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Palani Vaughan, center back, concludes the State of OHA ceremony with a performance of "I mua! I mua! E nā Pōki'i!" joined by students of Hālau Kū Mana charter school. - Photo: Kai Markell

ON THE COVER: Echoing Queen Lili'uokalani's motto to hold steadfast, Gov. John Waihe'e brought the crowd to its feet. - Photo: Lisa Asato

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# 'A renaissance man of the Pacific'

Jon Markham Van Dyke

April 29, 1943 — Nov. 29, 2011

Among Jon Van Dyke's many contributions was pushing for the creation of OHA at the 1978 state Constitutional Convention. Through the years, he remained an adviser to the agency.  
- Courtesy photo



By Karin Stanton

**T**he Hawaiian community is mourning the loss of one of its champions.

Jon Van Dyke, renowned law professor, advocate of Native Hawaiian rights and counselor to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, died Nov. 29 in North Wollongong, Australia. He was 68.

Van Dyke's sudden death, which came while he was in Australia to deliver the keynote speech at an ocean-law conference, prompted an outpouring of tributes.

State Sen. Clayton Hee, a former OHA Trustee and Chairman, called Van Dyke "a renaissance man of the Pacific."

"I feel very strongly that without Jon Van Dyke, there would be no OHA," Hee said. "He touched the lives of the sons and daughters of the Pacific. He set the template

for future generations. Indigenous people of the world owe him a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid."

Hee said Van Dyke displayed knowledge, expertise and compassion repeatedly during decades of public service. Dating to the 1978 Constitutional Convention, when Van Dyke pushed to create OHA, through the 2000 Rice v. Cayetano ruling, in which the U.S. Supreme Court decided voting eligibility rules in OHA Trustee elections, Van Dyke was ready to assist.

Hee noted the Supreme Court decision was announced at 4 a.m. Hawai'i time, but despite the early hour Van Dyke immediately answered his home phone and helped craft an OHA response. His guidance over the years "let Hawaiians go to court through the front door," Hee said.

In a statement, U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye praised a tireless advocate of civil rights and enduring mentor to his students.

"He believed in the preservation and protection of history and culture and his research and writings have expanded our understanding of the Constitution and helped change, for the better, the laws that govern our land and sea. ... The legal community in Hawai'i is better because of his work. But above all, Jon was a good man, possessing a sharp wit, a ready smile and aloha for all," Inouye said.

Born April 29, 1943, in Washington, D.C., the diplomat's son spent his youth in Ankara, Turkey, and Beirut, Lebanon. Earning his undergraduate degree at Yale University, Van Dyke graduated cum laude from Harvard Law with his J.D. in 1967.

After teaching at law schools

in Washington, D.C., and San Francisco, Van Dyke in 1976 accepted a position at the University of Hawai'i William S. Richardson School of Law and began teaching Constitutional Law, International Law, International Ocean Law and International Human Rights.

While raising three children with wife and collaborator Sherry Broder, Van Dyke's low-key but persistent style inspired the lives he touched — from thousands of law students to governors and senators.

Gov. Neil Abercrombie became friends with Van Dyke during the 1978 state Constitutional Convention.

"His intellect brimmed over with energy and brilliance. He was a patient, calming influence in every instance of tension and conflict. Jon was endlessly courteous, no matter how trying the circumstance and

## DONATIONS

For those wanting to further the work of Jon Van Dyke, the family suggests donations be made to the Jon Van Dyke Fund at the William S. Richardson School of Law. Donations will go toward establishing the Jon Van Dyke Institute for International Law and Justice promoting peace and reconciliation, human rights, environmental and ocean law.

Checks may be made payable to "UH FOUNDATION (Jon Van Dyke)" and sent to: Director of Development, William S. Richardson School of Law, 2515 Dole St., Room 216, Honolulu, HI 96822-2350.

To give online, please visit [uhfoundation.org/JonVanDykeFund](http://uhfoundation.org/JonVanDykeFund).

equally resolute to his commitment to the public good," Abercrombie said in a statement. "He was a warm and caring individual — true to his friends and true to himself — and always, always for Hawai'i."

UH Ethnic Studies Department Professor Davianna McGregor said Van Dyke had the ability to cut through complicated legal matters in a way that helped people understand the root of an issue.

McGregor, who worked closely with Van Dyke on ending military training on Kaho'olawe, said Van Dyke's work left a rich historical resource of legal analysis. "His work on the basis and foundation for Native Hawaiian rights were profound," she said. "We're already beginning to miss his contributions."

OHA attorney Heidi Kai Guth said Van Dyke was one of the reasons she returned to her home state to study law.

"He made you see things like you'd never seen them before in such a kind, patient way," she said.

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# Proposed land deal is a work is progress



Community meetings on the proposed land deal comprising 10 parcels in Kaka’ako Makai took place in December. A second round of meetings is tentatively planned for February. The land deal is subject to legislative approval and applies only to past-due Public Land Trust revenue owed to OHA.

By Treena Shapiro

There’s nothing tricky or complicated about a proposed settlement with the state that would resolve the Office of Hawaiian Affairs’ longstanding ceded land claims, says O’ahu Trustee Peter Apo.

“The state legally owes the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and its beneficiaries \$200 million. They have no cash, so they’re offering to pay us in land instead of writing a check,” he explains.

Speaking to about 50 people at a public meeting at McKinley High School on Dec. 13, Apo emphasized that the tentative agreement between the state and OHA applies only to past-due revenue on ceded lands.

“It does not threaten any future claims that Hawaiians may have. It does not diminish any entitlements that OHA has, or the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. It’s really a pretty simple deal,” he stressed.

On Nov. 16, Gov. Neil Abercrombie and OHA announced an agreement in principle on a settlement that would resolve past-due revenue disputes through conveyance of \$200 million in Kaka’ako Makai real estate. The agreement represents a reasonable compromise on OHA’s share of Public Land Trust receipts from Nov. 7, 1978, through July 1, 2012. The settlement is

subject to legislative approval.

Under the proposed settlement, OHA would receive 10 parcels comprising 30 acres of land near the Kaka’ako waterfront, including the land under the former Fisherman’s Wharf and John Dominis restaurants.

The McKinley meeting was part of a series of meetings conducted statewide last month to offer community members an overview of the settlement and solicit their feedback. A second round of meetings is tentatively scheduled for February to ensure stakeholders can remain engaged throughout the process.

“This is a major issue that will involve the Native Hawaiian community because \$200 million in real estate is a large sum of money,” said OHA Chief Executive Officer Clyde Nāmu’o, who retired Dec. 30. “We take this very, very seriously.”

During the meeting, both Apo and Nāmu’o clarified that the settlement is not a done deal. “There is no settlement agreement drafted, nothing signed. We are dealing with the offer that has been made by the State of Hawai’i,” Nāmu’o explained.

In addition to legislative approval, OHA Trustees must decide whether to move forward with the settlement. That decision will be made

## STAY UPDATED ON THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

OHA has developed a web site at [www.oha.org/kakaako](http://www.oha.org/kakaako) that is updated with the latest on the proposed settlement. The resources page of the web site includes court cases and decisions that set the legal basis for the land deal, the latest due diligence information on the proposed settlement, and links to the master plans for the Kaka’ako district.

The site will be updated with OHA’s due diligence information as it becomes available. This involves determining whether there are any barriers, legal or otherwise, to the proposed settlement. The investigation will include looking into the titles and appraised values for the properties as well as environmental, engineering and development issues.

OHA has completed a series of 10 community meetings to inform beneficiaries about the proposal and to get initial feedback on the proposal.

OHA is planning a second round of community meetings to share the results of OHA’s due diligence investigations tentatively scheduled for February. The dates, locations and times of those meetings will be updated on our web site as they are confirmed.

## Parcel I replacing Parcel J

The initial proposal by the state included a parcel of land on the ‘Ewa side of the John A. Burns School of Medicine. The University of Hawai’i has a long-term lease on the property and currently uses the parcel for parking. The state is proposing dropping the parcel from the settlement, and substituting a parcel of land at the corner of Ala Moana Boulevard and Forrest Avenue next to the old pumping station. Updated information will be posted on our web site as it becomes available.

## E kala mai

In our December issue, a map showing the Kaka’ako parcels in the proposed land deal incorrectly described parcel K, at the end of ‘Āhui Street, as being comprised of public trust lands.

## GOVERNANCE

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OHA will submit a Legislative Package of 10 measures to be considered by state lawmakers, who will convene for the 2012 session on Jan. 18. - Photo: Francine Murray

## OHA Legislative Package

OHA's 10 measures will address issues from asset limits for public benefit programs to Hawaiian language assessments and redress for the wrongly imprisoned

By Sterling Wong

While Gov. Neil Abercrombie's \$200 million past-due revenue settlement offer will take center stage during the 2012 Legislative Session, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs is also proposing measures for our 2012 Legislative Package to address a number of other issues facing the Native Hawaiian community.

Below is a description of measures in our 2012 Legislative Package.

### Public Land Development Corp.

Act 55 established the Public Land Development Corp. to administer an appropriate and culturally sensitive public land development

program. However, the Act is unclear about how certain interests of OHA and our Native Hawaiian beneficiaries will be protected. Our bill would require the corporation to: (1) examine the impacts its projects will have on Native Hawaiian rights; (2) receive legislative approval to sell, gift or exchange its lands; and (3) provide to OHA a portion of any revenues the corporation generates on the Public Land Trust.

### Federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Outreach Initiative

The federal EITC is a way for families in certain income tax categories to reduce federal tax on their income, sometimes to below zero. About 105,000 low-income families in Hawai'i claim the federal EITC, but 19,000 more families might be able to claim the credit if they knew

about it. Our proposed bill would establish an initiative to maximize the number of eligible families that receive the federal EITC.

### Public Benefit Program Asset Limit

Asset limitations for public benefit programs, such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Medicaid, and food stamps, encourage low-income families to get rid of assets instead of accumulating them, which makes it difficult for those families to escape poverty and become self-sufficient. Our proposed bill would increase the asset limit qualification for certain public assistance programs from \$5,000 to \$15,000 to allow families to accumulate assets and improve their financial conditions.

### Financial Literacy Course

Without a knowledge and understanding of financial and economic matters, many individuals, particularly our youth, have difficulty managing their personal finances and making sound decisions regarding saving, investing and loans. Our proposed resolution requests that public high schools include a one-semester financial literacy course.

### Act 178 Compliance

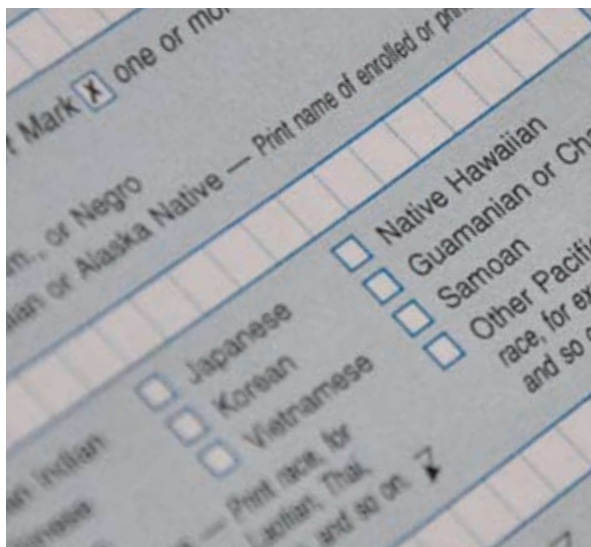
Act 178 requires state agencies to provide a full accounting of all revenues they generate from the Public Land Trust. Currently, the agencies are not providing full reports. Our proposed resolution requests the state's full compliance with the Public Land Trust revenue reporting requirements of Act 178, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2006.

### Hawaiian Language Assessments

The Hawaiian language community has voiced strong concerns about the translated Hawai'i State Assessment used for Hawaiian language immersion students because of the numerous problems relating to translated tests, including cultural and translation bias, translation inaccuracies and terminology inconsistencies. Our proposed bill requires assessments for third- and fourth-grade students in the Hawaiian Language Immersion Program to be developed originally in the Hawaiian language.

### Innocence Redress

Under current law, innocent people who are wrongfully imprisoned must sue in order to receive compensation for the wrongful deprivation of their freedom. Our proposed bill establishes a way for wrongfully convicted individuals to receive monetary compensation as



An OHA bill would require state agencies, boards and commissions to separate ethnic data according to Census Bureau collection categories, including one for Native Hawaiians, as seen in the 2010 Census form, above. - Photo: Lisa Asato

well as immediate services upon their release from prison.

### ‘Ōlelo Hawai‘i Month

While February has long been considered Hawaiian Language Month, this designation has never been made official by a statute. Our proposed bill designates February as ‘Ōlelo Hawai‘i Month to celebrate and encourage the use of Hawaiian language.

