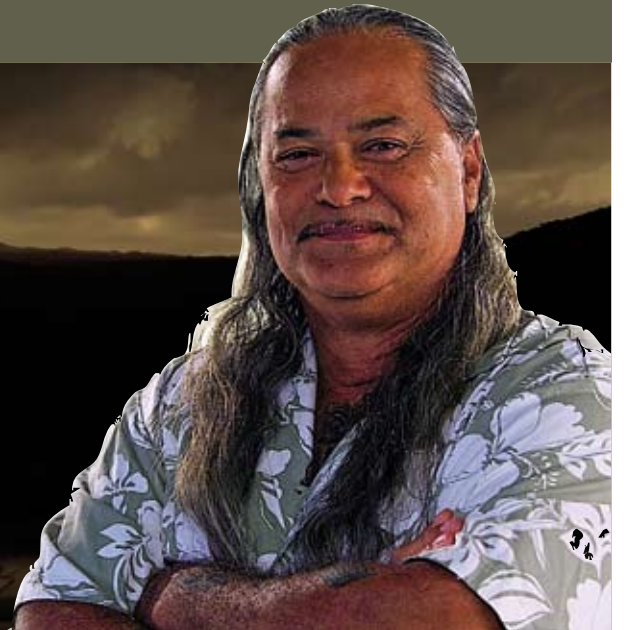


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It is often said that the health of a Hawaiian nation depends on the health of its people. At the Office of Hawaiian Affairs that sentiment is more than a saying, it is a strongly held belief. For how can the Hawaiian people truly flourish in the beauty of our culture, language, science, arts and traditions if our well-being is compromised?

In this issue, we tackle Native Hawaiian health head-on with our cover story by Kathy Muneno, *Diabetes Among Us*. A diabetic myself, it is a story that I – and perhaps many other Native Hawaiians – can relate to. Before diabetes can be stopped it has to be understood. We couldn't think of a better time to bring attention to Hawaiians and diabetes than now.

November is American Diabetes Month and the American Diabetes Association's movement to Stop Diabetes communicates the seriousness of the disease and the importance of prevention and control. Their campaign has again brought to light that Native Hawaiians are at high risk, six times as likely as Whites living in Hawai'i to die from diabetes, according to the Office of Minority Health.

Our health concerns don't stop there. Thirty percent of Native Hawaiians are more likely to be obese and to have high blood pressure, both precursors that can lead to serious chronic diseases. Some leading causes of death among Native Hawaiians are cancer, heart disease, accidents, stroke and diabetes. The life expectancy of Native Hawaiians is as much as 12 years less than other ethnicities in the state.

We need to change these statistics, and OHA has made it a priority to help improve the quality and longevity of life of Native Hawaiians. Our goal is for Hawaiians to enjoy healthy lifestyles and experience reduced onset of chronic disease.

Together we can build a healthy Hawaiian nation, one person at a time. One need not look further than our own ancestors to see a shining example of a healthy, thriving nation. Traditional wellness incorporated pono – the right balance of mind, body and soul. The traditional lifestyle was physically active and based on a simple nutritious diet that sustained a strong, industrious and healthy population.

We can all make healthier choices like having some fresh island fruit, going for a stroll outside or taking a dip in the glistening turquoise ocean. Through advocacy and education, OHA is helping

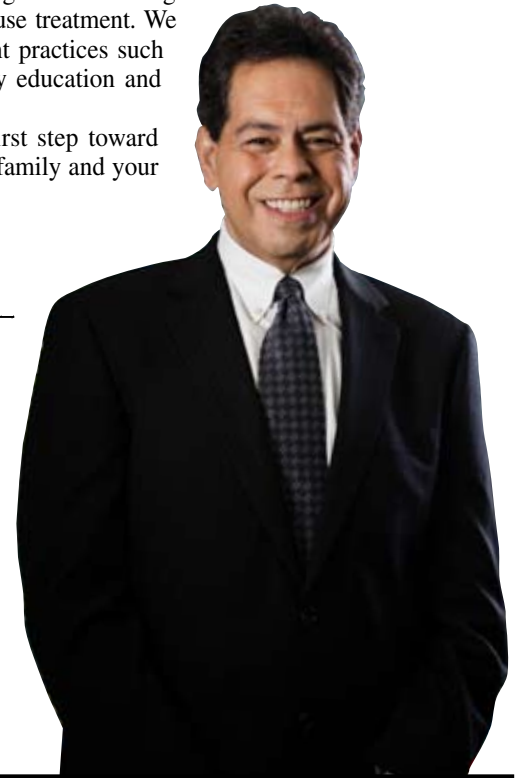
Hawaiian families actively improve lifestyle choices by engaging in health programs like weight loss, diet and substance-abuse treatment. We support family development practices such as prenatal screening, early education and family oriented activities.

Join us by taking that first step toward better health for you, your family and your community.

Me ka 'oia'i'o,

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GOVERNANCE

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To restore pono and ea, Native Hawaiians will achieve self-governance, after which the assets of OHA will be transferred to the new governing entity.



By Lisa Asato
Ka Wai Ola

Heading into the Nov. 2 General Election, gubernatorial hopefuls Neil Abercrombie and Duke Aiona laid out their records and visions for the state – and took jabs at their opponent’s – in an OHA-sponsored debate that addressed a range of Native Hawaiian and other issues, including ceded lands, Hawaiian language in public education, and the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act, commonly known as the Akaka bill.

Abercrombie said the bill, which would grant federal recognition of Native Hawaiians similar to what Native Americans and Alaskan Natives enjoy, has faced opposition from “some Senators, many of them Republicans, who did not want to see anything favoring native people” advance.

Abercrombie, who vacated his seat in Congress earlier this year to run for governor, said there’s still time for lawmakers to take up the bill post-election, adding, “I think we have an excellent chance to do that.”

Asked what he would do to shore up support for the bill among his fellow Republicans, Aiona said, “It’s a matter of building relationships and identifying who the leaders are in the Senate and making your pitch to them.” The election will decide who gets voted to Congress, he said, “I will take it from that point.”

At the state level, Abercrombie said that as a Democrat he would have an advantage in getting the Democratic-controlled Legislature to pass a settlement for past-due revenues owed to OHA. A ceded lands settlement reached in 2008

between the Republican Lingle administration and OHA has languished in the Legislature.

Aiona, the sitting two-term Lieutenant Governor, said he was most proud of the strides made over the last seven-and-a-half years by the state Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. “We’ve put more Hawaiian families on Hawaiian lands,” he said. “We have put 2,500 people back on Hawaiian lands.” He said an additional 1,300 homes are in the construction pipeline and 3,400 homes are in the planning phase.

The candidates were split on civil unions. Aiona said the issue needlessly “divided our community” and that the bill passed by the Legislature this year and vetoed by Lingle was “nothing more than a same-sex marriage bill” that should be addressed through the state’s practice of reciprocal benefits.

He further proposed a state constitutional amendment that would ask voters to agree or disagree with the statement that “marriage is defined between a man and a woman.”

Abercrombie disagreed, saying, “As a proponent of the Akaka bill and supporter of Hawaiian rights, the last thing on Earth we should be doing is trying to decide whether anyone is entitled to their civil rights.” He said civil rights infringements were seen here in Hawai’i during World War II when Japanese Americans were detained in camps. “Marriage is already defined in this state,”

Watch it on OC16

The “Race for Washington Place” debate is available on demand at Oceanic Cable digital channel 15

he said. “It will not come up again.”

On the issue of Furlough Fridays, Aiona said was wrong to use instructional days as furlough days because it cut into classroom time. He would have supported an across-the-board pay cut or other solutions that wouldn’t decrease instruction time, he said.

Returning often to the idea of the state getting its share of “federal dollars,” Abercrombie said there is untapped money that the state could use for everything from Furlough Fridays, staffing unfilled positions, energy, health care and plans for a public-health school at the University of Hawai’i.

Abercrombie said his running mate Brian Schatz is “ideally situated” to go after federal dollars and will do so. “The day of the ceremonial lieutenant governor is going to come to an end,” he said it was wrong.

Aiona, a former Circuit Court and Family Court Judge, said the next Governor will nominate three of five state Supreme Court justices and he would look for a nominee who had the “ability to rule according to the law as opposed to legislating from the bench.” Abercrombie said the most important factor is judicial temperament,

which the American Bar Association has defined as having compassion, objectivity, courtesy and “commitment to equal justice.”

Waving a “Hawaiians for Neil Abercrombie” sign in the throng outside the convention before the debate, Uncle Bob Tassill said he supports Abercrombie because of his stance that if you take care of the host culture first, everything else will fall into place. “When I heard that, I said, ‘He talking about me.’”

Tassill, a retired state worker who has supported Democratic governors since John Burns, noted that Native Hawaiians suffer from high rates of incarceration, chronic disease and high school dropouts. “You gotta take care of the host culture,” he said. “Where (else) we going?”

After the debate, Kekoa Wong, Chair of the Native Hawaiian Coalition for the Aiona-Finnegan campaign, said having a Hawaiian governor was important to him. “My loyalties run far in politics,” said Wong, a Hawaiian language teacher at Mililani High School. “People can’t fathom what my loyalties are to my people, whether they’re young or old or not born yet.”

Referring to Aiona, Wong said, “We come from the same mold, we come from the same Islands, so that’s where I gotta go.”

The 90-minute “Race for Washington Place” debate took place Oct. 12 in front of an audience of about 400 at the Hawai’i Convention Center. It was broadcast live on OC16, with OHA CEO Clyde Nāmu’o serving as a panelist along with Shawn Ching and Amy Kalili. Howard Dashefsky moderated. ■

The Race for Washington Place

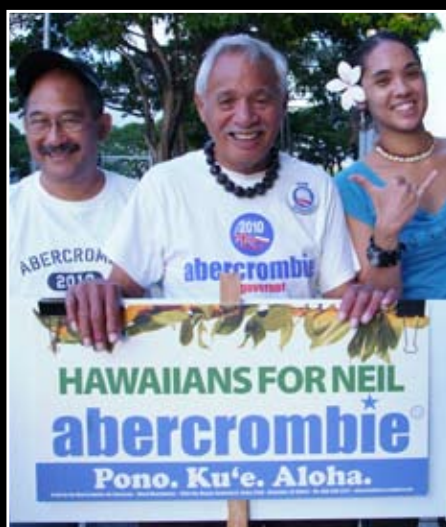
Voters will elect a new Governor on Nov. 2. OHA sponsored a debate to shine a light on the similarities and differences between the two leading candidates -- Democrat Neil Abercrombie and Republican James "Duke" Aiona. Here are photos from the Oct. 12 debate, which broadcast live from the Hawai'i Convention Center on OC16.



OHA Trustees Walter Heen, Oswald Stender, Boyd Mossman and Haunani Apoliona along with Pauline Nāmu'o and other community leaders settle in for the debate. - Photo: Nelson Gaspar



From left, OHA CEO Clyde Nāmu'o, fellow panelist Amy Kalili, OHA Chairperson Haunani Apoliona, Democrat Neil Abercrombie, moderator Howard Dashesky, Republican James "Duke" Aiona and panelist Shawn Ching. - Photo: John Matsuzaki



Greg Lui-Kwan, Uncle Bob Tassill and Keahi Lee show their support for the Democratic ticket of Neil Abercrombie and Brian Schatz in the hour before the gubernatorial debate. - Photo: Lisa Asato



Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor, Lynn Finnegan, rallies the troops at the Hawai'i Convention Center night as they await the arrival of her running mate, James "Duke" Aiona. - Photo: Lisa Asato



Gubernatorial candidates, Democrat Neil Abercrombie and Republican James "Duke" Aiona, share a moment of levity. - Photo: Nelson Gaspar



Kiran Ahuja, Executive Director of the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, after making her keynote address. - Photo: John Matsuzaki

By Lisa Asato
Ka Wai Ola

Calling it “the beginning of a new era of dialog and engagement between the islands and the federal government,” the Executive Director of the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders said she is committed to “making sure that every Asian American, every Native Hawaiian and every Pacific Islander has access to the federal services and protections needed to remove barriers that keep them from their potential.”

In an Oct. 12 keynote address at the ninth annual Native Hawaiian Convention, Kiran Ahuja also reaffirmed President Obama’s commitment to the Akaka bill and highlighted federal support of programs here, including \$75 million in Race to the Top funds for Hawai‘i public schools and \$1.5 million to the Wai‘anae Coast Comprehensive Health Center as part of a larger \$727 million in grants to community health centers under the Affordable Care Act.

She also announced, to loud applause, that the initiative’s next philanthropic briefing, which connects funders with community projects, will focus on Native

Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders. The initiative hosted a similar philanthropic briefing for Southeast Asian and Vietnamese fishermen in the Gulf Coast whose livelihoods were threatened after the BP oil spill, she said.

After the speech, Robin Danner, President and CEO of the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement, which organized the convention, called the announcement for a philanthropic briefing “truly historic.”

“That is a platform to be able to share all of the innovation of community organizations, Native Hawaiian practitioners and the ingenuity of our culture,” Danner said, adding, “It’s going to bring a light to that work, from foundations around the country that are completely unaware of things that can be replicated and duplicated here in the Pacific.”

Speaking to a crowd of about 400, including state and city lawmakers, OHA Trustees and staff and leaders in Hawaiian health, education, homesteads and business, Ahuja recognized Kamuela Enos of MA‘O Farms as a new member of the President’s Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, describing him as a “formidable force on the commission.”



OHA CEO Clyde Nāmu‘o. - Photo: Zachary Villanueva

Ahuja also described her upbringing in the Deep South as the daughter of Indian immigrants, where her parents ran a medical clinic in Savannah, Georgia. “I grew up knowing the feeling of being a small minority and the importance of minority voices,” she said, her voice cracking with emotion. “This place in the South far away from

my parent’s homeland is where my parents worked hard and where my brother and I grew up. It’s where we lived, played struggled and strived to realize the American dream. It is where my father struggled with a mental illness for most of his life, where my mother worked the flea markets to make ends meet, where unfortunately my brother committed suicide in his 20s. And where my parents survive only on Social Security during their retirement.

“It is also where I found my voice as a community advocate and why I am here with you today,” she said.

The visit to Hawai‘i was the first major outreach trip she and her staff have taken, she said. “We started here first with you.” While here, they conducted “more than 50 site visits and met with hundreds of people” in the community. “We have seen amazing, innovative examples in restoration and education and traditional Hawaiian fish-farming practices, organic food production utilizing the reliance and strength of young people, vibrant community health centers, charter schools that promote language and culture, and renewable energy projects run by small businesses and community organizations,” Ahuja said. “Through these examples, we see inspiration, pride and hope. We see communities collaborating to create solutions and models developed in Hawai‘i that we can replicate in other parts of the country.”

She also spoke of Hawai‘i’s natural beauty, but pointed to the spirit of aloha ‘āina, Hawaiians’ love and respect for the land, as an “incredibly profound and a lesson for all of us.”

“This same spirit has been kept alive by Native Hawaiians all these years through tragic disease, abandoned treaty and the overthrow of the sovereign kingdom,” she said. “These moments remind us of the injustices and the pitfalls of our nation’s long journey to perfect itself. ... That is why the Obama administration stands by its commitment to recognize Native Hawaiians and supports the Akaka Bill.”

Speaking earlier that day, OHA CEO Clyde Nāmu‘o said that OHA Trustees remain “steadfast in their support of the Akaka bill,” a Hawaiian recognition bill that is also known

as the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act. OHA has often fought court battles defending Hawaiian programs and the Akaka bill “will provide that legal shield,” he said, adding that there is still time to get a vote on the bill when Congress resumes after the elections.

Nāmu‘o also pointed to the findings of OHA’s new report *The Disparate Treatment of Native Hawaiians in the Criminal Justice System* that confirm what many in the field had long suspected. The report, available for download at www.oha.org/disparatetreatment, among other things, found that Native Hawaiian women make up half the state’s female incarcerated population. “The devastation on our communities is huge,” Nāmu‘o said.

OHA in fiscal years 2007 to 2009 awarded 468 grants and sponsorships for a total of \$51.9 million, with the greatest number of awards during that period going toward education and the largest awards going to housing, he said.

OHA was the title sponsor of the Oct. 12 to 14 convention at the Hawai‘i Convention Center. The catchall convention covered business, Pacific Islanders policy and grants, including OHA grants. At a pre-convention gathering, youth leaders drew up initiatives to present to the next Governor, which included tuition waivers for all Hawaiians attending the University of Hawai‘i, decreasing property taxes for Hawaiians, and having Hawaiians comprise more than half of the members on the state Water Commission. Speakers and other participants included U.S. Sen. Daniel Akaka, U.S. Rep. Mazie Hirono, gubernatorial candidates James “Duke” Aiona and Neil Abercrombie, OHA Chief Advocate Esther Kia‘āina, OHA Director of Research Kamana‘opono Crabbe, Melody MacKenzie of the UH law school and Kamaki Kanahale of the Sovereign Councils of the Hawaiian Homelands Assembly. At the pre-convention, OHA Trustee Walter Heen, a retired Judge and former state lawmaker, was recognized with a Kupuna Award for lifetime achievement from various groups led by the Native Hawaiian Legal Defense and Education Fund. ■

By Treena Shapiro

The past two decades have been a time of healing for Kaho‘olawe Island, as well as those dedicated to bringing the island back to life after almost 50 years of military bombing and target practice.

Today, bales of pili grass enclose broad expanses of red hardpan and unexploded ordnance, stalling further erosion of the once barren island. A flourishing field of a‘ali‘i and returning native birds and marine life provide encouraging glimpses of Kaho‘olawe’s renewal.

The island’s cultural rediscovery has been underway since 1976, when early members of the Protect Kaho‘olawe ‘Ohana set in motion a series of illegal occupations and a civil lawsuit against the military. The bold efforts to reclaim the smallest of the major Hawaiian islands revitalized interest in traditional Hawaiian culture and practices across the state.

On Oct. 22, 1990, President George Bush signed an Executive Order that brought the bombing to an immediate end. To mark the 20th anniversary, the ‘Ohana launched the Year of Kanaloa Kaho‘olawe – a time to celebrate, reflect on the island’s past and focus on how to elevate its status as a sacred place.

“The island is very special and has a very important role in perpetuating our Hawaiian cultural practices and reconstructing the original knowledge and science our ancestors have passed on in chants and mo‘olelo,” said Davianna McGregor, who represents the ‘Ohana on the Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission.

Ancient chants and archaeological evidence indicate the island was inhabited as early as 400 A.D. Originally named Kanaloa after the god of the ocean and the foundation of the earth, the island played an important role as a training place for navigators in early Pacific migrations. Those who settled on the island developed an intimate connection to the natural elements, and used their understanding of the relationships between the sky, ocean, land and living things to

20 years after the end of bombing, PKO marks Year of Kanaloa Kaho‘olawe

The Kūkulu Ke Ea A Kanaloa cultural plan developed by the Edith Kanaka‘ole Foundation for the Kaho‘olawe Island Reserve Commission will guide the island into a new era. - Photo: Courtesy of Momi Wheeler

HEALING KAHO‘OLAWE



Hundreds of volunteers worked tirelessly with the Protect Kaho‘olawe ‘Ohana to clean pili grass grown on Moloka‘i to thatch a new hale, Hale Hālāwai in Hakioawa. OHA funded a safety video to orient volunteers for their journey to Kaho‘olawe. - Photos: Courtesy of Kat Ho



This stone, Pokaneloa, is a type of sundial which our Hawaiian ancestors used to observe the equinox, Piko O Wākea. It is unique, found nowhere else in Hawai‘i. - Photo: Courtesy of Momi Wheeler



Protect Kaho‘olawe ‘Ohana members took part in an ‘awa ceremony as part of a dedication of a new Hale Hālāwai in Hakioawa in November 2009. - Photo: Courtesy of Kat Ho

develop sophisticated fishing and planting calendars.

“As Hawaiians, we want to engage more with the scientific knowledge our ancestors held and passed on to us,” McGregor said. “Kaho‘olawe gives us that opportunity to be immersed in the elements and get a deeper knowledge and understanding of the indigenous wisdom.”

Michael Naho‘opi‘i, Executive Director of the Kaho‘olawe Island Reserve Commission, visited the island for the first time in 1981 as a 15-year-old Kamehameha School student. “I remember not seeing one stick of grass, just exposed hardpan,” he said.

It wasn’t until he returned to lead the Navy cleanup in the early 1990s that he came to understand the significance of what he had seen, however, as he learned from those who came to the island for cultural reasons and to practice indigenous crafts.

The cleanup only cleared unexploded ordnance from 74 percent of the island’s surface, including 9 percent of its subsurface. The uncleared areas have challenged the commission to come up with innovative ways to restore native plants and maintain Kaho‘olawe for meaningful use.

In keeping with the vision to transform Kaho‘olawe into a center for cultural learning and scientific exploration, ancestral shrines, temples and historic places have been rededicated, hiking trails have been cleared and areas have been designated for cultural use. The plan calls for keeping the island untouched by development and agriculture and maintaining its isolation.

“It’s a place where people can experience full immersion in the traditional cultural practices without the interference of city life,” Naho‘opi‘i said.

Accessible only by boat, those who journey to Kaho‘olawe arrive with the same sense of purpose, he explained: “There are no tourists watching. It’s not for show. They’re doing it because they believe in it.” ■

Treena Shapiro, a freelance writer, is a former reporter for the Honolulu Star-Bulletin and Honolulu Advertiser.



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The 1970s are often described as the decade of the Hawaiian Renaissance. At a political level, one need not look further than the 1978 Constitutional Convention to see just how far the movement for Hawaiian rights coalesced to bring about much-needed change.

For the first time, the Hawaiian language would be recognized as an official language of the state. And, among other far-reaching advances, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs would be created as a state agency specifically to address Hawaiian issues. In this issue we commemorate 30 years of OHA's serving Hawaiians, with mana'o from past OHA Chairpersons as well as stories from the field – from scholarship recipients to community programs whose efforts took off with the help of an OHA grant. While we can't take all the credit for their success – because oftentimes it is a community effort – we are happy to have played a role.

Reflecting on OHA – past and future

As OHA marks 30 years, six former Board of Trustee Chairs chose to share their mana'o on two questions:

- 1. What has been the highlight of OHA's 30 years?*
- 2. What would you like to see OHA accomplish in the future, say the next 30 years?*



A. Frenchy De Soto

At-large

Served as Chair: 1980-'82, 1997-'98

1. I think that OHA proved that Hawaiians can work together if they put their heart and soul in it, although a lot of people will tell you they can't. ... OHA's achievement was in their Kau Inoa because what OHA did was go out and get people registered. Nobody cared before unless you were a Native – meaning half – Hawaiian and could qualify for a homestead. Alu Like did a program that was successful in many ways, but Kau Inoa was a good beginning and an attempt to register Hawaiians and that's important when many of them don't know their mo'o kū'auhau (genealogy).

2. In the future I want to see OHA successfully complete the ceded lands settlement (for past-due revenues).



Joseph G. Kealoha Jr.

Maui

Served as Chair: 1982-'86

1. This is premature but the passage of the Akaka bill will undoubtedly be my choice.
2. Support an initiative for the elimination of the blood quantum regarding the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, so Native Hawaiians aren't categorized by the percentage of one's

own blood for entitlements. Support an educational enhancement initiative to increase the percentage of Native Hawaiians graduating from college and higher education.



