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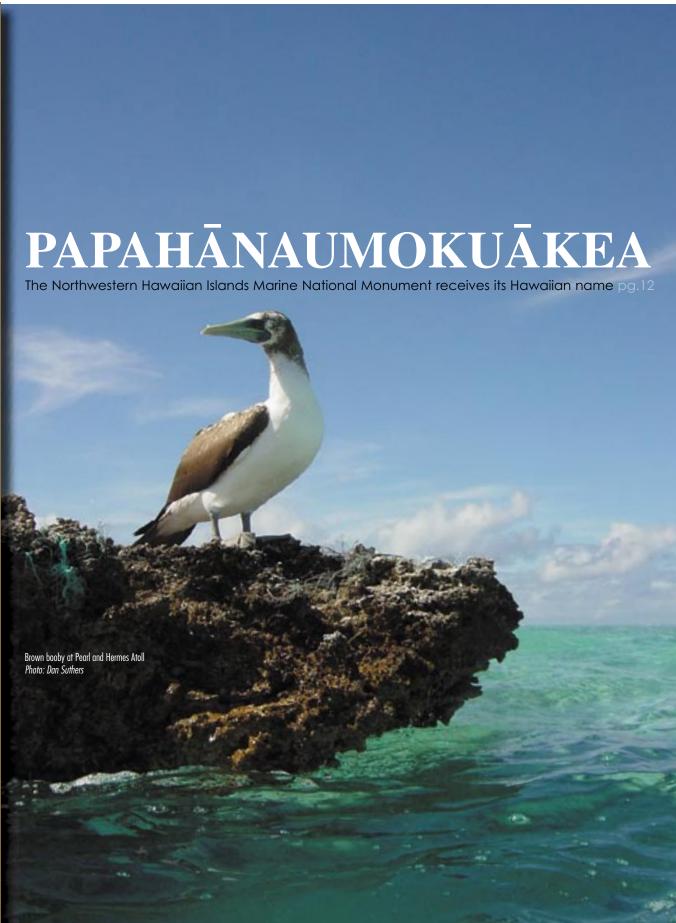
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Stryker Brigade

I read Trustee Walter Heen's column that appeared in the Malaki KWO issue. Mr. Heen, I have to ask you a valid question on the environmental impact study that is being done by or for the Army: how do we all know if it's the truth? And yes, I'm saying the Army is capable of lying to further its own goals. If one native plant is harmed, then that's too much risk and damage to our 'āina. Let's remember what government brought down our royalty on the basis of lies and guns.

While I'm only half Hawaiian, I'm fed up with the way the U.S. government uses our land, and then once it's ruined, disposes of it for us to clean up, like Kaho'olawe. Then it's given to the State of Hawai'i, not the people of Hawai'i. Look at the huge brush fire at Mākua Valley. It was started on purpose by the U.S. Army. Gee, do we go to their hale or 'āina and start a fire? No. that would be a crime. So how can the Army continue its use of Mākua Valley?

We don't need a Stryker Brigade in Hawai'i; they're needed in Iraq or Afghanistan. President Bush, thanks for what you did: putting our soldiers in harm's way for a needless war.

> Rodney Souza Via the Internet

tool to subjugate people under the doctrine of Manifest Destiny. Thus, the U.S. government redefines Native American status and redefines Hawaiian Kingdom status as being only one ethnicity. However, contrary to popular belief, the Hawaiian Kingdom is composed of a multi-ethnic citizenry.

Hawaiian nationals reject the U.S. proposal to diminish our status from a peer to the U.S.A. to a subjected wardship of the U.S.A. Our status is like that of Switzerland, a neutral state with external sovereignty recognition. The U.S., being historical revisionists, is trying its damnedest to fit us into its nefarious box, hoping that we will acquiesce to its fallacious plot. The U.S. leads everyone to believe that there are only two factions in the Akaka Bill argument: one for and one against based on racism.

This is a U.S. domestic law and a policy external to the Hawaiian Kingdom, which is subject to its own laws. We deem the U.S. plot repugnant and sinister. We deplore the illusionary Akaka Bill and will continue to fight it. We are the third faction in this debate, and we have been barred from participating and are being suppressed.

Support us to get the word out and blow the U.S.'s plans out of the water in the name of justice, liberty and freedom. Hawai'i's situation is an embarrassment to the U.S.A.

> Tane Inciong Via the Internet

This is in regards to Alan Lā'au Point

Parker's "Attacks against Native Hawaiian Recognition aimed at all tribal rights" (Malaki 2007). Blood quantum is a U.S. WASP racist

Federal recognition

Professor Davianna McGregor, speaking about her new book, Nā

sense of resistance to change; they refused to assimilate. They stood their ground and protected their way of life, their beliefs, customs and practices." Yet professor McGregor herself

Kua'āina (Malaki 2007), says that

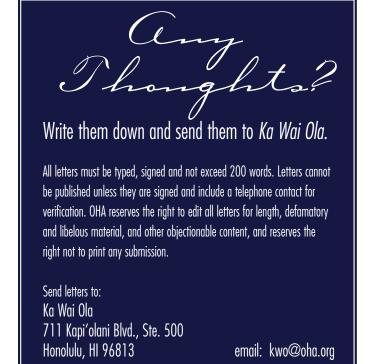
for Hawaiians in rural communities

such as Moloka'i, there is "a real

endorses and supports (as do the OHA trustees) the development of 200 luxury shoreline homes along 5.2 miles of pristine shoreline at Lā'au Point, Moloka'i. This is hypocritical. How can she say she hopes the book encourages "people to adopt the kua'āina's model of land stewardship to preserve other areas rich with natural and cultural resources," when the natural, cultural and spiritual resources of Lā'au Point will be severely impacted, if not utterly destroyed, by the proposed development? This development, I might add, is not supported by the people of Moloka'i. This is evidenced by extensive community testimony and the recent landslide community election on Jan. 31. 2007, which ousted OHA Trustee Collette Machado from the Moloka'i Enterprise Community Board and replaced her and another pro-development incumbent with two "Save Lā'au" candidates.

The destruction of the spiritual quality and mana of Lā'au cannot and will not be offset by placing other lands into a land trust or by creating jobs at a hotel. Is this really the "kua'āina's model of land stewardship"? Would Uncle Harry Mitchell, whose picture graces the front of the book, support the development of Lā'au? I don't think so.

> Kahualaulani Mick Kailua, Oʻahu



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OHA grants

OHA's Community Grants Program will accept applications postmarked April 1 through June 30, 2007, for the next Grants Program cycle. Funds for these Fiscal Year 2008 grants will not be available until after July 1, 2007.

The OHA Grants Program administers two categories of grants: Kauhale Grants (requests up to \$24,999) and Kaiāulu Grants (requests between \$25,000 and \$100,000). To be eligible for funding, an applicant must meet the following criteria:

- The organization must have IRS tax-exempt nonprofit status (operating in the state of Hawai'i) or be a government agency;
- The project must benefit Native Hawaiians individually or as a group in such areas as education, health, human services, housing, economic development, land/natural resource protection, native rights and culture; and
- The organization must provide a percentage of total costs in other funds or in-kind donations (percentage determined by the amount of funding requested).

In addition, all applicants must attend an OHA grants workshop or meet with grants program staff within 12 months prior to submitting an application.

For more information or to register for a workshop, please call Grants Program staff at 594-1972 or visit the OHA website at www. oha.org.

KS asks Supreme Court to refuse admission suit appeal

On March 16, Kamehameha Schools filed a legal brief asking the U.S. Supreme Court not to review a case challenging the school's Hawaiian-preference admission policy.

On March 1, the attorney for an unnamed student who was denied acceptance into the school because he is not Hawaiian filed an appeal requesting the high court to hear his client's 2003 lawsuit, which claims that the school's admission

policy is racially discriminatory and violates federal civil rights law.

In December, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled 8-7 that Kamehameha's admission policy is legal because it seeks to improve the poor educational standing of Native Hawaiians.

The 1884 will of Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop, the great-granddaughter of Kamehameha I, established Kamehameha Schools to educate indigent and orphaned children, with preference given to Native Hawaiian keiki.

Today, the school's trust tops \$7 billion and provides for the educational needs of more than 6,500 students at its Maui, Hawai'i Island and O'ahu campuses, as well as its 31 preschools statewide.

The Supreme Court is expected to announce in the next few weeks whether it will hear the case.

Mana Hawai'i grand opening

The much-anticipated opening of a hui of Hawaiian-oriented retailers at the new Beach Walk development in Waikīkī is set for Sat., April 21. The Mana Hawai'i joint venture will offer everything from books and island crafts to lomilomi massage, clothing, 'ukuleles and hula implements.

Occupying a 1,600-square-foot-space on the second floor of the Lewers Street shopping development, Mana Hawai'i will bring together several businesses with existing outlets elsewhere on O'ahu: Native Books/Nā Mea Hawai'i, The Lomi Shop Va'a, 'Ukulele House and the original Hawaiian Traders, a.k.a The Hula Supply Center.

"Mana Hawai'i is much more than a store," Maile Meyer, managing partner of Native Books/Na Mea Hawai'i, told the *Honolulu Star-Bulletin*. "We offer access to the Hawaiian community for visitors who want to meet people and experience things that embody the true essence of Hawai'i. We want visitors to be able to celebrate Hawai'i on a deeper level and feel a connection to our home."

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs provided major funding for the venture in the form of grants, businesses loans and lease guarantees.

For more information, call 597-8967.

Cave thief dies

A man facing a one-year prison sentence for his involvement in stealing Hawaiian funerary objects from a Hawai'i Island burial cave was found dead in his Kailua-Kona, home in early March.

John Carta, 46, had pleaded guilty for violating federal burial law when he took part in stealing Hawaiian remains and funerary objects from Kanupa Cave in Kohala and later trying to sell them on the black market in 2004. He was sentenced in February and was scheduled to start his prison term in April.

News reports said that police did not suspect any foul play in Carta's death.

Edward Halealoha Ayau, the executive director of the Hawaiian burial protection group Hui Mālama i nā Kūpuna o Hawai'i nei, told *The Honolulu Advertiser* that there are stories warning of people who desecrate Hawaiian burials later dying. "What Mr. Carta did was very terrible, and something like this is what comes with the territory when you invade that world, which is what Mr. Carta did," Ayau said.

Carta's accomplice, Daniel Taylor, has also pleaded guilty and is awaiting sentencing.

Hawaiian weapons

Windward Community College is offering a month-long workshop on making traditional Hawaiian weapons.

Teaching the course will be Gordon 'Umialīloalāhānauokalā-kaua Kai, a member of the lua group Pā Ku'i a Lua and a renowned weapons crafter whose work was featured in OHA's 2005 calendar and annual report.

The course will teach students

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Grandmaster Navigator Mau Piailug (seated) welcomes the voyaging crews to Satawal Photo: Gary Kubota/Honolulu Star-Bulletin

"Kū Holo Mau" voyage

On March 14, after a journey of more than 3,500 miles from Hawai'i, the voyaging canoes *Alingano Maisu* and $H\bar{o}k\bar{u}le'a$ reached their primary objective for the "Kū Holo Mau" voyage – the tiny island of Satawal, home to Grandmaster Navigator Pius "Mau" Piailug, who brought the lost art of traditional navigation back to Hawai'i when he guided $H\bar{o}k\bar{u}le'a$ to Tahiti in 1976 without the use of navigational instruments.

The purpose of the current voyage was to deliver the *Alingano Maisu* to Mau as a gift to help perpetuate the navigators' art among his own people. The canoe, was built for Mau over the last several years by the Hawai'i Island voyaging society Nā Kālai Wa'a Moku o Hawai'i with the help of hundreds of volunteers.

After journeying through Micronesia with stops in Majuro, Pohnpei and Chuuk – and accompanied much of the way by drenching storms – the canoes made landfall at Satawal accompanied by the singing of children and the blowing of conch shells.

Only about a mile long and half a mile wide, and lying just eight feet above sea level, Satawal is home to about 600 people. The island has no airstrip, and is supplied by monthly cargo ship visits. Seven Satawalese voyagers arrived home aboard the *Alingano Maisu*, including Mau's son, Sesario Sewralur, a trained wayfinder as well as a policeman on the island of Yap.