### Data Disaggregation

Not all state agencies currently separate their data about Native Hawaiians from their data about other ethnic groups, which prevents the state, OHA and the general public from fully understanding the depth of Native Hawaiian health, socioeconomic, housing, employment and other issues. Our proposed bill requires state agencies, boards and commissions to separate data according to Census Bureau collection categories, including one specifically for Native Hawaiians. This proposed bill goes further than the minimum requirements under OMB Directive No. 15, the federal guideline governing racial and ethnic data collection.

### Cemeteries

The disinterment of human burials for purposes of removing the dedication of a cemetery is not currently governed by a firm set of rules. Our proposed bill requires the Department of Health to adopt rules for disinterring human remains for the purposes of decertifying a cemetery.

For more information or to share your mana‘o on our 2012 Legislative Package, please email [publicpolicy@oha.org](mailto:publicpolicy@oha.org) or call (808) 594-1756. ■

*Sterling Wong is a Senior Public Policy Advocate at OHA.*

## LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

Here are some key dates this legislative session:

- Jan. 18: Opening Day
- Jan. 23: State of the State Address
- Jan. 24: One-day recess
- Jan. 25: Last day to introduce bills
- Jan. 26: One-day recess
- Feb. 23-29: Mandatory five-day recess
- March 5: One-day recess
- March 7: One-day recess
- March 8: First Crossover, the deadline for House bills to move to the Senate and vice versa
- March 29: One-day recess
- April 9: One-day recess
- April 11: One-day recess
- April 12: Second Crossover, the deadline for a House bill to return from the Senate and vice versa
- Mid-April: Conference committees, when small groups of House and Senate members meet to work out their differences on bills
- April 30: One-day recess
- May 2: One-day recess
- May 3: Session ends

### Legislative web site

Visit [capitol.hawaii.gov](http://capitol.hawaii.gov) to track measures, find contact information for lawmakers and submit testimony.

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# Q&A: State Sen. Pohai Ryan



Sen. Pohai Ryan. - Photos: Lisa Asato

*In the fall of 2011, members of the House and Senate Hawaiian Affairs committees visited various Native Hawaiian business owners who received a Mālama Loan from OHA. The Neighbor Island businesses welcomed the lawmakers for site visits, where they shared about their entrepreneurial experiences. Joining the visits at various times were Chubby Vicens of the Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce and OHA Trustee Robert Lindsey and his Aide, Kama Hopkins. In October, we spoke with Senate Hawaiian Affairs Committee Vice Chair Pohai Ryan (D-Waimānalo, Hawai‘i Kai, Kailua), about what lawmakers were learning on their travels to Maui and Hawai‘i Island, as well as what’s on her radar for the upcoming session.*

### KWO: Did you have successful evaluation trips, and why was it important to do?

**Senator Ryan:** I feel very fortunate to have visited successful OHA loan recipients in their natural state of business. I’m very proud of their successes, and I do want to reiterate their appreciation for all that OHA does for their entrepreneurial goals. Our due diligence as Hawaiian Affairs committee members is to learn what is being provided through the various agencies that serve our people as well as other projects that fall under other committees we serve on.

### KWO: Tell us about one of your trips.

**SR:** In Hilo we visited Aiona Car

Sales, which was very impressive to me. His business grew out of a failure. He got terminated at a job and had no choice. Sometimes when one door closes another one opens, that’s what happened in this case. I think he’s the only Native Hawaiian-owned auto dealership in the state. His business has grown, and he’s expanding his car-rental division. Hopefully people will become aware of that and patronize his business. We also went to see Syd Vierra of Akamai Woods, which had a beautiful product line, and Dr. Jerem Kaawaloa, who is a family practitioner. A lot of people forget professionals have to run their own office, and it is a business. It was



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## OHA grant to promote educational pathway for Native Hawaiian students



Nakoa Goo at the Mālama Kanaloa Ocean Day Festival at University of Hawai'i at Hilo. — Photo: Courtesy of the University of Hawai'i at Hilo

By David Sing

**N**ā Pua No'eau and the University of Hawai'i have been awarded a grant from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to increase Native Hawaiian participation in higher education.

The two-year award totaling \$2.4 million will provide a pathway for Native Hawaiian students to the various University of Hawai'i campuses.

Nā Pua No'eau, a Native Hawaiian Education Center at the University of Hawai'i, has offices and staff strategically located on six islands, working closely with UH campus programs and the Hawaiian community. The program provides students an opportunity to access UH facilities and faculty.

The Native Hawaiian Education Center plays a significant role in creating opportunities for Hawaiian students to see higher education as a means to serve their families and their communities. The pathways created in STEM education (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) are showing significant results, especially at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo, where there are currently 92 Nā Pua No'eau

students majoring in STEM fields.

"By the time I came to UH-Hilo, I had taken classes on campus for years. I had already lived in the dormitory through Nā Pua No'eau's Summer Institute, and engaged in research in the field of study I was interested in," said Nakoa Goo, who took part in Nā Pua No'eau programs from grades 3 to 12.

"Most importantly, through Nā Pua No'eau, I had a picture of what I wanted to do and how I was going to accomplish that," he said. A recent marine science graduate, Goo is employed with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration as Program Coordinator at the Mokupāpapa Discovery Center in Hilo.

For more information or to register for Nā Pua No'eau, contact a representative at one of the following campuses: UH-Hilo, (808) 974-7678; UH-Mānoa, (808) 956-9410; Kaua'i Community College, (808) 241-3238; UH-Maui College, (808) 984-3364; Moloka'i Education Center, (808) 553-9993; Lāna'i High and Elementary School, (808) 565-9100; University Center West Hawai'i, (808) 322-4867. ■

David Sing is Director of Nā Pua No'eau.



Sen. Pohai Ryan represents Hawai'i Kai, Waimānalo, Keolu Hills, Lanikai and Kailua.

## Q&A: RYAN

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nice to see the support the community has for these businesses.

**KWO: Were there any common threads relating to their successes?**

**SR:** In all the businesses we visited, there were common traits that were very clear. One was an obvious commitment to their business, as well as focus and discipline, because you have to be very disciplined to be an owner-operator. I think Syd (Vierra) told us, "Some days I want to go surf but cannot. Gotta eat" — which is true.

**KWO: Are you a businesswoman by experience?**

**SR:** I used to be the Director of the Kailua Chamber of Commerce, and I worked with a lot of small businesses, and it's so admirable to see how hard they work. They're responsible for other people's livelihoods and they really are the heartbeat of the economy. My generation was the generation that benefited from a lot of the small mom-and-pop stores run by those who left the plantation and wanted a better life for their children. But being a small-business owner is far more challenging than people realize. You are responsible for everything, and you probably earn the equivalent of an MBA in two months. (Laughs.)

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# Scholarship ‘Aha on pace to attract record number of Hawaiians



OHA Youth Coordinator Joe Kūhiō Lewis helps a beneficiary at the Scholarship ‘Aha in Wai‘anae, which drew an estimated 150 attendees.  
- Photos: Pake Simon

By Harold Nedd

**A**s some Native Hawaiian students weigh hopes and dreams against limited budgets, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs is turning attention to efforts to ensure that the millions of dollars in scholarship money available to them get used.

Already, OHA is on pace this year to triple last year’s turnout for scholarship fairs to assist Native Hawaiians with finding help to pay for college.

Known as the Native Hawaiian Scholarship ‘Aha Program, these fairs are part of a partnership with the University of Hawai‘i, Native Hawaiian Education Association, Gear Up Hawai‘i and the Pacific Financial Aid Association.

They are intended to provide Native Hawaiians with greater access to financial aid.

Last year, 1,200 people attended the 12 scholarship fairs held across the state. For this year’s scholarship season, an estimated 1,250 people have attended first six fairs held respectively in Wai‘anae, Kāne‘ohe, Kapolei, Maui, Moloka‘i and Hilo.

Among those people was Kathy Giffard, a 44-year-old Māhaha resident who won a \$500 scholarship just for attending the fair held in Wai‘anae on Dec. 6. “I am going to put that money towards getting my master’s degree in social work,” said Giffard, a community recruiter for a Wai‘anae-based cultural awareness and education program.

Last year, \$57 million in financial aid was awarded to Native Hawaiian students who attended college within the University of Hawai‘i system. The average amount they received was \$12,000, according to the University of Hawai‘i.

Since 2007, OHA has been

committing \$500,000 annually to scholarships or direct tuition assistance for Native Hawaiian students. During that time, the number of Native Hawaiian students in the UH system has doubled, from 4,600 to 9,200 over the past four years.

Feb. 17, 2012, is the deadline to apply for scholarship money from OHA for the 2012-2013 school year. Applications are available via the Hawai‘i Community Foundation web site, [hawaiicommunityfoundation.org](http://hawaiicommunityfoundation.org).

The fairs that have been scheduled statewide through Jan. 25 highlight the various scholarships that are available to Native Hawaiians. They are also part of a major education initiative aimed largely at helping to ensure that Native Hawaiian students graduate college in two to four years and land well-paying jobs.

“I see plenty of people in my



About 350 people attended the Dec. 7 fair at Windward Community College in Kāne‘ohe.

community living paycheck to paycheck and I don’t want that for myself,” said Jessica Hatori-Kalama, a 20-year-old Māhaha resident and Leeward Community College student who attended the scholarship fair in Wai‘anae to find money to help pursue a degree in psychology.

She and her friend Maili Enos-Branigan, a 19-year-old nursing student at Leeward Community College, were part of the standing-room-only crowd of 150 people who attended the scholarship fair in Wai‘anae. “I see people who graduated high school before me not doing anything with their lives,” said Enos-Branigan, a 2010 graduate of Wai‘anae High School. “That is motivating me to become the first person in my family to graduate from college.”

Robbie Akana, a 46-year-old Waimānalo resident, was among the 350 people who showed up for the scholarship fair Dec. 7 at Windward Community College in Kāne‘ohe.

Since losing her job in the cargo department at the now-defunct Aloha Airlines a few years ago, Akana said she has struggled to find fulfillment in the workplace.

“So, I decided to go back to school to earn a college degree,” said Akana, who is a Hawaiian Studies and psychology student at Windward Community College. “The jobs I had after Aloha Airline were just not a good fit for me. My focus now is on finding help to pay for improving my education.”

Kamalei Aweae, a 17-year-old high school senior at Hakipu‘u Learning Center, said a school counselor alerted him to the scholarship fair at Windward Community College. He summed up his attendance at the fair this way: “I came to this fair to look for money to pay for college and further my education.” ■

*For a listing of scholarships for Native Hawaiians, please see the December issue of Ka Wai Ola, online at [oha.org/kwo/2011/12](http://oha.org/kwo/2011/12).*

## UPCOMING SCHOLARSHIP ‘AHA

### O‘ahu

Jan. 12, 2012, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Kahuku High School cafeteria

Jan. 17, 2012, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Ka Ho‘oilina Na Kūhiō Community Center

### Kaua‘i

Jan. 18, 2012, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Kaua‘i Community College, Dining Room

### Maui

Jan. 25, 2012, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Hāna School cafeteria



In foreground, a waterfront parcel that is part of the proposed land deal. - Photo: John De Mello

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after OHA does due diligence and accepts more public comment.

"The Office of Hawaiian Affairs could still walk away from the deal," Nāmu'ō said.

Nāmu'ō offered some historical context on the Public Land Trust past-due revenue dispute, which has been ongoing since the state Constitution was amended in 1978. The constitutional amendments established OHA and gave the agency the right to a portion of income and proceeds from the Public Land Trust, which was established by the Admission Act and is comprised in large part of the former crown and government lands of the Hawaiian Kingdom that were ceded by the Republic of Hawai'i to the United States upon annexation in 1898.

OHA currently receives \$15.1 million in Public Land Trust revenue annually to improve conditions for Native Hawaiians. The settlement proposal will not affect this figure, but rather will settle OHA's outstanding claims for past-due revenue generated from sites such as state hospitals, public housing and duty-free shops at airports.

Those who attended the meeting raised questions about how the \$200 million sum was reached, particularly since at one point OHA's claims were valued at approximately \$1.2 billion.

Nāmu'ō explained that in 2001 the state Supreme Court ruled OHA did not have the right to interest on the past-due revenue, which was included in the \$1.2 billion estimate. However, he noted the \$200 million does offer some compensation for decades of overdue payments.

The \$200 million figure was reached in a 2008 settlement agreement with Gov. Linda Lingle's

administration, which would have settled the claims with land transfers in Kaka'ako, Kalaeloa and Hilo. This time the parcels are all in one area, and contiguous for the most part, Nāmu'ō said.

Other questions involved OHA's plans for the land, all of which is zoned for commercial use, and much of which is leased. The Trustees will need to create a master plan to determine how best to administer and develop the land in order to maximize its potential. "We know generally that this is waterfront property in the urban center of O'ahu, so it has great value," Nāmu'ō said.

The real estate deal raised concerns from a few people at the meeting, including Hawaiian activist Leon Siu. "Is this actually OHA's mandate, to become a developer and a designer of properties? Would that distract from OHA's actual mandate (to improve conditions of Native Hawaiians)?" he asked.

Nāmu'ō said the land deal would not necessarily distract the Trustees from their core mission to work toward the betterment of all Hawaiians, because the Trustees wouldn't be the ones working full-time on managing the new properties, which would become part of OHA's real estate portfolio.