Rockne C. Freitas

At-large

Served as Chair: 1986

1. The most significant as far as I was concerned is that OHA now has a strong legislative presence (state and federal) and I like your position on the Akaka bill. It takes courage to take a stand on things. I'm an Akaka bill guy all the way. I also like the funding of Achieving the Dream with the Community Colleges that will give a lot of hope to the families that didn't even think about going to college.

2. I'm hopeful that OHA can get together with the other Hawaiian trusts to develop a comprehensive plan to collectively address the needs of the Hawaiian people and eliminate the duplication. For instance, if Queen Lili'uokalani Children's Center can take care of health, Kamehameha Schools can take care of education. ... I'd like to see everybody working together and not competing for the dollars.



Rowena Akana

At-large

Served as Chair: 1998-'99

1. Elected as a Trustee in 1990, I believe that receiving the 1993 settlement of \$129 million from the State for past-due ceded land revenues and growing the Trust Fund to nearly \$400 million by the year 2000, has definitely been a highlight. The partial settlement allowed OHA to contribute more to our beneficiaries through major grants in education, culture, advocacy and legal support to protect water and land rights. Being instrumental in changing county tax laws on each island to allow Kuleana land owners to pay a small flat property tax has been my most rewarding accomplishment.

2. As for the future, our Trustees must be visionary enough to set the parameters of what our new governing entity might look like. We must provide our beneficiaries with all the information they will need to help develop the governing documents as well as determine what kinds of powers it will have. There will be many parts to this process such as membership, districting, and rules for future candidates who will be elected to begin this very detailed and cumbersome task. An educated community will be able to make wise decisions. Mahalo for giving me the opportunity to serve you.

Mahalo to those who contributed writing for this piece:

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Veteran journalist **Diana Leone** runs a freelance writing and editing business, Leone Creative Communication, from Kaua'i.

Melissa Moniz, a former Associate Editor at *MidWeek*, has chosen a new career path as a full-time mom to spend more quality time with her husband and two young daughters.

Sage Takehiro is a Curriculum Developer for Mana Maoli, the nonprofit organization that founded Hālau Ku Mana New Century Public Charter School.





30 years of Empowering Hawaiians, Strengthening Hawai'i



Clayton H.W. Hee

O'ahu

Served as Chair: 1991-'97, 2000, 2001-'02

1. One of the major accomplishments during my time as Chair include growing the portfolio from \$19 million in 1990 to \$400 million in 2000. This financial growth allowed OHA to provide more services to its beneficiaries. A second accomplishment was OHA's critical role in establishing the Master of Arts degree in Hawaiian language with the University of Hawai'i Board of Regents as well as the Hawaiian Language College at UH-Hilo. Finally, the third major accomplishment was the purchase of Nāwahiokalani 'ōpu'u School at Kea'au. This K-12 school was the first Hawaiian immersion campus.

2. OHA must be the leader in the reconciliation efforts with the United States government for the illegal overthrow of the Hawaiian kingdom. In addition, OHA must lead the way toward the re-establishment of the Hawaiian nation. Finally, OHA must prepare itself to assimilate into the new nation with its resources becoming the basis of the new Hawaiian nation.



S. Haunani Apoliona, MSW

At-large

Served as Chair: 2000-'01, 2002-present

1. Restarting in 2002, \$9.5 million revenue payments increased to \$15.1 annually, despite Governor Cayetano's 2001 termination of all ceded land payments, resounds still. OHA revenues enable successful work by and for Native Hawaiians. Hawaiian issues have gained prominence at local, national and international levels. OHA has earned increased respect and support in representing Native Hawaiians. Articulate Native Hawaiian voices converge to advance self-governance in the context of achievable reality and "collective" political will of indigenous, native people of Hawai'i wherever they reside, enabled by accurate information on issues and by inspiring efforts of current and promising leaders.

2. OHA's stated intent to serve in a transition role toward Native Hawaiian self-governance must be achieved in the foreseeable future. Such transition actions will include: facilitating recognition and possible consolidation of current valid Native Hawaiian rolls/registries existing at local, state and federal levels; initiating appropriate legislation to protect Native Hawaiian public and private Trusts; proposing enabling legislation, at State and Federal levels, to amend current statutes in order to advance recognition and establishment of a Native Hawaiian governing entity; facilitating the formation of a tradition-based Native Hawaiian governing system or entity; and much more. E holomua kākou.

Two former OHA Chairpersons have passed away. Moses Keale Sr., a Kaua'i and Ni'ihau Trustee, served as Chair in 1982, 1986-'88 and 1990-'91. At-large Trustee Thomas K. Kaulukukui Sr. held the position from 1988-'90. We regret not being able to present a response from Louis Hao, who represented Moloka'i and Lāna'i and served as Chairman in 1988.

A lifetime of dedication



McDonald



Shimaoka



Valbuena

By Howard Dashefsky

Eighty-four years and counting. That's how long the trio of Gwen Valbuena, Thelma Shimaoka and Ruby McDonald has spent serving the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and the people it serves.

And together, they say there hasn't been a single wasted day, regardless of what happens.

"It's not a happy day every day," said McDonald, who works in OHA's West Hawai'i Community Outreach Office. "We have our ups and downs, and there are always challenges. But when we can help someone it feels great. That's when I feel a wonderful sense of accomplishment."

That sense of accomplishment is what keeps all three of OHA's longest-serving employees coming back for more. For Shimaoka, a Community Outreach Coordinator on Maui, it's all about being on the receiving end of a smile. Especially when it's one she played a role in creating.

"One of my most fulfilling moments was when a grandchild called and asked if we can help her tūtū who had been without teeth for several years," said Shimaoka. "Doing the legwork to find the resources in the community, and finally getting the good news from them that they can help our beneficiaries is one of most the fulfilling things about my job. Then when Tūtū comes in to thank you personally, and smiles without covering her mouth because she's no longer ashamed. That is the greatest fulfillment."

For Valbuena, an Accounting Assistant III on O'ahu, there are many stressful days. But she finds her joy in knowing she's part of the process that puts funding into the hands of the organizations that help Hawaiian people and communities. She also takes pride in what she has learned.

"The most memorable event for me is the Investiture, which happens every two years after election," said Valbuena. "For me, this started when Mr. Kamaki Kanahele was the Administrator. It was during this time that I learned about the culture and protocol."

Although they wouldn't ever dream of changing course, none of the three women ever imagined spending so many years with OHA.

Then again, they never imagined getting so much out of a career.

"For me it's very simple," said Valbuena. "The reason I am still here is because I like what I do, and the staff is like my second 'ohana.'"

Says McDonald: "I always feel good at the end of the day no matter what. We always try our best to provide information or answers, even if it's not what the people want to hear. And for me, it's very emotional because I always think of the others I have worked with who are no longer here. They gave me so much, and I am still here because of the guidance and mentorship that left an imprint so deep I continue to carry on their mana'o as they shared it with me." ■

All in the 'Ohana

Ruby McDonald

(started January 1982)

3 brothers, 2 sisters, 92 first cousins,
16 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren.
Hobbies include lei hulu, stenciling and gardening.

Gwen Valbuena

(started March 1982)

Married to husband Henry for 29 years. 3 children and
4 grandchildren. "My four grandchildren keep me young
at heart."

Thelma Shimaoka

(started July 1982)

5 children, 18 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren.
Hobbies include sewing and coin collection.

Ho'okahua Waiwai / Economic Self-Sufficiency



Makaweli Poi Mill worker Annie Lacro with a one-pound bag of poi from the Kaua'i mill where she has worked since 1997. OHA's ownership of the mill seeks to make reasonably priced poi available to more Hawai'i residents. - Photo by Diana Leone.

Kaua'i's Makaweli Poi expands reach to 4 islands



Cheryse Sana graduated from MA'O Organic Farms Youth Leadership Training with her associates of arts and certificate in Community Food Systems from Leeward Community College and now works full-time as Co-Manager at the farm while pursuing a degree in Hawaiian Studies. - Photo: Courtesy of MA'O Farms.

MA'O Farms growing food – and young leaders too



John Ka'ohelauli'i mentored daughter Jeni when she decided to open a fitness-wear store on Kaua'i. One of his business tips was: apply for an OHA Mālama Loan. - Photo by Diana Leone.

With OHA's revolving loan, what comes around goes around

Not all poi is created equal.

In Makaweli Poi Mill's case, the recipe includes not just the quality of the kalo or the way it is processed.

But also "to engage in cultural preservation. To preserve 20 farms in Waimea Valley and 13 jobs for Native Hawaiians (in the mill) and to educate people about poi and its health benefits," says Kanani Fu, Makaweli Poi Mill's Executive Director.

And to give Native Hawaiians access to reasonably priced poi.

Since OHA's subsidiary Hi'ipoi LLC took over operation of the Waimea mill in 2008, it has made a slow climb to greater productivity. The main reason the mill had slipped from its heyday of poi production in the early 1990s, Fu explains, is that some older West Kaua'i kalo growers were dying and their children weren't continuing to farm.

Former mill owner John A'ana saw the trend and decided he'd rather grow kalo than mill it. Now in addition to his own farming, he's been active in encouraging others to do the same, Fu says. The mill has also begun buying from farms all over Kaua'i – instead of just the West Side.

Last summer, the harvest of the larger plantings began to come in and the increase has allowed Makaweli Poi Mill to expand its marketing to all major islands, in addition to its steady catering customers.

Makaweli's distinctive poi can now be bought on Kaua'i stores: Times, Big Save Ishihara's, Kojima's and Foodland; KTA stores on the Big Island; Whole Foods and Times on Maui; and Times, Whole Foods, Fresh Catch and Tamura's on O'ahu.

Makaweli Poi's giant steamer cooks the kalo corms right in burlap bags from the fields, part of what gives it its unique flavor. Every corm is hand-trimmed before milling and the all-Kaua'i poi is not pasteurized, notes Fu.

Fu, who grew up eating poi regularly, wants to share with others the pleasure of poi as a staple food rather than just a special treat at lū'au.

Rice is cheaper. "But when people eat poi, they feel more connected to their culture," she says. And that, she believes, is success. —Diana Leone ■

In organic gardening, a well-prepared and fertile soil is the medium in which good fruits (and vegetables) grow.

MA'O Organic Farms in Wai'anae yields a double crop – the produce from its 16 acres of gardens and the maturing of young people in its farming and leadership programs.

MA'O, an acronym for Māla 'Ai 'Ōpio (Garden of Youth), is a project of the Wai'anae Community Re-Development Corp.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs has nurtured the West O'ahu nonprofit with a total of \$184,000 in grants to date, beginning with a collaborative grant with Wai'anae Intermediate School to start a gardening and healthy eating program there in 2003.

Since that time, the MA'O harvest has grown each year. A lot of the youth who began with MA'O seven years ago have moved through its expanding programs as they grew up, says Kukui Maunakea-Forth, MA'O Executive Director.

"One youth just completed a degree at (the University of Hawai'i's) Shidler Business School," Maunakea-Forth says. "Another is finishing a degree in Hawaiian Studies."

MA'O's "āina-based programs for leadership training" have created a "youth farm-to-college pathway" that allows West O'ahu youth to learn about their connection to the land through farming. Though all program graduates "are farmers when they leave," some may ultimately take other career paths, Maunakea-Forth says.

MA'O youth began attending Leeward Community College in 2005, with the establishment of community food systems certificate, consisting of many courses that the MA'O program initiated. A new option is a digital media track.

Youth working on MA'O Farms help raise fresh produce for restaurants, farmers' markets, community-supported agriculture subscribers, and customers who buy direct from the farm.

"All profits from the farm go to create more capacity in our young people to get college degrees," Maunakea-Forth says. "If they have degrees, they can have better quality of life for themselves and their community."

About a dozen new students enter the youth enterprise training each year and there are 30 in it now, Maunakea-Forth says. —Diana Leone ■

When John and Juliet Ka'ohelauli'i took out a Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan from OHA in 2004 to grow their new shoe store, Sole Mates, their daughter Jeni was watching.

She saw her parents use the \$75,000, low-interest loan to stock the store in Kaua'i's Coconut Marketplace with plenty of high quality slippers, sandals and outdoor adventure shoes.

Without that loan, buying Sole Mates wouldn't have been possible, says John, who has since paid off his loan.

The intent of the revolving loan fund – relaunched in 2007 as the Mālama Loan – is that more loans can be granted when other loans are repaid. John's repayment of his loan allows other Native Hawaiian entrepreneurs to benefit from the loan fund, including, as it turns out, his own daughter Jeni.

With her sisters June and Jasmine, Jeni worked at the family store. But she also attended business training courses alongside her father. Eventually Jeni decided she wanted to open her own store, featuring athletic clothing for yoga, paddling, running, hiking and other active pursuits.

Enter Jeni's store, Work It Out, which opened in the summer of 2008 in the heart of Kapa'a town, about a mile north of her parents' store. Jeni was able to leverage her \$25,000 OHA Mālama Loan to get another \$25,000 loan from a bank.

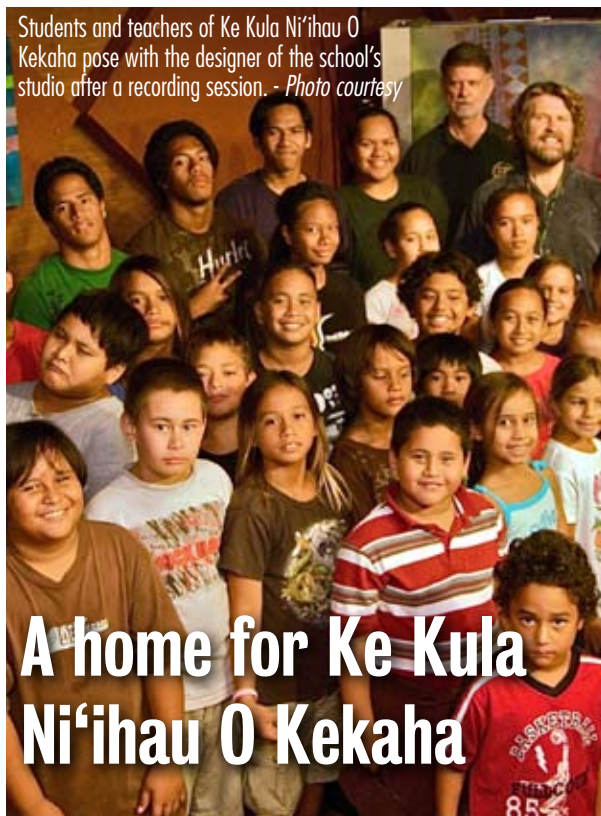
More than a year later, standing in her store full of trendy and functional exercise clothing, shoes and accessories, Jeni agrees with her father that the OHA loan helped her make a start as a Hawaiian business owner.

Both John and Jeni say they are happy to share with others their business experiences and recommend the Mālama Loan to those of Native Hawaiian ancestry. "It's a good opportunity if having your own business is a part of your dream," John says.

Work It Out, at 4-1312 Kūhiō Highway in Kapa'a (808-822-2292) is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and is on Facebook. Sole Mates, at 4-484 Kūhiō Highway in Coconut Marketplace, Kapa'a, (808-822-2180) is open 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday and is online at www.solemates808.com. —Diana Leone ■

Ho'ona'auao / Education

Students and teachers of Ke Kula Ni'ihau O Kekaha pose with the designer of the school's studio after a recording session. - Photo courtesy



A home for Ke Kula Ni'ihau O Kekaha

By 1998, the Ni'ihau native-language program now known as Ke Kula Ni'ihau O Kekaha had outgrown its facility at Kekaha School. "We were in one room behind the cafeteria with four teachers and over 30 children in grades K-6," recalls Hōkūlani Cleeland, the school's Lead Secondary Teacher and Assistant Administrator. "It was a little bit hectic."

"Hectic" turned into "independence" later that year when the school moved into the 10,000-square-foot Kekaha Armory across the street under a sublease through the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

"Having this property is essential for where we are now," says Cleeland. The move helped the school expand into intermediate and high school levels as well as host a preschool program. The space has undergone two major renovations with the help of benefactors and now features six classrooms, a preschool, offices, a computer lab, library, cafeteria with a certified kitchen, and the school's "piece de resistance" – an audiovisual studio. (Tune in to www.kkcr.org from 3-5 p.m. Sundays to hear their live broadcast).

The school, whose mission to strengthen and perpetuate the Ni'ihau dialect of the Hawaiian language, was among the first charter schools in Hawai'i. And as Cleeland notes: "The really fortunate thing for us is that of all the charter schools in the state, we're in one of the best situations – we have a long-term lease on a great facility. So it's very significant that our location is not something we have to worry about."

Having a home, he said, allows them to concentrate on education. "Native languages all around the world are disappearing at a frightening rate. With people moving away from Ni'ihau, the dialect is disappearing fast. Every time we lose a kupuna in this community, that's a big loss. If you believe in the perpetuation of indigenous languages, we have a very important role to fulfill." —Lisa Asato ■



Keiki O Ka 'Āina Family Learning Centers nurturing young minds. - Photo: KWO Archives

OHA grant crucial for KOKA growth

Before the *Extreme Makeover Home Edition* TV show and large government grants came pouring in, Keiki O Ka 'Āina Family Learning Centers was a dream that Momi Akana says was made into a reality largely thanks to OHA's belief in the budding program.

"Back when KOKA was just me and a few volunteers, we went to OHA to ask for help with our very first parent-participation preschool," says Akana, founder and Executive Director. "They were so kind to really see what we were doing was needed in the community. They took a chance on us and gave us a grant for about \$21,000 that opened the doors for us."

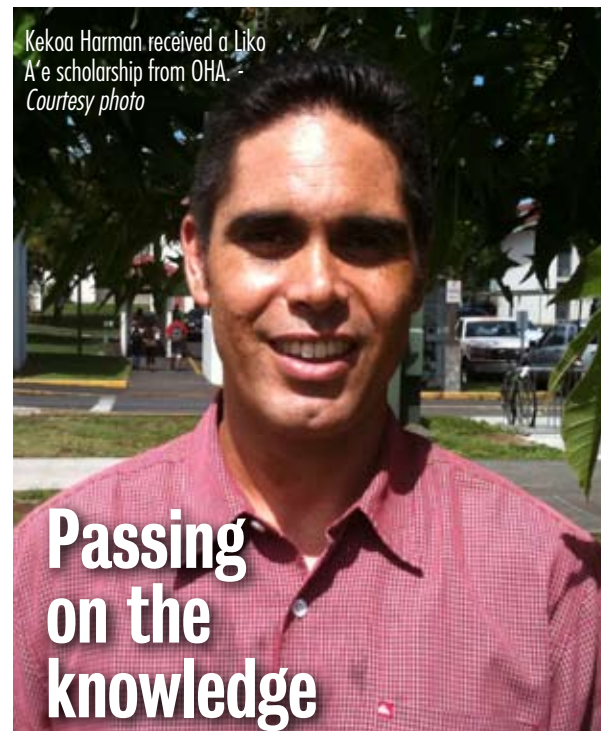
KOKA celebrates 14 years since it opened its doors to 30 keiki and their parents. Today the organization serves more than 2,000 children each year.

"The OHA money was the seed money," adds Akana. "We have been able to serve over 20,000 children and parents in our programs, which are 90 percent Native Hawaiians. And our centers are in Native Hawaiian communities."

OHA has continued its support and in 2008 provided a Community-Based Economic Development grant of \$30,000 to fund a LEED-certified commercial kitchen and an eco-tourism business plan.

Keiki O Ka 'Āina's missions is to build strong communities by building strong families within the context of Hawaiian language, traditions and culture. Its programs include education for family with young children, family strengthening and marriage support. For more about Keiki O Ka 'Āina, visit www.keikiokaaina.org. —Melissa Moniz ■

Kekoa Harman received a Liko A'e scholarship from OHA. - Courtesy photo



Passing on the knowledge

With the help of an OHA scholarship, Kekoa Harman earned his master's degree in Hawaiian language from the University of Hawai'i-Hilo, where he is now teaches the next generation of college students.

In 2005, Harman received the Liko A'e scholarship. Not having to worry about finances helped him concentrate on his research and studies at a time when he was also raising a young family with his wife, Pelehonuamea. "The scholarship really gave me an opportunity to focus my studies and not have to worry about the financial side of it," says Harman, an Assistant Professor at Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikōlani College of Hawaiian Language. "And in this day and age where most students have to work full-time to go to school, it was quite a blessing to have that."

Harman, a 1995 graduate of Kamehameha Schools-Kapālama, had received help and training from various Hawaiian programs growing up, including the gifted and talented program Nā Pua No'eau, and scholarship and leadership programs through Maui Community College, UH-Hilo and UH-Mānoa.

For his graduate research, Harman examined how traditional knowledge applies to modern-day education. What he learned, he says, he now applies in his own classroom.

"This skill of us looking to our kūpuna to help show us the way for today I think is very important," he says. "Specifically knowing where we're from, who our family is and knowing how to seek information – something as simple as "Nānā ka maka; ho'olohe ka pepeiao; pa'a ka waha; hana ka lima" — The eyes look; the ears listen; the mouth is shut, and the hands work." —Lisa Asato ■

E kala mai

An earlier version of this article incorrectly stated that Kekoa Harman received a doctorate.

KWO regrets the error.

Social Services



OHA's Nalani Takushi and Michael Windsor, Chairman of General Atlantic Corp., at the grand opening of Pāhi'a Road Specialized Residential Program on Oct. 19. - *Courtesy photo*

Rehabilitation program celebrates grand opening

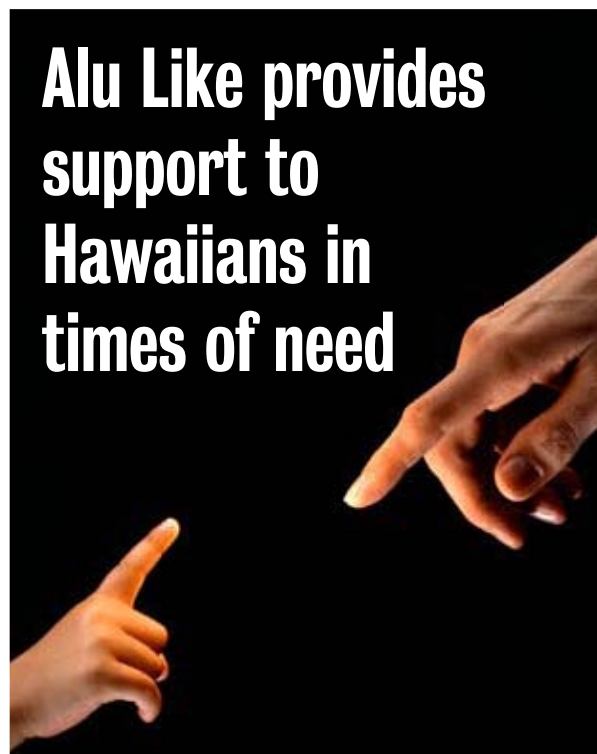
Kahalu'u-grown Abby Paredes is the CEO of Pō'ailani Inc., a company that serves clients who are dually diagnosed with illnesses such as drug abuse, schizophrenia, depression and post-traumatic stress disorder. Founded in 1976, Pō'ailani Inc. is a private nonprofit organization with programs focusing on recovery, empowerment and vocational rehabilitation.

A \$50,000 OHA grant awarded in 2009 helped to establish the Pāhi'a Road Specialized Residential Program, which celebrated its grand opening in October 2010. This vocational rehabilitation effort provides housing, classes with computer training and mālama 'āina opportunities on 2.5 acres in Kāne'ōhe, including a garden and lo'i.

