



GET INFORMED BEFORE THE PRIMARY ELECTION

Aloha mai kākou,

awai'i voters will be electing five trustees to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs board in 2018, OHA's Board of Trustees administers a \$370 million trust in the interest of Native Hawaiians, so it's critical to be informed about the candidates and the positions they are vying to fill.

This month's issue of Ka Wai Ola provides an opportunity for all candidates in the gubernatorial and OHA races to address our readers directly on key Hawaiian issues. On July 2, OHA, in partnership with Kamehameha Schools, will be hosting a "Super Debate" on Hawaii News Now, featuring Democratic primary candidates for U.S. Congressional District 1, lieutenant governor and governor. Other organizations will also be publishing candidate surveys and hosting candidate forums and debates. I attended one such forum myself recently at Windward Community College.

You can read about the candidates' positions in Ka Wai Ola's primary election guide. To put their answers in context, you can use OHA resources to get a better understanding of what the agency is trying to accomplish, as well as what role trustees play in helping OHA achieve its mission.

I believe that as Hawaiians, it's our kuleana to be informed. That makes it OHA's kuleana to be transparent. Since I became Ka Pouhana in 2012, OHA has made increasingly more of our data available to the public. We collect comprehensive, impactful statistics about Hawaiians here and on the continent, not just because it's a constitu-

tional mandate, but because we want that information to be accessed. understood and applied as we work together to improve the wellbeing of the lāhui and the state as a whole.

OHA was created during the 1978 Constitution Convention to right the injustices suffered by Native Hawaiians since the overthrow of the monarchy 125 years ago. The agency is an advocate for Native Hawaiian rights, including access rights mauka to makai for traditional and customary practices. OHA also has a rightful claim to ceded lands revenue, and the fiduciary duty to manage these funds to improve the conditions and well-being of Native Hawaiians. Ceded land revenue, OHA's investment portfolio and revenue from OHA's commercial properties allow the agency to provide grants, scholarships and other resources to our beneficiaries.

You can see how it all breaks down in annual financial statements and grant listings have been published in Ka Wai Ola and remain accessible online at www.oha.org. Each month, Ka Wai Ola also publishes how trustees vote on every issue, and board agendas and meeting minutes are housed on the website. OHA also publishes the Native Hawaiian Data Book, which contains comprehensive statistics that can be used for research, grant writing, creating programs, planning communities and setting policy. The Data Book can be found on our website, in libraries across the state, at the state Capitol and in Washington, D.C.

We try to help the public better understand OHA's work by showcasing its real-world impact. We

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O&A with Jacob Ka'ōmakaokalā Aki

On Aug. 4, thousands of Hawaiians will gather to commemorate the Year of the Hawaiian 2018 at Aloha Stadium.



Ka'ōmakaokalā Aki. - Photo: Michi Moore

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Lā Hoʻihoʻi Ea celebrates sovereignty restoration PAGE 5

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Celebrations are planned for the 175th anniversary of Lā Ho'ihoi'i Ea, which commemorates the restoration of sovereignty on July 31, 1843 and was designated a national holiday for the next half-century in the Hawaiian Kingdom.

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Kōkua for Kaua'i and Hawai'i Island PAGE 4

BY STERLING WONG

OHA's disaster relief package for Kaua'i and Hawai'i Island's flood- and eruption-impacted communities includes emergency loans and \$500,000 in aid to Hawaiian households and qualified kalo farmers.

SPECIAL INSERT

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Ka Wai Ola surveyed candidates for governor and OHA trustee about key Hawaiian issues in advance of the Aug. 11 primary election.

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ECONOMIC SELF-SUFFICIENCY

HO'OKAHUA WAIWAI

To have choices and a sustainable future, Native Hawaiians will progress toward greater economic self-sufficiency.

OHA directs disaster assistance to Kaua'i and Hawai'i Island

By Sterling Wong

he Office of Hawaiian Affairs on June 7 announced a relief package of \$500,000 in aid for Native Hawaiians impacted by the natural disasters on Kaua'i and Hawai'i Island.

"Our deepest aloha goes out to the people whose lives have been turned upside down by these natural disasters," said OHA Chair Colette Machado. "What is being announced today is just the first phase of OHA's assistance to our beneficiaries on Kaua'i and Hawai'i Island. We will continue to work with these communities to understand their ongoing needs, and we also will be developing initiatives that provide longer term assistance."

Disaster Relief Aid

At a June 7 meeting, the OHA Board approved \$500,000 in disaster relief aid that will include funds for one-time, financial assistance to qualified Native Hawaiian households on both islands and qualified kalo farmers on Kaua'i, and funds to address other health-related issues caused by the eruptions on Hawai'i Island.

The elements of the disaster relief package were based on specific requests from the Kaua'i and Hawai'i communities. Kaua'i and Ni'ihau Trustee Dan Ahuna led a team of OHA staff on a site visit in May to assess damages sustained by the Native Hawaiian communities in Wainiha and Hā'ena. In addition, Hawai'i Trustee Robert K. Lindsey Jr. and island staff have been in constant

dialogue with community leaders to gauge the needs of those affected by the lava.