Michelle Matson, who served on the Kaka'ako Makai Community Planning Advisory Council, received assurance that OHA would follow the CPAC's master plan as it develops its own plan for the land. Matson noted the master plan contains guiding principles that include historic, cultural and environmental preservation.

The proposed settlement will likely be amended as it is considered during the 2012 legislative session. As it moves forward, OHA will accept comments and questions at Kakaako. [comments@oha.org](mailto:comments@oha.org). ■

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## VAN DYKE

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"He was very curious and when he embraced an issue, he wanted to work it through to the end. He wanted to help overcome hurdles and obstacles if he saw an injustice."

Guth said her mentor's strength was clarifying issues and helping move dialogue between indigenous people and Western legal jargon. The methods and equations he helped formulate continue to be used in cases that touch on environmental, maritime and human rights issues.

"He created a venue for Native Hawaiians to come together and right wrongs, but he never wanted to be the knight in shining armor," she said. "He liked to give people the tools to fix it for themselves, to use their own voice."

Like Guth, many lawyers in Hawai'i studied under Van Dyke.

"He was inspirational by example. He taught us all not to limit yourself by others' expectations, but to do extraordinary things," she said. "His legacy in Hawai'i is his students, but his impact was worldwide. Most of all, I think he'd like to be remembered as a good father and an overall good person. And he really was."

Jocelyn Doane, a Public Policy Advocate in OHA's Advocacy Division, was also inspired by Van Dyke from her first year at law school.

"I was initially intimidated and was not sure whether I was qualified to be there," she said. "Van Dyke's brilliance and commitment to excellence was obvious and it motivated me. My desire to impress him led me to work extra hard in his classes, and that work ethic stayed with me during my law school career."

Doane added: "At the time he came to Hawai'i and immersed himself in Hawaiian rights issues, his participation was important and gave credibility to what many Hawaiian advocates had been saying. His prestigious background, commitment to justice and the fact that he didn't have anything to gain, was helpful to the movement. His not being

Hawaiian helped at that time."

Doane said she recognized in Van Dyke the Hawaiian belief that people should leave this land better than they found it. His commitment to social justice for underserved communities is his legacy at the university. "His values, along with those of our beloved C.J. Richardson were and will continue to be an important foundation of the school," she said, referring to the late Hawai'i Supreme Court Chief Justice William Richardson, for whom the law school is named.

Among the six books Van Dyke authored, his book *Who Owns the Crown Lands of Hawai'i?* was selected Best Nonfiction Book, Best Text or Reference Book of 2008 and Best Book on Hawaiian Culture by the Hawai'i Book Publishers Association in 2008.

A prolific writer, Van Dyke focused particularly on international human rights, environmental, ocean and constitutional law, and maritime issues, as well as Hawaiian rights. He wrote more than 120 articles for journals and publications.

Van Dyke's resume includes serving as an adviser to the State Council of Hawaiian Homestead Associations, the City and County of Honolulu, the County Council and Charter Commission of Maui, and the Planning Departments or Commissions of the Counties of Kaua'i, Maui and Hawai'i.

Van Dyke was four times named Outstanding Professor at the law school and twice selected by the students to give the faculty address at commencement.

Van Dyke is survived by his wife, Sherry P. Broder; children, Jesse Broder Van Dyke, Eric Broder Van Dyke and Michelle Broder Van Dyke. He is also survived by a brother, sister, sisters-in-law and numerous nieces and nephews.

A public memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 14, 2012, at the East-West Center, 1601 East-West Road in Honolulu. Visitation is at 10 a.m.; service at 11:30 a.m. ■

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# OHA awards \$1.4 million to 16 community projects



Volunteers help to lift the frame as they work on a new home in West Hawai‘i. — Photo: Courtesy of Habitat for Humanity West Hawai‘i

By Francine Murray

**T**he OHA Board of Trustees recently approved \$1.4 million in grants that will assist 16 community programs that promote better health, improved education, affordable housing and much more.

Habitat for Humanity West Hawai‘i, which works in partnership with people in need to build and renovate homes, was among the recipients.

“We are extremely grateful that OHA is supporting Habitat to build simple, decent, affordable housing for its people. The \$100,000 grant that we received from OHA will go toward the actual foundation of the next 10 homes we build,” said Executive Director Patrick Hurney, describing OHA as “the foundation for many projects for the Hawaiian community.”

In September 2012, more than 70 volunteers will travel to Kailua-Kona to help the Habitat for Humanity in West Hawai‘i do a “blitz build,” constructing five homes in 10 days. Half of the OHA grant will go toward this event called Laulima na ‘ohana in La‘i ‘Ōpua, on Hawaiian Home lands.

If you would like to volunteer to help with this community project, look for more information in 2012 at [habitatwesthawaii.org](#) or call (808) 331-8010.

Over the past nine years, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs has awarded more than \$100 million in community grants.

Kaiāulu Grants range from \$25,001 to \$100,000 and require matching funds of at least 50 percent of the total cost of a project.

Each of the 16 projects supported in this latest round will directly impact one or more of OHA’s 10 Strategic Results.

Here are the 16 grant recipients and the Strategic Result their projects will address:

## IMPROVE FAMILY LIFESTYLE CHOICES

>> **American Lung Association in Hawai‘i** – \$40,000 to support education on asthma preventive and management skills.

>> **Family Support Services of West Hawai‘i** – \$60,241 to support family strengthening services to fathers.

>> **Ka Hale Pōmaika‘i** – \$100,000 in support of substance abuse treatment, sober housing and

recovery support services.

>> **Kahoomiki** – \$72,400 in support of Fun 5 nutrition and physical activities for elementary students.

>> **Neighborhood Place of Wailuku Inc.** – \$100,000 to fund a comprehensive continuum of care support services involving diet, physical activity programs, case management and parenting classes.

>> **‘Ohana Makamae Inc.** – \$100,000 to fund substance abuse treatment.

## INCREASE STABILITY IN HOUSING

>> **Habitat for Humanity West Hawai‘i** – \$100,000 in support of the Build the Foundation home-building project.

>> **Honolulu Habitat for Humanity** – \$100,000 to fund self-help home construction for Waimānalo Department of Hawaiian Home Lands families.

>> **Kaua‘i Habitat for Humanity** – \$100,000 to fund home repair and renovation services.

## ACHIEVE PAE ‘ĀINA SUSTAINABILITY

>> **Kāko‘o ‘Ōiwi** – \$100,000 to fund lo‘i kalo restoration at He‘eia Wetlands.

## EXCEED EDUCATION STANDARDS

>> **Learning Disabilities Association of Hawai‘i** – \$100,000 to fund the School Readiness Project in Wai‘anae and Kalihi.

>> **University of Hawai‘i, College of Education** – \$83,674 to provide a “sense of place” to Hawaiian students to increase the numbers of Hawaiians attending and graduating from college.

## INCREASE FAMILY INCOME

>> **Ma Ka Hana Ka ‘Ike (In working, one learns)** – \$100,000 to support building industry job training and employment for students.

## VALUE HISTORY AND CULTURE AND PARTICIPATE IN CULTURE

>> **Makaula Inc.** – \$99,350 to fund a Native Hawaiian Broadcast Media Training Program to support Hawaiian language television and news programming.

>> **National Tropical Botanical Gardens** – \$97,513 in support of the Three Hale for Three Hawaiian Communities hale-building program.

## DECREASE CHRONIC DISEASE

>> **Wai‘anae Coast Comprehensive Health and Hospital Board Inc.** – \$100,000 to support a diabetes prevention control and awareness program. ■

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# E200 graduates its first Hawai'i class



Celebrating the graduation of Hawai'i's first E200 Leadership Initiative class are, front row, from left: Jane Sawyer of the Small Business Administration, students Myounghee Noh, Christine Thomas, Angel Aiwohi, Lourdes Marcelo, Chad Taniguchi and Instructor Julie Percell. Back rows, from left: students Dennis Nishiguchi, Mike Chun, Tracy Poepoe, Austin Nakoa, Patrick Aiona, Mark Kalahale, Debbie Hopkins and Mary Tsukayama. Missing is student Heather Manuel. — Photo: Lisa Asato

By Lisa Asato

**H**awai'i graduated its inaugural E200 Leadership Initiative class for entrepreneurs recently, and the 14 graduates have something to show for it in their collective bottom lines.

In total, they “added almost \$10 million in revenue to their collective billing – \$9.8 million in new revenue for 14 businesses – and they hired 32 new employees,” said Instructor Julie Percell, who described the inaugural group as an “MBA-level class.”

“Generally the participants might have a bachelor's degree, but many in this group are self-made entrepreneurs,” she added. “They were engaged, prepared and they had discussions at the level you would expect a group of MBA's to have. Self-made or not, these people know their businesses.”

The entrepreneurs met once a week for eight months – alternating between weekly classes and smaller group sessions. The classes were free, self-paced and involved self-assessment to examine what they were doing and what they

wanted to achieve, establishing goals, and gaining a better understanding of financials, marketing, access to capital and human resources. “That's a big issue everybody identified on the first night,” Percell said, referring to personnel. “The toughest problem was where to get good employees.”

All the students must meet three requirements: they must have been in business for three years, must be billing at minimum \$350,000 annually in gross sales, and must have at least one employee.

Although the class has existed for four years in other states, it was the first for Hawai'i. Jane Sawyer, District Director of the U.S. Small Business Administration in Hawai'i, saw the value in the program, which addresses underserved communities such as Native Americans and Native Hawaiians, and brought it to the Islands, Percell said. This year, Hawai'i was among the 27 urban areas served nationwide.

Heather Manuel, Executive Member of Tails of Hawai'i, a pet lodging, day care and grooming facility, was one of nine Native Hawaiian graduates. Manuel, a wife and mother of three who runs two locations and has 35 employees,

said the class was demanding with her time, but was well worth it.

“When you're gaining so much, you make it happen,” said Manuel, a former Aloha Airlines flight attendant who started her business in 2006 after an injury. She launched her business after taking an entrepreneurship class subsidized by OHA and receiving a Mālama Loan from OHA.

Manuel also said the class helped bring a new focus to her plans. She's envisioning an expansion model that includes adding locations that provide solely direct service to pet owners and their pets, while a centralized office would provide all the administrative support.

Tracy Poepoe, President of the construction company Trace Industries Inc., has been in business full-time for three years, and says, “The class helped me to really understand how to operate a successful business.”

The highlight, he said, was becoming aware of how much more he should understand and pay attention to the financial side of his company. Before the class, he said, “I'd just let the accounting guys take care of it, but now I know as a businessowner I need to know the numbers. This class pushed me to the next level to understand my own business. I heard the other students saying it too, ‘Oh, man I gotta start knowing (the financials).’ It makes you really crunch the numbers,” he said, adding, that he's put theory into action. On Mondays, he meets with his accountants to go over the weekly reports.

Another plus to the class was networking with the other students, he said. A federally designated small-disadvantaged business, Poepoe's company currently has contracts with Navy Facilities Engineering Command, the U.S. Coast Guard and the U.S. Army Garrison. Through the class he met other entrepreneurs whom he sees potential in working with on future jobs, such as Mark Kalahale, who runs an air-conditioning business. ■

## HOW TO APPLY

The next E200 Leadership Initiative class is anticipated to begin in late March or early April.

For an application, call SBA in Hawai'i at 541-2990.



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**KWO: What are some of your priorities this legislative session?**

**SR:** One of my passions is growing the agricultural industry in general. How can we as lawmakers facilitate that to make it happen? Is it through policy? Through creating reasonable rules for food safety certifications? Right now the complaints we get from the farmers is it's too costly, that they would go bankrupt.

In another sense, farmers in the rural Neighbor Islands have a difficult time getting product to the store shelf. Logistically it's hard to keep the cost down for them to remain competitive. They can have the quality product, but it doesn't mean anything if it costs several dollars more to buy it, right? I'm hoping that DHHL in conjunction with other organizations will come

together and help grow agricultural businesses in the rural areas for our Hawaiian farmers who might be best skilled to do that work, but who might not have skills for the administrative or marketing sides. ... My idea is to have a statewide central resource for farmers to handle their administrative, marketing, sales, distribution and human resources duties. Hopefully there would even be an ag ferry that would go from one DHHL community to another to get it to stores, because really the wider market is on O'ahu. A farmer can have 100 acres of beautiful bell peppers on Moloka'i, but who are they going to sell it to? The population isn't big enough there, so they have to sell it off island on either Maui or O'ahu. And if Hawai'i is serious about food security, I really think it's the kuleana of our Hawaiian community to meet that need. ■



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# 2011 STATE OF OHA BRINGS CALLS FOR UNITY

Speaking to about 400 people in St. Andrew's Cathedral, OHA Chief Executive Clyde Nāmu'o participated in his final State of OHA ceremony before retiring at the end of December. He is OHA's longest-serving CEO, having led the agency for a decade. - Photo: Lisa Asato

By Treena Shapiro

Native Hawaiians are urged to stand firm – and stand together – moving into what could be a pivotal year in the community's history.