A majority of patients are Native Hawaiian and feel a sense of pride to be recognized by OHA. "It's been an honor to be supported by OHA," says Paredes, who managed the renovation of a Kāne'ōhe apartment complex that functions in partnership with their Kailua-based residential mental-health facility.

Clients are empowered to be productive individuals with necessary living skills, an increase in literacy and modern technology, resume building and school completion. Paredes explained the "big vision" for the Pāhi'a Road program is to build a sustainable garden where clients can harvest food for cooking classes and share what they grow with staff and the community.

In addition to housing expenses, OHA helped launch this vision by providing funding for equipment, software and instructional materials used in rehabilitation. —*Sage Takehiro* ■



Alu Like provides support to Hawaiians in times of need

Mary Kawena Pukui gifted Alu Like its name in the spirit of working together, struggling together and striving together.

From its beginning in 1975, Alu Like Inc. has remained committed in its efforts to help Native Hawaiians achieve social and economic self-sufficiency. This mission parallels the Strategic Plan of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, thus creating an ever-flowing partnership between the two.

"The Kūlia Like Department, which has been supported by OHA, provides information and referral services, volunteer income-tax assistance, financial education workshops and Individual Development Accounts for savings," says Leslie Tanoue, Interim Director of the Kūlia Like and Ho'okahua departments. "We are integrated asset builders – supporting the efforts of Native Hawaiians to become economically self-sufficient. We look at the services that we provide as a hand up, not a hand out."

In addition to the Kūlia Like Department, OHA has supported countless other programs within Alu Like throughout the years, such as child-care assistance, offender/ex-offender job placement and chronic disease self-management workshops.

"For many nonprofit organizations, both large and small, having support and funding from OHA allows us to provide services to Native Hawaiians, build upon, and improve and/or expand services and access to services," adds Tanoue.

Alu Like is a statewide system that provides services in the areas of early childhood, high-risk reduction, employment and training, financial literacy and elderly care. For more information, visit www.alulike.org. —*Melissa Moniz* ■



Providing tools of success for former pa'ahao

Male inmates learn traditional dry-stack masonry, which is the ancient Hawaiian art used to construct or restore temples, ritual platforms and agricultural walls. - *Photo: Courtesy of MEO/BEST*

In Maui, lying "smack dab in the middle of Paukūkalo and Waiehu Kou homesteads" is an 11.5-acre parcel, gifted from developer Stanford Carr, that the BEST prisoner reintegration program calls home. It's where newly released prisoners, some coming out of incarceration "with only the shirt on their back" can find help and shelter in adjusting to life and employment on the outside, said Pomaika'i Kaniaupio-Crozier, Project Manager for BEST's Kahua Project.

BEST – Being Empowered Safe Together – is a program of Maui Economic Opportunity Inc. With the help of a \$50,000 grant from OHA, BEST offers the new Ke Kahua Project, a cultural, land-based effort with a long-term goal of "building a place for clients to come out and have a place to live and work," said Kaniaupio-Crozier.

The program runs the gamut, from planting taro, learning the language and building hale to learning basic skills of how to fill out applications, use the phone and get an ID. "For some of our clients that have been incarcerated a long time, the simple things we take for granted are major challenges," he said.

OHA's support was crucial to Kahua Project's getting a \$1.5 million grant from the Administration for Native Americans, said Kaniaupio-Crozier, whose clients have had such positive experiences there, they return to help out in any way they can.

Kaniaupio-Crozier said his father was part of the 1978 Constitutional Convention that helped to create OHA. And he sees the support he received from OHA as a true testament to those early dreams. "Thirty years ago, this is what they were hoping OHA would do is help Hawaiians," he said. "They wanted culture not just in a section of Hawai'i but for all Hawaiians." —*Lisa Asato* ■



‘Āina at the heart of Hawaiians’ future



“‘Āina is essential to Hawaiian culture,” says OHA’s Carol Hoomanawanui. OHA has significantly increased its landholdings since 1988.

Since its creation in 1978, an express purpose of OHA has been to own and manage land set aside or conveyed to it for the benefit of Hawaiian people.

OHA acquired its first property in 1988 when Kamehameha Schools turned over to OHA ownership of the 1.1-acre Pahua Heiau in East Honolulu. For 18 years, the heiau remained OHA’s sole landholding. More recently, OHA began to expand its kuleana of land acquisition and stewardship with a renewed vigor, acquiring a total of more than 27,000 acres in Waimea Valley on O‘ahu and Wao Kele o Puna on Hawai‘i Island, the latter of which was the first ceded lands ever returned to Hawaiian people.

The community encouraged and supported the acquisition of Waimea Valley and Wao Kele o Puna, and funding was provided by federal and state agencies, community and conservation organizations and OHA. The stewardship goal is to protect the biocultural and natural resources and restore Hawaiians and cultural practices to those sacred lands.

“‘Āina is essential to Hawaiian culture,” says Carol Hoomanawanui, OHA’s Land and Property Manager. “If there is no land base for Hawaiians, it’s hard for our culture to be lived and perpetuated.”

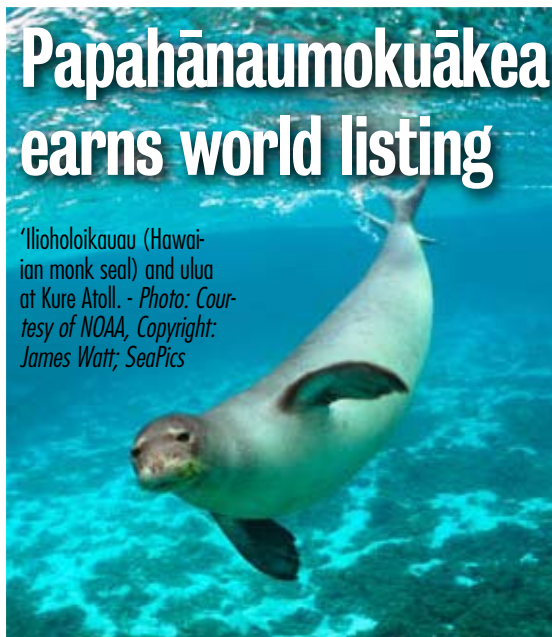
OHA’s Land and Property Management Program enables sacred places, such as the tropical rainforest Wao Kele O Puna, to spring forth and increase the physical and spiritual power of the lāhui. And after 22 years of land ownership, “We’re not just paying the water bills,” says Hoomanawanui. “We’re looking for the best ways to steward land, empower Hawaiians and encourage community involvement.”

In anticipation of the passage of the Akaka bill, OHA hopes to transfer landholdings to a future governing entity, providing a land base necessary to sustain a nation. But OHA’s Land and Property Management Program is by no means waiting on any particular governing entity to be established before Hawaiians can benefit from the land, or ‘āina – that which sustains Hawaiians.

“We are working toward making the lands accessible for cultural practice, education, economic self-sufficiency and maui ola (health and well-being),” Hoomanawanui says. “And in doing so, we hope to become a model of land stewardship for other landholders across Hawai‘i.” —*Sage Takehiro* ■

Papahānaumokuākea earns world listing

‘Ilioholoikauau (Hawaiian monk seal) and ulua at Kure Atoll. - Photo: Courtesy of NOAA, Copyright: James Watt; SeaPics



Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument was designated a mixed – natural and cultural – World Heritage site, one of only 27 mixed sites in the world, on July 30, 2010, at the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee in Brazil.

“The designation elevates the site to a more international prominence,” said OHA Chairperson Haunani Apoliona, who witnessed the vote firsthand. “This group of governments from across the world meets on the World Heritage sites and tracks what happens to the sites, paying attention to their health, well-being and the strength of each of these sites, so that they are cared for properly and in perpetuity.”

Apoliona was a part of an OHA delegation that traveled to Brazil in July, where they lobbied all the world delegates on the committee. “Delegates from various countries came to congratulate the United States of America and all of us who traveled from Hawai‘i,” she said. “They advised me our physical presence made all the difference.”

The management of the Monument remains the same as when it was set up by Presidential Proclamation in 2006. Under the Co-Trustees and the management board of Papahānaumokuākea, the regulations and restrictions will not change, and access will continue to be strictly limited and will be by permit only. The three Co-Trustees are the State of Hawai‘i Department of Land and Natural Resources, the U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the U.S. Department of Commerce National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration – along with OHA, which is a Co-Manager with the Co-Trustees. Each promised to safeguard the site, stating that they would take all appropriate measures necessary for the protection, conservation and preservation of the Monument and its resources.

The Papahānaumokuākea Native Hawaiian Cultural Working Group advises on cultural and management questions about the Monument, and is administered by OHA.

For more information, visit <http://papahanaumokuakea.gov>. —*Francine Murray* ■

Preserving Moloka‘i’s Pāpōhaku dunes

Past and current land uses – from sand mining to illegal development – had degraded one of the last almost intact sand dune systems in Hawai‘i. Pāpōhaku dunes create a beautiful 2-mile-long, 100-foot wide beach on West Moloka‘i that holds Native Hawaiian burials, acts as a barrier to coastal hazards and is part of local subsistence and cultural practices.

The state Department of Land and Natural Resources’ Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands, which has regulatory authority over the dunes, wrote to OHA, expressing concern about the long-term natural and cultural protection of the dunes, which front a wealthy subdivision. OHA welcomed the partnership opportunity, funding and coordinating the Pāpōhaku Dunes Cultural and Natural Resource Preservation Plan, which was completed in 2005. OHA wanted to set a statewide standard for future management plans, assuring that thorough studies were conducted and that the local community was fully engaged in the creation of Best Management Practices for this special place.

OHA created a real-life opportunity for a graduate class at the University of Hawai‘i Department of Urban and Regional Planning to conduct oral interviews with Native Hawaiian practitioners, collaborate with state and local government, teach and involve high school students, and consult the homeowners association of the subdivision behind the dunes. Ultimately, preservation of the dunes requires the support of those homeowners who now know that the dunes are a barrier that protects their properties from the elements, and have learned the value of the cultural, historic and natural integrity of the area.

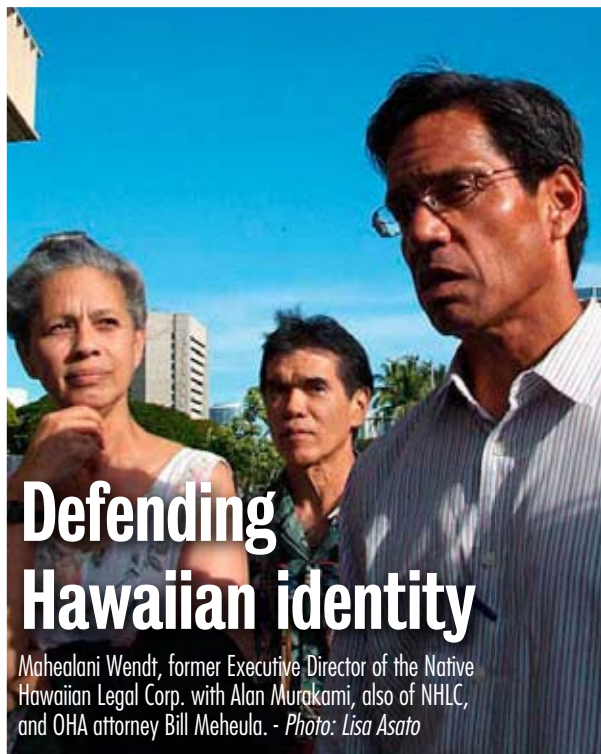
The high-energy beach is a dynamic system constantly shape-shifting, moving and changing with weather patterns. Removing the dunes for any reason would increase the risk of erosion, flooding and wave inundation.

OHA hired several professional consultants: an archaeologist, coastal geologist, erosion specialist, drainage expert, botanist and GIS cartographer. “We wanted to provide decision-makers with a solid foundation for our suggested best management practices for these irreplaceable resources,” said OHA’s Heidi Guth.

Every homeowner in the Pāpōhaku subdivision, Moloka‘i school, library and planning commission member received a copy of the plan, which teaches everyone their stewardship responsibilities for the dunes, while recognizing the interests of all stakeholders.

The plan assessed the environmental system of the dunes, the cultural significance they have in Moloka‘i life and history, the challenges the dunes face, and made recommendations for the homeowners association, Moloka‘i Planning Commission, Maui County and DLNR to help protect and preserve this resource for the future.

As part of a continuing partnership, OHA, DLNR’s Conservation and Coastal Lands Office and the University of Hawai‘i conducted several informational community workshops about the dunes and how and why each person can help preserve them, wrote letters to the homeowners association, and testified at Moloka‘i Planning Commission meetings. Currently, the Conservation and Coastal Lands Office has been approved to begin the rule-making process of changing the dunes’ Conservation subzone to a more protective zone that will require some of the plan’s best management practices to be implemented. —*Francine Murray* ■



Defending Hawaiian identity

Mahealani Wendt, former Executive Director of the Native Hawaiian Legal Corp. with Alan Murakami, also of NHLHC, and OHA attorney Bill Meheula. - Photo: Lisa Asato

As long as there has been land, water and people, there have been questions and arguments over who has a legal right to the precious resources. And for the past 36 years, the Native Hawaiian Legal Corp., or NHLHC, has helped to mediate those disputes by providing effective, low-cost legal assistance to Native Hawaiian individuals, families and communities.

“At its core, NHLHC seeks to protect and perpetuate the Native Hawaiian identity, the very essence of Hawai‘i,” said NHLHC Executive Director Moses Haia.

For many years, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, which employs no staff attorneys to fight courtroom battles, has helped fund the Native Hawaiian Legal Corp. to take on such cases.

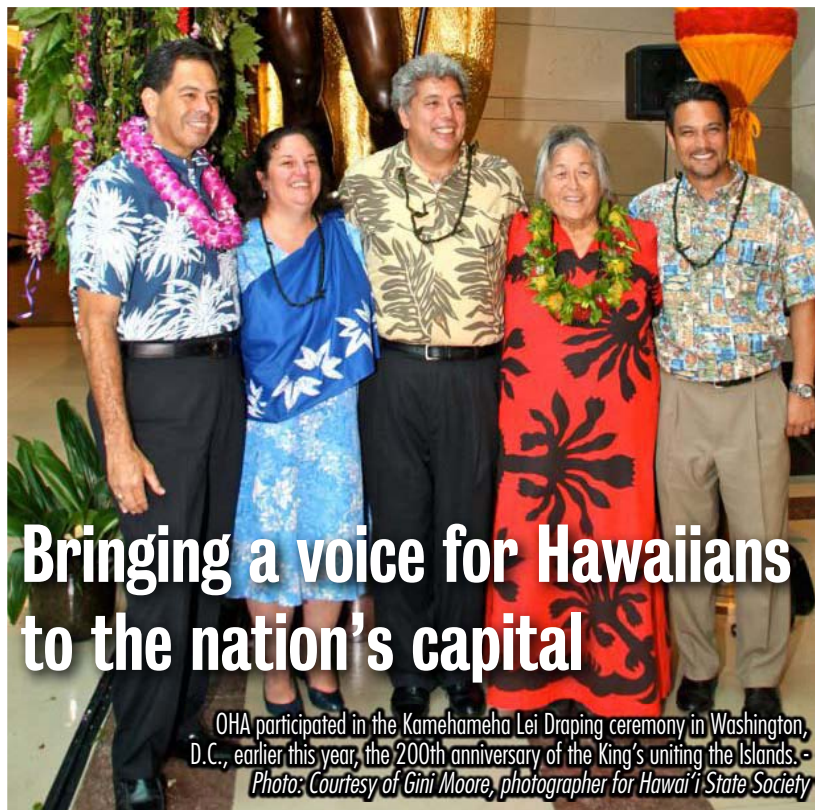
Before NHLHC was established in the 1970s, thousands of acres of family lands were lost to adverse possession in the courts because Hawaiians did not have legal representation. Now the organization assists approximately 700 individuals each year on issues ranging from water rights, to defending land title, to enforcing beneficiary rights under the Hawaiian Home Lands trust.

“It is always a privilege when someone takes you into his or her confidence,” said former NHLHC Executive Director Mahealani Wendt. “Especially so when the confidence shared is sacred knowledge, ‘ohana knowledge passed down through many generations, including genealogies and special relationships with the ‘āina.”

Wendt, for one, has assisted countless Hawaiian beneficiaries over her years at NHLHC. And despite the many major and historic decisions she has played a role in, she says her proudest and most fond memories revolve around cases when the odds were overwhelmingly stacked against her.

“We suffered setbacks,” said Wendt. “Yet our staff, inspired by those they served, never wavered in its hard work, commitment and optimism that this work was worth doing, and we persevered.”

—Howard Dashefsky ■



Bringing a voice for Hawaiians to the nation's capital

OHA participated in the Kamehameha Lei Draping ceremony in Washington, D.C., earlier this year, the 200th anniversary of the King's uniting the Islands. - Photo: Courtesy of Gini Moore, photographer for Hawai'i State Society

As part of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs initiative to better the conditions of Native Hawaiians, the agency opened a Washington, D.C., Bureau in 2003.

Its ongoing presence in Washington, D.C., has allowed OHA to advocate on issues that impact Native Hawaiians being made at the federal level, educate the members of Congress and the Administration regarding OHA's concerns, and clarify misinformation spread by those who oppose Native Hawaiian rights.

“Many policymakers and staff are not aware there is a distinct Hawaiian community with a thriving culture and language,” says Tim Johnson, OHA Washington, D.C., Bureau Chief. “By educating federal policymakers and agency personnel, and by advocating for Native Hawaiians in legislation and federal agency action, OHA assists in bettering the conditions of Native Hawaiians through self-determination initiatives, funding for Native Hawaiian education, the inclusion of Native Hawaiians in housing programs, protection of Native Hawaiian self-determination, culture, historic sites and wahi pana, increased federal funding for grant programs, and Hawaiian health programs, among others.”

The bureau has also advocated for passage of the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act, also known as the Akaka bill, and other measures important to Native Hawaiians. It has also grown its network of allies supporting Native Hawaiian issues at the national level and maintained a mechanism to collect and disseminate info on issues important to Native Americans.

“Through the hard work and initiative of our first Washington, D.C., Bureau Chief, Martha Ross, OHA has established a strong network of allies supportive of Native Hawaiians,” adds Johnson. “Through her efforts and our work to date, OHA has been able to garner support for Native Hawaiians across a broad spectrum of issues, including Native Hawaiian health, museum exhibitions, education, housing, small business and organizations such as the Asian American Justice Center, Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, the Asian Pacific Islander American Health Forum, the National Congress of American Indians, National Indian Education Association, National Museum of the American Indian, National Education Association and the Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies.”

In addition, the OHA D.C. Bureau has working relationships with the White House, Congressional offices, the Department of Defense Senior Tribal Liaison and several federal agencies. —Melissa Moniz ■



OHA Chairperson Haunani Apoliona is one of the first participants to place her name with Kau Inoa. - Photo: KWO Archives

Kau Inoa marches on

With the first 27 signatures on Jan. 17, 2004 – 111 years after the illegal overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom

– we witnessed the birth of Kau Inoa. Its mission has been to register people of Hawaiian ancestry worldwide who are willing to participate in the process of shaping a Hawaiian governing entity. “We gather together to refocus, renew and reaffirm our commitment to Native Hawaiian self-determination,” OHA Chairperson Haunani Apoliona said then, speaking to a large gathering outside Ali‘iōlani Hale, the legislative seat of the former Hawaiian Kingdom. Participants in the signing ceremony included Lt. Gov. James “Duke” Aiona, OHA Trustees, retired Judge Walter Heen, who is now an OHA Trustee, state Rep. Ezra Kanoho, Kamehameha Schools CEO Dee Jay Mailer, Corbett Kalama of First Hawaiian Bank, and kūpuna Auntie Mālia Craver and Auntie Genoa Keawe. The goal of Kau Inoa organizers was to compile at least 100,000 signatures. As of Oct. 15, 2010, just six years after its birth, Kau Inoa has received 109,175 signatures. —Zach Villanueva ■

‘Āina / Land and Water

Resilience of a culture along H-3

Opened in 1997, the H-3 freeway impacted at least 150 cultural sites.
- Photo: KWO Archive

It's one of the most scenic and expensive stretches of freeway in the nation. But what O'ahu's H-3 freeway passes through, and presides over, is priceless. From its natural beauty to its historical and cultural significance, the corridor through which the 15.3-mile roadway runs, was forever changed.

But today, the Hālawā-Lūluku Interpretive Development project, or HLID, is offering a blueprint to restore what was lost. HLID is tasked to interpret, develop and implement projects to mitigate adverse impacts due to construction of the H-3, including the rehabilitation of historic sites like heiau and taro terraces.

"I believe our efforts speak to the resilience of the culture, for both Hawaiians and non-Hawaiians," said Kaiwi Nui, Project Coordinator for HLID, which is administered by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. "There are challenges, but the bottom line is that diverse entities are collaborating, and that effort will hopefully lead to us to a meaningful resolution that everyone can appreciate."

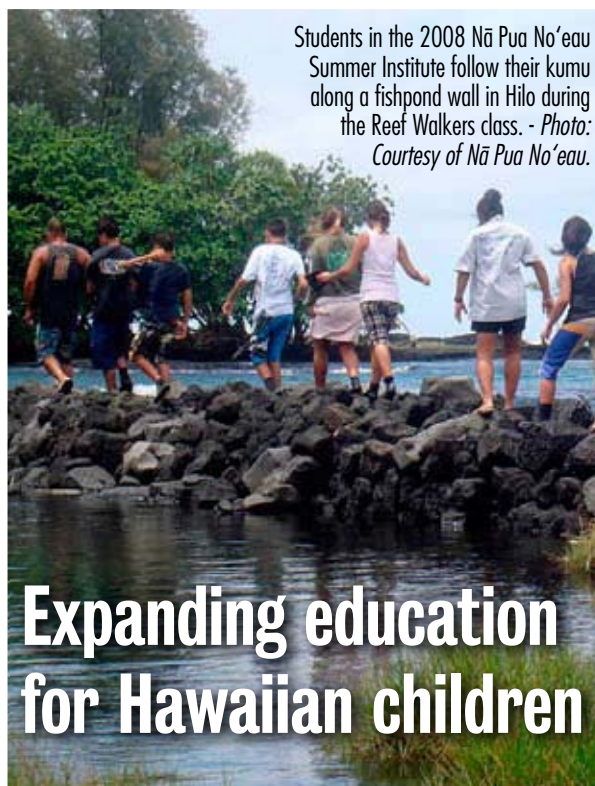
Because the H-3 project was moving forward well before OHA was formed, the challenges are many. But with the formation of HLID a decade ago, the state, along with the federal government, is working with community groups comprised of people who had strongly opposed the \$1.3 billion project.

"We need to restore the culture and restore the native plants so future generations can feel the mana in the valley," said Clara "Sweet" Matthews, a member of the HLID Working Group. "A lot of work still needs to be done, but we're thankful to OHA. As kūpuna, we need to work together to share the mana'o with the young ones so they can feel the spiritual connection."

In addition, Kaiwi says, the project is being evaluated by Federal Highways Administration, in part, to assess the viability of doing cultural mitigation projects. "The implications to HLID's success, therefore, has very strong direct and indirect impact on advancing cultural issues in a contemporary time frame," he says.