After formally presenting the canoe to Mau, the five senior Hawaiian navigators aboard the canoes were surprised when he announced that he would lead a ceremony to induct them into a local navigator's society. Nāinoa Thompson, Shorty Bertelmann, Bruce Blankenfeld, Chadd Paishon and Chad Baybayan were formally initiated as "pwo," or master navigators.

It was the first time Polynesian navigators have been inducted into the society, and marked something of a vindication for Mau, who over the years has been criticized by some of his own people for sharing his ancestral knowledge with outsiders. Along with the Hawaiians, eleven local navigators received the pwo initiation, which Thompson said had not been performed in 50 years.

During the ceremony, according to *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* reporter Gary Kubota, who has been traveling aboard *Hōkūle'a* through Micronesia, Mau rubbed medicinal herbs on the heads and chests of the initiates to symbolize the requirement that they have the right hearts and minds as master navigators. Pwo navi-

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about Hawaiian weapons and how they were used in battle. Students will learn to braid cord and craft a leiomanō (shark tooth weapon), newa (club), koʻokoʻo (cane) and pāhoa (wooden dagger) for their personal collections.

The workshop is scheduled for 5 to 8 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays from April 9 to May 9. The \$250 fee includes the cost of wood and other materials. For information, visit www.outreach. hawaii.edu/noncredit. To register, call 956-8400.

Kapa course

The Cultural Learning Center at Wai'anae Valley's Ka'ala Farm will be offering a six-week "kapa immersion" workshop beginning April 14. In addition to learning how to make kapa, students in the course taught by Kumu Dalani Tanahy will also learn about the cultivation of wauke, kapa toolmaking and the cultural significance of tapa cloth throughout the Pacific.

The classes will run Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., April 14 - May 19. Registration is \$200, with some scholarships available for students, teachers and other education professionals.

For more information, call 696-4954.

Canoe classes

This month, Bishop Museum is offering a two-day program on traditional Hawaiian and Polynesian open-ocean voyaging.

In the first part of the program, anthropologist Ben Finney will lecture on the movement to revive traditional voyaging practices of Polynesia. As one of the founders of the Polynesian Voyaging Society, Finney helped sparked this revival by sharing in the design and construction of the double-hulled Hawaiian voyaging canoe $H\bar{o}k\bar{u}le'a$ and, in 1976, participating as a crewmember on the

canoe's maiden voyage to Tahiti without the use of modern navigational instruments.

The second portion of the program will feature Bobby Puakea discussing how Hawaiian voyaging canoes, both wooden and fiberglass, are made. Puakea is a noted Hawaiian canoe maker and repairer and is the founder of the Puakea Foundation, which preserves and perpetuates the art and history of Pacific island canoe building.

Enrollment for both programs is limited. The first portion will be held on April 12, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., at Atherton Hālau, Bishop Museum. General Admission fee is \$5. The second section will be held on April 14, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the canoe hale at He'eia State Park. The fee will be \$10. For more information or to reserve and purchase seats in advance, call 848-4172 or email lyssa. omori@bishopmuseum.org.

Ke Ali'i Pavahi college scholarships

The Ke Ali'i Pauahi Foundation will be accepting applications until May 11 for post-high scholarships for the 2007-2008 academic year.

The foundation, a nonprofit support organization of Kamehameha Schools, seeks to extend educational resources to the 90 percent of school-age Native Hawaiian children that Kamehameha is unable to reach. To accomplish this, the foundation administers a number of scholarships for Native Hawaiians pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees.

Applicants must be enrolled in a two- to four-year post-high degree program at an accredited institution and demonstrate satisfactory academic achievement and merit. Additionally, certain scholarships may require applicants to demonstrate financial need. Select scholarships are also available to individuals who are enrolled on a part-time basis or attending an accredited vocational or trade institution.

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Kamehameha Schools offers online courses for high school students

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For applications, call 842-8800 or 1-800-842-IMUA, ext. 8800 from the neighbor islands.



Linda Dela Cruz, OHA trustee for Hawai'i Island, and Thomas K. Kaulukukui Sr., former OHA trustee and chairman, leave lasting legacies

Uē ka 'ōpua, hānini kuluwaimaka. He aloha paumākō ko Hawai'i pae 'āina, ua ho'i nā lehua hanohano o ka 'āina i ke ala o ka ho'i 'ole mai me ka hele pū o nā hali'a aloha o kākou ka Hawai'i e noho mai nei.

The clouds pour their contents, tears fall. Hawai'i is overcome in sadness with the passing of our beloved leaders. We extend our aloha to them and their loved ones.

By Manu Boyd | Public Information Director

Linda Keawe'ehu Dela Cruz Nov. 20, 1929-March 15, 2007



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"Linda"
Keawe'ehu Dela
Cruz, Office of Hawaiian
Affairs trustee for
Hawai'i Island, passed
away March 15 at her
home in Pana'ewa, Hilo,
surrounded by her family.
She was 77.

First elected to the OHA Board of Trustees in 2000, Dela Cruz was re-elected in 2004, and would have served until 2008.

"Linda Dela Cruz will be missed by many who knew her and who have been touched by her many contributions to Hawai'i through her music and her service as an OHA trustee," said U.S. Sen. Daniel Kahikina Akaka in a press release. "Through her dedicated service she worked to improve the lives of the Native Hawaiian people, especially in the Pana'ewa community. Linda's ability to make decisions with aloha truly brought people together, unified under a common purpose," he said.

"We are deeply kaumaha (saddened) at this tremendous loss for the Hawaiian community," said OHA Chairperson Haunani Apoliona, who was leading a meeting of the OHA Board when the news of Dela Cruz's passing was received. "Linda has been a strong and assertive advocate for our Hawaiian people and brought heart and soul to her trustee work. OHA benefited from her many years of community service. We will miss her, but know she is at peace. Our sincere aloha goes out to her 'ohana and loved ones."

Dela Cruz was also past president of several community organizations, includ-

ing the Pana'ewa Farmers Association, the Pana'ewa Hawaiian Homes Community Association and the Keaukaha-Pana'ewa Community Association.

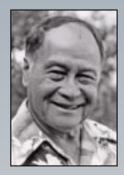
Known in entertainment circles as "Hawai'i's Canary," Dela Cruz was a standout recording artist, known for her "ha'i" style of falsetto singing. She was honored in 2003 by the Hawai'i Academy of Recording Arts with a Nā Hōkū Hanohano Lifetime Achievement Award. Her 40-year entertainment career included a long stint as a member of the Halekūlani Girls trio. Of the many recordings she made over the years, her rendition of *Ke 'Ala o ka Rose* will remain a classic for generations to come.

Editors note: By law, the OHA Board has 60 days to select Dela Cruz's replacement. Should that time elapse before a replacement is named, the governor then has 30 days to name her replacement.



Thomas Ka'auwai Kaulukukui

Jan. 22, 1913-March 9, 2007



he chapel at the Kāne'ohe Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints overflowed with hundreds of 'ohana, friends and admirers at services for former OHA Trustee and Chairman Thomas Kaulukukui, who passed away March 9. "Uncle Tommy" was characterized as a great teacher and a lifelong learner, as church officials, family members and friends celebrated his 94-year legacy. Uncle Tommy's own

parents, grandparents and great-grandparents were also acknowledged – from whom he received his mana.

"He was humble, yet he was very proud. He was gentle, but he was very competitive," said Kaulukukui's son, Tommy Jr., noting the Hawaiian dualism in those descriptions of his father. "He was so very proud to be Hawaiian."

Born in Kohala and raised in Hilo, Kaulukukui excelled in sports. Although only 5'5" and 145 lbs. at the time, he earned 17 athletic letters in four sports. In 1935, he became the first UH football player to be named as an All American. In his senior year at the University of Hawai'i in 1937, he was team captain in football, baseball and basketball, and served as student body president.

He served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, held several coaching positions, and was federal marshal for the District of Hawai'i prior to serving his people as an OHA trustee.

After retirement, Kaulukukui was elected to the original OHA board in 1980 as an at-large trustee. While at OHA, he initiated what is now the Hawaiian Registry Program as a means to identify and locate Hawaiians wherever they lived. He retired from the board in 1993 at the age of 80.

"He served as trustee during sometimes tumultuous meetings where 'all hell would break loose," said former OHA Administrator Richard Paglinawan. "He was a very good listener, and would weigh the pros and cons – he was an outstanding Hawaiian leader."

Together with his wife of 67 years, Felice, Kaulukukui raised two sons, Tommy Jr. and Donald, and a daughter, Malina. His survivors also include brothers Solomon and Glenn, and several grand- and great-grandchildren.

The 'ōlelo no'eau selected for his funeral program alludes to a person of outstanding achievements: 'Oni kalalea ke kū a ka lā'au loa – a tall tree stands above all others. Thomas Ka'auwai Kaulukukui Sr. did just that. Aloha nō ...

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Online scholarship applications with support materials must be received in the foundation's office by 4 p.m. on May 11.

For a complete list of scholarships or to register, visit www. pauahi.org or call 534-3966.

Genealogy courses

The Friends of 'Iolani Palace is offering introductory workshops on genealogy research every month in 2007. Two-day workshops are held on the first and second Thursdays of each month from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and repeat on the third and fourth Thursdays at the same time.

The cost is \$75 and includes instruction, syllabus and hands-on guidance. Hands-on research will be at local repositories, State Archives, State Library, First Circuit Court and the Bureau of Conveyances. Students must sign up for two days. Call to preregister 203-7245 or 522-0822, or email info@iolanipalace.org.

Singing contest

Organizers are soliciting participants to perform Hawaiian-style, acoustic music in 'ōlelo Hawai'i for Ka Hīmeni 'Ana, an old-fashioned singing competition now in its 23rd year. The event is scheduled for Aug. 4 at the Hawai'i Theatre. Over the past two decades, Ka Hīmeni 'Ana has helped launch the careers of many Hawaiian recording artists including 'Ale'a, Holunape, Ho'okena and Ku'uipo Kumukahi.

Monetary prizes and a recording contract will be awarded to competition winners. Interested participants should call 778-2945, or visit www.hawaiianharmony.com. Entry applications are due by May 5.

Kahakui wins environment award

Marathon paddler and environmentalist Donna Kahiwaokawailani Kahakui has won the prestigious Terre de Femmes award for her work restoring the natural habitat of Mokauea Island in Ke'ehi Lagoon on O'ahu. The award, which honors women who work to improve the environment, is given out by a foundation affiliated with Yves Rocher, a French cosmetics company specializing in botanical beauty products.

Mokauea Island, approximately 10 acres large during low tide, is inhabited by resident fishing families. Kahakui's Kai Makana foundation has a partnership project that supports the Mokauea residents' initiative to develop a cultural education center on the island.

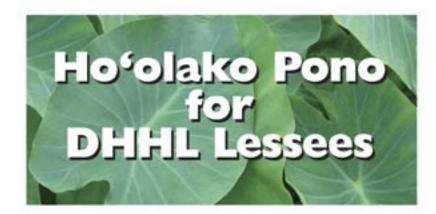
Kai Makana's work on Mokauea includes increasing the residents' awareness of surrounding marine life and hazards, training the youth in outrigger canoe paddling, providing tools to monitor water quality, removing invasive species and restoring native limu, collecting and analyzing the island's marine debris, and archiving historical and cultural information about Mokauea and its people.

Free culture and computer classes

The Native Nations Education Foundation – a nonprofit provider of Native Hawaiian cultural workshops, youth mentoring, computer literacy training, professional development workshops and a GED/CBSHDP diploma program – will be offering a number of new classes this month.

The schedule of classes, which are free of charge, is as follows:

- Mon. April 16, 6:30-7:30 p.m.: Intermediate 'ukulele classes, followed by oli (chant) classes from 7:35 to 8:30 p.m.;
 - Tues. April 17, 6-8 p.m.: Lei See **BRIEFS** on page 09



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Resolution urges negotiations on remaining ceded-land issues

By Sterling Kini Wong | Publications Editor

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs may see its \$15.1-million annual ceded-lands payment from the state increase, if proposed negotiations progress in

the agency's favor.

On March 14, identical resolutions were introduced into both bodies of the state Legislature encouraging OHA and Governor Linda Lingle's administration to negotiate a settlement of remain-

ing issues regarding the agency's share of the state's proceeds from ceded lands.

Ceded lands are the government and crown lands of the Hawaiian Kingdom that were "ceded" to the U.S. at annexation and later passed to the state government.