Roughly 400 people attended the State of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs ceremony at St. Andrew's Cathedral on Dec. 14, where speakers offered heartfelt and inspiring reflections and set the stage for the coming year.

Thunderous applause filled the cathedral as OHA Trustee Colette Machado made an impassioned call for unity. "Today's our day to 'onipa'a, to move together in all that we can do so that we can restore a government that our children and the generations to follow don't need to lament over (past wrongs)," she said. "And I stand here in front of all of you, asking all of you to lay your weapons down, lay your spears down, and embrace with aloha."

OHA will continue to work to achieve federal recognition in Congress, where passage of the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act, or the Akaka bill, would allow Native Hawaiians to establish a sovereign governing entity, Machado said in prepared remarks handed out to attendees.

Referring to Queen Lili'uokalani, the Hawaiian Kingdom's last monarch, Machado said that from the trove of music and written words the Queen left behind are two sentences that "hits hard in my na'au." Those words are: "I could not turn back the time for political change, but there is still time

**"We are a nation reawakened."**

**—Former Gov. John Waihe'e III,**  
Chairman of the  
Native Hawaiian Roll Commission

to save our heritage. You must remember never to cease to act because you fear you may fail," she said, quoting the Queen.

Former Gov. John Waihe'e III followed Machado with a powerful keynote address. Waihe'e, Hawai'i's first Native Hawaiian governor, is Chairman of the Native Hawaiian Roll Commission, which is tasked with preparing and certifying a roll of Native Hawaiians qualified to participate in nation building.

The five-member commission was created over the summer with the signing of Act 195, a

state law recognizing Native Hawaiians as the sole indigenous people of Hawai'i.

Referring to the growth of Hawaiian learning and awareness over the decades, Waihe'e shared a story about a young girl who, speaking in Hawaiian, asked the former governor who he was. The young girl may not have known who he was, but she knew who *she* was as a Hawaiian, said Waihe'e. He pointed to the growing number of schools for Native Hawaiian children as a sign of progress.

"We have reawakened a nation and it will never be put back to sleep again," he said.

Hawaiians must stand united to make sure they preserve the rights they have as they move toward self-determination and reunification. "Today, perhaps because of how far we've come, we are being besieged on all sides," he said. Hawaiian rights are being threatened, and cherished institutions challenged, he warned.

Waihe'e said Hawaiian recognition by the state simply reaffirmed what Native Hawaiians already knew. "What we as a commission are committed to, and why we are committed to the work ahead, is we believe that we will lay the foundation for the restoration of Native Hawaiians' self-

# MANA'O HO'OULU LĀHUI ALOHA —

ENVISIONING THE GROWTH OF OUR BELOVED NATION

Eia Hawai'i, he moku, he kānaka

'O Hawai'i kū kahi

E 'auamo kākou

'Imi i ka nā'au

*Here is Hawai'i, the land, the people*

*We are a people, unique to these islands*

*Let us bear this ancestral legacy proudly on our shoulders*

*Look deep within ourselves for the foundation*

*Here is the full text of Chairperson Machado's prepared remarks for the 2011 State of OHA:*

Aloha mai kākou. We remember our kūpuna who passed through the leina within this past year – especially Aunty Frenchy DeSoto, the esteemed "mother" of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) and Herb Kane, whose magnificent art work graces this year's program, invitation and annual report. Hali'a aloha to Professor Jon Van Dyke, who so brilliantly and tirelessly articulated the legal foundation of Native Hawaiian rights and land claims. Aloha to our public elected officials who have joined us this morning, mahalo nui loa.

I would like us to reflect upon this theme shared with us by master kumu hula and cultural and spiritual leader Dr. Pualani Kanaka'ole Kanahale.

*Here is Hawai'i, he moku, he kanaka.* As Kānaka 'Ōiwi, we are Hawai'i and Hawai'i is us. Our islands, our way of life and our Kānaka 'Ōiwi are truly unique. We stand upon the shoulders of our kūpuna and we proudly shoulder their profound legacy. This is our kuleana.

When Aunty Pualani shared this theme, she also gave us a challenge. She said that many Hawaiians don't know what our foundation is because most of our Hawaiian institutions – political, educational and health – including OHA, were built upon a Western system. She asked, "What are we to do?" *'Imi i ka nā'au*, the last part of the theme asks us to look deep within ourselves for the true foundation of our Lāhui Hawai'i Aloha, our beloved Hawaiian nation. Our social and political structures will be strong if they are rooted in our ancestral wisdom.

In the past few decades we have looked to such core cultural concepts and practices as aloha 'āina and

mālama 'āina, revived by George Helm and the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana; traditional wayfinding revived by Master navigator Mau Piailug and the Polynesian Voyaging Society; educating, writing and publishing in our 'ōlelo makuahine, our mother language; the composition and performance of oli and hula kahiko perpetuated by our many hālau of hula; lā'au lapa'au traditional herbal and spiritual healing; organizing as hui, 'ohana, lāhui and 'aha and living as kua'āina to protect our lands and resources throughout our islands, especially our kīpuka.

As a Kānaka 'Ōiwi, we have a deeply rooted and resilient cultural, spiritual and value-based foundation. If we keep connected with our ancestral foundation, we will build a strong sovereign governing entity which will be embraced by all of our people.

## A CALL FOR UNITY

Since the Rice v. Cayetano decision, the system of law out of which OHA was created has been invoked in numerous lawsuits aimed at preventing OHA, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and our Ali'i Trusts from providing services to Kānaka 'Ōiwi. OHA's primary strategy to protect all of these Native Hawaiian organizations and the services that we provide has been the passage of the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act, or the Akaka bill.

OHA spent 10 years pursuing the passage of the Akaka bill and dealt with multiple obstacles along every step of that path. We will not give up. We are committed to gaining federal protection of Kānaka 'Ōiwi rights. Within the last year, OHA has started to open up alternate legislative and executive routes in coordination with Sen. Daniel Akaka, Sen. Daniel Inouye and the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. President Barack Obama is a strong partner in this effort. OHA will aggressively pursue these legislative and executive paths throughout

the next year.

Here at home, the Hawai'i State Legislature took the initiative, with the support of Gov. Neil Abercrombie, to pass Act 195, which states, "The Native Hawaiian people are hereby recognized as the only indigenous, aboriginal, maoli people of Hawai'i." This provides a solid foundation for the State of Hawai'i to stand with OHA against any future challenges to Native Hawaiian entitlements. It also bolsters OHA's federal strategy by sending a clear message to the federal government to endorse the recognition of Kānaka 'Ōiwi as the indigenous people of Hawai'i. The appointment of the Native Hawaiian Roll Commission by Governor Abercrombie under Act 195 opened a pathway toward the re-establishment of a Native Hawaiian governing entity. OHA is an active partner in this process, providing financial and administrative support. We are fortunate that former Gov. John Waihe'e III is leading this effort and we are honored that he will present today's keynote address.

I call upon the leaders and members of our communities and organizations to unite around this process. For myself, I support this as the best last chance for my generation to deliver the sovereign governing entity for our "Lāhui Aloha."

## EFFORTS TO RESOLVE PAST-DUE REVENUES

Our theme also speaks of "He Moku," which reminds us that our national lands, now managed as the ceded public lands trust, is the foundation of the assets and wealth, not only of OHA, but of our "Lāhui Aloha." Since 1987 – over 24 years – OHA Trustees, staff and attorneys have worked for the payment of a just share of all of the revenue derived from the ceded public lands trust, our Hawaiian national lands for the



ABOVE: OHA Trustees Haunani Apoliona, left, Robert Lindsey, Peter Apo, Rowena Akana and Oswald Stender bow their heads in prayer at the State of OHA.

In her first State of OHA address, OHA Chairperson Colette Machado sparked thunderous applause with a call for unity: "Today's our day to 'onipa'a, to move together in all that we can do so that we can restore a government that our children and the generations to follow don't need to lament over (past wrongs). And I stand here in front of all of you, asking all of you to lay your weapons down, lay your spears down, and embrace with aloha." - Photos: Lisa Asato

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# STATE OF OHA

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determination and governance,” he said.

“Our primary imperative, as the commission, is to reunify the sovereignty of Native Hawaiians, one by one, by the thousands,” Waihe‘e said. “Together we are a nation – reawakened, reunited and restored.”

He concluded by calling out “‘Onipa‘a!” The mandate to stand firm brought audience members to their feet.

OHA Chief Executive Officer Clyde Nāmu‘o participated in his final State of OHA before he retired Dec. 30. In his speech, he said he would be serving as the Native Hawaiian Roll Commission Executive Director at Waihe‘e’s request. By state law, Nāmu‘o can’t perform the duties as a paid employee for a year, but he said he was so honored to be asked that he agreed to do it as a volunteer.

Nāmu‘o offered reflections on his 10 years as OHA’s longest-serving CEO, emphasizing some of the agency’s achievements. During his tenure, OHA streamlined its grants program and over the past eight or nine years the Trustees have awarded well over \$100 million; OHA acquired its first significant fee-simple land, Wao Kele o Puna on Hawai‘i Island, which is “the first ceded lands that was returned to the Hawaiian community since the overthrow”; and in a 2001 lawsuit, won reaffirmation of the state’s obligation to Native Hawaiians on Public Lands Trust revenue, although that issue remains unresolved.

During the 2012 legislative session, OHA and state elected officials will be working on a proposed settlement to transfer land to OHA in order to resolve the decades-old dispute over the agency’s share of revenue generated from the Public Land Trust, which is comprised in large part of the former crown and government lands of the Hawaiian Kingdom that were ceded by the Republic of Hawai‘i to the United States during annexation.

Gov. Neil Abercrombie and Machado announced in November they had reached an agreement in principle to settle past-due claims through transfer of prime Kaka‘ako Makai land worth \$200 million.

After the ceremony, Lt. Gov. Brian Schatz said: “It’s a time of tremendous transition,

both for OHA and all of the people of Hawai‘i. With the passage of Act 195 and the possibility of a settlement, we’re poised to make great progress and it depends on our ability to collaborate.”

Trustees will decide whether to accept the deal after completing due diligence on the land’s value, legal and environmental concerns and other issues, as well as considering public comment.

The state Legislature will also have to approve the settlement. A similar settlement was reached in 2008 between OHA and Gov. Linda Lingle’s administration but failed in the Legislature.

Several state lawmakers attended the event, among them Sen. Brickwood

**“Lay your spears down and embrace with aloha.”**

—**Colette Machado,**  
Chairperson  
Office of Hawaiian Affairs

Galuteria, Chairman of the Hawaiian Affairs Committee. Galuteria, a member of the Hawaiian caucus that crafted the state recognition legislation, said the Legislature will consider the settlement’s merits and determine whether other alternatives were considered. Lawmakers will also need to assess whether the settlement would open the state up to potential lawsuits.

OHA and the Abercrombie administration have both acknowledged that there is more work to be done in order for the settlement to be approved by the Legislature and endorsed by the public. Amendments are expected as the bill moves through the Legislature, which returns to session this month.

Nāmu‘o, in his speech, talked about why he left the judiciary after three decades to serve as OHA Administrator. He said it was time to make a contribution to the Hawaiian community, that it was his kuleana.

As for his longevity at OHA, Nāmu‘o attributed it to the agency’s mission to serve Native Hawaiians. He said, “The work we do at the Office of Hawaiian Affairs is such important work that people can’t simply turn their backs on it.” ■

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



Kanohowailuku Helm performs a moving musical selection as OHA Chairperson Colette Machado looks on. At one point, she was seen wiping tears away. - Photos: OHA Communications



State Sen. Brickwood Galuteria, former Gov. John Waihe‘e, Henry Kaponu Ka‘aihue and Palani Vaughan.





The crowd in St. Andrew's Cathedral was energized by heartfelt speeches and musical performances — Photo: Lisa Asato

## MACHADO

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period of Nov. 7, 1978, through July 1, 2012. To avoid any confusion, I want to stress that this Public Land Past-Due Settlement is only for the amount owed to OHA for the 34-year period from the time that OHA was created in Nov. 7, 1978, and up through the end of the current fiscal year, July 1, 2012. It is NOT, AT ALL, a universal settlement of the claims of Kānaka 'Ōiwi for this period and beyond. I respect Gov. Neil Abercrombie for his courage to agree in principle to a \$200 million approximate past-due settlement amount. I am grateful to all of my predecessors for their determination and persistence to pursue this settlement. As Kānaka 'Ōiwi, we value the 'āina and its abundance even more than money, but importantly, these lands have significant revenue generating potential, which will help

make OHA and the future governing entity for the Lāhui self-reliant.

There is still a lot of work to finalize this Public Land Trust Past-Due Revenue Settlement. We must research and conduct due diligence on the proposed properties. We are holding community meetings for the Kānaka 'Ōiwi and general public to provide their mana'o. The Legislature will need to review and give full consideration to this proposal. This work is the priority for OHA for the upcoming year.