"While restoration of project types (heiau, kalo terraces) are a significant part of mitigation, healing will be better realized through active stewardship and management of project areas, which is where OHA's reliance on the community is crucial," he added. "The process is a testament to the patience and resilience of a culture that perseveres through the face of adversity." —Howard Dashefsky ■

Education



Students in the 2008 Nā Pua No'eau Summer Institute follow their kumu along a fishpond wall in Hilo during the Reef Walkers class. - Photo: Courtesy of Nā Pua No'eau.

Expanding education for Hawaiian children

If it takes a village to raise a child, partnerships in education are equally important.

Nā Pua No'eau, the center for gifted and talented Native Hawaiian children, counts among its graduates medical doctors, teachers, business professionals, community leaders and researchers, and the center gives much credit to OHA for helping it nurture thousands of young Hawaiian minds.

"Through OHA we have been able to build from a one-time only type of program to a continuum of programs that offers students continuous opportunities – a pathway to higher achievement and higher aspirations and into higher education," said David Sing, Nā Pua No'eau Director.

"The increase of Native Hawaiian enrollment and graduation from the University of Hawai'i campuses is a direct result of the years of investment that OHA has made in supporting NPN's work. There are limited opportunities offered through regular school for students to learn about their Native Hawaiian history, culture, language, traditional practices and perspective. The opportunities provided by NPN is not only what it offers the students it serves but the model it has provided for other Hawaiian education programs to follow."

Nā Pua No'eau has served 17,000 students in grades K-12 since it started providing programs in 1990. Funding from OHA has gone toward design, development and implementation of Hawaiian education programs and events. OHA funding was also crucial in the program's ability to expand from UH-Hilo to all the islands.

"How important is that?" Sing asks. "It is essential to have our centers serving all of the Hawaiian communities in a manner that is responsive to their needs and resources. Having a Center on Lāna'i, for example, has provided a greater sense of pride and awareness of how being Hawaiian and learning goes hand in hand." —Lisa Asato ■

Ea: Government

Then Mayor Mufi Hannemann at the 2007 signing ceremony.
Photo: KWO archives



Keeping kuleana lands in Hawaiian hands

Keeping Hawaiian lands in Hawaiian hands was the sentiment as OHA and members of the Hawaiian community lobbied for property tax exemptions for kuleana land owners. Traditional Hawaiians lived a subsistence lifestyle believing their existence was tied to the land. To them losing these lands meant losing a part of your family and your history.

"We gathered kūpuna, Hawaiian language schools and students from Kahuku and we went to lobby the City Council," said kuleana land owner Dawn Wasson. "We presented ourselves and stated that the City Council members were going to be doing the right thing for Native Hawaiians, and that for the first time they could make an impact in the lives of kuleana land owners." The measure passed, and on May 3, 2007, then-Mayor Mufi Hannemann signed it into law.

Descendants of Hawaiians who received land under the 1850 Kuleana Land Act were then eligible to be exempt from paying all but a minimum in property tax per year on their residential or agricultural land. OHA Trustee Rowena Akana initiated the agency's support for the tax exemptions.

With OHA's help "we were able to get together to do our family genealogy, and we were able to get all our documents to prove we were lineal descendants," said Wasson. "And then, we were able to qualify. We were the first family to qualify for the tax exemption." Genealogy verification by OHA or a court order can help applicants qualify.

The other counties now have similar ordinances. However, the qualifications and the minimum annual tax amounts vary: Honolulu's minimum property tax if you are exempt is \$300; Hawai'i, \$100; Kaua'i, \$25 and Maui is zero.

"It helped us pull our family closer together," Wasson reflected. "It helped us pay off the existing taxes." —Francine Murray ■



30 years of Empowering Hawaiians, Strengthening Hawai'i

For 2 generations, Waihe'es help to shape OHA

By Francine Murray
Ka Wai Ola

At the 1978 Constitutional Convention, John Waihe'e, then a relative unknown who would go on to become governor of Hawai'i, had a large hand in driving the state to address Hawaiian rights head-on, including creating the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. Thirty years later, his son, John Waihe'e IV continues to build upon the work of the generation before as a Trustee of OHA, the agency his father helped create.

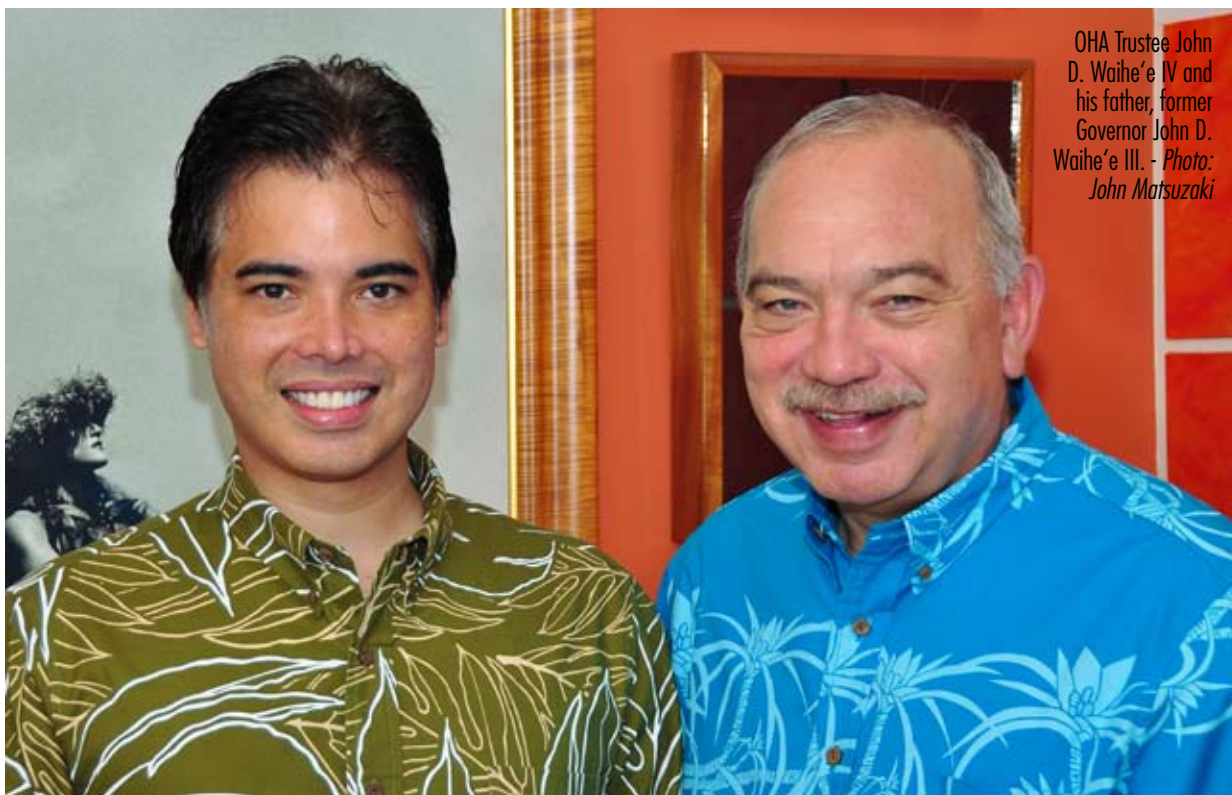
Back then, "No one knew who my dad was," said the younger Waihe'e. "He just came back from Michigan. But he was the key player who organized all these factions at the 1978 Constitutional Convention, and together they got the amendments out."

Former Governor Waihe'e went to college in Michigan where he married his college sweetheart Lynne and started a family. A community organizer in the predominantly African-American city of Benton Harbor, Michigan, Waihe'e helped get the first African-American mayor elected there. To do this, he registered African Americans who had never voted before. Waihe'e recalls thinking, "I should be doing this for Hawaiians," and he decided to return to Hawai'i.

"The people and the topics inspired me when I got involved in Hawaiian issues," said the former Governor. It had a snowball effect and for him the timing was perfect since the William S. Richardson School of Law had just opened. "I went to law school because when I was growing up my parents would talk about various issues that affected them like Hawaiian Homes, and I remember my father saying, 'I wish we had a lawyer.' That always was on my mind."

People have a romantic view of the 1978 Con Con and all the stars it made, like Mayor Jeremy Harris, Frenchy De Soto and Governor Waihe'e, but it wasn't all roses, says Trustee Waihe'e: "I've read all the news clippings from that time because my mom saved them all. It was not covered positively as it is referred to now. That Con Con seemed very dysfunctional and they were all wondering if they were going to get anything done. Now people talk about it like they just knocked it right out of the park." It was a massive united effort, he says, "Without the united effort they would have never got anything done in that Con Con."

The former Governor recalls: "In my own time we saw things happen that nobody thought was possible, like the return of Kaho'olawe or the creation of OHA." Numerous amendments were forged at the Con Con – and later ratified by voters – including one that made Hawaiian an official



OHA Trustee John D. Waihe'e IV and his father, former Governor John D. Waihe'e III. - Photo: John Matsuzaki

language of the state.

At the time Hawaiian issues were not at the forefront and it was far from easy for you if you were an advocate of Hawaiian issues, whether it was historic preservation, self-determination or protecting Kaho'olawe from military bombing. "To me it was really like the birth of those issues coming to the forefront and being addressed," said Trustee Waihe'e, describing his father's time. "Every year things would consistently get better and better. We were winning little victories and advancing those causes further."

"In the late '90s we saw it plateau, with people trying to counter the progress. Then Freddy Rice's lawsuit changed OHA." Our beneficiaries were no longer the only ones who could elect the OHA Trustees. "At that point we realized that this trend of things getting better every year is not going to necessarily continue. And I was inspired to get involved somehow. To see all that work everyone like my father and everyone else did to get where they were – and by no means was it finished, but to see it get attacked and there was a possibility of it going backward. That was what drove me to run for OHA."

The younger Waihe'e speaks highly of his fellow OHA Trustees, saying they are always working to fulfill the mission. "The good thing about this board is that they are willing to admit when something is not working well and they are willing to change to make things better."

Continuing his father's legacy to better the lives of Hawaiians, the Trustee is most proud of OHA's support of the University of Hawai'i Hawaiian Studies master's program, OHA's vocational training and job-placement program and OHA's acquisition of Waimea Valley as a cultural resource



to be preserved in perpetuity. But he realizes how much more needs to be done. "If there was one thing I could fix, it would be to improve the employment and livable income of Hawaiians," he said. "Under the new Strategic Plan, we would measure success by a greater number of employed Hawaiians with livable wages."

Says Governor Waihe'e, "Of everyone in our family, I thought he would be the least likely to go into politics, but I was glad he ran for OHA because as you know in the 1978 Constitutional Convention we started OHA as a major step toward Hawaiian sovereignty."

And while work remains to be done for Hawaiians, Governor Waihe'e offers these words that likely served him and his colleagues well a generation earlier, "We have to believe in ourselves and keep moving forward. Take the next step and not get discouraged. Get involved and never give up." ■



Over its lifetime, OHA has fought legal battles on behalf of Native Hawaiians rights and entitlements. While decisions take place in the quiet of a courtroom, their implications can affect all of us in our daily lives. Here, we offer a highlight of some of the most important legal fights in OHA's history.

1987 - OHA v. Yamasaki

OHA sought 20 percent of the ceded land revenue. The Hawai'i Supreme Court held the percentage of ceded land revenue to which OHA was entitled was a nonjusticiable political question and therefore could not be resolved without legislative action. [decided 1987]



On Feb. 8, 1990, OHA reaches a partial agreement on ceded lands revenue issues with then Gov. John Waihe'e III. - Photo: KWO Archives

1994 - OHA v. State

State statute, as amended by act 304, provided that OHA receive 20 percent of all revenue derived from ceded lands and OHA sought payment. The Hawai'i Supreme Court held that, as applied to airport revenue, Act 304 conflicted with the provisions of the Forgiveness Act and therefore was invalid. Without Act 304, the appellate court could not determine whether OHA was entitled to the specific revenues sought.

1994 - OHA v. Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HFDC)

OHA sued to stop the sale of ceded lands claiming breach of trust owed by the State to native Hawaiians. The Hawai'i Supreme Court ruled in favor of OHA, holding that the State has a fiduciary duty to preserve ceded lands until the unrelinquished claims of native Hawaiians has been resolved; the court granted OHA an injunction prohibiting the State from selling or transferring ceded lands. In 2009, the U.S. Supreme Court reversed the judgment of the Hawai'i Supreme Court based on its interpretation of the Apology Resolution. OHA negotiated with the State and Act 176 – which requires a two-thirds majority of both houses before any public land may be sold – became law in July 2009. [decided 2009]

1995 - OHA v. DOE

OHA filed suit against the Department of Education for failing to provide sufficient Hawaiian language in the public schools. In May 2000, the BOE and DOE agreed to increase funding for its Hawaiian Language Immersion Program and charter schools by \$200,000 with OHA matching 1:2. OHA provided \$500,000 annually for five years. [decided 1996]



Harold "Freddy" Rice. - Photo: KWO Archives

1996 - Rice v. Cayetano

Harold "Freddy" Rice, a non-Hawaiian plaintiff challenged the Hawaiian requirement to vote for OHA Trustees. The Hawai'i District Court upheld the voting restriction, finding that it was not based on race but upon a recognition of the unique status of Native Hawaiians. The court also held that limiting the electorate to people who would benefit from OHA's programs was rationally related to the State's trust obligations. The U.S. Supreme Court reversed the District Court's decision and held that the restriction amounted to a race-based voting qualification which violated the Fifteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. [decided 2000]

1997 - Wai'ola O Moloka'i

OHA intervened in a petition for a new well at Kamiloloa in central Moloka'i. In 2004, the Hawai'i Supreme Court protected the water and gathering rights of Hawaiians and said Moloka'i Ranch should not get the water permit.

1998 - Water Use Permit Application Filed by Kukui (Moloka'i) Inc. (KMI)

OHA intervened in the case for a water permit by KMI. The Water Commission approved less water than sought but more than KMI had used, which affects water available to state Department of Hawaiian Home Lands homesteaders in Moloka'i.

2000 - Arakaki v. State

Plaintiffs challenged the requirement that OHA Trustees be Hawaiian. In 2003, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed that it was unconstitutional for the State of Hawai'i to limit OHA Trustee elections to people of Hawaiian ancestry.

2000 - Carroll v. Nakatani (consolidated with Barrett v. State)

Plaintiffs challenged the constitutionality of OHA and DHHL. In 2003, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed dismissal of the case based on lack of standing.

2002 - Arakaki v. Cayetano, now known as Arakaki v. Lingle

Plaintiffs challenged the constitutionality of OHA and DHHL. In 2007,

the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in OHA's favor finding plaintiffs' lacked standing for the lawsuit.

2004 - 'Iao Ground Water Management Area Water Use Permit

OHA intervened in a contested case to restore water flow to the Nā Wai 'Ehā ("The Four Great Waters") that were dewatered by agricultural interests on Maui. Contrary to the Hearings Officer's proposed decision, the Commission on Water Resource Management restored stream flow to only two of the four streams representing less than half the volume of water that the proposed decision called for (no stream flow restored to the 'Iao and Waikapū Streams). Appeals have been filed by OHA and others and the matter is currently pending appellate review.

2005 - Day v. Apoliona

The lawsuit was filed by several individuals of at least 50 percent Hawaiian blood who challenged OHA's use of funds derived from section 5(f) of the Admission Act to support various programs. In 2010, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals rejected plaintiffs' arguments and affirmed that the OHA Trustees have broad discretion to use income and proceeds from the section 5(f) public trust lands for these purposes.



Stryker Photo: Tech. Sgt. Mike Buytas, U.S. Air Force

2006 - OHA v. Gates

In 2006, OHA filed a lawsuit against the army alleging violations of section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and the Native American Graves and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) relating to the Stryker Brigade Combat Team (SBCT). The matter was settled in 2008; as a result, OHA was granted access otherwise unavailable to identify and protect cultural sites and artifacts.

2008 - Kuroiwa v. Lingle

Plaintiffs filed suit against OHA, alleging constitutional and breach of trust violations. In 2009, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the Hawai'i District Court's ruling in favor of OHA.

2010 - OHA v. Hawai'i State Legislature

OHA petitioned the Hawai'i Supreme Court seeking an order to compel the State Legislature to comply with its constitutional, statutory and trust obligations to resolve the amount of past-due Public Land Trust revenue owed to OHA. OHA's petition was denied.



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DIABETES AMONG US

BY KATHY MUNENO

She was deathly afraid she would lose her unborn baby, he had to quit college before earning his degree, and a little girl teaches adults how to puncture their skin with a needle to help save their lives.

That's the power of diabetes. It pushes you to where you don't necessarily want to go or to do things you'd otherwise choose not to and it hoists on your shoulders the weight of fear, constant vigilance, responsibility and the ever-present threat – perceived or real – of physical deterioration to varying degrees.

“Most of the time it just feels like the weight of the world was tossed onto my shoulders and there's nothing that I can do about it but to deal with it,” says 27-year-old Harold Pei of Wai'anae, who was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes at the age of 1. “A lot of diabetics that I know often feel this way. But with such heavy loads, it makes it easier to appreciate the little things, our own little wins. Most people won't think anything of passing up a mini candy bar, but for some diabetics, it feels like they just achieved the impossible.”

And so to rattle off the latest, staggering diabetes numbers almost takes away from the true, individual, day-in and day-out impact of this insidious disease. And yet these numbers cannot be ignored; in fact they should not, because “the Native Hawaiian population is at risk for diabetes in such growing numbers,” says Leslie Lam, the Executive Director of the American Diabetes Association (ADA) in Hawai'i.

Quoting 2009 figures just released by the State Department of Health, Lam says



Harold Pei has Type 1 diabetes. He was diagnosed when he was one year old. - Courtesy photo



Dayna Pa, who has Type 2 diabetes, with son Dallas, in Dr. Laurie Tom's office at Queen's Medical Center. Diabetes can lead to various complications in pregnancy, including difficult births and health risks to the baby, and to this day, Pa still remembers the fear she experienced as an expectant mother. - Photo: John de Mello

113,000 people in Hawai'i have diabetes and more than 20,000 of them, or nearly one-fifth, are Native Hawaiian. She also says statistics show more Native Hawaiians die because of diabetes compared to other ethnic groups, and the ADA says 75 percent of people with diabetes will die from a heart attack or stroke. The numbers loom ominous for Hawai'i's well. Lam says 2008 figures

Illustration: Nelson Gaspar

Before diabetes can be stopped, it has to be understood. What better time to examine diabetes, which affects 20,000 Native Hawaiians in Hawai'i, than now, when the nation marks American Diabetes Month



RISK FACTORS

- age over 45 years
- race or ethnic background (Native Hawaiian, Filipino, Japanese, African American and Hispanic ethnicities have a higher rate of diabetes than Caucasians. Native Hawaiians have the highest mortality rate when compared with other ethnic groups.)
- being overweight (especially around the waist)
- low physical-activity level
- high blood pressure
- family history of diabetes
- history of diabetes during pregnancy

WARNING SIGNS

- **Type 1 diabetes** (symptoms usually occur suddenly)
 - frequent urination (in large quantities)
 - excessive thirst
 - extreme hunger
 - unusual weight loss
 - extreme tiredness
 - irritability
 - blurry vision
- **Type 2 diabetes** (symptoms usually occur gradually)
 - any of the Type 1 diabetes symptoms
 - slow-healing infections or wounds
 - tingling or numbness in the hands or feet
 - dry, itchy skin

Source: American Diabetes Association

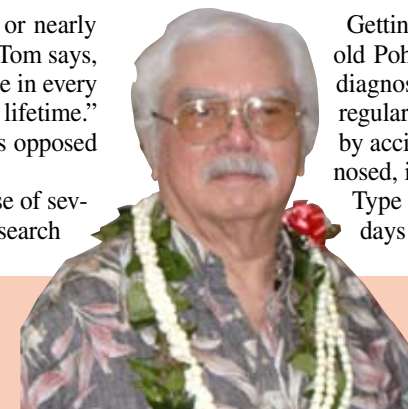
show 1,006 children have diabetes, with 291 of them, or nearly one-third, Native Hawaiian. Endocrinologist Dr. Laurie Tom says, “The estimates are that if we continue current trends, one in every two babies born in Hawai'i will develop diabetes in their lifetime.” Still, Lam points out, “We try not to look at numbers as opposed to the ‘why’ behind it.”

Native Hawaiians are at higher risk of diabetes because of several factors, often a combination of them. Lam says research shows those factors to be socioeconomic status, lack of diabetes awareness, low educational attainment and lack of access to critical care. Tom says there is a genetic susceptibility as well and that lifestyle and diet “have led to tremendous obesity rates,” a significant risk factor for developing diabetes. She says 80 percent to 90 percent of people with Type 2 diabetes, the most common type, are overweight or obese. The particular concern is fat in the stomach area, which, as Tom explains, acts like a large organ whose secretions impair the ability of the pancreas to make the hormone insulin. Without insulin, sugar builds up in the blood stream and creates the condition called diabetes, which can lead to blindness, kidney disease and lower extremity amputation.

Dayna Pa, 36, of Hoolehua, Moloka'i believes it was primarily her weight and genetics (her mother and aunts have diabetes) that brought on her Type 2 diabetes, which is when the body doesn't make enough insulin or doesn't use the insulin it makes. “I want to say yes, I knew that I might be at a higher risk for diabetes, but I don't think it really hit me till I was diagnosed (in 2004),” says Pa, who is the Secretary to OHA Trustee Colette Machado. Then along with elation, fear set in when she found out she was pregnant last summer and, although she was working on it, she says her diabetes was not under control. She was still taking diabetes, high blood pressure and cholesterol medicines that her doctor told her could cause birth defects.

Tom is Pa's doctor and says, “If conception occurs when the woman's diabetes is poorly controlled, there may be an increased risk for congenital defects and fetal malformations.” She says there is also the risk of a having a baby weighing more than 9 pounds, which could mean a difficult delivery and possible injury, and once the child is born, it is at risk of hypoglycemia (low blood sugars), which can cause seizures and low calcium. To this day, memory of the fear brings Pa to tears. “I don't think I got to enjoy my pregnancy like most mothers. Just the concern of you know, something might happen ... that I might lose him.”

Pa had to go on insulin shots three times a day, see a nutritionist and twice a week fax her food and blood-sugar diaries to a nurse at the Queen's Medical Center for insulin adjustments. Dallas Pa was born slightly hypoglycemic, but he is fine. Tom says babies don't get diabetes from their mothers in the womb, but they of course inherit their mother's genes and babies born weighing more than 9 pounds are at higher risk for diabetes. As for Pa, she's working on exercise and diet, and has lost weight, but like many of us, she says, “I like to eat.” Dallas now serves as her major incentive. Pa is still on insulin because she's breastfeeding but hopes to get off it when she stops.



Cataluna on diabetes

“It's all right if you eat some sugar but don't go glut on it,” says OHA Kaua'i-Ni'ihau Trustee Donald Cataluna, sharing mana'o about how he approaches his diabetes.

“It is very important to work with your doctor, and listen to what he says.”

Cataluna first learned he had Type 2 diabetes, the most common form, in 1976 during a physical for a new job. The hidden disease showed no symptoms. He was told it was controllable and was given pills to take once a day.

Fourteen years later, he went to see a highly recommended doctor on the Big Island. His diabetes was not getting any better and Cataluna was soon put on insulin.