By law, OHA is supposed to receive a portion of the state's income from ceded lands to be used for the betterment of Hawaiians. However, the exact amount due to OHA has long been a matter of dispute.

"We applaud the Legislature for introducing this resolution," OHA Administrator Clyde Nāmu'o said. "The courts have affirmed that this is a burden of the Legislature to resolve this longstanding matter. For more than 25 years, OHA and the state have struggled with this. We look forward to an amicable, reasonable resolution. This, however, will not represent a 'global settlement' of other federal or state claims, nor claims relating to the overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom."

The resolution would build upon a series of negotiations that occurred over the last four years, which resulted in OHA's annual payment increasing from nothing to \$15.1 million, OHA Chairperson Haunani Apoliona said.

"In continuing this joint effort, OHA and the executive and legislative branches seek to reconcile and resolve payments of ceded land revenues, past due and owing to OHA, in a fair and just manner." she said.

According to the resolution, the settlement may include a mixture of cash and real estate. If OHA and the Lingle administration reach a settlement, the terms of the agreement would be forwarded to the state Legislature prior to the January 2008 session opening.

In other legislative news impacting Native Hawaiians:

• State lawmakers are now considering floating \$3 million in general obligation bonds to pay for preliminary design, engineering and planning of OHA's proposed headquarters and Hawaiian culture center on the Kaka'ako waterfront. OHA had originally

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hulu (feather lei) classes;

- Tues. April 17 Thur. April 19, 5-8:30 p.m.: Computer literacy training;
- Wed. April 18, 6-7 p.m.: Beginning 'ukulele classes
- Thur. April 19, 6-7 p.m.: Papa 'ōlelo (Hawaiian language classes):
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Charter school seeks kokua

Having secured its new long-term campus next to the Hawai'i Nature Center in Makiki, Hālau Kū Māna Public Charter School is seeking to fill several faculty and administrative positions, and is seeking financial and supply donations.

The school also has limited openings for students in grades 6-11 for the 2007-2008 school year.

Hālau Kū Māna is accepting resumes for administrative assistant, teacher and literacy tutor positions. In addition, the school is seeking donations of money, supplies, equipment or volunteers for completion of their new campus. To raise funds, Hālau Kū Māna is also selling its Mana Maoli two-CD set, which includes music from a number of local artists and students, for \$20.

Hālau Kū Māna opened in 2001, and is a grades 6-12 charter school with a curriculum that integrates Hawaiian language, culture and values with core academic subjects.

For applications and more information, visit www.halaukumana.org or call 988-8995.

military, faith-based, youth and labor groups.

- continue to move through the Legislature. The first would establish kalo as the state plant, and the second would ban any genetic modification research on taro for 10 years. Both bills cite kalo's cultural importance as the elder sibling of Native Hawaiians in their traditional beliefs.
- A bill that would further incorporate traditional Hawaiian knowledge into the state's management of natural resources also continues to progress. The bill would create a system of 39 'aha moku councils that would advise the state on how to manage its natural resources based on traditional 'ahupua'a management practices.



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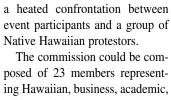


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requested \$28 million to cover part of the construction cost for the facility. OHA is still negotiating with the state's Hawai'i Community Development Authority to construct the facility on 5.2 acres of state land next to Kaka'ako Park.

• The governor is asking the Legislature to create a commission to plan a public celebration of the 50th anniversary of Hawai'i becoming a state, which will be in 2009.

In light of the 30-year-old sovereignty movement, some Native Hawaiians have begun to view the statehood process as being unfair, especially when considering the United States' involvement in the illegal overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom in 1893. In August, an unofficial admission day celebration at 'Iolani Palace ended in



- Two bills relating to kalo



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Country discomfort

Hawaiian and North Shore groups rally to protect burials at the planned Turtle Bay expansion site

By Sterling Kini Wong | Publications Editor

n March 17, about 100 Native Hawaiians and North Shore community members marched onto the grounds of the Turtle Bay Resort in a rally to protect Hawaiian burials located within the area where the resort may build up to five new hotels.

The protesters, wearing red T-shirts and holding signs stating "keep the country country" and "respect iwi kūpuna," walked from Kamehameha Highway through the resort to a small cove for a rally on the sand that included hula and speeches.

Vicky Holt Takamine, one of the organizers of the march, said she would like Turtle Bay's owner, the Kuilima Resort Company, to amend its 20-year-old development plan to ensure the protection of the Hawaiian burials located in the sand dunes within the 880-acre development area.

"We will not have the same thing happen here at Turtle Bay that happened 20 years ago with the desecration at the Ritz Carlton," she said, referring to the construction of the Kapalua, Maui, resort that affected more than a thousand of Hawaiian iwi

Other speakers expressed their concern that the development would impact not only burial sites, but also the overall rural character of the North Shore as well as traffic on the two-lane Kamehameha Highway, the only major road through the district.

Margaret Primacio, a Native Hawaiian and life-long resident of Kahuku, said that the Turtle Bay expansion is one of several developments on the North Shore that threaten to raise the cost of living in the area and displace local people.

"In Kahuku, there's a plan to build 18 luxury lots on one-anda-half miles of open shoreline. There are resorts and timeshares coming up along the coast. Where will our keiki go?" she said. "Culturally, this isn't what Hawaiians stand for."

Kuilima CEO Nicola Jones said that Kuilima has yet to approve a final development plan, and they are not sure how many structures they will build or where the buildings will be



About 100 people participated in a rally to protect Hawaiian remains that they believe will be affected by Turtle Bay Resort's proposed expansion. - Photo: Sterling Kini Wong

located. She added that they've agreed to place several open parks in the areas where iwi would most likely be discovered, to ensure that the remains are not disturbed.

"Kuilima has been working with a group of people from Kahuku, and we are making a conscious effort to be respectful and sensitive to the concerns of the community," she said.

In 1986, the Honolulu City Council approved a plan that would permit the resort to expand from less than 500 hotel units to 4,000 and allow for development near Kahuku Point and at pristine Kawela Bay. For 20 years the project stalled, until Kuilima recently indicated that it will move forward with

the development.

In November, Circuit Judge Sabrina McKenna ruled that Kuilima is not required to prepare an update to its 20-year-old environmental impact study for the resort's expansion. The community group Keep the North Shore Country and the Hawai'i chapter of the Sierra Club had sued the resort, demanding that an additional study be conducted to account for the development's impact on the area's infrastructure and environment. The plaintiffs have since filed an appeal.

Calls for Kuilima to revise their development plan increased in October, when Melanie Chinen, the administrator of the state's Historic Preservation Division, sent a letter to the resort owner recommending that the development be set back 500 to 650 feet from the shoreline to avoid disturbing the burial sites.

Chinen noted that in addition to the 24 documented individual human remains located in sand dunes within the development site, there is a "high probability" that one or more large burial grounds may be found during the construction of the proposed hotels.

North Shore community members are also pushing a Senate bill that would move that setback a hundred feet farther inland, to 750 feet, and require Kuilima to conduct a comprehensive historic and cultural preservation assessment.

Righteous gathering

This year's Ka 'Aha Pono Hawaiian intellectual property conference will focus on bioprospecting and the results of a Native Hawaiian trademark study

By Sterling Kini Wong | Publications Editor

ith the genetic engineering of kalo and Kim Taylor Reece's hula photograph lawsuit recently receiving significant media coverage, organizers of the Ka 'Aha Pono conference are urging Native Hawaiians to dis-

cuss the importance of protecting their collective intellectual property rights and traditional knowledge.

"Commercializing and profiting from our chants and mele and other traditional practices without first consulting with us is absolutely wrong," said Native Hawaiian attorney Mililani Trask. "A lot of Hawaiians don't realize how these issues relate to them and our natural resources, and we need to educate our people about this."

Education is the foremost goal of the third Ka 'Aha Pono Native Hawaiian Intellectual Property Rights Conference, which will be held April 2021 at the Honolulu Mission Memorial Hall.

One of the topics that will be discussed is the controversy surrounding bioprospecting, a process in which scientists conduct genetic tests on biological resources in order to develop commercial products.

Native Hawaiians, who traditionally have a deep spiritual connection to their surrounding ecosystems, have expressed concerns over private companies conducting such research on Hawai'i's natural resources, with little or no compensation to the state.

In 2005, the state Legislature

established a commission to assist in the creation of a policy that balances the cultural, environmental and economic concerns involved in bioprospecting. Members of the commission, who come from the sci-

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Ka 'Aha Pono

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Thou shalt not covet thy ancestor's possessions

By Edward Halealoha Ayau, Pualani Kanahele, Charles Maxwell Sr., William Ailā, Wilma Holi, Ihilani Chu, Konia Freitas, Kaleikoa Ka'eo, Ka'ohu Seto and Pōki'i Seto

Editor's note: The authors are members of the iwi repatriation group Hui Mālama i nā Kūpuna o Hawai'i nei. The views expressed in this community discussion column are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

he federal lawsuit filed by Abigail Kawānanakoa and Leighton Suganuma over the reburial at the Kawaihae Caves is finished and the moepū were taken to the Bishop Museum again. Now, we would like to raise issues for consideration that we were unable to present earlier because Judge Ezra issued a gag order, which has now been lifted.

First, although the lawsuit targeted Hui Mālama, the person

whom the lawsuit effectively punished was the ancestral chief Mahi buried in the cave. Judge Ezra ordered the removal of the possessions of this ali'i, and staff from the Bishop Museum, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, the Attorney General's Office and the Sheriff's Department carried out the deed. These individuals have the dubious honor of having to live with the realization that they took part in a second disturbance of ali'i burial sites.

Second, Hui Mālama has always chosen to respect the decision made by the ancestors to be buried with items. We made a choice to value reburial in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), which was intended to be a tool for Native Americans to be culturally responsible. We substantially followed NAGPRA to warrant a decision that the items were repatriated, and as such the

process was followed sufficiently to achieve lawful compliance. As proof, we offer the fact that the iwi kūpuna reburied with the moepū were not removed.

Third, contrary to the position taken by Kawananakoa and Suganuma, the Bishop Museum and Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park have determined that the items removed from the Kawaihae Caves are funerary objects under NAGPRA. Furthermore, Bishop Museum admitted to taking part in the unlawful acquisition of the moepū in 1905. In addition to the need to act responsibly toward these ancestors, it was this illicit action by Forbes, et al and Bishop Museum that Hui Mālama sought to rectify through reburial. The federal court-ordered removal represented the second desecration a century later.

Fourth, Judge Ezra emphatically stated that Hui Mālama divided the community by our actions in

this case. Mel Kalāhiki stated that we sold the items on the black market and we were investigated by the Office of the Inspector General and Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Ironically, it took the removal of the moepū to exonerate us from these false accusations, as all of the items were accounted for. What these folks all failed to understand is that the most important lesson was the exponential increase in awareness in the community, especially amongst Hawaiians, of the importance of caring for and protecting ancestral burials and their possessions. Mahalo to Edward and Pualani Kanahele for being stubborn and making sure these fundamental values were taught.

Fifth, Van Diamond and Cy Harris stated that this was not a cultural matter but a legal one because their rights were violated by Hui Mālama when we reburied the iwi kūpuna and moepū. This view turns the relationship between the living and the ancestors upside down by asserting legal rights against the kūpuna (in not returning the moepū to their ancestral owners) rather than being responsible to the ancestors. Perhaps Messrs. Diamond and Harris should ask themselves what they can offer the kūpuna rather than what benefit they can exact from them.

All Hawaiians who support the mana of that the living should not covet items placed with the deceased should file a NAGPRA claim with the Bishop Museum for all of the moepū from the Kawaihae Caves for repatriation and reburial.

When in doubt, Hawaiians should rely on the kūpuna. In this instance, we need look no further than Mary Kawena Puku'i who taught us, "Mai lawe wale i nā mea i ho'omoepū 'ia – don't wantonly take things placed with the dead."



"Hoʻoulu Lāhui Aloha" – OHA's Hawaiian-issues discussion show on Oʻahu's ʻŌlelo public-access television – now airs on a new day:

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PAPAHĀNAUMOKUĀKĒA

The Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Marine National Monument receives its Hawaiian name

By Derek Ferrar | Public Information Specialist

hen it came down to it, first lady Laura Bush got through her unveiling of the new Hawaiian name for the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Marine National Monument - Papahānaumokuākea - with passing marks for pronunciation, although admittedly with a few misplaced vowel stresses and a decidedly Texan twang.