### A FOUNDATION FOR A NEW GENERATION OF LEADERS

Reflecting upon the breakthroughs I've described, we need to credit and acknowledge the work of my predecessors and the outgoing Chief Executive Officer, Clyde Nāmu'o. We are fortunate that their dedicated work for federal and state recognition and the settlement of past-due revenues has finally borne momona

fruit. We must continue to build upon these accomplishments.

Internally, our office will begin a transition in leadership. Mr. Nāmu'o's administration has been widely praised for its successes and for providing OHA with continuity, consistency and stability. His accomplishments enable us to now move forward with a new generation of leaders. Mahalo nui loa, Clyde, and our best wishes to you and your family as you pursue future endeavors.

In closing, I look forward to working together with all of you, our Hawaiian organizations and communities, with the members of the Native Hawaiian caucus in the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Speaker of the House, the Senate President, Governor Abercrombie and Lieutenant Governor Schatz in the upcoming year.

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# Chew, chew, chew



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

**W**hy is chewing so important? Recently, researchers watched men eating breakfast; some men were lean and some overweight. The lean men took four bites of food per minute, while the heavy men took five bites. Later, the men were asked to eat as much as they wanted, but to chew the food either 15 times or 40 times. The men who chewed 40 times per bite ate

12 percent fewer calories than the 15 chews-per-bite men ... whether lean or overweight. Researchers checked blood levels of a hormone that stimulates appetite, ghrelin, and found lower ghrelin levels after 40 chews per bite compared to after 15 chews. Therefore, those who chewed more were satisfied for a longer time and they ate less.

Then, researchers fed 14 pre-diabetic men and women who were very overweight a breakfast of Cream of Wheat cereal. They gave some 225 calories of whole almonds (33 nuts), some got 225 calories of almond butter (2-1/4 Tablespoons), and others got 190 calories of almond oil (about 1-1/2 Tablespoons). Those who ate whole almonds felt more full for the rest of the day than those who ate the oil or butter or almond-free cereal.

Another study found students ate 40 percent fewer calories when offered pistachios in the shell than when they got shelled pistachios (125 calories versus 210 calories). In yet another study, students, faculty and staff ate 18 percent fewer pistachios when researchers left the discarded shells on their desks all day than when they routinely removed the shells.

The science of nutrition instructs us that during the process of chewing, food is broken into smaller pieces and is moistened with saliva. The chewed food is exposed to the digestive juices in saliva, as well as to the sensations of taste and smell. Well-chewed food is digested more efficiently, and more nutrients are readied for absorption. Another important fact is that it takes time for digestion to break food down into nutrients small enough to be absorbed into the bloodstream. It takes about 20 to

30 minutes before newly processed nutrients can trigger the sensors of the brain to let you know that you are eating. And, it is quite possible to consume a significant amount of food during those 20 minutes ... resulting in overeating.

Many lessons taught by our kūpuna and mākuā have been forgotten and are no longer being passed down to our keiki. Recently, I was talking with some young adults about chewing food properly. I recalled as a child, being cautioned by the elders to “chew your food” or “chew your food properly.” I was even taught to chew poi! Of course, that was in the “old days” when pa'i 'ai poi was stored in the kelemanā (poi crock) in the coolest place on the kitchen counter. Poi was mixed specially for each meal. Water was added slowly and mixed thoroughly into the thick pa'i 'ai. And, the poi was still rather thick when it was

**Well-chewed food is digested more efficiently, and more nutrients are readied for absorption.**

ready for the table. Thicker poi requires more thorough mixing with saliva and digestive juices before swallowing, thus allowing efficient digestion into nutrients for the body. Unfortunately, food companies today sell us watery, ready-to-swallow poi.

Chewing, especially of raw fruits and vegetables, will keep the entire mouth – gums, teeth, muscles, etc., healthier and functioning better. But, who could have guessed – chewing, that process of combining food with digestive juices and the pleasures of eating, could help with weight control! Our ancestors were so wise. ■



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**Pu'umaka'a Ahupua'a**

Notice is hereby given that human remains were documented during an Archaeological Inventory Survey on 25.44 acres of land [TMK: (3) 9-4-003:033 and 076] off of Kama'oma Road in Pu'umaka'a Ahupua'a, Wai'ohinu, Ka'u District, Hawai'i Island, Hawai'i. The lands are associated with Land Grant 2154 to Heleloa. Other individuals associated with these lands are Akao, Meinecke, Ishimaru, Martinson, and Palakiko.

Three burials were identified and are presumed to be traditional Native Hawaiian remains. Proper treatment shall occur in accordance with Chapter 6E, Revised Statutes, Section 43.5 regarding unmarked gravesites. The burials will be preserved in place on the current property. The final disposition

of the burial shall be made in consultation with cultural and lineal descendants and the Hawai'i Island Burial Council.

Interested persons please respond within 30 days of this notice to discuss appropriate treatment of these remains. Individuals responding must be able to adequately demonstrate lineal and/or cultural connection to the burials on the above referenced parcels at Wai'ohinu, Hawai'i Island. Contact: Mike Vitousek, DLNR-SHPD, Kailua-Kona, (808) 327-4959; Pua Aiu, SHPD Administrator, Kakuhiihewa Bldg. Room 555, 601 Kamokila Blvd., Kapolei, HI 96707, (808) 692-8015; or Glenn Escott, Scientific Consultant Services Inc., (808) 938-0968, (808) 959-5956, or P.O. Box 155, Kea'au, HI 96749. ■

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# ‘ianuāli

Wonder in the tale of the Hawaiian demi-god Maui, who famously lassooed the sun so his mother's kapa could dry, at a storytelling festival Jan. 22 at the Maui Arts & Cultural Center. INSET: Ron Kuala'au and Barry Flanagan are the latest evolution of Hapa, which performs Jan. 20 at the Maui Arts & Cultural Center. - Photos: Courtesy of MACC



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*Sun., Jan. 15 & 22,  
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Guided 2-mile hikes explore the ways people lived on the vast lands of Kahuku on Hawai'i Island. Tour goes through pastures, quarry, airstrip and the extraordinary 1868 lava fields and includes discussions on Kahuku's history and how the park plans to restore native eco-

systems and protect cultural sites. Free. Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Meet at Kahuku Unit, Ka'ū. Park and meet inside the gate, located off mile marker 70. (808) 985-6011 or nps.gov/havo.

## HAPA BY MOONLIGHT

*Fri., Jan. 20, 7:30 p.m.*

Barry Flanagan and Ron Kuala'au, known together as Hapa, one of Hawai'i's favorite musical duos, share their aloha through music, chant and dance in a moonlit concert. \$30-\$45. Maui Arts & Cultural Center Pavilion/Courtyard. (808) 242-2787 or mauiarts.org.

## OUTSTANDING IN THE FIELD

*Sat., Jan. 21, 3 p.m.*

Gary and Kukui Maunakea-Forth of MA'O Organic Farms host a walking tour of their 24-acre farm, followed by a meal prepared by guest Chef Ed Kenney of Town and Downtown restaurants using certified organic ingredients gath-

ered from MA'O's fields. The event is part of Outstanding in the Field's North American tour reconnecting diners to the land and honoring local farmers and food artisans who cultivate it. \$190. 86-210 Pūhāwai Road, Wai'anae, O'ahu. reservations@outstandinginthe field.com or outstandinginthe field.com.

## STORYTELLING FESTIVAL: MAUI, HINA AND KA HANA KAPA

*Sun., Jan. 22, 3 p.m.*

Listen to the legend of Maui and how he lassooed the sun in this version of the story as told through chant, dance and the art of storytelling. Free. The Pa, Maui Arts & Cultural Center. (808) 242-2787 or mauiarts.org.

## KA MOLOKA'I MAKAHIKI FESTIVAL

*Fri., Jan. 27, 5-9 p.m.; and  
Sat., Jan. 28, 7 a.m. opening  
ceremonies, 7:30 a.m. school  
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with a celebration featuring food, hula, hands-on arts and crafts workshops, lectures and Hawaiian games, including 'ulu maika (stone rolling), hukihuki (tug of war) and uma (hand wrestling). Committed to preserving these ancient traditions, the makahiki is Moloka'i's largest event of the year. Free. Kaunakakai Ball Park and Mitchell Pauole Center. visit molokai.com.

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*Sat., Jan. 28, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.*

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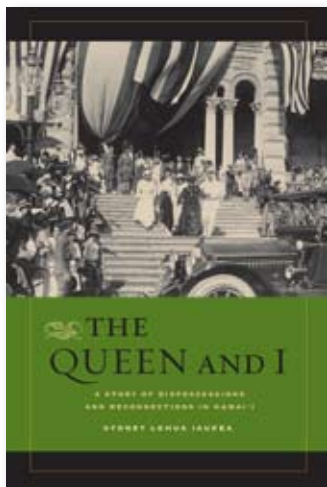
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## REVIEW



*The Queen and I: A Story of Dispossession and Reconnections in Hawai'i,*

by Sydney Lehua Iaukea

University of California Press

224 pages

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## AUTHOR EVENTS

## Book signing

1-2 p.m. Jan. 28,  
Barnes & Noble, Kāhala Mall  
on O'ahu

## January lecture

TBA, University of Hawai'i-Maui  
College, call 984-3553 on Maui

## Brown-bag series

Noon-1:15 p.m. March 8,  
The Center for Biographical  
Studies, UH-Mānoa

# One family's land loss echoes across generations

By Kekoa Enomoto

A scholar and her illustrious forbear share a historical sensibility and gift for graceful documentation.

To wit: Lili'uokalani loyalist Curtis Piehu Iaukea participated in and detailed the ea, or governance, of Hawai'i in the late 19th century and early 20th century as well as international landscape. In a 1937 radio broadcast in Hawai'i and England, he shared his recollections of making visits of an official capacity to England: "My second visit to the Court of St. James was the occasion of Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee in 1887. I accompanied Queen Kapiolani, Consort of King Kalākaua, in the capacity of Court Chamberlain. Also in our party was the Princess Liliuokalani, then heir apparent and later Queen of Hawaii. ... In passing let me say that England's hospitality knew no bounds."

A century later, his great-great-granddaughter, Sydney Lehua Iaukea, described early territorial history as "chaotic, heartbreaking ... intriguing and inspiring."

In her recently released *The Queen and I: A Story of Dispossession and Reconnections in Hawai'i*, she wrote: "In the unfolding stories of Curtis P. Iaukea, his Queen, and many others, the raw emotions and complex interactions that characterized territorial governance are revealed. I never knew how much happened during this period, because history books tend to paint a brief and rather bland picture. Perhaps produced purposefully as part of American socialization, this narrative boredom might also have occurred because these personal stories, and others like them, are not accessible without dedicated and intensive research."

Curtis Piehu Iaukea was a uniquely deft politician who served two monarchs and negotiated the political machinations of the provisional government, Republic of Hawai'i and territorial government of Hawai'i. Among more than 44 political positions were his roles as a colonel and as commissioner of crown lands and land agent of the kingdom under both Kalākaua and Lili'uokalani. He was a

major and quartermaster under Republic of Hawai'i President Sanford B. Dole. In the territorial government, he was chairman of the Hawaiian Homes Commission from 1933 to 1935, and President Woodrow Wilson appointed him secretary of the Territory of Hawai'i.

In original archival research for her doctoral dissertation in political science, the author, a Kamehameha Schools graduate, discovered that Curtis Piehu Iaukea and his wife, Charlotte, owned some 500 acres of O'ahu flat lands, most gifts of Kalākaua and Lili'uokalani. She noted that Kalākaua had deeded to her great-great-grandfather 455 acres of Kalihi property that, by the turn of the century, "had simply disappeared from the land title books." Also, her great-great-grandparents owned 25 acres of Waikīkī land, parts of which were condemned by the territorial government for construction of the Ala Wai Canal, or were retained by family members but "kept secret" and are "therefore scarred by recriminations concerning an open secret."

Of these troubling property dispossessions, she wrote that her great-great-grandfather "wrote about all of these land deals (showing) how private property law in Hawai'i was used to disenfranchise and disassociate us individually and collectively from land, from our mo'ō kū'auhau (genealogy), and 'ohana. ... I grew up landless, marginalized and without a place or a voice in the contemporary world."

Her discourse is interspersed with personal references to surfing, paddling, familial tensions and childhood deprivations along with, like a chant refrain, various series of rhetorical questions.

For example, the author asks: "Who owned it? Who sold it? How did a Waikīkī fortune, if only a small piece of it, slip away from my mother, my little sister and me?"

And: "When and how did this disconnect occur between land/body/memory for many Hawaiians? When did it occur for my own family?"

The rhetorical queries sometimes may disconcert. However, they reflect the author's generational pull to Native Hawaiian sovereignty, and passion to articulate and



Sydney Iaukea. - Courtesy photo by Russell Tanoue



Curtis P. Iaukea in dress uniform, 1880s. - Hawai'i State Archive

repatriate indigenous culture, identity and genealogical ties.

In this season of the epiphany, a reader can experience vicariously the writer's epiphany due to compelling familial reconnections, unearthed as unimagined treasures.