After living with diabetes for more than three decades, Cataluna says that people tend to think it is expensive to eat healthier foods. But that doesn't have to be the case. Get a salad instead of fries, he says. Tofu, chicken and veggies can be affordable.

“You got to watch what you eat,” he says. “You have to exercise and you have to take your shots. Don't eat food high in sugar, glucose sugar. Eat vegetables.”

For Cataluna, the *Hawai'i Diet* by Dr. Terry Shintani, has been a key resource to learning how to eat better. But Cataluna takes it one step further. “We have a vegetable garden,” he says.

“Using herbs to season your food is better for you than seasoning with salt,” he says. “We have green onion, Maui onion, lettuce, cabbage, herbs, and my wife started a kalo patch. If we can do it, you can too.” — Francine Murray

Getting off insulin shots is not an option for 8-year-old Pohaku Galdeira of Volcano, Hawai'i. She was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes at age 4 during a regular checkup, says her mom, Keala. “It was not by accident, it was by luck.” Had she not been diagnosed, it could have been fatal. Lam says those with

Type 1 diabetes could go into a coma after three days without insulin. Type 1 diabetes means your pancreas is making very little or no insulin, according to the ADA. While people are usually born with Type 1 diabetes, or it occurs in young children, Lam says the “alarming trend” is that “now we're finding 13-, 14-, 25-year-olds just being diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes” and no one really knows why.

“All I can say is I don't really like it (diabetes),” says Pohaku, a spunky, mature third grader who gives herself five shots a day, tests her blood-sugar level several times a day (sometimes in class), and reads food labels to know how many carbs she's eating so she knows how much insulin to give herself. She's very matter-of-fact and an inspiration to many, including adults with diabetes like her uncle, as well as a school bus driver and teachers who have benefited from her teaching them how to give themselves shots. Truth is, “I don't like doing the shots a lot. It's sore,” Pohaku says, but she won't tell them that. “I usually tell my uncle to just do it and you'll get it over with,” she says.

As Pohaku grows and her body changes, it's difficult to manage her diabetes with her sugar levels sometimes getting too high or too low, sending her to the hospital with seizures maybe twice a year. But, as her mother says: “We have to control it. We can't let it control us.”

There is the financial burden of diabetes as well. Pei, the 27-year-old Wai'anae man, says, “Health insurance plays a big part in any diabetic's life.” He says without it he'd be paying more than \$900 a month for insulin alone. “When I turned 23, the health insurance provider that I was with had stopped my coverage because that was how they (designed) their plans. At the time, I was focusing on school; however, I had to change my plans quickly. I had started immediately looking for full-time work so that I could get health coverage through an employer. Because of that, I haven't finished get-

The foods of the Gods



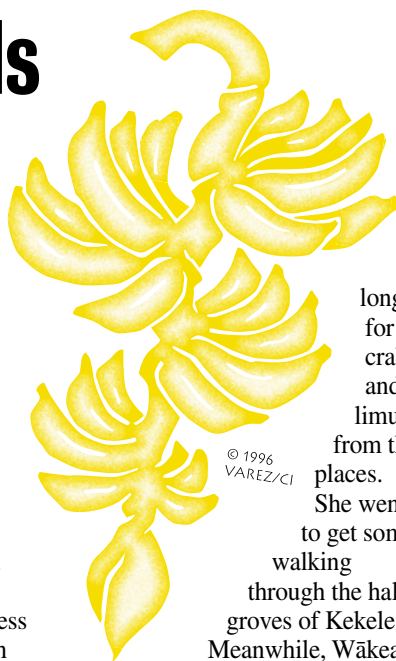
By Claire Ku'uleilani Hughes,
Dr. PH., R.D.

It is makahiki, the season of thanksgiving and celebration. A mo'olelo of Papa and Wākea reveals the appropriate foods for Hawaiian celebrations. These foods sustained the ancestral kupua chiefs, and were eaten daily by our ancestors. The foods contain the mana of the gods who cared for our ancestors and gave them health and strength.

This mo'olelo is about Papa and Wākea who left Kahiki to become the parents of the Hawaiian people. Papa was a mortal

woman, a kupua, who was also known by the names Haumea and Kameha'ikana. Wākea was also mortal and was the husband of Papa when she was called Haumea. Upon arrival in Hawai'i, these gods made their home at Kilohana, on the hills high above Kalihi Valley. They gathered bananas that grew in the uplands, yams from the soil and wild kalo that made delicious poi. They ate freshwater 'o'opu ('o'opu moe wai) and spineless shrimp ('ōpae kala 'ole), fern root, (lau hō'i'o) of the forest, black crab ('alamihī) from the Ko'olau area, fragrant seaweed from He'eia and crab (pāpa'i).

One day, as Haumea looked down toward the ocean at Mōkapu and the waters of He'eia, she



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longed for crab and limu from these places.

She went to get some, walking through the hala groves of Kekele.

Meanwhile, Wākea went after wild bananas to eat with the seafood his wife would bring home.

Men who served the chief of the area noticed that fruit had been taken and pōpolo plants broken, so they started searching for the

thief. The men watched as Wākea cut bananas down. They seized Wākea and took him to the pool of Waikahalulu. They tied Wākea to a big tree on the north edge of the pool and waited for their chief to arrive. Haumea felt a sudden wave of longing for her husband at the moment he was seized, and hurried home. Wākea was nowhere to be found. Looking down the hill, she saw Wākea being led away, with his hands tied behind him.

In haste, Haumea dropped her container of crab and limu and pursued her husband and his captors. It is said that, the crabs crawled into the underbrush and the seaweed crept up the trees, where both can be found to this day. Haumea hurried along the route that Wākea was taken.

Haumea was beautiful and, that day, she was stunning in her skirt of yellow banana leaves with wreaths of kī around her head and neck. Haumea reached the place where her husband was tied, awaiting his execution by

burning. She asked for permission to give Wākea a last embrace. And as she did, the tree opened up, Wākea's ropes fell away, and the two disappeared into the tree. In an instant, the tree returned to its former shape.

When chief arrived, he ordered his men to cut the tree down. The first man to attempt it, fell dead. A second man was killed the same way. And, so it went until the chief consulted a kahuna, who told them the woman was none other than Haumea, the mysterious one, who had come from Kahiki. She was the woman of many bodies and was of the lineage of the gods. The chief ordered ceremonies to be performed to appease the gods. And, the mountain dwellers returned to their home at Kilohana, high above the Kalihi valley.

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OHA IN THE COMMUNITY



OHA WELCOMES WHITE HOUSE OFFICIAL

On Oct. 12 the Office of Hawaiian Affairs welcomed Kirin Ahuja, Executive Director of the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, and Kamuela Enos, Director of Community Resource Development at MA'O Organic Farms, who was recently sworn in as a member of the President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. President Obama last year re-established the White House Initiative to help improve the overall quality of life for not only Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders but also Native Hawaiians. One of the main topics the group discussed was pre-K to high school education, and early education in particular. "Preschool and early educational programs is essential to higher education and the betterment of young Native Hawaiians," said OHA's Chief Executive Officer Clyde Nāmu'o, who is seated at the head of the table on left. Ahuja, who was in Honolulu to speak at the Native Hawaiian Convention, is pictured at top right wearing lei. Enos, also wearing lei, is seated next to her.

- Photo: Zach Villanueva

OHA BOARD CONGRATULATES MASTER WEAVER



Surrounded by family and haumana — many of whom donned woven lauhala hats — Aunty Gladys Kukana Grace received a resolution from the OHA Board of Trustees on Oct. 7 honoring her recognition as a 2010 Heritage Fellow, the nation's highest award for folk artists. A master lauhala weaver, Grace, pictured seated with lei, teaches her students not only the art of lauhala weaving but the importance of weaving values into their lives. Grace, who is 90, took part in the National Heritage Fellowship concert Sept. 24 in Bethesda, Maryland, where she and her students presented a fashion show. To view a video of the concert, visit <http://bit.ly/cyRjlu> and scroll to 23:45. To read an article on Aunty Gladys in *Ka Wai Ola*, visit www.oha.org/kwo/2010/08. - Photo: Lisa Asato

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OHA MEETS WITH ANA COMMISSIONER

Lillian Sparks, Commissioner of the Administration for Native Americans, met with OHA Trustees, Executives and Staff Oct. 13, for the first time since she stepped into the Obama administration post earlier this year. Sparks discussed progress at the national level and OHA shared updates on its Mālama Loan Program, which, together with funding from ANA, helps Native Hawaiians with business, home improvement and education. Hearing about how the Mālama Loan helped Native Hawaiian entrepreneur Keola Rapozo get his business Fitted Hawai'i on its feet, Sparks called it an "awesome story" that "re-energized her outlook to get more funding for Native peoples." "I am excited for the continual partnership between OHA and the ANA," said Sparks, who is pictured with OHA Trustee Rowena Akana. - Photo: Zach Villanueva

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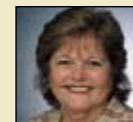
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

On the occasion of OHA's 30th anniversary, Apoliona looks to the future through the lens of the past

By Haunani Apoliona

INTRODUCTION

The past century in Hawai'i included the renaissance of Native Hawaiian history, traditions, language and culture. Native Hawaiians recovered, restored, renewed and recommitted to bringing the best from the time of our Native Hawaiian ancestors into the present; to learn from the past and to chart the future with spiritual strength, patience, focus and discipline.

The 1978 Hawai'i State Constitutional Convention set the groundwork for (1) affirming Hawai'i's Native Hawaiian legacy through amendments to the State of Hawai'i Constitution, ratified by all Hawai'i voters, (2) acknowledging the State's historic obligation, embodied in the Admission Act, to improve conditions for Native Hawaiians through ceded land income and revenues; and (3) establishing the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to ensure appropriate outcomes for needs of Native Hawaiian beneficiaries and Hawaiian self-determination.

This following summary of information, while limited in scope, is intended to share a recounting of progress to date by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees, Administration and staff with our community at large in preparing the way for rebuilding Native Hawaiian governance and self-determination for the 2010-2020 decade.

The evolution of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs over the past three decades can be characterized as follows:

- Decade One (1978-1988)

Formation of OHA: Birth and Infancy steps

- Decade Two (1989-1999)

Struggle for recognition and legitimacy: Growing pains

- Decade Three (2000-2010)

Improving oversight management; and Preparing for rebuilding Native Hawaiian governance

As we bring closure to this present decade (2000-2010), both OHA and the Hawaiian community approach the culmination of a historic outcome – passage of the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act – a culmination

of initial preparations for re-establishing recognized Native Hawaiian governance.

Outlined in this partial summary are accomplishments and outcomes in four critical areas achieved in this decade:

A. Operational efficiency and planned outcomes at Board, Administration/staff and commu-

nity levels

B. Advocacy for passage of the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act and initial preparation for rebuilding of Native Hawaiian self-governance and local and national community well-being.

C. Provision of significant financial support to several State agencies and the University of Hawai'i in responding to Native Hawaiian needs for services and programs reaching beyond OHA's own initiatives in community grants.

D. Engagement in legal challenges made against Native Hawaiians and OHA to protect lands, resources and rights for future generations of Native Hawaiians.

Note: Detailed information on items in this summary are documented in OHA files and much more information is available on OHA's web site www.oaha.org.

PARTIAL SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES

A. Strengthened and stabilized OHA Administration/staff and Board of Trustees operations to maximize efficiency, effectiveness and quality of performance make significant impact in achieving identified goals.

1. Improved community percep-



Along with U.S. Sen. Daniel Akaka, pictured, and the entire Congressional delegation, OHA has continued to push for passage of the Akaka bill. - Screenshot: Courtesy of C-SPAN



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tion/appreciation/reputation/respect for its mission as OHA:

- Established a diverse information and communication network for Native Hawaiians, Hawai‘i and beyond through a monthly newspaper, weekday morning interactive radio shows, regular ‘ŌLELO television panel interviews, an interactive portal/television station link, special issue public televised forums, community meetings and press conferences; community relations positively and credibly built by OHA as demonstrated in web site information access, media articles, video commentary and forums, requests from business and community groups for presentations about Native Hawaiian issues, education of policymakers and public agencies and much more.

- Reduced negative public exchanges between Trustees with improved internal BOT cohesiveness is evidenced by minutes of regular public Trustee meetings, media commentary and editorial, State Auditor’s comments, investment and financial regulators, e-mails, telephone calls and letters received from active as well as would-be OHA partners, and feedback from our beneficiaries.

2. Increased organizational stability and operational efficiency

- In August 2001, BOT hired a new OHA Administrator to reorganize and improve operations for implementing BOT policies and mission-driven decisions. After observed positive outcomes and the resulting stability the BOT extended ADM’s contractual time frame to 2012.

- Adopted (Feb. 13, 2002) priority mission and goals for OHA and developed and implemented OHA Strategic Plan for 2002-2007, with an extension to 2008-2009, and initiated the Managing For Results (MFR) paradigm Strategic Plan for 2010-2016.

- Reorganized internal organizational structure and systems ranging from: initiating Hale divisions replaced for 2010-2016 by Line of Business divisions; refining PPBS

budgeting systems; upgrading computer and records management systems, etc.

- Revised/updated operational and policy manuals for clarity, documented current practices, refined forms/procedures in written and electronic format with plans for an increasingly “paperless” operations.

- BOT established policies improved findings and outcomes acknowledged by the State Legislative Auditor’s reports for 2000, 2004, 2008.

- Revised BOT standing committee structure from five to two: 2000-2002 (Program Management; Legislative/Government Affairs; Land; Policy & Planning; Budget & Finance); 2003 to date (BAE – Beneficiary Advocacy & Empowerment Committee and ARM – Asset & Resource Management Committee.) Productivity and timely Board actions are achieved through recommendations from these two standing committees on which all nine Trustees sit. Board and Committee Leadership remaining stable from 2000 to the present.

- Initiated on April 8, 2003, a new investment policy process using the “manager of managers” approach with Goldman Sachs and Frank Russell as investment portfolio managers with periodic and prudent amendment to OHA investment policies and procedures.

B. Initiated successful advocacy for passage of the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act and prepared for rebuilding of systems and recovery of resources and assets for meaningful Native Hawaiian self-governance and self-sufficiency.

1. Demonstrated responsible and culturally based Native Hawaiian advocacy and contributions within a multicultural Hawai‘i society.

- Established in 2003 OHA’s Washington, D.C., Bureau. Through its Washington, D.C., Bureau, the Governance division and other staff activities, OHA has educated policymakers and federal agencies

FUNDING AMOUNTS TO STATE AGENCIES AND UH

	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010 (PROJECTED)
STATE	\$2,493,701	\$2,366,451	\$4,473,903	\$799,535	\$3,343,216	\$4,241,014
UH	\$1,033,370	\$913,873	\$1,264,579	\$1,651,580	\$2,158,398	\$1,511,870
TOTAL	\$3,527,071	\$3,280,324	\$5,738,482	\$2,451,115	\$5,501,614	\$5,752,884

Please note in the table above, OHA has provided a noteworthy amount of funding to State agencies, including the University of Hawai‘i. We have attempted to address identified needs as our resources permitted.

about Native Hawaiians and gained support for OHA’s efforts nationally: established memoranda of agreements, resolutions of support and collaborative relations with national indigenous and numerous ethnic groups, public and private agencies, profit and nonprofit organizations and individuals across the United States and Pacific nations. OHA has become more visible in the U.S. capital and in the halls of Congress. Information on Hawaiian history and issues has been more broadly disseminated in the nation’s capital. OHA’s D.C. Bureau facilitated establishment of the Ke Ali‘i Maka‘āinana Hawaiian Civic Club, of the AOHCC.

2. Recovered Resources and Assets For Self-Governance and Self-Sufficiency

- Achieved ceded lands revenue increases through continuous Native Hawaiian advocacy.

- In 2003, the Hawai‘i State Legislature through Act 34, agreed to increase annual transfers to OHA from zero to \$9.5 million for the State’s use of ceded lands.

- In 2006, Act 178 was passed by the Legislature that provided \$17.5 million in back payment from July 2001 to June 2005 and approved increasing annual transfers to OHA from \$9.5 million to \$15.1 million for the State’s use of ceded lands. Act 178 also required that DLNR “shall provide an accounting of all receipts from lands described in section 5(f) of the Admission Act for the prior fiscal year.”

- Restructured the Native Hawaiian Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”), valued at \$255 million at 2003 inception, to streamline the management and oversight process, which resulted in a peak 74 percent

gain in portfolio value just prior to the financial crisis and market downtown. The OHA Trust Fund investments, along with countless others, suffered significant setbacks during the financial crisis that began in 2008. Despite the stress in the economy, OHA managed to outperform its peer institutional public funds, endowments and foundations coming out of the downturn and has continued to fund grants and programs for our community. At present in this recovery period, the Trust Fund operates at a 61 percent value increase since the 2003 inception.

- Earned increased prominence for protecting Hawai‘i’s natural resources and environment through acquisition of significant land and property while ensuring responsible resource management and regulations which are culturally and environmentally pono. Specifically, the acquisition of 26,000 acres of pristine conservation forest lands of Wao Kele o Puna on Hawai‘i island (2005) and 1,800 acres of Waimea Valley Park on O‘ahu (2006) for approximately \$2.9 million of a total \$14 million sale in partnership with State Department of Land and Natural Resources, the U.S. Army, and City and County of Honolulu to protect into perpetuity these Native Hawaiian lands achieving educational goals and ensuring archeological and cultural well-being.

- Advocated successfully for protection of Nā Wai ‘Ehā water

resources in Maui County.

- Supported successful legislation from 2007-2009 to exempt kuleana lands from real property taxes in Hawai‘i, Maui, O‘ahu and Kaua‘i counties.

- Assisted in coordinating statewide community input meetings and participated in inaugural U.S. Department of Defense training to produce protocols for consulting with Native Hawaiians on armed forces projects statewide. In 2010, OHA completed year five of Department of Defense consultation.

- Adopted in 2006 OHA’s Land Management and Real Estate Policy and in 2007 approved OHA Real Estate Strategy which, in part, enabled careful scrutiny by staff of proposed property transfers for OHA’s Negotiating Team recommendations to BOT decision-making on ceded land matters.

- Authorized on Dec. 8, 2006, OHA’s participation in Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Marine National Monument management. Also, after Presidential Proclamation of June 2006 designated the area, OHA participated in the renaming in March 2007 of the area



Papahānaumokuākea gains world recognition in 2010. - Photo: Courtesy of NOAA - Copyright James Watt

as Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument and successfully advocated approval of Papahānaumokuākea as a UNESCO World Heritage site, in Brasilia, Brazil, July 2010. OHA continues to advocate for OHA’s

inclusion as a Co-Trustee for Papahānaumokuākea.

3. Invested significant resources in community building and preparation for emergence of Native Hawaiian governing entity.

- Strengthened collaboration and mutual support with the other Native Hawaiian public trust, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, through BOT approval of: pilot project for bond guarantees for home replacements (2005); DHHL Home Owners Assistance Program (2007); and after three years of discussions, on June 4, 2008, OHA Trustees approved up to \$90 million in loan guarantee (debt service of \$3 million a year for 30 years) to DHHL for development of housing and regional plans for homesteaders. OHA payments to DHHL to date total \$6 million.

- BOT terminated Operation 'Ohana in 2002 and replaced it with the OHA Hawaiian Registry, 27,681 persons.

- Encouraged the development of KAU INOA Native Hawaiian registration efforts, with nearly 109,000 registered, as a major step toward building a Native Hawaiian governing entity and facilitating community development toward self-determination.

- Supported from 2004 through 2006 convening of meetings of a Native Hawaiian Coalition "to establish a process that would provide people with a mechanism for achieving self governance through self-determination." This provided initial community input on suggested steps to rebuilding a nation.

- Established the Consumer Micro-Loan Program for emergencies, which has assisted 285 recipients with more than \$1,385,000.

- Initiated the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund in 1989 to improve access and expedite assistance to Native applicants for business, home improvements and education.

- Redesigned in 2007 OHA's Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund as Mālama Loan Program



with approval by federal grantor Administration for Native Americans to enable easier and faster access to more beneficiaries for businesses, home improvements and education. Since 1989, 1,219 recipients have been assisted for a total of \$36.9 million.

- Invested in the Native Hawaiian community by funding grants to community-based projects and initiatives in the effort to build capacity and success for our beneficiaries through education, health, human services, economic development and diverse areas. Increased amounts over the decade, from \$1,095,589 in 2003 and \$10,678,750 in 2009 resulting in a cumulative total of over \$61.5 million, with the 2010 total yet to be completed for the decade. Obtained in 2008 federal government designation as a Hawai'i Procurement Technology Assistance Center.

- Provided in 2008 approximately \$2.2 million to the Bishop Museum for restoration of Hawaiian Hall.

- Provided \$150,000 (2005) to King William Charles Lunalilo

Home for the Kūpuna Continuing Care Assurance Program to serve elderly Native Hawaiians and \$150,000 (2010) for restoration/renovation of King Lunalilo's tomb.

- Provided a total of \$1 million during 2006-2008 to Kawaihae Church for renovations to its historic structure and surroundings for a community service facility.

- BOT approved on Jan. 14, 2008, capitalization of Hi'ilei Aloha LLC (Limited Liability Corporation) to manage OHA projects on Kaua'i, O'ahu and Hawai'i islands, such as Hi'ipoi LLC (Makaweli Poi Factory), Hi'ipaka LLC (Waimea Valley). Additional OHA LLC are being established.

- Advocated and supported from 1996-2010, efforts for congressional enactment of the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act (NHGRA) introduced by the Hawai'i Congressional Delegation in various forms as: S. 2899/H.R.4904 (2000); S. 746/HR 617 (2001); S.344 (2003-4); S.147/HR 309 (2005); S. 3064 (2006); S.

310/HR 505 (2007-2008); S. 1011/HR 2314 (2009-2010).

C. Provided strong financial support to several State Agencies and the University of Hawai'i in responding to Native Hawaiian needs for services and programs.

- State agencies provided OHA funding support include: DHHL, DOE, DOH, DAGS, Hawai'i State Hospital and Hawaiian Tourism Authority, as well as the University of Hawai'i.

- During the past six years OHA has provided \$26,251,490 in funding to a number of State of Hawai'i agencies and the University of Hawai'i. See table on page 23.

D. Significant legal challenges against OHA and Native Hawaiians were met by encouraging judicial outcomes. Appropriate research and legal strategies were initiated for transition to nationhood and long-term outcomes for Native Hawaiians and future generations. During the last 10 years, there have been milestone legal decisions, court proclamations and negotiated settlements. OHA was also named as a defendant in 118 kuleana quiet title actions pursuant to HRS §560:2-105.5 (Escheat of kuleana lands). Numerous significant legal decisions, which merit further discussion, follow below:

- Election of Office of Hawaiian Affairs Trustees must be open to all Hawai'i voters, not only Native Hawaiians, in compliance with the 15th amendment of the U.S. Constitution. (U.S. Supreme Court – Feb. 23, 2000) Reference: *Rice v. Cayetano*, 528 US 495, 120 S. Ct. 1044 (2000).

- OHA Trustees have not breached their fiduciary trust responsibilities on "use" for one or more section 5(f) purposes. Reference: *Day, et al. v. Apoliona, et al.*, No. 08-16704; D.C. No.1:05-CV-00649, SOM-BMK (9th Cir., July 26, 2010).