The pressure had definitely been on Mrs. Bush, with seemingly everybody in town - from the morning radio duo Perry and Price to Gov. Linda Lingle in her introductory remarks - speculating on how the first lady would get through pronouncing the Hawaiian name, which refers both to the procreative power of Mother Earth and broad expanses of space, at a ceremony at Washington Place on March 2. But Bush cleared the air by getting her linguistic stumbling out of the way early, beginning her remarks by thanking "Governor Ling-will."

"And that's not even Hawaiian," she joked after her slip-up elicited a peal of laughter from the audience.

The ceremony, which included oli and hula in addition to speeches by various dignitaries, fulfilled a promise President Bush made last June, when he proclaimed the creation of the monument. "When President Bush established the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Marine National Monument, he assured that the atolls' cultural significance would be reflected in a Native Hawaiian name," Mrs. Bush said. "Today, I'm delighted to announce that the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands will be named the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument. The name was adopted after consultation with Native Hawaiian elders, and it suggests the abundance and timelessness of life on the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands.

Most important, the name reminds us of our responsibility to care for the archipelago."

When he proclaimed the designation of the monument on June 15, the president in one fell swoop established the nation's largest protected area and the world's largest ocean refuge at nearly 140,000 square miles - larger than many U.S. states.

The process of giving the preserve a Hawaiian name evolved out of the efforts of a cultural working group that began meeting when the Northwestern Islands were in the process of receiving designation as a marine sanctuary, before the president pre-empted that process by declaring the monument. (In general, monument status provides a higher level of protection than sanctuary status, and, unlike sanctuary designation, it is at the sole discretion of the president instead of requiring a lengthy public process.)

Made up of scholars, teachers, cultural practitioners, community activists and resource managers, the cultural working group invited two distinguished members of the Hawaiian community to put forth names for consideration - Uncle Buzzy Agard, a wellknown community leader and longtime fisherman in the Northwestern Islands, and Kumu Hula Pua Kanahele, who in recent years has been a driving force behind the revival of cultural access trips to the islands in partnership with the voyaging canoe Hōkūle'a.

The names suggested by Agard and Kanahele were brought to the working group in September, along with other names offered by representatives of the University of Hawai'i's Studies and the Department of Interior's Office of Hawaiian Relations. At a meeting on Jan. 4, the group selected Papahānaumokuākea as the monument's Hawaiian name.

A name to unite the archipelago

According to a statement distributed by the governor's office, the name "comes from an ancient Hawaiian tradition concerning the genealogy and formation of the Hawaiian Islands.



(who is personified in the earth) and Wākea (who is personified in the expansive sky) are two of the most recognized Native Hawaiian ancestors. Their union resulted in the creation or 'birthing' of the entire Hawaiian archipelago.

"'Papa,' which means 'foundation earth,' provides the imagery of the numerous low flat islands that stretch across the ocean into the northwest. 'Ākea' provides the imagery of the 'expanse of space' ... The preservation of these names together, as Papahānaumokuākea, strengthens Hawai'i's cultural foundation and grounds Native Hawaiians to an important part of their historical past."

In her remarks at the naming ceremony, Kanahele said, "It is my privilege today to welcome Papahānaumokuākea, the northwestern part of the archipelago, into the consciousness of the lower half of the archipelago so the name will live through all of us; it will always be on the tongue as part of a household word, so it's never an out-of-sight, outof-mind kind of thing again.

"The Northwest Hawaiian islands Kamakakūokalani Center for Hawaiian are our kūpuna; they are the ancestors of these islands down here, and we honor them as we do our own grandparents and great-grandparents. The name Papahānaumokuākea confers upon these islands a very feminine spiritual

strength that is very profound and very nurturing. It is the spiritual inspiration that supports our physical world."

Vulnerable wildlife

A birdwatching enthusiast, the first lady spent the night before the naming announcement at Midway Atoll, which is scheduled to become the only part of the Papahānaumokuākea Monument that the general public will be allowed to visit.

"Right now, the Laysan albatross have nested," Mrs. Bush said of her experience at Midway, "and there are millions of little chicks everywhere. Everywhere you step you have to watch to make sure you don't step on one of these vulnerable little chicks. They have no natural predators. They nest right on the ground These precious little chicks have really served to remind all of us how vulnerable life is everywhere, but especially on these sacred islands.

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Background: Hawaiian green sea turtles bask on Tern Island, French Frigate Shoals. Photo: Randall Kosaki/NOAA. Inset (clockwise from left): Masked boobies perch on marine debris, photo: Andy Collins/NOAA; Large predators, like these Galapagos sharks are abundant in the NWHI, photo: James Watt, Hawai





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- First lady Laura Bush

MAKAHIKI BEHIND BARS

By Derek Ferrar

Public Information Specialist

Por several years, cultural practitioners and prisoners' advocates have been negotiating a tangle of bureaucracy to help support pa'ahao (prisoners) incarcerated in correctional facilities on the continent who want to get in touch with Hawaiian culture and spirituality as a way to better themselves and help deal with their surroundings. One of the groups' primary activities has been preparation for and observance of protocols focused on the traditional makahiki season of peace and renewal.

At the close of the makahiki season this past February, the practice continued with commemorations – funded in part by an OHA community grant – at prisons in Oklahoma, Arizona and Mississippi.

Here is how the members of the Native Hawaiian Religion and Culture Group at Diamondback Correctional Facility in Watonga, Oklahoma, described their makahiki observances in a release sent to *Ka Wai Ola:*

"It is said that among the hō'ailona, or signs, by which Hawaiian people knew that Lono, the god of peace, was present amongst them was in the physical manifestation of a sudden downpour of rain that quickly passed or a light misty rain. This was our welcome from the heavens on the early morning of February 12 at

the Diamondback Correctional Facility. We, nā Kānaka Maoli Kūpa'a o Hawai'i, along with seven of our dearly treasured and loved kūpuna, conducted the closing ceremonies of the makahiki season for the fifth time here.

"The day began with prayers, chants, a pīkai (cleansing ceremony), a procession around the athletic field, offering of ho'okupu (gifts) and speeches of encouragement. The afternoon ceremony indoors included chants of welcome, 'aiha'a (dance) protocols, an 'awa ceremony, prayers, speeches by special guests, feasting and special music. This special day culminated weeks of study, preparation, practice and discussions on what it means to observe the closing of the makahiki."

Several days after the event, the members of the group gathered to reflect on the experience. "When we chant our pule (prayers)," one pa'ahao said, "it is like the ancestors are right with us. Lono is right there."

"The 'awa ceremony reminds us we are one, of one mind," said another. "It strengthens us Kānaka Maoli to continue what our ancestors began a long, long time ago."

One of the prisoners reflected on the Hawaiian food that had been served. "The feast, the food from our homeland, grown by our 'ohana, touched by our 'ohana," he said. "So, so good!"

"Makahiki is a time when we have the opportunity to re-establish our relationship as Kānaka Maoli, friends and families. It is also a time when we can correct our pilikia with one another and join together in one mind, in one heart, and with one love towards each other on the cultural and spiritual significance of our Hawaiian-ness.

"Our supporters and all that they do for us through their efforts in helping our native Hawaiian men is astounding. The love that we share for God and our culture is unbreakable. This is what our supporters have come to mean to me. I love them like family."

Keoni Kalanimoku Puwai | Diamondback Correctional Facility, Oklahoma



Prisoners at the Diamondback Correctional Facility in Watonga, Oklahoma, participate in makahiki observances.

Photos: Courtesy of the Native Hawaiian Religion and Culture Group, Diamondback Correctional Facility



"Each year as I engage in the traditions of my ancestors, I find myself delving deeper into a spiritual mindset that I once only knew as a spectator The emotions: joy and pride of being a part of a culture that's being reclaimed by a few Kānaka Maoli here in this place. I can't forget about the peace that captures my very essence, that what I have done and am about to do has been approved and smiled upon by my ancestors on the other side.

"It's a time when $h\bar{o}$ ailona (signs) and hihi'o (visions) bombard me throughout the day and on into the night. It is a time when my prayers are most focused on my people and for the lands of my birth, to unite the Hawaiian people and for the restoration of our place as a nation, to reconcile any differences and to heal the spirit, hearts and minds of my people, including the land. Ultimately we must perpetuate our culture in the spirit of righteousness. This is just a part of what makahiki has come to mean to me."

Tyrone Kawaelani Naoki Galdones | Diamondback Correctional Facility, Oklahoma

OHA grantee profile:

Kōkua Kalihi Valley

Editor's note: This is the first in a series of articles profiling past recipients of OHA community grants. OHA's Grants Program will be accepting grant applications for the coming fiscal year from April 1 to June 30. For more information, call 594-1972 or visit www.OHA.org.

Born in 1972 with one full-time executive director and four part-time community aides on a \$28,000 budget, this grassroots success story is an inspiration. For 13 years, they worked with volunteer doctors and dentists out of two renovated military surplus trailers in the parking lot of the Kalihi Baptist Church. Today, Kōkua Kalihi Valley (KKV) has an annual budget of more than \$5 million and employs 100-plus full-time staff

working from six different locations, and speaking 15 Asian and Pacific Island languages. KKV presently serves more than 6,000 Kalihi Valley residents each year. Their main health center is open 10 hours a day, six days a week, and serves anyone regardless of their ability to pay.

In 1975, KKV started the first shelter for abused spouses and children in the state, serving more than 800 individuals in their first year. From 1981 to 2005, KKV contracted with the state Department of Health to implement projects that included primary care, perinatal and family planning, and WIC. KKV's community-based Dental Residency Program was the first in Hawai'i and has brought six dentists who provided free services (estimated at \$360,000) to low-income fami-



Kōkua Kalihi Valley caretaker and community liaison Solomon Enos tends to new growth in the valley. - Photo: OHA archive

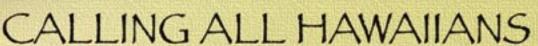
lies over the past three years.

In 2001, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awarded KKV designation as a National Community Center of Excellence in Women's Health, one of only 12 such centers throughout the country.

KKV continues to focus on preventive health care through

collaboration with other organizations and private individuals. Added to this is their goal to introduce culturally based projects for health care initiatives. As a result, the Native Hawaiian Historic Preservation Project (NHHP) was created to protect, preserve and restore Hawaiian cultural and archaeological sites within Kalihi

Valley. In December 2004, KKV secured a 20-year lease with the state to develop a 100-acre site for passive recreation and to perpetuate Hawaiian cultural practices through an educational, hands-on project. The project is intended to demonstrate that health care should be looked at from a holistic view of one's environment.



Now is the time for all indigenous Hawaiians to step forward and "kau inoa" – place your name – to have a say in the process of self- determination.

Today, the establishment of a new Native Hawaiian government is on the horizon, and the first step is for all Hawaiians who wish to participate in the raising of our nation to officially register their names through the Kau Inoa Hawaiian-governance enrollment effort. This process is already underway and is open to all indigenous Hawaiians, no matter what your age or where you live.

Make your voice heard. "Place your name" to build a strong Hawaiian nation.

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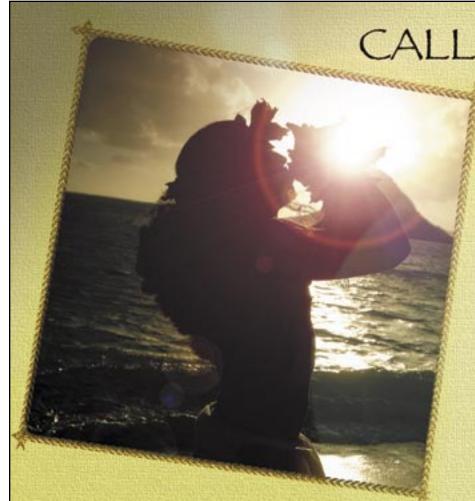
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Kāne's water and wahine wellness



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

āne's spring of forgiveness, purification and healing is located beside O'ahu's Kawela Bay, between Kamehameha Highway and the edge of the sea, near the wild koa that shades the lane. It's where the pohuehue vine, with its bright purple flowers, creeps along the sand beside the whiteflowered hinahina vine and naupaka shrub, and where the ko wali morning glory snuggles its bell-like blossoms amongst the blue honohono that grows there.