"We mahalo the many in our community, from the individuals to the grassroots organizations, who came forward immediately to provide kōkua to those in need," Ahuna said. "Our community has thrived through crisis before because we always come together. We understand that our role here at OHA is to follow the lead of the community and provide assistance as appropriate."

Trustee Lindsey also recognized the community-driven relief efforts on Hawai'i Island.

"I have so much aloha for the many who just showed up, rolled up their sleeves and helped," said Lindsey. "In these times of uncertainty, it's comforting to know that your neighbors are always here for you."

New Disaster Relief Loan Program

In addition, OHA's Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund (NHRLF) Board of Directors approved a new disaster relief loan. Native Hawaiians experiencing a loss as a result of the disasters are now eligible for loans of up to \$20,000 at four percent interest with up to six months of deferred payments. Loans may be used for home improvement, vehicle repair or replacement, or business stabilization.

The NHRLF was established in 1985 and is funded and overseen by the federal Administration of Native Americans. OHA administers NHRLF and the fund currently has \$15 million available to lend.

In addition, OHA administers a separate con-

sumer micro loan program that provides low-cost loans to Native Hawaiians experiencing temporary financial hardship due to unforeseen events. Loans of up to \$7,500 with a five percent interest rate can be used for unexpected home or auto repair and emergency health situations.

For information about these loans, visit www. oha.org/loans or call 594-1888.

Accessing OHA's Relief Aid

The emergency proclamations Gov. David Ige signed for Kaua'i and Hawai'i Island will allow OHA to expedite contracting with vendors to provide these relief services. OHA is in the process of securing vendor contracts for Kaua'i. Meanwhile, intake forms for flood relief assistance are currently available at www.oha.org/kauai and can be submitted at OHA's Kaua'i office located at 4405 Kukui Grove St., Suite 103 in Līhu'e.

OHA is in the process of securing vendor contracts for Hawai'i Island. Intake forms for lava relief assistance will be made available at www. oha.org/puna and may be submitted at OHA's Hilo office located at Wailoa Plaza, Suite 20-CDE, 399 Hualani Street. The completed forms will be forwarded to vendors once they are selected.

Impacted beneficiaries may visit www.oha. org/kauai and www.oha.org/puna for information on the agency's disaster relief efforts, including intake forms for relief assistance, upcoming resource events and other updates.

See videos from Hā'ena, Wainiha and Puna on OHA's YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/ OHAHawaii. ■

Audit reviews OHA event and community grants

By Sterling Wong

he Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) appreciates that the state audit released June 1 recognizes that "the amount of grants that OHA budgets for each year is significant." The more than \$21.5 million in total OHA grants for the two fiscal years covered by this state audit and the February state audit substantially contributed to improving the lives of Native Hawaiians. These grants were awarded to more than 260 programs and events that, among other things, helped lowincome Native Hawaiians rent and own homes; provided reading and math assistance to at-risk youth; trained Native Hawaiians to obtain higherwage employment; and helped manage lo'i and fishponds to feed our communities.

The state audit released in February reviewed

OHA's non-competitive grants. This audit focused on our two competitive grants programs: our event grants, called 'Ahahui Grants, and Community Grants, which combined constituted more than \$7.5 million of the \$21.5 million in total grants OHA issued in fiscal years 2015 and 2016. In addition, the June audit reported on our implementation of the auditor's recommendations from 2013.

OHA appreciates that the June audit acknowledges that our community and events grants are "well-managed," and that OHA has made significant progress in addressing concerns identified in the 2013 state audit, fully or partially implementing all but one of the 23 recommendations from the previous report.

However, we recognize that the purpose of this audit is to identify areas of improvement so that OHA can continue to fulfill our mandate of better-

ing the lives of Native Hawaiians. Formal Board and administrative initiatives already underway to review and update OHA policies and procedures, including those related to our grants program, will consider the findings and recommendations from the June audit.

In closing, OHA remains committed to improving the overall administration and reporting of funds that we disburse to the Native Hawaiian community and to providing increased transparency and accountability to our beneficiaries.

Visit www.oha.org/oha-audit to review OHA's full response to today's state audit and the list of total grant awards for fiscal years 2015 and 2016.

The audit did not review OHA's current grantees but *Ka Wai Ola* published OHA's FY18-19 programmatic grant awards in August 2017 at issuu.com/kawaiola/docs/kwo0817 web.

Lā Hoʻihoʻi Ea celebrates the return of sovereignty to the Hawaiian Kingdom

Contributed by the Kamehameha Schools Hoʻokahua Cultural Vibrancy Group

id you know that the Hawaiian Kingdom had its own national holidays that were celebrated with as much zeal and pride as the Fourth of July is by Americans and Bastille Day by the French?