- OHA expenditures for support of the Akaka Bill and other programs (Native Hawaiian Legal Corp., ALU LIKE, Inc. and Nā Pua No'eau are consistent with federal

law. Reference: *Day, et al. v. Apoliona, et al.*, No. 08-16704; D.C. No.1:05-CV-00649, SOM-BMK (9th Cir., July 26, 2010).

- OHA's federal trust obligation validates that the OHA Trustees have broad discretion and latitude in determining use of its Public Land Trust funds. Reference: *Day, et al. v. Apoliona, et al.*, No. 08-16704; D.C. No.1:05-CV-00649, SOM-BMK (9th Cir., July 26, 2010).

- The court asserted its earlier proclamation that it is incumbent upon the State Legislature to enact legislation that gives effect to the right of Native Hawaiians to benefit from the ceded land trust, and OHA should look to the Legislature for relief. (Hawai'i Supreme Court – April 2006) Reference: *Office of Hawaiian Affairs v. State of Hawai'i (II)* 110 Hawai'i at 363, 133 P.3d at 792 (2006).

- A negotiated settlement in November 2008 between OHA and U.S. Army includes procedures to facilitate a meaningful consultation between OHA and the Army concerning the identification, evaluation and protection of Native Hawaiian cultural resources affected by Stryker Brigade Combat Team (SBCT) transformation-related activities (lawsuit filed on Nov. 14, 2006, lawsuit dismissed Nov. 5, 2008;). Reference: *Office of Hawaiian Affairs v. Gates, et al.*, Civil No. 06-00610. U.S. District Court, District of Hawai'i.

- Plaintiffs asked the Court to declare that OHA and HRS Chapter 10 as unconstitutional, that DHHL is unconstitutional, that funds held by OHA and DHHL revert to State general funds as state property, and that all funds which revert to the general fund can be used at the discretion of the Governor. The final outcome in the (OHA I) case was the Court's decision, which did not permit taxpayer standing to be used as a basis for bringing a federal lawsuit with those claims. Reference: *Arakaki v. Cayetano, aka Arakaki v. Lingle*, 477 F.3d 1048 (9th Circuit, Feb. 9, 2007).

- OHA sought payment from State of Hawai'i's pro-rata share of

Public Land Trust revenues from contested sources not settled in the 1993 Memorandum of Agreement. In light of the Forgiveness Act, Act 304 was repealed. Reference: *Office of Hawaiian Affairs v. State*, 96 Hawai'i 388, 31 P.3d 901 (September, 2001) ("OHA I" filed Jan. 14, 1994).

- A restraining order and preliminary injunction against OHA expending its funds was sought by the plaintiffs. The Court deemed the lawsuit "completely frivolous" on July 1, 2008, and dismissed the case. Reference: *Kuroiwa v. Linda Lingle*, et al. Civil No. 08-0153 JMS-KSC. U.S. District Court, District of Hawai'i (filed April 3, 2008).

- Plaintiff John Carroll and Plaintiff Patrick Barrett sought to enjoin the State of Hawai'i and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs from expending OHA funds. Cases were consolidated "sub nom" Carroll v Nakatani. The Court ruled that plaintiff had no standing and affirmed on Sept. 2, 2003. Reference: *Carroll v. Nakatani*, 342 F.3d 934 (9th Cir. Sept. 2, 2003) (filed Oct. 2 and Oct. 3, 2000).

- Office of Hawaiian Affairs asked the Court to require an EIS (Environmental Impact Statement) for the six outrigger telescopes for the Keck project on Mauna Kea and sought declaratory and injunctive relief. The Court found the existing EA (Environmental Assessment) insufficient and ruled in favor of OHA, Aug. 29, 2003. NASA voluntarily prepared an EIS. OHA responded during the comment period and NASA responded to comments in its final EIS. Reference: *Office of Hawaiian Affairs v. O'Keefe (NASA) et al.*, Civil No. 02-00227 SOM-BMA. U.S. District Court, District of Hawai'i (filed April 22, 2002).

- OHA sued to enjoin Housing and Finance Development Corp. (now Housing Community Development Corp. of Hawai'i) from sale of ceded lands until claims of Native Hawaiians are resolved by the government. Also, former crown lands "Leali'i Parcel," which HFDC received

approval to remove from section 5(f) trust.

The Hawai'i Supreme Court held that OHA prevailed by showing that "Congress has clearly recognized that the native Hawaiian people have unrelinquished claims over the ceded lands which were taken without consent or compensation and which the native Hawaiian people are determined to preserve, develop and transmit to future generations."

The U.S. Supreme Court held that the Apology Resolution could not be read to "create a retroactive 'cloud' on the title [of the ceded lands] that Congress granted to the State of Hawai'i in 1959." However, the Court found that it "had no authority to decide questions of Hawaiian (i.e. state) law or to provide redress for past wrongs except as provided for by federal law." OHA agreed to settlement of the case with the State by agreeing to passage by the State Legislature of S.B. 1677, S.D. 1, later signed into law by Gov. Linda Lingle as Act 176 on July 13, 2009. Reference: *State of Hawai'i et al. v. Office of Hawaiian Affairs et al.*, 129 S.Ct. 1436 (2009).

- The Board of Education (BOE) and OHA in May 2000 entered into an agreement to settle the lawsuit brought by OHA on behalf of Kula Kaiapuni – Hawaiian Language Immersion Program. Terms of the agreement called for the DOE to increase funding Hawaiian language programs from \$800,000 to \$1 million annually for five years. OHA was to provide matching funds on a 1:2 ratio basis (\$400,000 to \$500,000 a year) for five years. Also, the DOE was to provide OHA with financial and program reports for monitoring and evaluation purposes for the five years. Reference: *Office of Hawaiian Affairs, et al. v. Department of Education, et al.*, Civil No. ICC 85-0-002970, U.S. District Court, District of

Hawai'i.

- Contested case hearing was initiated involving concern over establishment of Interim In-stream Flow Standards to restore flow to four Maui streams: Waiehu Stream, Waihe'e Stream, 'Īao River and Waikapū Stream – collectively called "Nā Wai 'Ehā." OHA intervention was granted June 20, 2006. Commission on Water Resource Management Decision and Order issued June 10, 2010. OHA filed its Notice of Appeal on July 12, 2010, as did Community groups. CWRM requested and received an extension of time to transmit the Record on Appeal, with the new deadline being Oct. 11, 2010. Reference: *'Īao Ground Water Management Area High-Level Source Water Use Permit Applications and Petition to Amend Interim Instream Flow Standards of Waihe'e, Waiehu, 'Īao & Waikapū Streams Contested Case Hearing ("IIFS Case")*; Case No. CCH-MA-06-01 Commission on Water Resource Management, State of Hawai'i (filed June 25, 2004).

- Petition was filed contesting the Board of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) proposed sale of 65-year lease at public auction of water rights for the use of "Blue Hole" diversions and portions of water transmission system, Lihū'e-Koloa Forest Reserve (Wailūa Section) filed Dec. 10, 2004. OHA started settlement negotiations in June 2005 with applicant Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative (KIUC). MOA executed in November 2006 with specified conditions. Matter is pending KIUC's satisfying those conditions so OHA has not withdrawn its petition for a contested case. Reference: no case number.

- Contested case hearing was initiated on Moloka'i in 1977 regarding a petition for a new well at Kamiloloa affecting adjoining aquifers. OHA intervened on the decision by the Commission on



In January 2009, thousands of Hawaiians and supporters marched down Kalākaua Avenue in Waikīkī in protest of the state's push for the right to sell ceded lands. - Photo: KWO Archives

Below: NASA voluntarily prepared an Environmental Impact Statement after OHA asked the Court to require one for six outrigger telescopes for the Keck project on Mauna Kea. - Photo: KWO archives

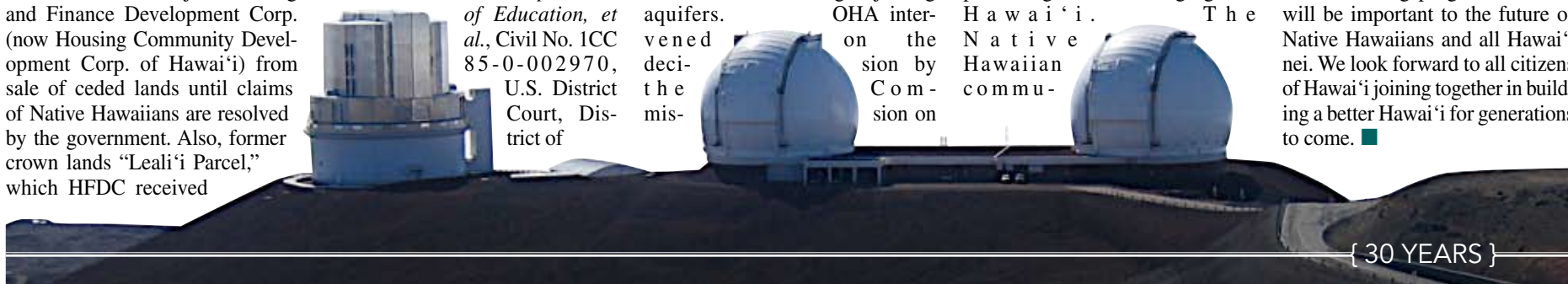
Water Resource Management (CWRM); appealed it to Supreme Court of Hawai'i. The Court issued decision in 2004 that recognized and protected water rights of Native Hawaiians, extended protections previously affirmed in the 2000 Waiāhole Ditch Case. The Supreme Court ruled against CWRM citing the new well would interfere with rights of DHHL to develop water sources for the island of Moloka'i in the future and the CWRM erred in issuing a water permit to the Moloka'i Ranch. Reference: In re: *Wai Ola O Moloka'i Inc.*, 103 Hawai'i, 83 P. 3d 664 (2004).

Legal challenges throughout the past three decades have been formidable. More are anticipated. We intend to prevail.

CONCLUSION

The next decade ahead looks promising but challenging for Hawai'i. The Native Hawaiian community

and Office of Hawaiian Affairs mark a point in our history that requires many more experienced, well-informed, ethical, committed, action-oriented, community-minded "do-ers" in service, not self-service. Intended outcomes demand diligent, disciplined, innovative, values-driven, mutually respectful leaders and participants. No single person can be credited for OHA's achievements and no single person can be credited for future results; it is a collective effort. Yet, OHA functioning at its highest level of excellence and accountability can serve as a premier tool for the Hawaiian cause. Mahalo nui loa to all who have manifested their love for Hawai'i nei through their unselfish, strong support for OHA's mission. Special thanks goes to OHA's Board of Trustees, Administration, staff and volunteers who are responsible for our continuing progress and who will be important to the future of Native Hawaiians and all Hawai'i nei. We look forward to all citizens of Hawai'i joining together in building a better Hawai'i for generations to come. ■





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Sun., Nov. 14, noon to 6 p.m.

Watch the local masters jam as their fingers dance across the strings and their voices hypnotize Kaua‘i style. The free event at Kaua‘i Beach Resort accepts donations at the door. Featured artists include Dennis Kamakahi, Makana, David Kahiapo, Danny Carvalho, Brother Noland and many more. slackkeyfestival.com.



Makana, at top, performs at the Slack Key festival along with, from left, Dennis Kamakahi, David Kahiapo and Brother Noland.

- Photos: Courtesy of Milton Lau



5TH ANNUAL MOKU O KEAWE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

Thurs.-Sun., Nov. 4-7

Let the competition commence at the Waikoloa Bowl at Queens' Gardens. Hālau from Hawai‘i, the Continental U.S. and Japan compete in hula kahiko on Thursday, kūpuna division on Friday, hula ‘au wana and soloists on Saturday, all at 6 p.m. Lawn, \$5; reserved, \$10. Attend daytime cultural workshops led by renown hula masters, lauhala weavers, or learn the secrets of ipu heke, Thursday to Saturday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at various locations on the Kohala Coast. Space is limited so register online. Island Marketplace offers hula implements, fresh lei, clothing, lauhala hats and made-in-Hawai‘i products at the Waikoloa Beach Marriott

Resort & Spa, all day Friday and Saturday. Hō‘ike Night on Sunday features Kumu Hula O'Brian Eselu and his hālau. Lawn, \$10; reserved, \$20. www.MOKIF.com.

3RD ANNUAL KAUIKEAOULI LITERACY FAIR

Sat., Nov 20, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Go local this holiday season and start your shopping with books from local publishers, Hawaiian crafts and food in an aloha-filled atmosphere while being entertained by local artists. Other attractions include door prizes and a silent auction. Presented by Alu Like Inc. Ka Waihona Puke ‘Ōiwi Native Hawaiian Library. The event honors Kamehameha III and his vision for a literate nation. At Alu Like, 458 Keawe St. in Honolulu. 535-1354.

DADDS 6TH ANNUAL TURKEY SHOOT

Sat., Nov. 20, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

A Thanksgiving meal, basketball and bouncers help make this a holiday event to remember. Once again the positive role models, Dads Against Doing Drugs (DADDS) bring the community together to provide a meal and a little holiday joy to the homeless and less fortunate at Ka‘iulani Elementary School in Kalihi. The free event includes live entertainment, praise and worship, education and resource booths, games and prizes for keiki, bouncers, HPD Keiki ID and a 3-point basketball shooting competition. Volunteers are needed. 861-0688 or daddshawaii.yahoo.com.

Makahiki Events

The traditional Hawaiian Makahiki was a time of spiritual cleansing, when ho‘okupu were offered to the god Lono. War was forbidden and a clear path was made for the image of Lono, carried by a priest, as it led a procession around the island. This ceremony of appreciation for the prosperity provided by generosity of Lono was followed by a period of celebration expressed in Hawaiian games, feasts, song and dance.

KAPUAIKAULA (HICKAM) MAKAHIKI

Sat., Nov. 6, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Lono arrives by canoe at Hickam Harbor Beach and proceeds to the grassy area makai of Seabreeze Restaurant. Opening ceremony will be followed by traditional game competitions and prizes in ‘ulu maika (stone rolling), moa pahe’e (dart tossing), hakamoa (one-leg wrestling) and makaihe (spear throwing). Sponsored by O‘ahu Council of Hawaiian Civic Clubs and the Joint Base Command of Pearl Harbor and Hickam. Contact Shad Kane at 429-7175 or shadskane@gmail.com to expedite gate access.

WAIMĀNALO (BELLOWS) MAKAHIKI

Sat., Nov. 20, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Join in the traditional event of procession and games dedicated to peace, excellence and the celebration of Hawaiian culture at the Bellows Beach Park. Free. Potluck. Sponsors include Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Royal Order of Kamehameha, U.S. Air Force and Marines, Bellows Air Force Base Command and the community. Kahu Ryan Kalama, 753-2190 or kalamar001@hawaii.rr.com.

MAKAHIKI MAOLI FESTIVAL 2010

Sat., and Sun., Nov. 20- 21, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

On Saturday, visit a special arts preview where island artisans share their wares at Kapi‘olani Park Bandstand. Sunday let the games begin. Join in the Hawaiian festivities, Makahiki games, ‘ono local and Hawaiian food, live Hawaiian entertainment, much more. Funded in part by OHA. Free. Presented by Kōmike Makua o Pūnana Leo o Honolulu. 841-6655, makahikimaoli@gmail.com or find them on Facebook.

KUALOA MAKAHIKI NUI

Fri.-Sun., Dec. 10-12

Families are welcome to camp over Friday night at Kualoa Regional Park to cheer on their kāne in Saturday's competitions. Festivities commence on the shore at dawn with games for men 16 and older starting at 9 a.m. Take pleasure in the dinner and awards that evening followed by kani ka pila and lomilomi in this joint event by Umi Kai, Hale Mua Kualii and Aha Kane. Contact Umi Kai at 840-5510 or ulupono1@gmail.com.



Native Hawaiians perform ceremonies for Makahiki, the season of peace among the islands. - Photo: Courtesy of Chris Usher



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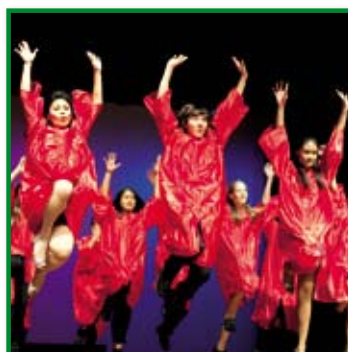
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Aerial view of Hale'iwa Beach Park showing parcels outlined in green that the City is considering selling to Andy Anderson, who this year bought the adjoining land upon which Jameson's restaurant sits. Jameson's is shown at right boxed in pink. - Photo: Courtesy of Save Hale'iwa Beach Park

Hale'iwa Beach Park worth saving

By Mahina Chillingworth

Editor's note: Mahina Chillingworth is Vice President of Hui O He'e Nalu. The views expressed in this community forum do not necessarily reflect the views of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

The broad support for the City safeguarding Hale'iwa Beach Park Mauka for the benefit of the public is

being widely reported. The public sees wisdom in properly stewarding taxpayer-owned, prime North Shore coastline in such a highly utilized area. Therefore, a variety of respected organizations like the Hui O He'e Nalu, Surfrider Foundation O'ahu Chapter, Sierra Club O'ahu Chapter, and Hawai'i's Thousand Friends are working together in a Coalition to protect this and other valuable public beach parks.

The oceanfront Hale'iwa Beach Park Mauka is adjacent to a heavily used beach and beach park area (the long and wide stretch of sand from Loko Ea fishpond to the Hale'iwa War Memorial and beyond to Pua'ena Point). The action plan in the North Shore Sustainable Communities Plan for this park is to "Develop Hale'iwa Beach Park Mauka as a community-based park to expand active recreational facili-

ties for North Shore residents."

The park is zoned P-2 preservation land and serves as outdoor space for the public's use and enjoyment. The park is minimally improved with the exception of a very large gravel beach parking area (with room today for roughly 70 cars to park), an area for canoe storage, limited signage, and several shade, coconut and palm trees. (Please see the aerial photo showing the extent of the impressive coastal park.)

Despite these community benefits, Andy Anderson proposes to purchase and transform the City and County of Honolulu's Hale'iwa Beach Park Mauka and adjoining Jameson's By the Sea restaurant site into an 80-unit hotel/resort.

A large part of this beach park land was purchased from Kamehameha Schools (KS) through eminent domain over four decades ago. However, Anderson has said he would not pursue his hotel/resort plans if KS is offered the land, which was taken from them. (*Star-Advertiser*, Oct. 5, 2010)

Hui O He'e Nalu is working

with the City and other community groups to adopt and steward this important park. By working with the Hui O He'e Nalu and others, the City has the ability to help support the implementation of the community vision for the Hale'iwa Beach Park Mauka.

Working partnerships with community organizations can support the improvement of a community park that could have more parking stalls, walkways, a safer crosswalk to the beach and a bike path linking with the planned bike path through Hale'iwa. This will implement the North Shore Sustainable Communities Plan and could successfully set the stage for future concepts that have been highlighted by the community, including a Canoe Hālau and other cultural, educational and recreational activities.

In addition, this effort will be a preferable precedent for other community parks rather than selling them to private developers. You can learn more at the Save Hale'iwa Beach Park Facebook page and at savehaleiwabeachpark.org.

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DIABETES

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ting my degree.”

He is now a drafter, digitizing sketches from engineers at Lockheed Martin Corp. But his hours have been cut back because of federal budget cuts. With his income taking a hit, he says it “makes it harder to eat healthier.” Still, Pei says, although he’s not on a strict diet, he counts his carbs and limits the amount he eats.

Eating healthy is important in managing diabetes, whatever the type. In addition, becoming more physically active every day and losing weight can delay or prevent Type 2 diabetes, according to research, says the ADA. In terms of exercise, Tom suggests “five days a week for at least 30 minutes. However, not everyone can exercise vigorously, so activity and movement of any type such as housework, yard work, also counts.”

What is also proving to be an important factor for Native Hawaiians is having some kind of support system. Dr. Marjorie Mau, Professor of Native Hawaiian Health at the John A. Burns School of Medicine, has spearheaded several studies including one that had each subject paired with a support person – brother, sister, mother, friend. Mau says, “Our conclusion then was that social support shows promise as a means to improve healthy lifestyles for Native Hawaiian adults with or at high risk for diabetes.” She says a larger trial study called the Diabetes Prevention Program again showed “social support was an important piece of ensuring that lifestyle changes actually had an impact.”

Corporate Hawai‘i is stepping up in a supportive role as well, says Lam, the ADA Executive Director. Take for instance Grove Farm Co. on the island of Kaua‘i. It supports the Grove Farm Fit Club started by employees two years ago. Vice President Marissa Sandblom says



Eight-year-old Pohaku Galdeira was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes during a routine checkup when she was 4. Here, she is shown with big brother Mana at home in Volcano. - Photo: Courtesy of Keala Galdeira

once a week employees will walk or jog the equivalent of 2 miles around the park across the street or play football, volleyball, bon dance or incorporate a community-service project like walking to

collect flowers for lei to donate for Memorial Day. After exercise they eat a healthy meal together, one partially sponsored by the company and supplemented by produce from the company garden they maintain.

In turn, Sandblom says, the Fit Club has helped morale. “Some of our best business ideas and sharing of project updates have occurred during the lunch following a work-out, and people aren’t taking as many sick days.”

Information for companies and individuals abound through the ADA especially as November is American Diabetes Month. A new movement is kicking off to stop diabetes and you can join it at www.stopdiabetes.com. You can also go to www.diabetes.org for diabetes facts, symptoms and a test to see if you’re at risk. There is no cure for diabetes, but as Tom, the endocrinologist, says, “The best cure for diabetes is to prevent it. Once someone has diabetes, it is important to control it.” ■

Kathy Muneno is a Contributing Writer for Ka Wai Ola. She is a weekend weather anchor at KHON2.

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PTAC offers contracting workshop

The Hawai'i Procurement Technical Assistance Center plans to offer a "Government Contracting: General Services Administration and Naval Supply Systems Command" workshop from 10 a.m. to noon on Nov. 9 at the Honolulu Airport conference meeting rooms.

Leading the workshop will be Claus Prufer, Program Manager of HI-PTAC, which is primarily funded by the Defense Logistics Agency with support from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. Registration for the free workshop is required by contacting Letty Ojeda at 594-1986 or leticio@oha.org.

For information on HI-PTAC, visit www.hiptac.org.

OHA Trustee candidate forums on 'Ōlelo TV

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs in partnership with 'Ōlelo Community Media have taped four OHA Trustee Candidate Forums, which is available for viewing on demand on 'Ōlelo TV.

Candidates in the contested races are vying for one Trustee seat for O'ahu and three Trustee positions for the at-large seat. To watch the forums on demand, visit www.olelo.org/vote.

Kealoha appointed Deputy Prosecutor

On Oct. 21, Katherine Puana Kealoha, the Director of the State Office of Environmental Quality Control since February 2008, was appointed Deputy Prosecutor by newly elected City Prosecutor Keith Kaneshiro.

The wife of Louis Kealoha, Honolulu Chief of Police, Katherine is active in law enforcement events and programs. She sits on the Board of Directors for Star of the Sea and the Kāhala Community Association. The Kealohas were featured in *Ka Wai Ola* in May, as Native Hawaiians at the top of their game.

The appointment marks a return for her to the City Prosecutor's Department. She previously served

as the primary attorney litigating environmental cases for the Career Criminal Division and was instrumental in creating the Environmental Crimes Unit there. This specialized unit ensures public safety by prosecuting violators for crimes against the community and environment, such as hazardous waste disposal, air and water pollution and other health-related issues.