Indeed, her illustrious forbear's incisive observations and noble perspective of late-19th and early 20th century Hawai'i – as well as letters of Lili'uokalani and others – during a period of historic upheaval and pervasive change provide a trove of gems.

The sensibility and lyricism shared by author and ancestor permeate the former's intimate experience of her own rich, storied heritage, and inform their mutual desire to illuminate history and right wrongs. ■

*Kekoa Enomoto is a retired copy editor and Staff Writer with The Maui News and former Honolulu Star-Bulletin.*



## Property tax exemptions at risk

Department of Hawaiian Home Lands beneficiaries and Kuleana property owners, along with almost 150,000 other O'ahu homeowners, could lose their property tax exemptions if the Honolulu City Council adopts a controversial proposal raised by a special advisory commission.

The commission claims that it seeks to bring more equity and simplicity to the property tax system by eliminating all tax exemptions and allowing tax credit only for owner-occupants whose income is less than \$50,000 and who are unable to pay their property taxes. The proposal noted that the city loses about \$100 million in tax revenue each year as a result of the breaks it affords to homeowners in roughly 40 exemption categories, including disabled veterans and senior citizens.

Eliminating all property tax exemptions could affect the more than 3,300 homeowners in Honolulu who are currently exempt as Hawaiian Home Lands beneficiaries and the owners of 37 parcels that currently benefit from Kuleana property tax exemptions, which OHA helped secure in 2007.

The commission's report was released Dec. 9, 2011, opening the 30-day period for public comment. The Real Property Tax Advisory Report is available for review on the Honolulu City Council's web site at [www.honolulu.gov/council](http://www.honolulu.gov/council), and public comments on the proposal should be submitted in writing to the Honolulu City Council at 530 S. King St., Room 202, Honolulu, HI 96813 by Jan. 9, 2012.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs highly recommends that Hawaiian Home Lands beneficiaries and kuleana property owners review the proposal and submit comments on this important issue before the deadline.

## OHA advisory board seeks members

The 11-member Native Hawaiian Historic Preservation Council is seeking applicants to serve as island representatives.

Applicants may reside on any island and must be at least 18 years old. Travel expenses are covered by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. The council advises OHA's Board of Trustees on historic and cultural preservation issues.

If you are interested, please email Keola Lindsey at [keolal@oha.org](mailto:keolal@oha.org) or call (808) 594-0244.

## OHA grant funds energy festival

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs has awarded a \$92,500 grant to help stage an Alternative Energy Festival on Moloka'i.

The grant, to I Aloha Moloka'i, an organization that opposes a proposed wind-power project on the island, will additionally be used to offset travel expenses for off-island speakers.

The Jan. 13 and 14 festival will feature information on how to reduce fossil-fuel use, participation by alternative-energy vendors, a youth poster contest, energy-management workshops, food and entertainment.

For information, call Cheryl Corbiell at (808) 553-9009 or email [IAlohaMolokai@gmail.com](mailto:IAlohaMolokai@gmail.com).

## Royal order elevates former judge to knighthood

On Dec. 11, the occasion of its Founder's Day, the Royal Order of Kamehameha I elevated retired Hawai'i Supreme Court Chief Justice Ronald T.Y. Moon to

## LEI QUEEN APPLICANTS SOUGHT



The Honolulu Department of Parks and Recreation is seeking applicants for the 84th annual Lei Queen Selection. Application must be postmarked by Friday, Jan. 13, 2012. Applications are available at [honoluluparks.com](http://honoluluparks.com) or by calling the department at 768-3041. The theme for the 2012 Lei Day Celebration is "Lei U'i Onaona — Sweet Lei of Youth." Applicants must be 18 to 30 years old by March 3, 2012. The Lei Queen Selection event will be held Saturday, March 3, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at McCoy Pavilion. The event is free and open to the public. The 85th annual Lei Day Celebration will be held Tuesday, May 1, 2012, at the Queen Kapi'olani Regional Park and Bandstand, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. In preparation for the annual lei contest, staff will provide free lei-making workshops at various sites on O'ahu in April. Visit the web site or call the number above for a schedule and more information. Applicants are being sought for 2012 Lei Queen. Pictured is 2011 Lei Queen Ilima Cabato Dela Cruz and her court. - Courtesy photo by Alison Lee, Indelible Island Images



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## Farewell to OHA's CEO

On Dec. 30, 2011, Clyde William Nāmu'ō ended his 10-year tenure with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs as he retired from his position as the Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Nāmu'ō has served the people of Hawai'i for the past 40 years. Thirty of those years he spent with the Judiciary of the State of Hawai'i and the last 10 years were with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

In September 2001, Mr. Nāmu'ō became the new Administrator at the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. Prior to coming to OHA he rose to the position of Deputy Courts Administrator and was responsible for the supervision of more than 1,800 personnel and the management of all of the judiciary's facilities throughout the State of Hawai'i. He brought with him many qualities that have changed OHA to the organization that it is today.

With his vast experience and negotiation skills he addressed longstanding obstacles and challenges from prior administrations known as "legacy challenges." His negotiation skills resolved the 20-year-old Hāna Village Marketplace issue with the Economic Development Administration. OHA saved more than \$1.1 million and ended its role in the project.

Under his leadership OHA also negotiated the stalemated OHA-DOE Consent Decree, where the DOE agreed to enhance and ensure its support of Hawaiian language immersion programs. He oversaw successful results in 115 kuleana quiet title cases and in longstanding litigation such as the HCDCH case, which allowed OHA to settle issues with the state, resulting in passage of moratorium legislation affecting the state's sale of ceded lands; the Day and Kuroiwa cases, which gave authoritative decision on OHA's broad discretion to use trust funds for the betterment of all Hawaiians; and the OHA v. Gates case, which resulted in access to army bases to identify and protect cultural sites and artifacts. He also oversaw OHA's

intervention in the Nā Wai 'Ehā contested case to restore water flow on Maui to the "The Four Great Waters."



Colette Y.  
Machado

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Mr. Nāmu'ō spearheaded the creation of two beneficiary legal service programs. They are the OHA Conflict Representation Program for beneficiaries ineligible for services from Native Hawaiian Legal Corp. because of conflict. The other is a program funded by OHA in partnership with the University of Hawai'i Law School. It is a Quiet Title Legal Clinic where pro se beneficiaries, or those representing themselves, are able to gain information on quiet title actions.

At OHA he addressed years of negative audit findings by the State Auditor of prior OHA operations. Through these efforts there were reductions of major negative findings by the State Auditor. In 2009, the State Auditor recognized strides made by OHA, including the consistency and stability in the administrator position over the past seven years that contributed to the overall improvements in OHA's governance structures.

Mr. Nāmu'ō encouraged a study that led to the creation of a report on the effects of the Justice System on Native Hawaiians. A sobering report was published on the disparate treatment of Native Hawaiians in the criminal justice system.

His leadership led to the acquisition of Wao Kele O Puna, Waimea Valley and Makaweli Poi. He actively advocated for the nomination of Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument as a cultural and natural World Heritage Site and successfully advocated for OHA's role as a manager of Papahānaumokuākea.

He has been and will continue to be an outstanding advocate for the Native Hawaiian beneficiaries of OHA. My heartfelt appreciation and gratitude goes out to Clyde for working tirelessly in making our Hawaiian community and Hawai'i a better place. I am grateful for his friendship and his dedicated, loving and committed service to all Hawaiians. Mahalo nui loa. ■

## The Kaka'ako ceded land settlement

The state has offered 25 acres of prime shoreline land parcels in Kaka'ako Makai to settle its \$200 million debt to OHA for back rent on uncollected ceded land revenues from 1978 through 2012. In the public meetings held by OHA so far, it seems we need to bring much more clarity to the settlement offer. OHA conducted an extensive series of public meetings in December. A second round will occur during the back half of the legislative session to allow for comments on any amendments to the settlement terms.

This column is my attempt to bring some clarity to what the settlement proposal is and, probably more important, what it is not. Simply put, the state owes OHA \$200 million in back rent. OHA would like the cash. But the state is broke. Instead, the state offers land in fee title equal to the \$200 million cash debt. OHA has accepted pending legislative approval and OHA's due diligence.

But, it's more important to know what is not affected by the settlement. It has no impact on other land claims Hawaiians may bring against the state. It does not extinguish any existing rights, claims or entitlements Hawaiians have, which includes the Hawaiian Homestead lands as well as the ceded land trust. People will tend to make more of this than is the reality so I think it bears repeating: the state owes us money. They have no money. They make an offer of land instead of writing a check. The result is that OHA becomes a landowner and subject to all the laws governing land ownership, joining the Kamehameha Schools, Queen Lili'uokalani Trust, Queen Emma Land Co., Lunalilo Trust, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and other Hawaiian institutions that own land.

There is legitimate concern in as-

sessing the value of the land and its potential to create cash for OHA and its beneficiaries; after all, the settlement, if not in cash, needs to provide some way of yielding cash. Some argue it's not enough and some go so far as to say it's a rip-off. OHA is still in a process of due diligence at this writing and will continue to pursue the question of fair value as the proposal is vetted by the state Legislature.

One aspect of this settlement remains unresolved. Some Kānaka Maoli have always challenged OHA's legitimacy because it is a creature of the state. I respect their position of not recognizing the jurisdiction of the state or the federal government over Hawaiians and Hawai'i as a result of the illegal overthrow of the Hawaiian Nation. OHA has no bone to pick with those who choose to continue to issue such challenges for they too are beneficiaries, however unwilling, and OHA supports their right to seek justice and take a different path to self-determination. But, we have to stay focused on the kuleana extended to OHA – even though a creature of the state – and that is to attend to the betterment of conditions of native Hawaiians and Hawaiians.

OHA's kuleana stretches beyond the politics of sovereignty and nationhood. We are equally concerned about those things that define the quality of life for the vast majority of Hawaiians: home ownership, education, health care and employment. The Kaka'ako settlement will take us a big step further toward these ends. Ua mau ke ea o ka 'āina i ka pono – the life of the land is perpetuated in righteousness. ■

To comment on this or any other issue of concern, feel free to contact me on twitter @PeterApo, Facebook/PeterApo or PeterAOHA@gmail.com.



Peter  
Apo

Trustee, O'ahu



## 2011 wrap-up

**A**no'ai kakou ...  
I started off 2011 with a continued hope that there will be positive changes at OHA.

While not always positive, the year was definitely one of major transition for OHA as we: (1) Approved a monumental law which will establish State Recognition for Native Hawaiians; and (2) Received an offer from the Governor to finally resolve the claims relating to OHA's portion of income from the Public Land Trust between Nov. 7, 1978, and July 1, 2012.

## STATE RECOGNITION

After being one of two Trustees appointed as a "Legislative Liaison" representing OHA for the 2011 session, I focused my many years of lobbying experience and strong relationships with legislators on two important issues: (1) Establishing state recognition for Native Hawaiians; and (2) Resolving the past-due ceded land payments from the state.

Thanks to the hard work of the Native Hawaiian Caucus, Senate Bill (SB) 1520 was approved by the Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Neil Abercrombie. SB 1520 establishes a new law that recognizes Native Hawaiians as the only indigenous, aboriginal, maoli people of Hawaii. It also establishes a process for Native Hawaiians to organize themselves as a step in the continuing development of a reorganized Native Hawaiian governing entity and, ultimately, the federal recognition of Native Hawaiians.

A special Mahalo to Sens. Malama Solomon, Clayton Hee and Brickwood Galuteria, and Rep. Faye Hanohano for their tireless effort to get SB 1520 passed into law.

PAST-DUE CEDED LANDS  
SETTLEMENT

In the 2009, SB 995 (Introduced by Sen. Colleen Hanabusa by request and supported by Senator Hee) sought to have the state resolve its long overdue debt to OHA resulting from Public Land

Trust revenues unpaid from Nov. 7, 1978, to July 1, 2010, by offering OHA \$251 million in cash and 20 percent of the 1.8 million acres of ceded lands. The proposal died in the House and went nowhere in 2010. In the 2011 Legislative Session, SB 984, part of the OHA Package of bills, died after it was deferred by the Senate Hawaiian Affairs and Judiciary committees.

However, on Nov. 16, 2011, Gov. Neil Abercrombie offered OHA property in Kaka'ako as payment to cover the settlement of past-due amounts. The

Governor should be commended for his bold offer. OHA has lobbied many Governors in the past with nothing to show for it. Now, for the first time, Governor Abercrombie is making OHA an offer that could potentially generate all of the revenue OHA needs to operate indefinitely and would give our future nation the concrete assets it needs to serve the Hawaiian population.

Although there is a lot work ahead of us in the upcoming legislative session, I feel more confident than ever that OHA, on behalf of our beneficiaries, will finally prevail. An important part of that will be educating our elected officials and the community about this opportunity.

OHA must also do everything in its power to successfully lobby the state Legislature and convince any naysayers to have a change of heart. In this effort, we will need your support to effectively solidify the settlement. OHA will be taking this proposal to community meetings around the state so that our beneficiaries will understand it. I look forward to 2012 with great hope and anticipation that our efforts to resolve this longstanding issue will finally be put to rest.