Hidden there beneath the riotous colors of the wild flowous is the spring of Kane, Ka Wai o ke Kala, (the Water of Forgiveness). A stone's throw away, facing the beach, was the ancient home of the stately kahuna, or priests, who were guardians of the spring.

The entire area was a sacred site and was kapu. The kahuna po'o-kanaka (high priests) used the spring water in performing

religious ceremonies. Kahuna lā'au lapa'au (herbal practitioners) would send patients there to drink the water and to live on certain fish and seaweed found in Kawela Bay, while chanting special pleas for healing and health.

When asked why the spring water is no longer used, an old fisherman replied: "Ua hala ka uhu, ua ma'alo ihola ua ho'i akula i Makapu'u – nou ka hala!" The translation is: "The uhu (parrotfish) has gone - it has just dodged (the net), it has returned to Makapu'u - yours is the fault!"

He meant it is our fault that this knowledge is lost, because of our lack of appreciation for ancient remedies and customs.

Traditionally, for example, Hawaiians carefully protected the health and safety of young wahine. Everyone understood that the health of the next generation was dependent upon her good health. Today, however, many wahine are careless about their health, and several challenges are the result.

Each vear in Hawai'i, more Native Hawaiian wahine die

from lung and breast cancer than females of other ethnicities. Cigarette smoking is the strongest lung cancer risk factor, and Native Hawaiian smoking rates are more than 20 percent higher than the state's average rate, including many teenage and young wahine.

Never smoking cigarettes is the surest way to avoid lung cancer. Daily exercise and healthy meals are another two critical protective practices.

Avoiding breast cancer is more difficult. Many risk factors are involved, of which being female is the first risk. Age is the next risk, since the older you are, the higher the risk of developing breast cancer. Family history is the third risk: your risk is higher if closely related women, such as your mother, sister or daughter, have had breast cancer. Annual medical examinations, monthly self-examinations and mammograms starting at age 40 (earlier with family history), are critical for early discovery, treatment and survival.

Much scientific study has gone into understanding and avoiding breast cancer, yet many answers



Traditionally, Hawaiians knew that the well-being of the next generation depended on the health and safety of young wahine.

still elude medical science. What's known is that avoiding weight gain is very important, especially after menopause. It's important to avoid drinking alcohol or at least to keep consumption to one drink a day. Exercise daily, since women who exercise daily for about an hour have less breast cancer.

In the old days, before stoves, washers, dryers, vacuums, television and computers, women got a lot of exercise easily. Today, we have to actually concentrate on adding physical activity into

our daily lives.

Adding vegetables and fruit to daily meals while subtracting fat, especially saturated and trans fats, will lower your risk for many chronic illnesses and cancers. This is the present wisdom, proven by medical science. And these precautions were traditional practices of the Hawaiian ancestors.

Like Ka Wai o ke Kala a Kāne, traditional ways are no longer ours, another reason we must exert diligence in protecting wahine health.

GATHERING

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entific, business and Hawaiian communities, will participate in a panel discussion on the impact of bioprospecting on the state's economy, the environment and the Hawaiian people.

The conference will also feature the first major public presentation on the recommendations from a year-long study into the development of a Native Hawaiian trademark.

The trademark study arose from concerns among Hawaiian artists that the value of their traditional works, such as feather lei, wood sculptures and intricate quilts, were being diminished by cheaper knockoffs being mass produced in other

countries. Hawaiian artists hope that a trademark would provide them the same protections as similar insignias do for Native American and Māori artists.

Another panel discussion will focus on the copyright-infringement lawsuit Kim Taylor Reece filed against a Native Hawaiian artist who created a stained-glass artwork that he claims is identical to one of his photographs of a dancer striking a hula pose. Some Native Hawaiians were outraged that someone could copyright the likeness of a hula pose.

How native communities from around the world are dealing with intellectual property rights issues will also be touched on through presentations and a documentary film session.

The registration fee for both days of the conference is \$85; the fee for just one day is \$50. Registrations must be postmarked by April 15, and the conference is limited to 150 participants. Scholarships for conference registration fees and inter-island travel are also available.

Conference organizers are also seeking academic papers on topics related to intellectual property rights and traditional knowledge to be included in the documents developed from the conference. The articles should be no more than 3.500 words with endnotes and citations.

For more information or to register, visit kaahapono.com, or call Mālia Nobrega at 734-6709 or Kaho'onei Panoke at 753-9773.

VOYAGE

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gator Lambert Lokopwe, who was in charge of cultural protocols for the ceremony, told Kubota that master navigators are also ambassadors to other islands.

"Navigation is a life of service, and to serve, you must be able to have the qualities of respect, humility, leadership and courage and carry the light of knowledge," he said.

"Today was not about us. Today was about our children continuing their tradition, culture and ancestry," Thompson told Kubota after the ceremony.

Baybayan added: "I'm hon-

ored, but it's also the realization that with this entitlement, you hold the stewardship of an art, which is a big responsibility."

On March 19, the canoes departed from Satawal for visits to the atolls of Woleai and Ulithi, then on to the islands of Yap and Palau. From Palau, Alingano will return to its permanent home on Yap, and Hōkūle'a will sail on alone to Okinawa and Japan in the second portion of the journey, dubbed "Kū Holo Lā Komohana - Sail On to the Western Sun."

The vovage will honor the ties between Japan and Hawai'i and the historic journey of King Kalākaua to Yokohama in 1881, which lead to the start of Japanese immigration to Hawai'i.

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MAYDAY is Lei Day

In 1928, poet Don Blanding first broached the idea of creating a day to celebrate the Hawaiian practice of giving lei. Since then, May Day has become an island tradition, with a huge slate of annual events. Here's a rundown of some of this year's festivities:

Lei Day at Kapi'olani Park

May 1, 9 a.m.

The City and County of Honolulu will hold its 80th Lei Day celebration, featuring a royal court, lei contests and entertainment. Kapi olani Park, Waikīkī. Free. 692-5118.

The Brothers Cazimero Lei Day concerts

May 1 and May 2, 7:30 p.m. both nights

This year marks the 30th time the Brothers Cazimero will hold what is perhaps the signature event of the May Day season. Robert and Roland will perform first on May Day at the Waikīkī Shell and then travel to Maui for their second concert the next day at the Maui Arts and Cultural Center's Castle Theater. \$20-\$45 for the Waikīkī event. 1-877-750-4400. \$10-\$40 for Maui concert. 808-242-7469. mountainapplecompany.com/mayday.

May Day in Nānākuli

May 1

Kumu Hula Leato Savini and his Hālau Nā Mamo o Tulipa will host "Ka Lei o ka Lanakila," an all-day festival featuring entertainment, games, crafts and food. Nānākuli Beach Park, O'ahu. 688-4242.

May Day lei contest, Kaua'i

May 1, 10 a.m.

Who is this year's best lei maker on Kaua'i? Kaua'i Museum is holding its annual competition to find out. Event also includes a craft fair, food and entertainment. Kaua'i Museum, Līhu'e. 808-245-6931 or kauaimuseum.org.

Mauna 'Ala lei ceremony

May 2, 9 a.m.

Lei from the City and County's May Day contests will be brought to the Royal Mausoleum, where they will be offered to Hawai'i's late ali'i. Mauna 'Ala, Nu'uanu.

May Day Hoʻolauleʻa, South Kohala

The Waikoloa Beach Resort's King's Shops will host a ho'olaule'a featuring demonstrations, arts and crafts, entertainment and, of course, lei making. 808-886-8811.

May Day Festival at Hilo's Palace Theater

May 6, 1 p.m.

The historic Palace Theater will host this festival, complete with demonstrations, lei contest, entertainment and short films. Free. 934-7010 or hilopalace.com.

Mākua Valley exhibit

Through April 11

Gallery lights will shine brightly on the controversy surrounding Mākua Valley, which is both a sacred place to some Native Hawaiians and a 50-year-old military training site for the Army. Free. Academy Art Center, Honolulu Academy of Arts. 532-8743.

"Lost Maritime Cultures" exhibit

Through April 15

Using evidence from major archaeological discoveries in Southeast China, this groundbreaking exhibit makes the argument that the indigenous cultures of Oceania originated from China. Bishop Museum. 847-3511 or bishopmuseum.org.

Kāmau

Through April 15 on Oʻahu, May 3-4 on

Kumu Kahua Theatre once again presents Alani Apio's 1994 play *Kāmau*, a story about a Native Hawaiian tour guide struggling to support his 'ohana, while preserving his family's traditions. On O'ahu: \$5-\$16. Thu.-Sat. at 8 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. 536-4441 or kumukahua.org. In Maui's McCoy Studio Theater: \$22. 7:30 pm. 808-242-7469 or mauiarts.org.

"Life in the Pacific: Nānākuli" exhibit

Through April 29

This exhibit of artwork by students from Ka Waihona o ka Na'auao Charter School in Sat., May 3 Nānākuli grew out of an outreach program knowledge through the exploration of the MAMo awardees, all of whom have led the Academy of Arts' collections with the help Native Hawaiian arts movement. Bishop Academy of Arts Learning Center. 532-8700 or honoluluacademy.org.

Merrie Monarch Festival

Sun., April 8-Sat., April 14

The Merrie Monarch Festival is more than just the premier hula competition in the world. The weeklong celebration includes Ho'olaule'a on Sunday and free performance on Wednesday. Edith Kanaka'ole Stadium, Hilo. 808-935-9168 or merriemonarchfestival.org.

Moloka'i benefit festival

Fri., April 20

'Ōlelo Hawai'i will resonate throughout this festival to benefit 'Aha Pūnana Leo o Moloka'i. The event will include a concert, food, games and crafts. Free. Lanikeha Center in Ho'olehua. 808-567-9211.

Leilani Sharpe Mendez tribute

Sat., April 21, 5 p.m.

The former students of Leilani Sharpe Mendez, including her daughter, a former Miss Aloha Hula, will reunite for a tribute concert for their late kumu hula. \$25. Leeward Community College. 348-4199.

Kauaʻi's Royal Pāʻina

Sat., April 28, 5 p.m.

Renowned musicians Nina Keali'iwahamana, Palani Vaughan and Mahi Beamer will turn back the clock to the 1800s as they perform mele from the Hawaiian monarchy. \$75, includes dinner. Kaua'i Marriott. 808-245-3373 or kauaihistoricalsociety.org.

East Maui Taro Festival

Sat., April 28- Sun., April 29

East Maui is kalo country, and this festival celebrates everything the area represents, with Hawaiian cultural demonstrations, arts and crafts, 'ono food and entertainment. Free. Hāna Ballpark. 264-1553 or tarofestival.org.

"Kū i ka Niʻo" exhibit

The first event in Maoli Arts Month, this designed to strengthen the students' cultural exhibit will celebrate the artwork of the of traditional island practitioners. Honolulu Museum Vestibule Gallery. 847-3511 or bishopmuseum.org.

First Friday Gallery Walk

Fri., May 4

In another MAMo event, fifty Native Hawaiian artists will showcase their work in as many as nine different galleries in the monthly First Friday event in downtown Honolulu's arts and culture district. Maoliartsmonth.org.

'Au Umauma o Hilo i ka wai

Haunani Apoliona, MSW Chairperson, Trustee, At-large



uhea wale 'oe, e ka Loke, ku'u lei paoa i ke 'ala? On Thursday, March 15, 2007, at approximately 9:35 a.m., Lillian Leialoha Linda Keawe'ehu Dela Cruz passed into the generations, that word came by way of a note passed to me shortly before 11 a.m. in the midst of conducting our Board of Trustees meeting. Trustees sat silently reverent upon hearing the news. Outside the window of our 12th floor boardroom rain was falling; "nā waimaka o ka lani," the heavens wept. We realized she had let down her weariness and she was at rest. "Ku'u ka luhi, ua maha," she had left all her labors, all that wearied her mind and body and now was

In December, Trustee Dela Cruz suspected the magnitude of her illness but remained courageous and hopeful. The Dec. 14 OHA board meeting, our final for 2006, was the last she attended. Following the Christmas and New Year holidays, her goal was to return to OHA for board business priorities for 2007, but the winds, rain and cold weather of early 2007 delayed her return to the OHA board table.

She spoke positively about the improvements at OHA during recent times and how proud she was to see OHA acknowledged among the leaders of the State of Hawai'i at the opening day of the 2007 Legislature when we talked in February. My last phone call with Linda early on Tuesday morning, March 6, 2007, was brief, her breathing was labored and in her voice I sensed her spirit was still strong but her body

Now she has left us. She is physically absent but her tenacious spirit of support remains embedded in major initiatives for OHA.