With experience in business, real estate, family, civil and criminal law Kealoha previously had her own private practice, at the Law Office of Katherine Puana Kealoha and Associates.

Kealoha earned her bachelor's degree in political science and master's degree in criminal justice administration from Chaminade University, and her juris doctorate from the University of Hawai'i's William S. Richardson School of Law.

Also appointed as deputies were Jon Riki Karamatsu, the State House Judiciary Chairman who recently lost his bid for Lieutenant Governor, and Dean Young, also a former prosecutor.

Diabetes Health Fair coming to Waimānalo

The Houpo Pono second annual Diabetes Health Fair will be held Thursday, Nov. 18, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Waimānalo Health Center.

Enjoy healthy cooking demonstrations with guest chef Eddie Morita and Waimānalo dietician Napua Nakamura, who says that food is the true medicine. Both will demonstrate simple steps to eating healthy.

The health fair will feature a healthy cookbook give away, health and wellness screenings, prevention information, holistic health services, free lomilomi foot massages and more. Call 259-7948 for information.

Applications sought for UH's 'Imi Ho'ōla program

Are you interested in becoming a physician and serving in Hawai'i or the broader Pacific region? The 'Imi Ho'ōla Post-Baccalaureate Program at the University of Hawai'i John A. Burns School of Medicine has

provided opportunities to individuals from Hawai'i, and areas such as Guam, Micronesia and American Samoa, and is now accepting applications for the 2011-2012 school year.

Imi Ho'ōla is a one-year program that offers a wide range of educational experiences to prepare participants for a career in medicine. Eligible candidates are from diverse backgrounds and are highly motivated. If you want to be part of a tradition of excellence and have a desire to serve the community, call 692-1030 for more information. Application materials may be downloaded online at <http://jabsom.hawaii.edu/imihooola>. Application deadline is Nov. 30.

TV show tells story behind Maui canoe

A heartwarming story of how a Maui canoe came to be will be told in an hourlong TV special, *Ka'ililā'au's Canoe – A Journey of Spirit*, airing 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Day on KGMB.

The canoe was built by Kā'anapali

Beach Hotel employees and was named for a Maui youngster who died seven years before his dream of seeing a tree on his family property come to life as a canoe. The canoe now serves as an educational vessel for tourists and the community.

The special by Emme Inc. will also feature an update of Hōkūle'a and Hawai'iloa, two historical canoes built by the Polynesian Voyaging Society. The show will rebroadcast Saturday, Nov. 27 at 6 p.m. on KGMB. ■



OHA awarded a Small Grants Community Sponsorship of \$1,500 to the Annual Windward Ho'olaule'a held at Windward Community College on Oct. 2. OHA Community Outreach Coordinator Ka'imo Muhlestein spent the day there to share OHA general information about OHA's advocacy efforts, programs, and services while the community enjoyed island entertainment, food, arts and craft, keiki games and rides and the "Green" Trade Show. - Photo: Ka'imo Muhlestein

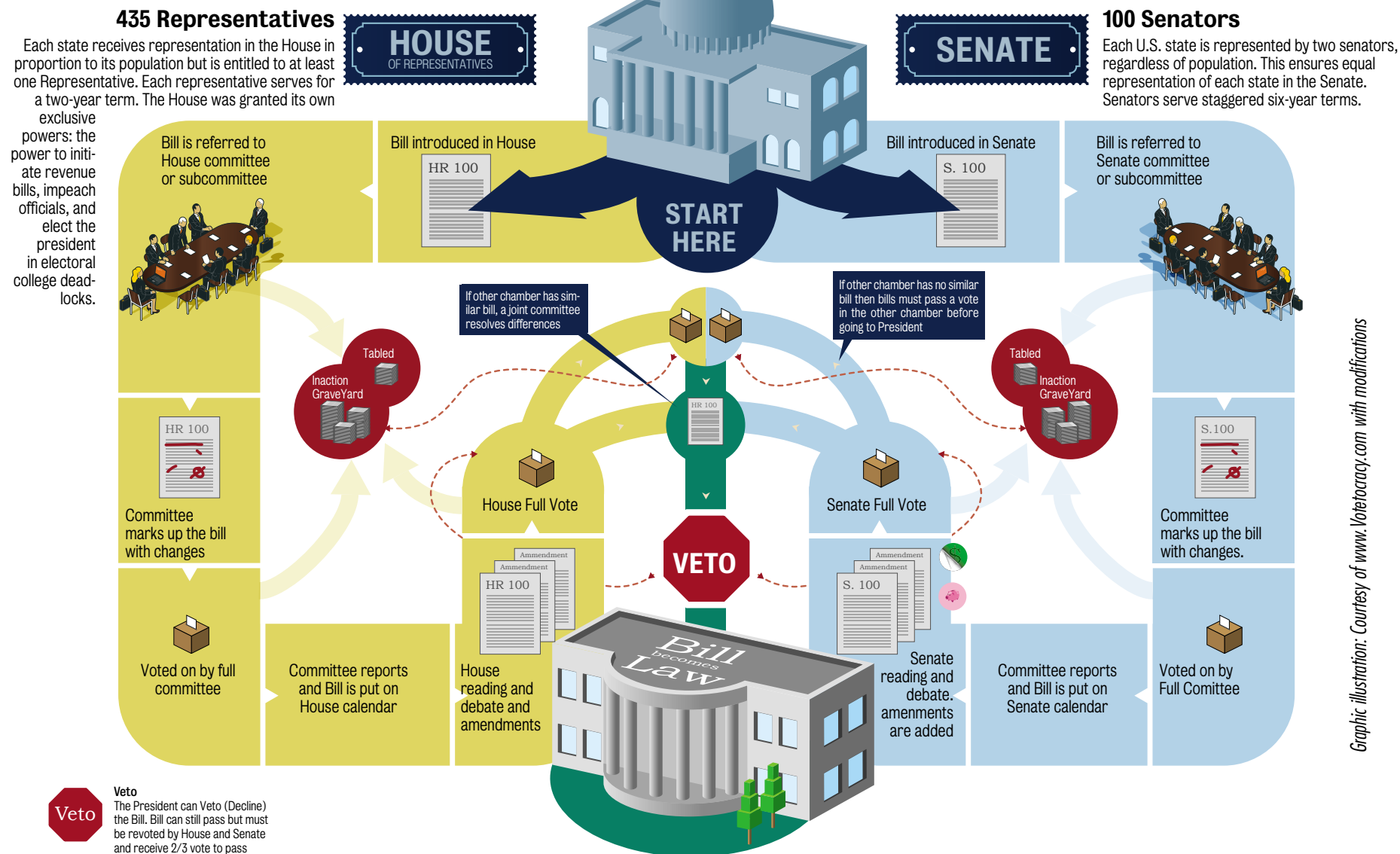
KEIKI TREATED TO "JOURNEY HOME" READING



The Hawai'i State Library's Edna Allyn Room was abuzz with the joyful sounds of keiki from the Hawaiian immersion preschool Pūnana Leo o Kawaiaha'o on Oct. 7 as they were introduced to the new Hawaiian-language version of "The Journey Home," a children's activity book put together by the city Department of Environmental Services staff. Their main goal has been to bring awareness to the ongoing issue of water pollution to the keiki of Hawai'i. The 14-page "Ka Huaka'i Ho'i I Ka Home," which is written in Hawaiian and English, tells a story of an 'o'opu named 'Apohā who has just finished his visit to the ocean and is trying to make his way back upstream. During his journey, 'Apohā would run into some obstacles due to 'ōpala clogging the stream's entrance. "Our hope is to help children become better stewards of our natural land and water resources," says Iwalani Sato, Community Relations Specialist. Sato is pictured in back row in green, flanked by storyteller Lopaka Kapanui who read to the students, left, and Deputy Director Manny Lanuevo at right. For information, visit www.cleanwaterhonolulu.com or call 586-4309 in Honolulu or 780-8872 in Kapolei to request a free copy. - Photo: Zach Villanueva

E kala mai

In the October issue, a graphic accompanying the article "How laws are made in the United States Congress" contained errors. Here is the corrected graphic. *KWO* regrets the error.



FREE PAP SMEARS AND MAMMOGRAMS

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- * Valid social security number
- * Meet income criteria

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Palena Pau Makakoho: 01 Kekemapa 2010



History comes full circle – time to step up

Aloha e nā 'ōiwi 'ōlino nā pulapula a Haloa, mai Hawai'i a Ni'ihau, puni ke ao mālamalama. Thirty-year mark of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs gives pause to "Look to the future through the lens of the past."

Hawaiian Governance upended in January 1893 by the "overthrow" remained fractured up to and through 1898. Queen Lili'uokalani tried unsuccessfully to reverse events, time did pass and the change became permanent. Her 1917 statement before her death acknowledged, "I could not turn back the time for political change." Her message, Hawaiian governance as she knew it was no more.

Sixty-eight years after her passing, the 1978 State Constitutional Convention triggered a form of governance by and for Native Hawaiians. The amendment was approved by all voters in Hawai'i. Although limited in authority, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs emerged as quasi-independent. Twenty-two years later in 2000, violation of the U.S. Constitution 15th amendment rocked the foundation of OHA to its core, prohibiting the Hawaiian-only voters and the Hawaiian-only candidates restrictions. All can run and all can vote.

In 2010-2020, Native Hawaiians will come full circle seizing the opportunity to reorganize a Native Hawaiian governing entity through the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act. The chance to organize governance by and for Native Hawaiians is at hand. In this decade Native Hawaiians can revisit the Queen's 1917 perspective, 93 years after her passing, and begin to "turn forward the political change." With tenacity, determination and spiritual strength, similar to that of Queen Lili'uokalani, Native Hawaiians can collectively move to "turn forward the political change" for uplifting our 'ohana and Hawai'i nei.

The challenge is before us. Native Hawaiians will need to be informed and organized to establish our gov-

erning entity and to implement its authorities for the good of our 'ohana, wherever they reside, and all Hawai'i.

Many hands working together will be imperative to seed and cultivate the concept of a governing entity to successful establishment and operation. While Native Hawaiian leaders and Native Hawaiian participants are imperative to the process, non-Native leaders and supporters will also have roles of importance throughout this process. If you are reading this article, don't count yourself out, don't be absent from the process. Commit to an appropriate "kuleana"

for yourself. Native Hawaiians, enroll as a "Qualified Native Hawaiian constituent" to participate in the process, make sure your 'ohana is not absent from this phase; if you qualify for nomination to the Commission outlined in Section 8, step up; advocate best practice in the formation of the Council and stay the course. The time for positive political change is upon the Native Hawaiian community.

We will need to work at it. With courage, focus, discipline and the will, positive political change for Hawaiians and Hawai'i will go forward in this decade. The 30-year-journey and evolution of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs' maturity, accountability and productivity for Native Hawaiians, serves as a template for the journey unfolding for the Native Hawaiian Governing Entity. Let wisdom prevail, bringing the best of the past into the present and future.

Me nā mea 'oi loa mai nā wā ma mua e holomua kākou i kēia ao. Ua hiki mai ka wana'ao me ka ho'ola a me ka ho'ala hou. E hō'ā kākou i ka lama kūpono no nā hulu Hawai'i. E kukulu a'e kākou no ke ea o ka 'āina me ke aloha a me ke ahonui. Be courageous, outstanding as was Herbert Kaili Pililā'au, who I wrote of last month. He was the "first ever from Hawai'i" to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor for an act of aloha for us all. 23/48 ■



**Haunani
Apoliona, MSW**

Chairperson,
Trustee, At-large

'Mo bettah no can get' (WOW Farm slogan)

In the lee of the Kohala Mountains, on the now drought-stricken Waimea Plains in the Ahupua'a of Pu'ukapu, where 'Āinahua Alanui and Uakikoni Alanui intersect is WOW FARM. It is an extraordinary farm for many reasons but space limits my ability to list them all so I will focus on three: Operations, Genealogy and Administration. In September 2010 at the coaxing of OHA Community Outreach Coordinator Ruby McDonald I had the good fortune of visiting Pesticide-Free WOW Farm. Yes, I was WOWed by WOW's Owners, Mike and Tricia Hodson, their 'ano (spirit), ho'okipa (hospitality), understated success, business philosophy and principles and passion for farming.

Operationally, WOW Farm is Hawaiian-owned, -managed, -stewarded and worked by the Hodsons and their children: Micah, Tui, Risse, Chrystal, Baba and 'I'ini. The workday for a modern mahi'ai in a capitalist world is long, beginning well before sunrise and ending long after sunset. The Hodsons are ma'a (accustomed) to long days, Mike especially. He manages day-to-day greenhouse operations; Tricia keeps the books and handles marketing; their children have become "Jack of all Trades" and "Masters of Plenty." Through smart/hard work, precise planning, focused research, not being hilahila (ashamed) to ask questions, prudent investing of their life savings coupled with plain old common sense, Mike and Tricia have taken a century-old cow pasture and transformed it into a network of 33 greenhouses filled with the juiciest, sweetest, most 'onolicious orange, yellow, burgundy, pink and red tomatoes I have ever tasted from Romas to beefsteaks to varieties I never heard of before. Growing tomatoes started as a "seed" in Mike's "mind." On his office wall, Mike has a Full-Blown Farm Plan. He relies on his Plan as a Pilot does his Garmin. And embedded in Mike is a Deep Passion for

Farming and for the 'Āina. A Vice Cop (retired) turned Master Farmer, when Mike speaks one listens. He

electrifies the atmosphere, is a "walking encyclopedia," a no nonsense kanaka.

Genealogically, five generations of Tricia's 'ohana have toiled our Homestead Lands on the Waimea Plateau. I knew her Grandpa, Peter Young. My dad and Uncle Peter were pals. Uncle Peter came to Waimea in the early 1950s with the first wave of DHHL Homestead Ranchers: Beamers, Bannisters, Yates, Dowsetts, Smiths, Flores,

Ohumukinis, Kealamakias, Kauahis, Purdys, Nakoas, Spencers, Kanihos, Chongs, Bells, Mahis and Walkers. In many ways, Tricia reminds me of her grandfather, soft-spoken, astute, hardworking, thoughtful, akamai about people, kind. Her words: "If you do things with good intentions good things will be the result. Yes, making money is part of it but not all of it. Money helps. Giving back to the land and to the family is important to us. If you take care of the land the land will take care of you. This place has been good to us." Waimea is the Hodsons' Home Aloha.

Administratively, the Hodsons hold a 99-year DHHL agricultural lease under 5 acres in Pu'ukapu and they are humbly and quietly proud of meeting the conditions of their lease, the primary condition being they are farming. Their 5 acres is intensively farmed, front to back, side to side. But they have a challenge, a good challenge. They need more space. Five acres for tomato farming is insufficient as an economic unit. Hopefully their appeal for more land will be accommodated. Under the Hawaiian Homes Act a farmer is entitled to 40 acres. Clearly, WOW Farm is demonstrating "beyond a shadow of a doubt" operationally, genealogically and administratively they are fully deserving of more 'āina.

WOW FARM NO KA BEST. ■



**Robert K.
Lindsey, Jr.**

Trustee, Hawai'i

Restoring Lāna'i's dryland forest

On Sept. 15 the Board of Trustees traveled to Lāna'i for the last of eight community meetings for 2010. Trustees took the opportunity to visit community projects and programs that were part of OHA's grant program.

One of the projects visited by OHA Trustees was the Kānepu'u Dryland Forest Preserve. Situated in the north-west part of Lāna'i, this 590-acre preserve is an ecosystem that sustains more than 45 native plant species. A short 20 minutes from Lāna'i City, the preserve is accessible by a dirt road that winds its way through a sandalwood forest.

Leading Trustees along a freshly cleared trail is Bob Hera, preserve manager and passionate steward of the forest preserve. He points to large areas of cleared land where Christmas berry trees and strawberry guava once grew. "The Christmas berry isn't native, but it took over the forest. Now we're trying to cut them back so the ua'u fern can grow again." He describes how they've recently started putting up fences around the fern to keep the deer out of the area. In speaking of the Hawaiian gardenia, he says: "The nā'ū, the gardenia is very rare. We fence them off so that the deer don't eat the young shoots. Putting up fence is hard work, but we have groups that come every so often to help."

Over the past year, students from Lāna'i High School, University of Hawai'i-Hilo and regular community members have done their share to preserve the forest.

On any given day, this 75-year-old and his crew made up of Sol Kaopuiki, Ambrose Amoncio, Ruben Marco Eskaran, Richard Cadoy Sabino, Benjamin Ka'aikala, Bobby Hobdy and

Cliff Kipo Cabanilla, can be found beating back weeds or shoring up fences. This group of dedicated workers, who are 68 years or older, can be found at Kānepu'u several times a week working, some days harder than others, to preserve the forest.

On March 27 of this year, the Kānepu'u community honored Sol Kaopuiki by dedicating a trail in his honor. Family and friends gathered at the forest to honor Uncle Sol with lei and lots of love for this dedication and

commitment to the forest. Often doted as the "Living Treasure of Lāna'i," this 91-year-old and his community have struggled to protect the dryland forest preserve from alien plants, erosion, deer and other hoofed animals.

Like the man, the trail leading into the forest boasts many of its own treasures. Besides the nā'ū (Hawaiian gardenia) the forest is home to pua aloalo (native Hibiscus), olopuu (a Hawaiian olive tree), sandalwood and lama (a Hawaiian ebony tree). This native forest is the largest remaining dryland forest of its kind in Hawai'i.

Trustees who visited the forest were impressed with the work being done by these retired men and the many supporters from the community that worked together to not only save the forest, but bring about awareness of the value in our forests.

While most of the OHA grant will go toward field equipment like fencing, a wood chipper and irrigation, Trustees were happy to hear that some of the grant will be used to produce native plant signage and brochures for folks visiting the forest. Congratulations and mahalo to all of you who sacrifice your time and labor for Kānepu'u. ■



Colette Y. Machado

Trustee, Moloka'i and Lāna'i

It's time to take action

Aloha kākou,
The election for 2010 is close to history.

For you who voted, great. For you who didn't, shame on you. Now we all have to live with whoever won until the next election. Be that as it may, the fate of the Akaka bill is still up in the air and our delegation has just a short window as a lame-duck Congress to pass the bill. We are in a serious situation and will need the votes of this year's Congress to get the bill through by Christmas.

Back on the home front, our Legislature and new administration will be organizing and preparing for the next legislative session. In that regard, OHA must fight for every penny we are owed by the Legislature who more often than not do not consider OHA and our Hawaiian people to be any of their kuleana despite our state agency identification and the responsibility given OHA to address the needs of our people. Your kōkua this session in calling and writing your legislators to insist on their funding OHA and not penalizing you by stopping general funds from coming to OHA is important also.

We are hopeful that this year might finally be the year the Legislature decides to pay up on a 30-plus-year debt and arrange with OHA to make up the over \$200 million owed especially since we are not receiving any interest for this debt. (If we did we'd be owed over a billion dollars by now.) So let the Legislature know that this interest-free loan from the Hawaiian people needs to be paid up now.

The Supreme Court has stated that the state should carry out its fiduciary duty as well as we Trustees at OHA. It should not be a one-way street with OHA having to continuously argue and fight for

duly owed money from the state. Frankly, Governor Lingle did take the bull by the horn and reinstate annual ceded lands revenues payments to OHA that had been discontinued by Governor Cayetano. The Legislature, however, has not yet seen fit to secure this decision by passing an appropriate statute. And so, again, Hawaiians should not be short-changed any more and time has come for the Legislature to own up.

OK, now that I have that off my chest, may I commend Na'alehu Anthony for his company's extraordinary film titled *Papa Mau: The Wayfinder*. The preservation of the accomplishments of this humble Micronesian navigator from the past as well as the history of the Hōkūle'a and its crews was well done and memorable and all should plan to see it and marvel at the revival of Polynesian navigation and culture, which Mau helped inspire. We Hawaiians have progressed much in perpetuating our culture and can be proud of the accomplishments of so many in benefiting our people.

As we close this year we need to recognize that no matter how much the state owes us, no matter how much we succeed in perpetuating our culture, all will be for naught without federal recognition. Why? Because without this legal shield, the darts of our opposition will pierce and kill any efforts we make to protect and secure our culture and our people for our future. The Legislature won't have to pay us from ceded lands revenues. OHA will no longer need to exist. Hawaiian Homes will be opened to all. Equal treatment will trump indigenous recognition. The Akaka bill has one more shot. What can we do? A call, an e-mail and a prayer might be helpful. ■



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E nā ‘ohana Hawai‘i: If you are planning a reunion or looking for genealogical information, Ka Wai Ola will print your listing at no charge on a space-available basis. Listings should not exceed 200 words. OHA reserves the right to edit all submissions for length. Send your information by mail, or e-mail kwo@OHA.org. **E ola nā mamo a Hāloa!**

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KANUHA/NAHE‘EHOLUA/MALULU/KUMAAIKU/KEOKI/HULIMAI/KEKUMAKU/MAKAULI‘I/KIKAHA/KAPA/KAHALAU/MOKUAIKAI – We are planning and organizing a family reunion set for Nov. 11-14, 2010, in Kailua Kona. It’s been decided and agreed by our Family Board of Committee, to have a three-day event to bring all the families together in fellowship and bonding and for many to reunite once again. We look forward to meeting ‘ohana for the first time. We are having monthly meetings for planning and coordinating activities. This reunion is being put together by many cousins and siblings here in Kona, but we encourage all families’ support to make this a success. For details, email Colbert Kaimitola at ckaimiola1@hawaii.rr.com and Louella Branco at lbranco@hawaii.rr.com. Our last reunion was held more than seven years ago, so it is definitely time to once again bring all families together.

MOSSMAN – The Mossman ‘Ohana will be holding a family reunion Nov. 10, 11 and 12, 2010, in Honolulu. We invite the descendants and extended family of Capt. Thomas James Mossman and his children: Thomas, William, Elizabeth, Alfred, Fred and Amy to join with us at any and all of the scheduled events. Send your e-mails or phone numbers to Ginny Wright at gwright@acechawaii.org, 808-741-4772 or Boyd Mossman at boydpm@earthlink.net, 808-244-2121.

ZABLAN – Hui O Zablan Reunion Luncheon will be Saturday, 6 Nov 2010, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Tree Tops Restaurant at Paradise Park in Mānoa. Information Sheets for Volume II of our Hui O Zablan Family Book are due. If you have lost your form or forgot to mail in your pictures, contact Susan Victor at 988-1272. For events questions, call Auntie Leatrice at 734-4779.

NO KAILINA
BURIAL NOTICES

KEAHOHU AHUPUA‘A
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES IS HEREBY GIVEN that six historic properties (SIHP #’s 50-10-37-1740, 50-10-37-22435, 50-10-37-22436, 50-10-37-22443, 50-10-37-22468, and 50-10-37-22472) containing 43 probable burials were discovered by Cultural Surveys Hawai‘i Inc. in the course of archaeological inventory survey related to the proposed development of housing and condominium units of an approximately 39-acre parcel of undeveloped land at Lekeleke Bay within the ahupua‘a of Keaouhou 2nd, District of North Kona, Island of Hawai‘i.
The probable burials consist of dry-stacked basalt stone platforms, mounds and terraces, and were found on Kamehameha Schools property, makai of Ali‘i Drive and just northwest of the Lekeleke burial complex (TMK [3] 7-8-010:065 and 066). Due to their proximity and similarity of construction style to known traditional Hawaiian burial features within the Lekeleke burial complex, these probable burials may represent initial casualties of the 1819 Battle of Kuamo‘o.