I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a most prosperous New Year. ■

*Interested in Hawaiian issues and OHA? Please visit my web site at [www.rowenaakana.org](http://www.rowenaakana.org) for more information or email me at [rowenaa@oha.org](mailto:rowenaa@oha.org).*



**Rowena  
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U.S. Census Bureau: Native Hawaiian and Other  
Pacific Islanders R.E.A.C. ... Job well done

**E**o ē nā 'ōiwi 'ōlino nā pulapula a Haloa mai Hawai'i a Ni'ihau a puni ke ao mālamalama. 2012 signals change as Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders press on to impact the work of the U.S. Census Bureau. Census 2020 is eight years away as the bureau transforms the nearly 40-year-old Race and Ethnic Advisory Committee (REAC) system of community leaders advising solely on the decennial census, into a combined REAC-community and scientist-led national panel, partnering with designated "working groups" to oversee a diverse menu of bureau initiatives, not just limited to the decennial census. The charter for this national panel starts in 2012.

The Census Bureau established the

Race and Ethnic

Advisory

Committees in

1975 to assist

the bureau in

planning for the

1980 Census

with the goal to

reduce census

undercount in

hard-to-count

communities.

The Census

Bureau REACs

for African

American,

American

Indian/Alaska

Native, Hispanic

and Asian/Pacific

Islander were

updated following

amendments in

1997 to OMB

Directive 15, which

by administrative

policy implemented

the fifth REAC

for Native Hawaiian

and Other Pacific

Islanders (NHOPI).

All five REACs (African American,

American Indian/Alaska Native,

Hispanic, Asian and Native Hawaiian

and Other Pacific Islanders) will sunset

in 2012. The Native Hawaiian and Other

Pacific Islanders REAC, past Chairs and

members, current Chair Sela Panapasa,

Ph.D., and members Victor Ka'iwi Pang, Shawn Kana'iaupuni, Ph.D., Guy Ontai, Faye Untalan and Kawen Young

are to be congratulated for the decade of diligent work and advocacy on behalf of our NHOPI populations, through this recent 2010 Census.

Census 2010 results find that: Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islanders make up 0.4 percent of the nation's population, totaling 1.2 million people; the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone or in combination

population grew by 40 percent between the 2000 Census and 2010 Census; 14 percent of single-race Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islanders 25 and older had at least a bachelor's degree in 2009; and, Native Hawaiian- and Other Pacific Islander-owned businesses

grew by 30.6

percent from

2002 to 2007,

totaling 37,809

businesses. But

there remains

much to do.

NHOPI social

scientists

Panapasa,

Crabbe and

Kaholokula

note in the

AAPNI Nexus

Journal Fall

2011: "While

most federal

agencies are taking

appropriate steps to

comply with the revised

OMB standards many

are having less success

reporting disaggregated

information on NHPIs.

This suggests that

increased efforts to

obtain robust samples

of NHPIs warrants

immediate attention

in order for federal

agencies to fully comply

with the revised OMB

standards." Census 2020

must be one of the

targets for continued

focus. Continuing

advocacy for NHPIs

must rise to the level

of the national panel

that the Census Bureau

establishes in 2012

to replace the REACs. 37/48 ■



**Haunani Apoliona,  
MSW**

Trustee, At-large



Trustee Haunani Apoliona, center, with members of the Census Bureau's advisory committee on Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander population: Kawen Young, left; Victor Ka'iwi Pang; Faye Untalan; Dr. Sela Panapasa, Chair; Dr. Shawn Kana'iaupuni; and Guy Ontai. - Photo: Courtesy of the Census Bureau



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## Pelatron Inc.

They are my classmates, members of the Mighty Class of 1966, Kamehameha School for Boys, Kapālama Heights, the Principals and Owners of **Pelatron Inc.**, certified by the Small Business Administration in 2005 as a Native Hawaiian Organization (NHO), Small Disadvantaged Business 8(a) Corporation (a brainchild of U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye).

I am proud of these gentlemen: **Thomas Aimoku McClellan, Chairman and CEO; Harvard C.S. Kim, Vice President and COO; and Kimo H. Kahoa-no Jr., Secretary and Principal.** Proud because through their business they are unwittingly helping promote OHA's Updated Strategic Plan, making real OHA's Strategic Roles and Strategic Priorities (in particular OHA's Economic Self-Sufficiency Priority).

Pelatron's corporate office and manufacturing facility is in Honolulu, but technology allows Pelatron to readily extend its business reach to other parts of the nation and the world via regional offices in Washington, D.C., Huntsville, Alabama, and Kihei, Maui.

Pelatron does Department of Defense Work as a Prime Contractor with Capabilities in Design, Engineering and Manufacturing; Command and Control Technologies; Networks and Communication Integration and Information Technology Solutions.

Aimoku, Harvey and Kimo have worked hard to take the small company Aimoku and Harvey purchased in 2004 from Subcontractor to Prime Contractor status in 2011, from a "red" (2004) to "black" Financial Statement (2011) and from gross sales of \$35,000 (2004) to \$17 million (2011). In October of this year Pelatron earned the distinction of being Hawai'i's "No. 1 fastest growing company," a distinction they say is a "blessing" accompanied by challenges, which as "good and industrious men" they are ready for.

The trade secrets to their success in my

view are: they trust each other and their instincts, have good hearts, believe passionately in what they do, work hard and smart, have supportive wives, appreciate their employees and families, are able to get close to their customers, produce quality products on time and on budget, are mission focused, do things for the right reasons, believe in collaboration and partnering, and are astute businessmen.

Aimoku handles the "outside Pelatron stuff." He's the relationship builder; "talking chief"; deals with suppliers, vendors, contractors; sells what the men and women of Pelatron produce; is Pelatron's salesman extraordinaire (his gift). Harvey handles the "inside Pelatron stuff." He's the technician. He works alongside Pelatron's engineers and specialists building and fabricating what our Marines need on the battlefield. That's his talent. And then there's Kimo cheering them on, he's the Imua guy. Every company has to have one. With their complementary skills and tremendous reservoir of special and unique talents, this Hui of Three have taken a small economic engine and turned it into a big one in seven years. My wish for them and their families – that Pelatron will be the equal of The Boeing Co.

I got to celebrate Christmas 2011 with the Pelatron 'ohana. It was a true family affair; just touching to see Aimoku, Harvey and Kimo with their wives, their employees and their employees' families "breaking bread" together, singing the songs of the Season, exchanging gifts, trading stories, having fun, enjoying one another. It was a day filled with "wow moments." Harvey capped it off so well when he thanked all of Pelatron's employees and families with these elegant and powerful words: "Without you we would not be where we are today." To borrow from a verse from *Sleigh Ride*, it was indeed the perfect ending of a perfect day.

I am blessed to have these Warriors as my friends. Through Aimoku, Harvey and Kimo, Ke Ali'i Pauahi's Legacy lives on. They make OHA's Updated Strategic Plan real and relevant. ■



**Robert K. Lindsey, Jr.**

Trustee, Hawai'i

## BRIEFS

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Knight's Companion.

Moon is an honorary Ali'i Chief in the Royal Order. Ali'i Nui Sir William F. Roback conducted the ceremony at Mauna'ala, the Royal Mausoleum, while many of Moon's family, friends and former colleagues looked on. Ali'i No'eau Loa Sir Roland Ahuna assisted in the ceremony while Ali'i 'Aimoku Sir Arthur Aiu presided. Lani Ali'i Sir William F. Souza was protocol officer and Ali'i Ikaika Bantolina served as Kahuna Pule.

The day began at Kawaiaha'o Church with an Ali'i Sunday celebration honoring Lot Kapuāiwa, King Kamehameha V.

## Save the date for the Holokū Ball

The 2012 Holokū Ball will be held Saturday, March 3 at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel in Waikīkī.

The annual fundraiser, produced by the Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu, helps to raise scholarship funds for Native Hawaiians. In 2011, the civic club awarded \$60,000 in scholarships.

Tickets to the gala event are \$150, or, for corporate tables: \$3,000 (Maile), \$5,000 ('Ilima) or \$10,000 (Kalaniana'ole).

Invitations will be mailed in January. To request an invitation or for information, visit [hcchonolulu.org](http://hcchonolulu.org).

## Genealogy class to resume in January

The 2012 Genealogy Classes "Digging For Your Roots" begin in January and run through October.

The two-day course will be on Tuesday and Thursday of each week from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fee is \$75. For registration and class locations, call Fran McFarland at (808) 203-7245 or email [fjmvana@juno.com](mailto:fjmvana@juno.com).

## Kona lecture series starts Jan. 25

The Hanohano 'O Kona – *Honoring Kona* lecture series kicks off with the topic "Ka 'Ōlelo Hawai'i/The Hawaiian Language: Revitalizing the Language Through our Children."

The lecture will take place Jan. 25 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the West Hawai'i Civic Center on Kealakehe Parkway on the way to Kealakehe High School on Hawai'i Island. The first lecture will examine how the Hawaiian language is being revitalized through Hawai'i's keiki, with ha'i 'ōlelo, mele, oli and hula from students of immersion school Ke Kula 'o 'Ehunuikaimalino and members of Unuehu Hula Learning Community, a branch of Hawai'i Community College's Unukupukupu.

The yearlong series of monthly lectures takes place on the last Wednesday of the month and focuses on historical and cultural topics of interest. For information call (808) 323-3222 or visit [konahistorical.org](http://konahistorical.org). ■





***E nā 'ōhana 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](mailto:kwo@OHA.org). ***E ola nā mamo a Hāloa!***

## 2012

## AKANA/AI/AI CHANG/MCGUIRE

**HAUSTEN/AKI** – Aug. 18, 2012, in Kāne'ohe, O'ahu, the first Family Reunion of: Kahale Keneka'ole Kaluahine (w) B: 9/17/1850 Waiehu, Wailuku, Maui D: 4/29/1924 Honolulu, O'ahu. 1st husband Ai Chang Cheong Yit (Tang Hoon). They had three children: Their 1st child Akana Ai Chang B: 7/4/1871 Wailuku, Maui. D: 2/21/1953 Honolulu, O'ahu, m Shee Hu B: 9/14/1874 Kwangtung, China. D: 12/17/1959. They had 11 children. Their 2nd child Emma Kaleionamoku Ah Choy Ai Chang B: 3/27/1876 Wailuku, Maui. D: 10/13/1969 Honolulu, O'ahu. 1st married in 1900: John James "Jock" McGuire, and their seven children. Emma's 2nd marriage on 5/16/1916: Henry Thomas Hausten, and they one child. Third child of Kahale and Ai Chang, was Thomas Allan Ah Kan Ai Chang B: 5/14/1880 Wailuku, Maui D: 6/25/1947 m Sarah Ah Kin, one son Thomas Allan Ah Kan Ai Chang. Kahale Keneka'ole Kaluahine 2nd husband was Henry Ka'iwi Aki B: 1850 Honolulu, O'ahu D: 12/19/1900: 1 son Henry Ka'iwi Aki Jr. B: 4/28/1891 Honolulu, O'ahu D: 2/15/1967 Honolulu, O'ahu m 7/15/1911 Lucy Liliake'ala Kahaumea B: 11/28/1893 Laupāhoehoe, Hawai'i, D: 7/1/1987 Honolulu, O'ahu. Eleven children. Please contact Gay McGuire 808-295-9683, nalo-beach@gmail.com, Patsy McGuire 808-732-3089 and Betty Shodahl 808-262-8961.

**KUKAHIKO** – To the descendants of John, Kamaka and Halulukahi Kukahiko, the reunion will be from July 19-22, 2012, at the Veterans Foreign War Hall in Kihei, Maui. A letter was sent to those on the mailing list. A registration packet will be sent out shortly. A web site is being worked on. Please continue to check Facebook event Kukahiko Reunion 2012 or email [kukahiko2012@yahoo.com](mailto:kukahiko2012@yahoo.com) for updates.

**KUAHULU** – We are looking for the descendants of Kuahulu of Pelekunu, Moloka'i. These will include the descendants of Mr. David Kuahulu Sr. (born on or about 1872). His children were Hattie, Rose, David Jr., Paul, Elizabeth (Lizzie) and Agnes. These may also include the descendants of MAIHANO of Hāna, Maui, and Kalehua of Pelekunu, Moloka'i. We are planning an 'Ohana Reunion on the island of Moloka'i in October 2012. Please contact Moana Akana at (808) 927-1809 or email [akanam004@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:akanam004@hawaii.rr.com), or contact Heli Silva-Ducaroy at (808) 723-5284 or email [kaohanaa.lii@yahoo.com](mailto:kaohanaa.lii@yahoo.com).

**LOVELL A ME HOLOKAHIKI** – The 'Ohana of Joseph and Mele Holokahiki will gather on the Big Island July 25-29, 2012. They had five children: Loika, John, Daniel, William and Jennie. Please save the dates. We will be visiting the birthplace of Mele Holokahiki. Come and meet family. Visit our web site, [www.loveleholokahiki.org](http://www.loveleholokahiki.org). Send your mailing information to: Teri Apana, 125 Hoku St., Hilo, HI 96720 or email [linaaloha@yahoo.com](mailto:linaaloha@yahoo.com).