Three initiatives highlighted in my April 2006 KWO article continue into 2007, as OHA makes steady and deliberate progress. As I reported about this time last year, three ongoing issues require focus, discipline and 'onipa'a: Kau Inoa, the Native Hawaiian registration in Hawai'i, the nation and the world: the enactment of the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act, federal recognition for Native Hawaiians; and the public land trust revenues due to OHA.

Kau Inoa

As of mid-March Kau Inoa registration has topped 58,000, due to hard work of many. Our challenge is to triple this count.

Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act (NHGRA)

S 310 and HR 505, the NHGRA of 2007, introduced in both the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives on Jan. 17, 2007, are poised for consideration by respective committees. Our challenge is to secure the congressional votes and derail any presidential veto.

Public land trust revenues due OHA

The state Legislature at adjournment in May 2006 enacted Act 178, increasing annual public land trust revenue payments to OHA from \$9 million to \$15.1 million, beginning with fiscal year 2005-2006. The act also included the additional sum of \$17.5 million for amounts underpaid between July 1, 2001, through June 2005. OHA and the executive branch have jointly submitted HCR 285, HR 226 and SCR 152, SR 105 identically titled, "Encouraging the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and the Executive Branch to try to negotiate a settlement regarding the income and proceeds from the Public Land Trust" to the 2007 state Legislature. Resolutions do not have the force of statute, but we expect the 2007 Legislature to enact these resolutions to evidence their support and critical participation to codify any ultimate agreement and proposal negotiated by OHA and the executive branch toward settling outstanding differences regarding OHA's claims to income and proceeds (revenues) from the public land trust. With prudence and diligence OHA Trustees will work in 2007 toward a just and fair result to settle payment of the past, unpaid claims to revenue due to OHA.

May the Trustee Dela Cruz spirit of tenacity and courage remain with us all to successfully weathering all challenges ahead. 29/48

Thoughts on the State of the City Address

Rowena Akana Trustee, At-large



no'ai kākou. I was honored to be an invited guest to hear Mayor Mufi Hannemann's State of the City address. The mayor's hour-long speech highlighted the many good things that his administration has already done, and he also listed the many projects that he plans to complete within the next few years.

It is funny how people tend to focus on the few things that they don't like, but be that as it may, I was disturbed by his comments about a new gate for the Honolulu Zoo and how wonderful it was going to look. I was also concerned about the mayor's plan to raise the sewer fees and his proposal to remove one day of trash pickup.

When did the mayor last visit the zoo? In my opinion, our Honolulu Zoo is one of the worst kept zoos in the country. The animals look sickly and their cages are dirty and pathetic. The poor elephants are chained at the legs with only a limited amount of space to move in. Anyone who cares about animals would agree that these poor animals should be free to roam around. If that isn't possible, we should at least send them to a zoo that would take better care of them. It makes no sense to waste our money beautifying the zoo's entrance, while letting the public get repulsed by what they see once they get inside.

The mayor also proposed an increase in our sewer fees, saying he wanted to avoid another rupture like the one that happened in Waikīkī that diverted 48 million gallons of sewage into the Ala Wai. While all of us agree that our sewers are in bad shape, I don't see an increase in fees based on the current system of assessment as the answer. The mayor really needs to revamp the flawed system that our sewer and water fees are calculated from. That way, the city could charge the appropriate fees to those who are the heaviest users.

Most people are unaware that the calculation the city currently uses to charge us our exorbitant rates are not based on any fair formula. The fees are being assessed based on our water usage. The city claims that all of the water we use is going into our sewer systems, but what about the water that we use on our yards and the evaporation from swimming pools? The only fair way to assess a landowner's sewer fee is to install a meter. Instead of giving homeowners a \$150 property tax credit, the mayor should use the money to install water meters in every home so that the rates that we are charged are fair.

As for once-a-week garbage pickup, I don't know of anyone who thinks that this is a good idea. The mayor has said the final program is far from definite and he is only putting it out there for the sake of discussion, but the thought of smelly, week-old garbage permeating our neighborhoods and the poor sanitation it would create gives me great discomfort. For once, I'd like to hear how the city will expand services while cutting costs. It may be difficult, but it's not impossible. Just look at what Mayor Rudy Giuliani did in New York.

Also, his proposal to charge an extra \$10 monthly fee to add a second pickup (for those of us who feel a once-a-week trash collection isn't enough) is not the answer. As any resident of O'ahu who already has to deal with the high cost of living would tell you, we don't need another fee for such an essential service. As they say, you can't squeeze blood out of a turnip. Trash pickup, like water and sewer, is one of the most important services the city provides. Honolulu wouldn't last long without it. The mayor should look else where for his cuts before he turns to trash pickup and raising sewer fees.

The city has already significantly raised our property taxes and doubled our car registration fee. The mayor needs to find a way to use the new monies more effectively. There should be more wiggle room in the city budget now that our property taxes and car registration fees have shot up so high.

I do hope the mayor and his administration will give these concerns much thought. Honolulu residents already endure much of the burden for our visitor industry and businesses who cater to them. Let's not compound our problems.

For more information on important Hawaiian issues, check out my website at www.rowenaakana.org.

Akaka Bill establishes a foundation for the future

Boyd P. Mossman Trustee, Maui



loha nō kākou. As OHA proceeds into the future, its existence will be limited to the time it takes to create a governing entity that is recognized by the United States as a domestic, dependent, sovereign nation. This will secure all that we have today and even more for our people both in Hawai'i and out. This security can only be provided by success in the courts. International courts are not the answer, but perhaps can be considered for another day and another century. Right now, we have a major threat facing all Hawaiians, and that is the movement to remove any recognition of us as the first people of our land and to treat us as merely another racial group living in the United States with no special status or rights. Success by these opponents of Hawaiian recognition would effectively and permanently end any hope for our people to perpetuate our rightful place traditionally, culturally, historically and in every other way, in our own homeland.

It is the failure to understand this threat that seems to have confused many who question the purpose and need for the Akaka Bill. Bottom line is that, without this bill, we lose in the courts. If we lose in the courts, we become a people without a homeland. We will then assimilate completely into the rest of society as a historical footnote. Critics of the bill claim it subjects Hawaiians to the authority and dictates of the United States. Well, suffice it to say that the United States is not now or in the near future going to give Hawai'i to the Hawaiians regardless of the illegality of the overthrow. Reason must rule here and so demands for complete independence are better reserved for a more appropriate time in history. Not now.

Malia Kahiolani Schnackenberg

Colette Y. Machado Trustee, Moloka'i and Lāna'i



amily and friends of the Caparida and Schnackenberg 'ohana gathered together on March 17 to celebrate the life of Malia Kahiolani Kelsey Schnackenberg. Just 18 years old, Malia died in a car accident on March 5 in La Conchita, Calif.

Malia was born on Hawai'i Island. but grew up as a local Moloka'i girl. Raised on the east end of Moloka'i, she played T-ball and soccer, and all the other things little kids do growing up in the island's rural Mana'e community. The daughter of George and Cora Schnackenberg, Malia made her way through a childhood that taught her humbleness, discipline and respect. Encouraged along the way by family members and influential people like her grandparents Eustaquio "Cappy" and Judy Caparida, Malia became an exceptional student, athlete and friend.

In a whimsical memoir written by Malia last year, she describes herself as "an outgoing person, I'm easy to talk to. I like to see people happy." She writes that she loved to play sports, especially basketball, football, track and tennis. When not actually participating in a sporting event, she enjoyed working out and physical training.

While Malia spent her senior year at Moloka'i High School, most of her high school requirements were fulfilled at Carpinteria High School in California. There, she also excelled in basketball, track and field and academics. Malia spent five years on the mainland, starting with middle

school, where she immersed herself in softball and volleyball.

When she wasn't studying or participating in sports, Malia dedicated time to her faith. "God comes first and family second in my life. Then of course there's friends and sports." During her time on Moloka'i, Malia could often be found with her Grandma Judy and Aunty Ruthie who are both very effective community advocates. Malia called it, "volunteering my time and doing errands with my Grandma Judy and Aunty Ruthie."

After receiving her diploma from Moloka'i High School in 2006, Malia returned to California to attend college at Santa Barbara City College. In line with her active and outgoing personality, Malia was studying to be a landscape architect. During her winter break from college, Malia returned home to Moloka'i and started taking hula from Kupuna Kauila Reyes. "She was excited about taking hula and was looking forward to learning more," said Cora, her mom.

In referring to her parents, Malia credited her dad for her love of competition and sports. "I'm like my dad because I love to listen to people and give advice. I love to coach, and I'm basically a mirror image of him. I also take after him in basketball and everything else." Malia's mom is also known for her athleticism: she's a volleyball player and runner. "I'm like my mom because I love to help people out, and I love to run."

The memorial service for Malia was held at the Gospel Shoes of Christ Jesus Church in Punihua, on the east end of Moloka'i. Her grandfather, Pastor Eustaquio "Cappy" Caparida, and many of her immediate family members presided over the celebration of her life. "Me ke aloha pau 'ole a hui hou – with love and affection until we meet again."

mere memory. Unfortunately, making it even more difficult is the number of Hawaiian kingdoms and nations whose leaders claim absolute authority as the monarchs or chosen ones for the Hawaiian people. It should be apparent that even the independents can't agree as to who should lead the rest of us. Is this the kind of organization you want to lead you? Think about our ancestors and what they achieved as a people in the middle of the Pacific. We can in the 21st century ourselves establish a highly accomplished society of Hawaiians if we focus on surviving first, then providing our people with solid education in technology, science, math and business, as well as language, culture and social work. We can with competent governance establish ourselves in society as a solid force for good through skilled management, investments, housing and a rehabilitation of attitudes, which affect the physical, mental and spiritual well-being of our people.

If we lose in Congress now and subse-

quently in the courts, just what will become

of us? We lose, all of us, the homeless, the

sick, the students, the hard working, what-

ever our positions on the Akaka Bill and independence. The one-color-one-nation,

one-size-fits-all proponents win. Without a

legal basis for our existence, we become a

With the untimely passing of Trustee Linda Dela Cruz, OHA and all Hawai'i have lost not only a legend in Hawaiian entertainment, but a solid supporter of Hawaiian recognition and a person who was not one to be intimidated by practitioners, experts, politicians or anyone else. I will miss her and her contributions to the people she loved and commit to carry out her firm desire to secure the preservation of her people. May her journey through eternity be guided by her sweet and caring spirit. My sincere condolences to her daughter Jojo, her faithful and reliable aide, as well as to the rest of her 'ohana. God bless you, Linda. A hui hou.



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Is the pot boiling?

Walter M. Heen Trustee, O'ahu



recent USA Today article entitled, "Racial tensions are simmering in Hawai'i's melting pot" raises serious questions about the stability of relationships among Hawai'i's ethnic groups, particularly between Native Hawaiians and Caucasians, or haole. The reporter quotes several people who give their views on whether there is real depth to the so-called "aloha spirit," and why these eruptions take place from time to time. The people interviewed in the article tended to agree that there is, indeed, a degree of tension in the community stemming in part from the overthrow of 1893 to the modern pressures brought about by tourism development and population expansion. We all can agree that those tensions exist, and their origins have been examined many times in the past, and they are no worse than anywhere else in the country. But that overly examined subject was not, in my view, the real purpose of the article. We all know that the "pot ain't boiling."

I believe that the true purpose of the article is to arouse public reaction, here and across the mainland, against the Akaka Bill now pending in Congress and against other government and private programs favoring Native Hawaiians, such as Kamehameha Schools, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) and education and health entitlements authorized by Congress. The article clearly plays to the ideology of ultra-conservative Americans who seek to destroy any social programs that assist minority ethnic groups to climb out of the poverty pits they are in, and seeks to persuade others to that reactionary view. These are the same groups that keep pushing to overturn affirmative action programs.

The people promoting the article and fanning this ideological discussion are hoping – and expecting – that those who see the world as they do will write thousands, if not millions, of letters to their congressional representatives urging them to oppose passage of the Akaka Bill and

to repeal those federal laws that assist Native Hawaiians to obtain education for their children, health care for themselves and a decent roof over their heads. In addition, the article quietly reminds conservative ideologists that they must file amicus briefs in the U. S. Supreme Court supporting the petition filed by the student who attempted to get into Kamehameha Schools and lost his appeal in the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

It is not a coincidence that the article was written just as the U. S. Supreme Court is being petitioned to overturn the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals' decision upholding Kamehameha's admission policy and Congress is considering the Akaka Bill.