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BROWN – In preparation for the 2011 reunion of the John and Benjamin Brown ‘Ohana of Hilo, Hawai‘i, the ‘ohana is asking for all family members to update their contact information, births, deaths or marriages and/or share contact information about their family members. The family will be holding its reunion in Hilo, Hawai‘i, from July 1-3, 2011. The ‘ohana includes the descendants of William Christopher Brown, Enoch Brown, Violet Nathaniel, Mealoha Anakalea, Benjamin “Tuna” Brown, Keala Kuamo‘o, Valentine Brown, Manoa Brown, Maria Hendershot, John Thomas Brown, Irene I‘i Brown, Emmaline Brown Lyman, James Harbottle Brown, Harry Kaina Brown, Frances Mililani Ludloff, and Helen Kanoelehua Brown Kawai. Preliminary information regarding the reunion was sent out mid-June 2010. Please call Terise (Teri) Terkelson-Temple: 808-987-7920 or email: ttemple1@hawaii.rr.com, Maria Smith 808-982-6815 or email: RonBroomell@gmail.com.

CUMMINGS – The descendants of the marriage of Thomas Booth Cummings and Kahale Kamaooulu, plus those of his daughter Caroline Cummings Dutro will hold a Family Reunion on O‘ahu at the Kualoa Ranch House on Saturday the 16th of July, 2011 between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Address updates may be sent to Harold Prados, harold.prados@hawaiiantel.net or ph. (808) 772-1261. Mailings to the known addresses will be sent out about March 2011.

LYMAN – Aloha ‘ohana! We would love to have a Lyman ‘Ohana reunion next Memorial Day weekend, May 27-30, 2011, in Hilo. Please email Mike Hikalea Jr. at mkey-hikalea@yahoo.com. We need as much help as possible for this has long been overdue.

FAMILY SEARCH
HIILEI/KAIA/KAPUNI – ‘Ohana

descended from Kauhi-Awana and Cecelia of Ni‘ihau and/or Moloka‘i are invited to contact Stanford Laniyas at 45kama@gmail.com to share genealogical information and family stories and to be on the contact list for future family reunion.

KA ‘OHANA O KALAUPAPA has records and resources that could provide you with information about any ancestors you might have had at Kalaupapa. Contact us by e-mail (info@kalaupapa.oha.org), mail (Ka ‘Ohana O Kalaupapa, P.O. Box 1111, Kalaupapa, HI 96742) or phone (Coordinator Valerie Monson at 808-573-2746). There is no charge for our research. All descendants are also welcome to become part of Ka ‘Ohana O Kalaupapa.

KAHALEKULU – I am searching for any information on a Mary Nohokula Kahalekulu. She went on to marry Benjamin Kanae Nakila (f.k.a. Samuel Apela Jr.) Mary was my paternal great-grandmother and had my grandfather (the eldest) before she married, which is why we carry the Kahalekulu name. It’s unknown where she was raised but stories have suggested that she grew up in ‘Ewa Beach. There is also mention of “Tūtū Lady,” who may also be her but no solid proof. If you have any information, email rmk1125@gmail.com or call 808-387-7726. Mahalo a nui.

KEALALIO/CHOY – Mary Elizabeth Kao Kealalio m. Sing Sun Choy. Children: Ah Lin Tai Choy m. Douglas Puoanui Pane’e; Amoe Hoopale m. J.K. Keliikuli; Ami Hoopale m. Paul Puhiula Charmin; John Ahuna Sing Choy Hoopale m. Lilia Naihealikelimahiainmoku Kawaa. Children adopted by tutu Kao’s brother Hoopale. Ah Lin Tai chose to keep Choy as her surname. Mary Elizabeth Kao Kealalio m. Petero Kolohaiole (Kauai). Adopted Ruth “Luka” Kolohaiole m. Chow. Long overdue.

and/or cultural descendants, per the requirements of HAR Chapter 13-300-33. The 43 probable burials proper treatment shall occur in accordance with HAR Chapter 13-300-38 or 13-300-39.

SHPD is requesting persons having any knowledge of the identity or history of these 43 probable burials to immediately contact Mr. Analu Josephides at SHPD, located at P.O. Box 2972, Kailua-Kona, HI 96745, [TEL: (808) 327-4959 / FAX (808) 933-7655] to provide information regarding appropriate treatment of the unmarked probable burials. All interested parties should respond within 30 days of this notice and file descendancy claim forms and/or provide information to SHPD adequately demonstrating lineal descent from these specific probable burials or cultural descent from ancestors buried in the vicinity of this survey area. ■

WAIKĪKĪ AHUPUA‘A
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES IS HEREBY GIVEN that unmarked, human skeletal remains, consisting of 27 individuals, were discovered in the course of an archaeological inventory survey related to the proposed development of the Ko‘olani Condominiums Phase II project, located within the ahupua‘a of Waikīkī (‘ili of Kewalo),

Bonding time, meeting each other for the first time. Interested? Leave contact information: tamarpane@yahoo.com or 1-808-520-2822. Also looking for Douglas Puoanui Pane’e (1845) m. Kanamu. Children: Douglas Puoanui Pane’e m. Ah Lin Tai Choy; Lydia Pane’e.

KUALU/HAUPU – I am in the process of creating a family web site for members of the Kualu/Haupu ‘Ohana. My grandmother is Helen Lahapa Dotimas (Kualu/Kuwalu). Anyone with information on the family and would like to contribute to putting together a web site for all descendants and ancestors of the family, contact Christine Chow at clabanon@hawaii.edu or by regular mail at: 50 Koapaka Lane #84, Wailuku, HI 96793. This will serve as a place to find family history information, news about upcoming family gatherings and as a place to visit to keep close and bring together our family members. I also hope to be able to link up families via pictures, blogs and other contacts.

KUULA KALEIKULA KAALAUI/KEAKUAHANAE – Na Mamo O Kalaulipa ‘uli‘uliuheaokekoa aka Louis Kuula Kaleikula Kalauli Kaawa aka Kalauli Kaleikula Kaawa(k) a me Kalalani Keakuahanae(w): Keanuenu (George K Kaawa), Kalehua Nui (Elizabeth K Kaawa) m1. Kamakoa, m2. Commodore; Kuula (Isaac K Kaawa) m1. Eliza Lansing, m2. Victoria Hao Kaoulukookealani; Kaleikula (James K Kalauli) m. Annie Kikaha Pauli; Liwai (Liwai K Kaawa) m1. Constantine Simiona, m2. Mary Iona; Kalanikapu (Nancy K Kaawa) m. Dan Mokumaiia; Kamealoha (Arthur K Kaawa) m. Malia Kaiohenia; Kamanawa (Ellen K Kaawa) m1. Sing Yuen, m2. Nakano; Kalehua Liilii (Abraham K Kaawa/Kalauli) m. Unknown; Kelihaaheo (Kelihaaheo Kaawa) m. Unknown; Kahao (Joseph K Kaawa) m. Unknown; Kawika (David K Kaawa). Also seeking the descendants of his broth-

ers David Haili Kaawa Sr., Kuula Kaawa and Kaamoana Kaawa. Setting of Family Reunion and Planning. Most descendants carry one or more of his names: Kuula/Kaleikula/Kalauli/Kaawa and most carry their Hawaiian names. If you have information and/or are ‘ohana, contact Kaleo Nakahara at kalaulikaawa@gmail.com or FACEBOOK (Groups-Kalauli Kaleikula Kaawa).

LIND – I would like to meet other descendants of four brothers and one sister born 1830s-40s in Kaupō or Hāna, Maui. Kahimanapookalani (l) died 1881 Hāna, married Mauae, sons used surname Kopa. Kahoolimoku (k) died 1890 Kalaupapa, married Heleualai, owned land Kawaipapa, Hāna, ‘awa grower; Kaawalaule (k) moved from Hāna to Niolopa, Jack Lane, Nu‘uanu, Honolulu; Nawawae (k) information unknown; Sister’s name unknown, married Kaukuk; d. 1892 Wyllie St., Honolulu. Parents: Kapu (k) and Kaia (w) traditionally from Ka‘ū and Kona families. Contact Helen Y. Lind, 934 Kealaolu Ave., Honolulu, HI 96816.

NAMOHALA/CHING/YUEN – ‘Ohana descended from Kalanikau, Duk Pui, Kalohelani and Nim of Ni‘ihau and Hanapēpē are invited to contact Leilehua Yuen at yuen-leilehua@yahoo.com to share genealogical information and family stories, and to be on the contact list for family reunions.

POEPOE – My name is Lee and I’m looking for my biological father and his family. I was adopted when I was born in 1971. My biological mother went to Hawai‘i for vacation with her family. All she will tell me is my father’s name, “Blue boy” Poepee. He was from the island of Moloka‘i. If any one has any information that might help me, please email me at leemowalton@yahoo.com. I’m interested in my family history and anything more that might come of it. ■

District of Honolulu, Island of O‘ahu. The property is located within the city block bound by Kamake‘e Street to the west, Ala Moana Boulevard to the south, Waimanu Street to the north and Pi‘ikoi Street to the east. The TMK is [1] 2-3-006:017.

The burials consist of adult, sub-adult and infant individuals, 20 of which were found within wooden coffins. The burials were found within one defined cluster located within the western portion of the project area. Due to the proximity of the burials to one another and the similarity of burial technique, these burials likely represent a family group or small community.

The applicant is Kewalo Development LLC and the contact person is Lani Ma‘a Lapilio [TEL: (808) 540-5741, 1003 Bishop St., Pauahi Tower, Suite 2700, Honolulu, HI 96813].

Research indicates that in the mid-1800s the land was part of Land Commission Award (LCA) 0097 FL, awarded to Kapapa as Fort Land (FL) comprised of two ponds, three fry holding ponds and a house lot. Royal Patent 3782 was granted to Kapapa in 1857 for the land. Other Land Commission Awards (LCA) in the vicinity include: LCA 3169:1 to Koalele, LCA 10605 to K. Piikoi, LCA 387 to ABCFM, 100 FL to Kekaula, 101 FL to Kaluaoku. Several Grants were

also awarded in the vicinity including: Grant 3194 to Kaaua and Kalae, Grant 2790 to Lot Kamehameha, and Grant 2341 to William Miller.

An evaluation of ethnicity has been made by the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) and the burials are believed to be Native Hawaiian. The burials are determined to be over 50 years old and proper treatment shall occur in accordance with Chapter 6E Hawai‘i Revised Statutes, Section 43 regarding unmarked burial sites. The applicant would prefer to preserve the burials in place; however, the decision to preserve in place or relocate these previously identified burials shall be made by the O‘ahu Island Burial Council in consultation with any recognized lineal and/or cultural descendants, per Hawai‘i Administrative Rules Chapter 13-300-33.

All persons with knowledge of the identity or history of these burials are requested to contact Phyllis Coochie Cayan at SHPD, 555 Kākūhīhewa Building, 601 Kamōkila Boulevard, Kapolei, HI 96707 [TEL: (808) 692-8015 / FAX (808) 692-8020]. Interested parties should respond within 30 days of this notice and provide information to SHPD adequately demonstrating descent from these specific burials or from ancestors buried in the same ahupua‘a or district. ■



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MĀLAMA I KA 'ĀINA

NEWS FROM THE KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS ENDOWMENT GROUP

SUSTAINING KS LANDS FOR THE FUTURE

At Kamehameha Schools, we're used to describing ourselves by numbers – some of them mind-boggling in size:

- three K-12 campuses on three islands
- 31 preschools

actions of thousands who contribute Pauahi's vision every day.

Our land holdings are but one example of this. Our 'āina is abundant with food and flower crops, but learning also blossoms at the fishponds and lo'i kalo that are visited by school children from all over the state.

tion land under our careful stewardship. Watershed collaborations protect native forests, lands and waterways allowing rainwater to filter and collect, becoming pure water resources. Invasive species are being removed so that native flora can be reintroduced.

Our 1,500 acres of income-producing commercial real estate -- a mere sliver of the total acreage cared for by Kamehameha Schools -- produced roughly 36% of the money spent on our educational programs last year, making our 1,100 merchants important contributors to our mission. Through the Mālama Card discount program, 180 of those merchants (and more every week!) offer discounts for shoppers, building the consumer loyalty that keeps their businesses humming and our mission healthy.

In recent years, many of our commercial holdings have been carefully renovated to honor the five values that guide all of our land decisions: to provide educational opportunities, generate the economic returns that allow us to fulfill our mission in perpetuity, sustain our environment, honor our culture and build healthy communities.

Our lands are our legacy; their value to us, and to all of Hawai'i, cannot be captured only by statistics. Our 'āina anchors us to our past, nurtures our present, and will sustain our future.

Fishpond restoration, maintenance and harvest are some of the ways 'opio learn 'āina-based knowledge from community collaborators.

And now the Endowment Group has mapped out a long-range strategy to revitalize agriculture in Hawai'i by plumping up the local produce available for our dinner tables, supporting our local farmers, exploring renewable energy projects and upgrading our water systems.

Revitalization continues on the 178,000 acres of conserva-

The measures are easy snapshots of the size of our trust and our progress in improving the capability and well-being of Hawaiians through education. The problem is, snapshots are static and flat, while Kamehameha Schools is dynamic and deep. Statistics can't possibly capture the richness of a legacy in motion or the

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A Haute Renovation



Foodies know Hank's Haute Dogs for its gourmet Chicago dogs and specialty sausages. But the hole-in-the-wall is raising its profile in Kaka'ako.

Kamehameha Schools' Commercial Real Estate Division is working with owner Hank Adaniya to construct an 800-square foot outdoor seating area and beer garden adjacent to the restaurant's existing Coral Street location. The outdoor addition is the first of Kamehameha's improvement projects for its master-planned neighborhood, Kaiāulu 'o Kaka'ako.

Right now, diners eat their lunches on a few picnic tables in the parking lot. True to Hank's style, the renovation will be go beyond seating and will include an unexpected, artistic element.

"We've given the designers three guidelines. First, the new seating area should make a visual impact,

but it should also be functional and use some of the same materials as the existing industrial neighborhood," said Adaniya.

Old shipping containers will be repurposed and used as part of the structural design. The modular structure will initially add seats for 50 people when it is completed next spring, but will be flexible to allow for additional growth.

Coral Street is part of the 29 acres that Kamehameha Schools owns in Kaka'ako mau ka. Kamehameha has a 15-year master plan that includes residential units and commercial space, as well as improved landscaping and pedestrian walkways.

"Change starts small," says Adaniya. "If we can be a magnet that attracts other businesses to the area, then we can start to develop a new community."

FARMERS' MARKETS ON KS LANDS

- **Varsity Lot, Mō'ili'ili**
Mondays, 3 p.m. to dark;
- **Windward Mall,**
near Macy's (pictured)
Wednesdays,
3 p.m. to 8 p.m.



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Since the program's launch in October 2009, Mālama Card's list of participating merchants has continued to grow.

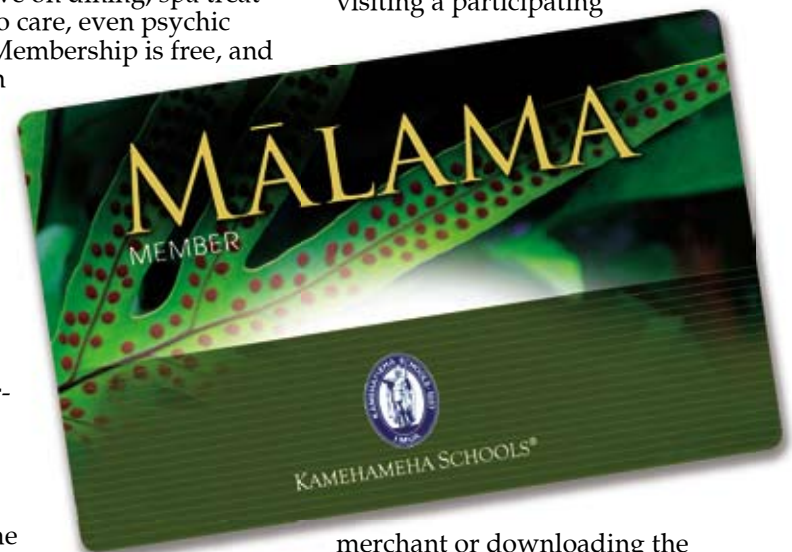
Some of the 180 merchants include C4 Waterman, Cutter Cars, Kahala Kids and Hokulani Bakery.

All Mālama Card merchants are located on Kamehameha Schools' lands. These properties include

Royal Hawaiian Center, Windward Mall, Pearlridge Center, Kahala Mall, as well as businesses located in Kapālama, Waipahū, Waiakamilo, Kaka'ako, Hawai'i Kai, Hale'iwa and Keauhou on Hawai'i island.

Income from the school's approximately 1,100 commercial leases fund KS campus and community outreach programs throughout the state. By shopping at Kamehameha's tenant businesses, Mālama Card holders support the school's educational mission.

Shoppers can get a card anytime by visiting a participating



merchant or downloading the free iPhone app. A list of merchants can be found at www.malamacard.com. You can also follow Mālama Card on Facebook and Twitter for updates on new merchants, upcoming events and special deals.

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Planting the Seed

Kamehameha Schools Completes its Strategic Agricultural Plan

From Honoka’a grass-fed beef to Waipā poi, you will be seeing a lot more local produce thanks to an innovative agricultural plan created by the Kamehameha Schools Land Assets Division (LAD).

The Strategic Agricultural Plan may increase the market share of locally grown produce by 20 percent, bringing Hawai’i a step closer to self-sufficiency. Potential benefits include a boost in the grass-fed beef industry, the resurrection of local dairies, an increase in renewable energy projects, and the creation of jobs in rural areas. The plan provides a framework, vision, and strategy for optimal management of 88,000 acres of high-potential agricultural lands on the islands of Kaua’i, O’ahu, Moloka’i, Maui and Hawai’i. There are 10 major goals in the plan,

portunity for LAD’s migration from passive to active land management and stewardship. Hannahs admits that historically, Kamehameha has let the farmers do the work, leaving it up to them to grow their businesses.

“We want to invest in our lands to make them productive for our mission, eliminating any notion that the lands are a burden of ownership due to the cost of maintaining them,” he said.

In 2000, Bill Beach acquired 10 acres of land in Honokaia on the east side of the Hawai’i island through KS’ agricultural leasehold program. Beach currently farms sweet potato and dry-land taro, supplying KTA stores and T. Kaneshiro Store.

leases 28 acres near Hilo. Their main crop is “Hawaiian Crown” pineapple which they sell along with apple banana to Foodland and Armstrong Produce.

“Kamehameha’s agricultural plan fits closely with our Hawaiian Crown plan,” Menezes said. “We need to educate the younger generation and pass on our knowledge of agriculture and taking care of the ‘āina while also providing jobs in Hawai’i.”

“From here, I want to expand and develop my markets. This is where I feel working with Kamehameha Schools would be good,” he said. The hope is that the plan will be good for Menezes, good for Kamehameha Schools, and good for the entire State of Hawai’i.

For more information on the Strategic Agricultural Plan, visit www.ksbe.edu/land.

KS manages 365,000 acres of land throughout the state, 98 percent of which is in agriculture and conservation.



covering a 20-30 year time frame, with updates scheduled every five years.

“The Strategic Agricultural Plan is a business case for investment in Kamehameha Schools land and human resources, not just to improve financial returns, but to fundamentally revitalize agriculture in Hawai’i,” said Neil Hannahs, director of LAD.

The plan positions KS as an agricultural leader and represents an op-

Beach, who will soon add watermelon to his repertoire, said he is all for Kamehameha’s new approach in supporting its farmers.

“Ultimately, Kamehameha’s plan is about connecting people to the land. I’m talking about a spiritual connection. In a lot of ways, I think we’ve lost that. So the plan, I love it.”

Tom Menezes is a senior vice president and partner of Hawaiian Pineapple Company Co. LLC, which

Managing Natural and Cultural Resources

From mountaintops to coastlines, KS stewardship of 300,000 acres of native ecosystems embodies the principles of mālama ‘āina; some of the most vitally important work being exhausting, cold, wet and dirty in virtually inaccessible regions. It includes regularly scoping vast tracts of land to remove foreign weeds and animals, minimize fire risks, and revitalize ecosystems. Such grueling work often takes the combined efforts of many organizations, sharing common goals, with benefits to the entire State. These efforts include protection of crucial watersheds, native forests of majestic koa and ancient ‘ohi’a, and indigenous species habitat.

As important as is protection of natural resources is the care of wahi kupuna, precious cultural sites. Encompassing 59 ahupua’a and ‘ili on five islands, these places of significance to Kamehameha ‘ohana include historic properties, cultural landscapes, ancestral remains, and materials from times past.

Kamehameha Schools ecologist Nā-maka Whitehead monitors vegetation in the Ka’u forest. Photo courtesy of Three Mountain Alliance.



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2. What is the web address where a summary of the Strategic Agricultural Plan is available for download?
www. _____
3. KS commercial real estate produced what percentage of money spend on educational programs last year? _____ %
4. Coral Street is found in which of Kamehameha Schools master-planned neighborhoods? _____
5. Name the card program that gives members access to exclusive discounts at merchants located on Kamehameha Schools lands. _____

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'ĀINA ULU: LAND BASED EDUCATION

Kamehameha Schools seeks to mālama i ka 'āina by practicing ethical, prudent and culturally appropriate stewardship of its lands and natural resources. One path to achieving this is through collaboration with community-based organizations to conduct eco-cultural education on KS agricultural and conservation lands.

Twenty 'Āina Ulu collaborators utilize KS land on the islands of Kaua'i, O'ahu, Moloka'i and Hawai'i. Whether in the kalo patch, fishpond, heiau, canoe, mountain, stream or classroom, these community organizations resources and deliver culture-based and place-based education. Depending on the provider, programs are offered to individuals, groups, families or schools throughout the year with commitment of time varying in length.

'Āina Ulu collaborators bridge land management and education to incorporate stewardship, in a context for learning, through the Hawaiian concepts of ahupua'a, mālama i ka 'āina, 'ohana, kuleana and 'ike 'āina.

For more information or to participate in a community work day,
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Hawaiian Entertainment Returns to The Monarch Room

The Monarch Room. The name alone invokes nostalgia for the days when music drifted from the centerpiece showroom of the Royal Hawaiian Hotel over the waves lapping at the shores of Waikiki.

It is now time for new memories to be made. In November, Hawaiian entertainment once again fills the iconic stage as the hotel presents Nā Leo Pilimehana's "Romantic Waikiki".

"Hotel owner Kyo-ya is bringing back the rich legacy of Hawaiian music to The Monarch Room, and we couldn't be happier," states Jeff Mau, senior asset manager at landowner Kamehameha Schools.

Once dubbed the "Carnegie Hall of the Pacific," whose ambiance was equaled only by its tantalizing performances, The Monarch Room for decades was the marquee venue in all of Honolulu, showcasing legendary performers such as Ed Kenney, Marlene Sai and The Brothers Cazimero.

"Kyo-ya has remodeled the room to restore its character recreating the spirit of a gathering place for kama'āina and visitors. We believe The Monarch Room will be extremely successful, and that success provides support for our educational outreach," said Mau.

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