**MEYER/KALEIWAHEA** – We are having a reunion for the descendants of George Kahelelani Meyer, who was married to Nancy Kaleiwahea (1st line) and had four children: George Kahelelani Meyer Jr., Mary Pilioloha Meyer, Annie Josephine Cecelia Meyer and Arthur Lee Meyer. 2nd line with Elizabeth "Lizzie" Kaleiwahea and had eight children: Elizabeth "Betty" Meyer, Abigail Kekahili Meyer, Elizabeth "Queenie" Kauwala, Myra Lahapa Kaleihena, William Meyer, Rebecca Leilani Meyer, Lilinoe Pualaniuma Ahoy and Samuel Meyer. The reunion will be held Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Waimānalo Village Recreation Center. For information, call Sukie Obed at (808) 259-5994 after 6 p.m. or Alice Theodore at (808) 358-5466 or email [alicer@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:alicer@hawaii.rr.com). Alice is updating our mailing list for upcoming mail outs. Please call/email Alice with your mailing/contact information. Save the date! We encourage all of you to join us and meet family! Families are forever!

**RENKEN** – The descendants of Ernest Valentine Holbron Renken and Elizabeth Kaepa

Kaleilokeokaha'i Cummins Merseberg Kekahio announce the Reunion 2012, Saturday, 29 September 2012. Place TBA. We're looking for our relatives who are closely related to Ernest and Kaepa. The next meeting is January 2012. Find us on Facebook "Ke Lei Hulu O Ka Ohana Renken" Group. For information, contact: Jan K N DeRego at [kapiolanis8@aol.com](mailto:kapiolanis8@aol.com) or Jojo Chaves at [jchaves94@yahoo.com](mailto:jchaves94@yahoo.com). Send inquiries to [Renken2012@gmail.com](mailto:Renken2012@gmail.com).

## 2013

**JARRETT/KAOO** – To all descendants of William Jarrett (1815-1880) and Hannah Kaoo (1825-1867), there will be a family reunion on the island of O'ahu scheduled for July 26 and 27, 2013. Please submit your contact information (addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses) to: [Jarrett\\_fam\\_reunion@yahoo.com](mailto:Jarrett_fam_reunion@yahoo.com) or to 91-832 Pa'aloha St., 'Ewa Beach, HI 96706. Mahalo, Sandy and Lani.

**KUPAHU** – Aloha family, the Kupahu 'Ohana Family Reunion 2013 dates are set for Memorial Day weekend, May 24 to 27, 2013, here on Maui – Maui nō ka 'oi. For information, contact me at e-mail [kincadksr@yahoo.com](mailto:kincadksr@yahoo.com) or phone (808) 281-3885. Just a reminder that this is a camping reunion to reflect on our kūpanas who left all of us this value of being a Kupahu. There are also other accommodations for those who choose not to camp. Mahalo for your time, and hope to hear from all of soon. Come to Maui.

**TITCOMB** – Family reunion for descendants of Charles Titcomb and Kanikele has been set for Thursday to Saturday, July 4-6 of 2013 on Kaua'i. Children are: Susan (Christian Bertelmann); Julius (Malia Kalauphipuhi, Sophie Houghtailing); Emma (August Dreier); MaryAnn (James Hall Fiddes or Feddes); Angeline (John Spencer); Louis (Hannah Sheldon); George Rufus (Caroline Mae Morteno); Hattie (Frederick Weber); and Kanikele. Contact: K. Nani Kawa'a @ 808-285-4548 or email at [reunion.titcomb@gmail.com](mailto:reunion.titcomb@gmail.com) for more information.

## 'IMI 'OHANA • FAMILY SEARCH

**KIU, AHEONG AND KAHIAMOE** – Descendants of Baker Kahiamoe Akiu, born May 10, 1886, and Sarah Kamali Aheong Akiu, born Feb. 27, 1896, are planning a family reunion July 20-22, 2012, on Maui. We are trying to locate any grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren who are interested in attending the reunion. Please contact Marian "Blossom" Akiu Dias at (808) 242-0061.

**EWALIKO/GRUBE** – I am trying to locate family members on my mother's side. Mom's name was Harriet Kaehukaipuana (Ewaliko) Grube, married Edward Michael Grube Jr. and had five sisters (Ethel, Aileen aka Bess, Lilinoe aka Noe, Kuualoha aka Peachie and Kaui) and five brothers (William Jr., Otto aka Eddie, Valentine, Herbert, and David aka Boots aka Sonny Boy). Mom's father was William Lonomakua Ewaliko Sr., husband of Elizabeth Kekumano and was born in Hilo, Hawai'i. I believe that his father and mother were John Ewaliko and Kaanaana Ewaliko and siblings David, George, Kalei (w), Emily and James Ewaliko. They lived on Amaulu Road in Hilo. I believe that George married Lizzie, and had four daughters (Ruth, Virginia, Mary and Elizabeth), a son and grandson named John and moved to Anahola, Kaua'i. Kalei married Rufus Lyman, had three children (Rebecca, Francis and Clarence) as of 1930 and stayed in Hilo. David married Julia and had two daughters (Margaret and Marjory) and lived in Hilo. We met a Marjory at our mom's funeral in 2001. Any information is appreciated. Please contact Ede Fukumoto at [cafukumoto@hotmail.com](mailto:cafukumoto@hotmail.com).

**KAHAWAII/HAILI** – The descendants of Rebecca Ewalani Kahawai (1869-1950) and George Mikaele Haili (1872-1927) will be gathering for the first time to celebrate a family reunion Aug. 3-4, 2012, in Maui, Hawai'i. The Haili 'ohana originates from Kawaihae

(Pamailuhaililani he kane/Maika'i ka wahine) and the Kahawai 'ohana originates from Moanalua (Kahawai he kane/Kalua Ikalii he wahine). We would like to gather the families of Harry George Haili (Rachel Lahela Bright), Peter David Haili (Elizabeth Keleionaia Manuia), Agnes Kanui Haili (William Hoopai Sr.), Elizabeth Kalua Haili, Simon Haili, John Kahawai Haili (Katherine Florence Zoller Altery), and Clarisa "Clara" Mileka Haili (Carlyle Nelson). If you are descendants of the above family members, we invite you to join us for a weekend with good food and family fun. We look forward to seeing everyone there! Monthly meetings are being held to plan the festivities, the 'ohana is asking for all family members to send their contact information to Kehau Newhouse at (808) 344-0921 or email [haili2k@hawaii@gmail.com](mailto:haili2k@hawaii@gmail.com). Mailings will be sent to known addresses in early 2012.

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

**KAANHUE** – Aloha, my mother's name is Clara Hoopio Kaaihue born April 28, 1922. She was born and raised in Lahaina, Maui. Her parents' names are John lihu and Cecelia Kupu. They were both born in Kapok, Maui, and resided on the Honolua Ranch. In doing my Hawaiian 'Ohana research, I noticed that her name on her birth certificate says Adeline Kaaihue. My mother never went by this name and I don't know where it came from. I am unable to complete my Hawaiian Home Land paperwork because I need someone from the 'Ohana to write a letter testifying she is one in the same person or if there was a twin and she received the wrong birth certificate. Please email me, Edie Williams, at [edieus@att.net](mailto:edieus@att.net) or call me at (559) 813-0418.

**KAHALEANU** – Doing family genealogy research. Please kōkua if you have any information on Kahula Kahaleanu, the mother of my grandmother, Elizabeth Keaukai Akana. Much Mahalo! Bob Horcajo, [bob@livemaui.com](mailto:bob@livemaui.com).

**LINCOLN** – Aloha to anyone who is interested or who can help me with my genealogy. My name is Clayton Chee and I am trying to compile a genealogy of the Lincoln family from Kohala. I have been doing genealogy for about 30 years now off and on on both sides of my parents' lines. The line I am doing now is one of my great-great-grandmothers and her name was Caroline Lincoln Naiwi. She was the oldest daughter of George Washington and Rebecca (Bell) Lincoln. I have a lot of information down and the hard part is getting the last two generations going back and the last two generations going forward. I am trying to update the names and dates of the family. I am also doing the genealogy of George Washington Lincoln's brothers John Adams and William Henry Lincoln, who were the sons of Lorenzo Bernard Lincoln and Ka'ai'a Kuawalu. If anyone can help me by updating the 'ohana, it would be really appreciated. You can either email me at [aspenciera1997@yahoo.com](mailto:aspenciera1997@yahoo.com), call me at 852-7103, find me on Facebook or write me at 41-280 Huli St., Waimānalo, HI 96795. Mahalo nui!

**MEHAU** – I am searching for my half-sister (A-Nella, Mehau) and my stepmom Beverly Mehau, who resides on a Big Island ranch. I got separated from this family when I was in elementary. If anyone has information about my family, please provide me with an address on how to contact my 'ohana at: Norbert Alcaide, 1250 E. Arica Rd., Eloy, AZ 85131.

**NAWAI** – William Nawai (Jr.) was married to Mary (Mealeana) Kanana, and they had several children together. William Nawai also had a child with Mary Haake her name was Annie Nawai. I don't know for sure if William Nawai and Mary Haake were ever legally married. William Nawai also had a child with Isabella

Lawrence, named Josephine, who was put up for adoption right after birth. My name is Russell Pineapple Rintoul. My mother is Josephine Nawai Lawrence Rintoul from the island of Maui. If you have any information, please contact me at Russell Pineapple on Facebook, call (406) 690-6481 or email [ptphut@tctwest.net](mailto:ptphut@tctwest.net).

**PERRY/HULEIA** – I am in the process of tracing the families of my grandparents Becky Perry and Joseph Huleia who were both victims of leprosy (now referred to as Hansen's disease) and sent to Kalawao/Kalaupapa, Moloka'i, in the late 1800s. The Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa organization, consisting of patients/residents, their families and friends, is helping to provide a web site for searching for families. This organization, of which I am a member, is preparing to build a monument in remembrance of the 8,000-plus victims of that dreaded disease and need our kōkua to make this project a reality. Please contact me: Pi'olani Motta, 545 Queen St., #605, Honolulu, HI 96813.

**PIO** – The descendants of Kelii Pio aka Kaawalaule Kelii Pio are seeking information of his birth parents, his siblings and place of birth. Our information says that Kelii Pio was born in Waipi'o on Hawai'i Island in or about 1844. We need to confirm this information. Kelii Pio married (w) Keoahu and had six children all born in Kaupō, Maui: 1) Sampson Kahaleuahi Pio, born 1864; Victoria Nakoaelua Pio, born 1867; Malaea Kaawalaule Pio, born 1870; Samuel Kaukani Pio, born 1871; Ipoaloha Pio, born 1873; Joseph Kaleohano Pio, born 1890 (his birth date needs more research). If you have any information on Kelii Pio or his siblings and children, please contact: Gabriel Kaawa, phone (808)

728-5938, fax (866) 376-3192 or email [kaawap001@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:kaawap001@hawaii.rr.com).

**WAIPI'O VALLEY** – Kalainaina, Paakahili, Thomas, Honuiwa, Keliwaanui, Kailikakio, Kaohimaunu, Kanekoa, Nakagawa, Lau Kong and Ah Puck. My family surnames come from Waipi'o Valley on Hawai'i Island. I am working on my family's genealogy and any information big or small on these families will be greatly appreciated. Descendants of Samuel Kalainaina and Malaka Kaliwai Paakahili, Edwin Thomas and Emalia Honuiwa, William Keliwaanui and Kailikakio, Mahoe Kaohimaunu and Kaumekekoi Kanekoa. My great grandparents are Lily Kaeha Mahoe Kaohimaunu and Young Leong Ah Puck, and Emily K. Thomas, Charles K. Thomas and Nancy Ana Kalainaina. My grandparents are Rachel K. Ah Puck and Charles P. Thomas. We are also looking at a reunion in 2013! If you have any information on these families, please contact me, Yoko Lindsey, at P.O. Box 463 Kamuela, HI 96743, or email me at [lindsey.ohana@gmail.com](mailto:lindsey.ohana@gmail.com).

**WILLIAMS/KEKUIA** – Searching for 'ohana of Keaka Kekuia of Ka'ū. He married Waiholua Kekaua. Together they had many children. Many of the Kekuia branch were given Williams as their last name. Today a big branch of this 'ohana are Williams. There will be a gathering for descendants of Jack Williams Kekuia/Ka'aiuhi Kuehu and their children: Julia K. Williams, Julian "Boy" K. Williams, Johnson K. Williams, Lui Pa'aiina Williams, Annie P. Kunipo (Kuleola), Rose Lokelau Mersberg, Iwani Foster and George Williams. The gathering is planned for 2012. Please contact R. Lino Geremen (great grandson of Julian "Boy" Williams) at [geremen@hawaii.edu](mailto:geremen@hawaii.edu) or on Facebook: Lino'okalani Mahuka Geremen. Call 732-5909. ■

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