I am reliably informed that the reporter was initially sent here to report on the Kamehameha Schools policy and benefits for Native Hawaiians, such as DHHL leases. He had already begun those interviews when the incident occurred at Waikele between a Native Hawaiian father and son, and a military couple. The article and its judicial and legislative contexts are too closely tied together to lead to any other conclusion than that it was an obvious ploy to arouse opposition across the country to the cause of Hawaiian justice.

The reporter's heart must have skipped with delight. Bingo! Here was an event that he could use to stir up the juices of any opponents of affirmative action. The racial implications provided a marvelous framework to arouse people against Native Hawaiians. He must have thought, "I can really pump people up by showing the undercurrent of racial animosity and that it is really getting heated."

Another non-coincidence occurred on March 21, 2007, in the U. S. House of Representatives. The House Minority Leader's office issued instructions to all House Republicans to oppose a measure that had come to the House floor providing funding for Native Hawaiian housing on DHHL lands. The minority leader's message came at the last moment, even while Congressman Abercrombie was thanking the Republicans for not taking a partisan stance against the measure. The neo conservative opposition is beginning to rise again.

All of which goes to show you that you have to look beyond the surface in order to see what is really obvious.

More poems from Kamehameha students

Oz Stender Trustee, At-large



loha kākou. Because of the great positive responses I received last month, I am featuring a few more pieces found in He Makana no Pauahi, written by haumāna in Mr. Todd Takahashi's communications class at Kamehameha Schools. Although I cannot feature each student, I would like to express how proud I am of each and every one of them; each embodies the character that our beloved princess hoped to build in her industrious men and women of Kamehameha. Mahalo to all the haumāna and the voices within them. I mua.

I Am Standing William Sanchez

I am standing ... waiting

Waiting for an answer from afar A message so subtle, so delicate Yet deep as the ocean that surrounds us I am sitting ... waiting For an answer to a burning question deep inside me A burning question that can only be answered by strangers I am hopina ... waitina For my ancestors to shake the rafters from above Making a wondrous sound And for my children to use the wondrous gift that we have given them I am praying ... waiting Waiting for an answer to my prayers Praising the creator of this blessed gift So that this gift may go on forever more I am waiting ... just waiting Hoping to preserve my yesterdays

Ka 'āina Kawika Mark

Standing up for my today

And praving for better tomorrows

I am waiting ... will you wait with me?

A place we live,
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Mālama the 'āina.

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Stand Aleysia Kaha

We have been taken Our love for the 'aina And all it has to offer us We have forgotten That if we prosper the land It will return its gifts to us. We were scared once To speak the language that was given to us Given by the gods The mana that each is born with Was stomped on We were stomped on Just the dust blown in the air What was ours has been taken We've been taken Away, Away from the culture that defined us That connected us Weaving us together in a circle To care for the land For each other And to care To care about what has changed They have told us that we were wrong to speak, To feel the land and to be Hawaiian Blindina us Were we wrong? Wrong to be whom we are In their eves we were Let the pound of the ancient gourd beat once again The wind whispers sweet melodies of Hawai'i The kalo grow, the children of Hawai'i grow And the rays of the sun melt through us and enarave our hearts with its love WE WILL STAND UNITED E OLA MAU

What Makes a Hawaiian? Devin Lee

Is it the fact that my birth certificate says Hawaiian on it? NO
Is it because my father before me was Hawaiian? NO
Is it because of the blood running through my veins? NO
Is it because of the school I attend? NO
Is it because of all the Hawaiian-based things I am taught at that school? NO
Is it because my middle name is Keahi? NO
Is it because my hair is dark and my skin is a darkish color? NO
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E na '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 na mamo a Haloa!

Akau - Descendants of Ching Sen/ Kamakahema Awa are having a family reunion in Waimea, Hawai'i, July 20-22, 2007. Descendants are as follows: William P.M. Akau/ Kealoha Kalaluhi: Abraham Akau/Alice Ahina. Eunice Akau/ Solomon Kuahine, Elizabeth Akau/Mack Kalahiki, Theoodre Akau/Mary Keawe. Willima P.M. Akau/Lydia Awaa: John Akau/Rose Iokia, Apitai Akau/Margaret Arthur, Lydia Akau/Andrew Ako, Alexander Akau/ Mary Ako, Caroline Akau/ Samuel Keleleiki, David Akau, William Akau, Barbara Chock. Pekina Akeni/Goo KimSeu: Ah Sing KimSeu/ Hattie Kauwe, Arthur KimSeu/Martha Coelho, Amoe KimSeu/Robert Naeole, Allen KimSeu/ Alice Nahakuelua, Ernest AkimSeu/Mary Kahookano, Abby Goo/Daniel Bush and Ernest Chang, Apitai Akeni/Kahana Maluwaikoo: Annie Apikai/Solomon Kuahine, John Apitai/ Adeline YoungPlease contact Andrew Akau 883-8854 or 937-3304: Oscar Kaleleiki 775-0810: Lani Akau (Kawaihae), 882-7553: Joyce Sene, 247-7910; or Solomon Kuahine, 382-9525 or 455-8102.

Aki/Kaiahua - The descendants of William Joseph Aki and Annie Wahinealii Kaiahua will hold a reunion Aug. 2-5, 2007, in Mākua, Wai'anae. In addition, a memorial service for Wilfred Kaanohi Aki will take place at Punchbowl Memorial Cemetary of the Pacific on Aug. 3. For information, contact Matilda Aki 625-0155 or LuAnn Mahiki Lankford-668-9006

Akina/Kalua'u — The fifth annual 'ohana reunion for the Akina/Kalua'u family will be held July 14-16, 2008, at the Kīhei Community Center on Maui. The John and Grace Akina 'ohana will be spearheading the 2008 reunion. Planning meetings will be on the second Saturday of each month beginning July 2007. Planning meeting place to be determined. Contact Bonny Kahawaii-Herbert at 808-879-5383 or email starman@mauigateway.com. The reunion is for the descendants of Frank and Rebecca Akina: John and Grace Akina; Alex and Violet Akina; Achuna Akina; and Auhana Kalaua'u.

Alvarado-Adolpho — The Alvarado-Adolpho reunion will be held July 12-14 in Hilo, Hawai'i, Descendents include Aunty Genoa. Saladaga, Makuaole, Apo, Koerte, Kinney, Paekukui, Johnson, Boro, Vea, Souza, Keawe-Aiko, Keawe, Saito, Debusca, Pia, Takenouchi, Shimamoto, Cansibog, Lindsey, Afong, Kahawaiolaa, Broads, Hoaeae, Bee, Johnson, Kawaa , Halemanu, Namakani, Hookano, Doane, Farling and Schumacher. Contact the following people for additional information and to register: Sandra Apo at aposilva@hawaiiantel.net; 257 W. Na'auao Street, Hilo, HI 96720; or call 935-1661. Or contact Robert Shimamoto at bobkh6bmm@netscape.com; P.O. Box 1474, Kurtistown, HI 96760 or call 808-936-9307.

Baker/Lane — A reunion is being planned for the descendents of Robert Hoapili Baker and Bernicia Kailiponi Lane. Robert Hoapili Baker's genealogy can be traced back to Robert Hoapili Baker of Waikapu Maui and Emma Kamakanoanoa Mersbergh. Bernicia Kailiponi Lane's genealogy descends from the family line of William Carey Lane of Ireland and Mary Kahooilimoku of Mākao, Oʻahu, This reunion will be held in September 2007 at Kualoa Regional Park and Kualoa Ranch. No specific dates have been set at this time. For updates please visit http://web.mac.com/lokaikekauoha.katie/iWeb/Site. For more information, email Carol K. Rosa at carolr@hawaii. rr com or Lokai K. Kekanoha at lokaikekanoha katie@mac.com. Call Carol at 456-2279 or Kai at 671-1406

Brown — In preparation for the 2007 reunion of the John and Benjamin Brown 'ohana of Hilo, Hawai'i, the Hilo 'ohana is asking for all family members to update their contact information or share contact information about other family members. We are also asking members to update records of births, deaths and marriages. The family will be holding its reunion in Hilo from June 29-July 1, 2007. The 'ohana includes the descendents of William Christopher Brown, Enoch Brown, Violet Nathaniel, Mealoha Anakalea, Benjamin "Tuna" Brown, Keala Kuamo'o, Valentine Brown, Manoa Brown and Maria Hendershot, A newsletter is forthcoming. For information, email Wilma Kuamo'o at hbohana@hawaii rr.com, or Teri Temple at terisetemple@msn.

Kaaa and Kahanaoi/Pomaikai — The Kaaa reunion scheduled for August 11, 2007, has also been cancelled. For more information, contact Jeanne Kahanaoi at 696-5002.

Lumaukahili'owahinekapu

Ka'auhaukane — Our family reunion is scheduled for April 7, 2007, at the Key Project in Kahalu'u, O'ahu. Ana Lumaukahili'owahinekanu Ka'auhaukane's father was Kamokulehuaopanaewa Ka'auhaukane and her mother was Pailaka Hoohua. She was born on March 3, 1845. in Ka'auhuhu. North Kohala. She died on Jan. 30, 1917. Her sibling was Kealohapauole Kalauhi Kaauhaukane. She first married Joseph Kaiamakini Kanoholani and together they had three children: Joe Kaiamakini, Makini and Mary Kaiamakini. She later had 13 children with her second husband, Jon Von Iseke: Maria (born Feb. 16, 1879), Elizabeth (born April 2, 1880 and married William Kamalalawalu Kalokuokamaile Kapuaakuni and Henry McKee), Theresa Kaaimalani (born April 5, 1882, married John Kapiko and Edward Quinn), John Isaacs, (born Oct. 1, 1883 and married Alice Kihei Bell Lincoln), Joseph (born March 14, 1885), Antone (born Oct. 18, 1886), Anna (born March 10, 1888), Henry (born June 29, 1890), Louis (married Mae Silva), Joseph Joachim (born April 25, 1894 and married Angeline Anolei Cockett), Frank (born Jan. 26 and married Augusta Pereira), Charles (born Jan. 24, 1898) and Katherine (born June 14, 1900 and married Tom Kam Sing). The 'ohana would like to update all genealogy information, records of birth, marriage and death, photos and contact information. For more information, contact Conkling Kalokuokamaile McKee Jr. at 734-6002; Colleen (McKee) Tam Loo at 224-8386; Peter Machado at 689-0190; "Boss" Sturla at 664-9795 or his cell at 619-890-5106; and Pauahi Kazunaga at 842-7021. To participate in monthly 'ohana reunion meetings, contact Pualani (McKee) Orton at 235-2226.

Kainoapuka — A reunion is being planned for the descendants of Kainoa puka and Ulia Ka'ae. and their children: Kaholoiki (Niho Kaoao) Manunui (Kahihiaholaniku aka Hali Nuuhiwa). Iokia, Malakinui (Punihula), Manuiki and Kakae (Kala). Other family names include Kaholoiki, Kalawahaokli, Kawehinenohopali, Ka'iliau, Pakana, Kawehiwa Kilauano, Kali'iho'opi'i, Keanuenue, Kahalepahu, Kaonohiula, Kawailani, Hikiauola (Manu), Alohakeau, Kaimiola(aka Halili'ili'i, Kaimiola and Keahilaahonua. The reunion is scheduled

for May 24-27, 2007 at the Kekaha Neighbor Center on Kaua'i. For more information. contact Kunane Aipoalani at 808-337-1219 (home) or 808-639-4292 (cell) or visit the family website at www.kainoapuka.com or email webmaster@kainoapuka.com.

Kaleimamahu — The Kaleimamahu 'ohana, from Waiāhole and Waikāne valleys, will hold a reunion June 22-24, 2007. Our kūpuna are Frank, Solomon, Edward, Francis, Hattie, Estella, Lilv and Alice, For more information, contact Anne Komatsu at 728-4401 or annekomatsu@hawaii.rr.com.

Kamai — We are planning a family reunion for all the 'ohana of Joseph Kanamu Kamai and Mary Kaihe, scheduled for Aug. 16-22, 2007. on O'ahu. The children of Mary and Joseph Kamai are Charlie Sr., Joseph Sr., Ezekiel Sr., Moroni and Louie Kamai, Please join our 'ohana in a week of fun-filled activities in Hau'ula at Kokololio Beach Park (old Kakela). For information, contact Teddy Kamai at 779-5536 or 833-3161 or email teddy.kamai@us.

Karratti/Blake - The reunion for the family of Bonaparte Ulukou Karratti and Kealoha Blake will be held July 11-14, 2007, on Kaua'i. The children are Bonaparte Ulukou Jr., Myron Ulukou, Mary Kameeualani, Martha Leimakalehua, Anna Kaiwahine, Ernest Kalani, David Kealoha, Rose Puapikake, Eunice Alohilani, Lorraine Kuulei, James William "Kahakauwila," Lorita Kauanonoula, Herman Imaikalani, Joseph Naihealua, John Paulo, Eldon Allan Kupa and Irene Yrna Mapuana. We are trying to locate our 'ohana on the Kealoha Blake line. Visit the family website at reddirtroots.htohananet.com/kb%20website/ kbreunion_2007.htm. For information, call Phyllis at 808-337-9927.

Kauli'a/Kapinao — Aloha Ke Akua. The descendants of Sam Kauli'a and Mary Kaiahua Kapinao (a.k.a. Pinao), mid-1800s Ka'ū residents, will be having monthly gatherings on O'ahu that may lead to a larger family reunion in 2008. However, the dates, time and locations of those meetings have yet to be determined. Both Tūtū Sam and Tūtū Kaiahua may have had multiple marriages, but we're trying to organize the descendants from this union first. As far as we know there were an estimated 10 children. Of the ten, we presently only have records for six (three sons and three daughters). Their names were: I. Puni. Sam. Marv. Abigail and Pukai. I (a.k.a. John) was married to Lepeka Keku'ia (as was Puni after his brother I passed away). Sam Jr. was married to Mahelona; Mary was married to a McComber; Abigail married Ka'auwai (from Kaua'i): and Pukai married Delos Santos. For more information or to help us update our records, please call Ku'ualohanui Kauli'a at 393-9495 or send an email to kulanuialoha@yahoo.com or contact Julie Johnston at juliama38@aol.com. Both Ku'ualohanui and Julie are both direct descendants of I and Lepeka.

Kawaakoa/Afoa Lutu — The children (Simanu, Wilson, Herman, Nelson, Paul, Dixie, Stanley and Elliot) of Annie Kawaakoa and Simanu Afoa are planning a large 'ohana reunion for the descendants of their dad's Samoan family. Since Simanu's parents (Simanualii Molio'o Afoafouvale Lutu and Ta'alolo Leone) were from American Sāmoa (and he was the only child out of 12 that married a pure Hawaiian girl from Kīpahulu, Maui), the children of Annie and Simanu would like to welcome their Polynesian 'ohana to Hawai'i for a first-time reunion. Simanu's siblings were Faaepa "Ana" Coen; Faasuka; Atapuai; Tafisi; Su'e su'e; Faatamali; Leata Asuega; Tafai; Iofi; Sofa and Sautia This Hawaiian/Samoan 'ohana will be meeting on a monthly basis until the actual reunion event tentatively scheduled for July 21, 2007 in Nānākuli, Hawai'i, For more information, contact Kimo Kelii at 668-7650/696-0321: Iopu Fale Jr. or Leatonaugatuitoga Savini.

Kawaauhau — Nā 'Ohana o Daniel Makia Kawaauhau a me Alikapeka Kaikua 'ana Kaliuna Reunion is set for July 6-8, 2007, and will be held at Kalama Beach Park, Kīhei, Maui. They have 13 children: Wahinenui Kawaauhau (w), Pahio Kawaauhau (k); Kahalepo Kawaauhau (k); Keliikuli Kawaauhau (k); Kahanapule Kawaauhau (k); Kapeliela Kawaauhau, married Lukia Kahae; Kaleikauea Kawaauhau (w), married David Kaalekahi Kulaiee; Kaulahao Kawaauhau (k), married Victoria Kuhia Kama; Paulo Kawaauhau (k), married Miriam Makeki; Makia Kawaauhau (k); Kekumu Kawaauhau (k), married Rose Loke Kuahuia: Philoena Kauka Kawaauhau (w), married to Kekahuna Paauhau; Frank Haaheo Kawaauhau (k), married to Mary Kaihe. We'd also like to include great-grandpa Daniel's two siblings Philip Kawaauhau (k) married to Kahela Kaaiwaiu and John Kawaauhau (k) married to Waiwaiole, whose known descendants are the Hubbell family. Contacts are Patrick and Mindy Kawaauhau on Maui, 244-8640; Kalani Hernandez on Oʻahu, 696-6824; Diana Terukina, 885-7483 or email dterukina@aol.com; or Kloh-Anne Drummondo on the Big Island, 885-8708 or email kanoapono@aol.com.

Kepo'o — A reunion is being planned for the descendants of James Enos Kepo'o Jr., who is married to Helen Kahelemauna Kealohapauole-Waipa and their 13 children. The reunion is scheduled for July 27-29, 2007, at Waimānalo Beach Park. For more information, contact Laverne (Lovey) Toki at 808-961-4988 or Wynster K. Foster at 808-689-4646, or email wfoster1@campus.hpu.edu.

Lovell/Holokahiki — We are planning a family reunion for the 'ohana of Joseph Lovell and Mary Holokahiki scheduled for July 2007 on Kaua'i. The children of Joseph Lovell and Mary Holokahiki were Loika Lovell, John Lovell William Lovell Daniel Lovell and Jennie Kini Lovell. Please join our Kaua'i 'ohana in a week of fun-filled activities For information, contact Kalei Arinaga at 822-0777 or email crak@hgea.net.

Lu'uloa — Nā mo'opuna of Samuel Lu'uloa Sr. (born Oct. 1, 1905, in Kaluaaha Moloka'i) are planning a family reunion for Aug. 30-Sept. 3, 2007, at Aunty Loraine Lu'uloa's residence in Kapa'akea, Moloka'i. His daughters are Elizabeth Chang of 'Aiea, O'ahu, and Alice Smith of Ho'olehua, Moloka'i, His sons are Paul Lu'uloa of Moloka'i, Thomas Lu'uloa of Pearl City, O'ahu, Walter Lu'uloa of Nānākuli, Oʻahu, and Henry Luʻuloa of Moloka'i. His mo'opuna are asking for all the family members to submit updated information on names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail, as well as pictures. We are developing a family tree book for the reunion. Contact Sam or Liz Lu'uloa: P.O. Box 1516, Kaunakakai, HI 96748; home phone, 808-553-5787; cell, 808-294-8003, e-mail, luuloa@hotmail.com.

Mahelona - A family reunion is being planned for the descendants of David Panila Mahelona and Esther Kanawaliwali Crabbe Mahelona. It will be held on July 19-21, 2007, on Maui, For information, call Sheldon Biga at

808-276-2074.

Makekau — A family reunion for the Makekau 'ohana will take place 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., July 14, 2007, at the Waikalua LDS Chapel in Kāne'ohe. The Makekau 'ohana consists of descendants of Keli'i-ma-ke-kau-o-Nu'uanu (1819-1907) and Meli Kahiwa Swinton (1823-1925) of Lahaina. For information, contact Norman Nakamoto at 671-6970 or Kahiwa Chung at 395-7796, or email Makekauohana@hotmail.com.

Pali/Kalilikane - We are seeking the descendants of Lizzie Pali (born 1872) and her husband, George Miguel Kalilikane (born 1871), from Honua'ula, Maui. Together they had nine children: Annie (born 1889); Margaret (born 1890, married Manuel Soares Andrade): Edwin (born 1892, married Christina Bareuaba); Josephine (born 1894 married Manuel Gomes Jr.); George (born 1897, married Mary Rezentes); Harry (born 1901, married Kaula Kaeo); Abby (born 1907); Violet (born 1908); and Edward (born 1912, married Ellen Nakea). We would also like to invite to the reunion as our guests the descendants of the siblings of Elizabeth (Phillip, Adam, Lilia, Mary and Laura Pali) and George (Ana Piho and Luisa Kehalia). A large reunion is being planned for July 14, 2007, in Nānākuli, Hawai'i, To participate in the monthly 'ohana reunion meetings, contact Kaiawe Makanani at 351-9452 or by email at Kaiawe@gmail.com; David Kalilikane at 668-0614: Keala Vasconcellos at 808-273-6330; Barbara Tachibana at 293-1399; or George Kalilikane at 524-4336

Puhi - The fourth family reunion for the descendants of Kawaikinioho and Namakaokahai Puhi is scheduled for July 11-15, 2007, in Hilo, Hawai'i. David Kawaikinioho Puhi, born July 12, 1846, Kohala, Hawai'i, married (Namakaokahai) Makahai, born Sept. 8, 1856. They had four children: Henry Apaleo, Nellie Hookano, Mokuohai and Margaret Mekepa. For more information about our upcoming ohana event, email Peaches (Calles) Maluo @ PeachesCallesMaluo@myfamily.com or write to Peaches at 171 Kuaha Place, Hilo,

Purdy — The Harry Kanekawaiola Purdy Sr. 'ohana reunion will be held at One Ali'i Beach Park on Moloka'i, March 16-19, 2007. His descendants are Robert W. Purdy. James L. Purdy, Harriet K. Purdy-Kauaihilo, Anna P. Purdy-Chillingworth, Rachel K. Purdy-Wolkind, Harry K. Purdy, Jr., Emerald K. Purdy and John W. Parker. Their descendants and extended Purdy 'ohana are invited to celebrate our Hawaiian heritage with a fun filled Purdy 'Ohana Reunion. Many activities are planned. Please notify Buffy or Kammy early because limited spaces are available. We can help you arrange hotel, car, air, tours and sport activities. Camping is available at the beach park. Contact Buffy Purdy at 808-567-6637 or email buffypurdy@yahoo.com; or Kammy Purdy at 808-567-6601 and email purdy@wave.hicv.net.

Rodrigues-Gaspar — A family reunion will be held for all the descendants of Antonio Rodrigues Gaspar and first wife, Ha'aha'a Lukela, and second wife, Kalama (Anna Kalama). It will be held on Moloka'i, Aug. 31-Sept. 3, 2007. The exact location will be announced later. For information, contact Nanamae (Ziona) Puailihau at 808-567-6440 or email kizi@aloha.net; or Carolyn Rodrigues Takeuchi at 808-553-5441 or email ktakeuchi@mail.wave.hicv.net.

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the monument are in the process of developing a unified management plan for the region. A draft plan and associated environmental assessment is expected to be distributed for public review and comment early in 2008.

In the meantime, the management partners have instituted a "rolling implementation" strategy for protection of the monument's precious natural and cultural resources, with President Bush's proposed budget for the next fiscal year including a total of nearly \$11 million for management and enforcement activities.

Under the provisions of the monument proclamation, access to the area is tightly controlled, with all commercial fishing to be phased out within five years. However, access via a permit is allowed for educational and research activities, along with Native Hawaiian cultural practices, defined as "activities conducted for the purposes of perpetuating traditional knowledge, caring for and protecting the environment, and strengthening cultural and spiritual connections to the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands that have demonstrable benefits to the Native Hawaiian community." Such practices include subsistence fishing, but only for consumption within the monument itself; no catch is allowed to be taken out.

Midway access

Also in the works is the development of a plan to allow lim-

the famed site of a pivotal World War II naval battle. Under a Draft Interim Visitors Services Plan for Midway that was released in December, visits to the island could begin as early as this year. The plan limits access to no more than 30 overnight visitors at a time and no more than 50 later on, with all visits limited to the albatross nesting season from November through July – a major attraction for bird enthusiasts. Approved visitor activities would include guided wildlife observation, snorkeling and kayak tours, along with commemorations of the battle, while hunting and fishing would be prohibited.

And the tours are not likely to be cheap - charter airfare to the atoll alone is expected to run around \$2,000, plus an additional \$230 per day for lodging in former military officers' quarters. meals and entrance fees.

World Heritage Status

On another front, state and federal officials are also working towards getting the Papahānaumokuākea monument placed on a list for possible World Heritage Status site nomination in 2009. If approved by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the monument would join such World Heritage sites as Australia's Great Barrier Reef, the pyramids of Egypt and the Great Wall of China as international treasures considered to be "of outstanding value to humanity."

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