Lā Ho'iho'i Ea, literally the day sovereignty was restored, was a holiday celebrated in the Kingdom of Hawai'i. Modern observations of this day include ceremonies taking place at different sites around Hawai'i, including a key commemoration at Thomas Square in Honolulu.

The following is a narrative of the events that brought about this important day.

In the year 1825, Richard Charlton arrived in Hawai'i to assume the newly-created position of British ambassador to the islands. Fifteen years later, in 1840, his false claim to a parcel of land sparked the "Paulet Episode," causing the forced cession and restoration of the sovereignty of the Hawaiian Islands.

To substantiate his claim, Charlton submitted to Kauikeaouli, King Kamehameha III, what he asserted to be a 299-year lease for the land in question. This land was not his personal residence, Wailele, but an adjoining parcel named Pūlaholaho which was occupied by the retainers and heirs of Kaʻahumanu. Charlton attested that it was granted to him by Kalanimoku in 1826.

Kamehameha III rejected the claim, citing the fact that Kalanimoku, then kuhina nui or prime minister of the Hawaiian Kingdom, did not have the authority in 1826 to grant the lease. At that time, Ka'ahumanu was kuhina nui, and only she and the king had the power to execute such grants.

Nearly two years after his claim was rejected, Charlton prepared to return to England to further press his case against the Hawaiian government.

Before taking leave, he appointed Alexander Simpson to assume the role of "acting consul" in his stead. Simpson was a Hudson's Bay Company trader stationed in Honolulu. The Hawaiian government, however, never recognized Simpson as the legitimate replacement for Consul Charlton.

Charlton set sail in September of 1842. Lord George Paulet, a captain in the British Navy, was in Mexico when Charlton arrived there

Lā Hoʻihoʻi Ea

July 29, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The annual Hawaiian Restoration Day commemoration includes education, cultural sharing, community networking and free music. Moani Akaka and Puanani Rogers will be honored. Free. Thomas Square, www.lahoihoiea.org.

Lā Hoʻihoʻi Ea ceremony and statue unveiling

July 31, 10 a.m.

The City and County of Honolulu's celebration includes the unveiling of a statue of King Kamehameha III at the renovated Thomas Square Park, followed by the inaugural sacred lei draping. The Royal Hawaiian Band will provide music and Puakea Nogelmeier will provide keynote remarks. Free. Thomas Square Park, Honolulu, moca-info@honolulu.gov.

en route to London. Having Paulet's audience, Charlton voiced his complaints about the mistreatment he and other British subjects had received in Hawai'i and promoted the idea of annexing the islands to the crown.

When Charlton's story reached the ears of Rear Admiral Richard Thomas, a commander of British naval forces in the Pacific, Captain Paulet was sent to investigate the incident. He landed in Honolulu on February 10, 1843.

Paulet was quite set on the idea that Hawai'i was his for the taking. He swiftly implemented the era's commonplace diplomatic practice of gun-boat diplomacy, which forced the kingdom under duress via threat of violence. On February 25, 1843, Kamehameha III ceded Hawai'i under protest and appeal to the queen of Britain.

One of Paulet's earliest orders following the cession-under-protest ceremony in Honolulu was for all of the Hawaiian flags to be collected and destroyed.

Meanwhile, months before this British occupation commenced, Kamehameha III had sent his own diplomatic envoys abroad to secure international recognition of Hawai'i as an independent nation. By mid-1843, the United States had already given their formal support

and France their verbal assurance.

Admiral Thomas, after hearing conflicting reports about the situation in the islands, entered Honolulu harbor on July 26 and immediately requested an interview with the king. Edmund James Carpenter described the scene in his book, "America in Hawaii."

"This officer brought the agreeable news that the act of Lord George Paulet had been disavowed and the deed of cession repudiated, and by open declaration he announced that he does not accept of the provisional cession of the Hawaiian Islands made on the twenty fifth day of February 1843 but that he considers His Majesty Kamehameha III the legitimate king of those Islands and he assures His Majesty that the sentiments of his sovereign toward him are those of unvarying friendship and esteem that Her Majesty sincerely desires King Kamehameha to be treated as an independent sovereign leaving the administration of justice in his own hands the faithful discharge of which will promote his happiness and the prosperity of his dominions. The flag of the Hawaiian monarchy was then restored to its place the British flag removed and the episode ended."

On July 31, 1843, Thomas officially restored the sovereignty of the Hawaiian Islands to Kamehameha III. The Union Jack was lowered and the hae Hawai'i raised during a historic ceremony in Honolulu. The location of this event is known today as Thomas Square and was dedicated in honor of Admiral Thomas and this pivotal moment in Hawaiian history.

Later that same day, Kauikeaouli addressed his people on the front steps of Kawaiaha'o Church, proclaiming what would become Hawai'i's motto:

"Ua mau ke ea o ka 'āina i ka pono"

The sovereignty of the land is preserved through justice

This day was celebrated as a national holiday in the Hawaiian Kingdom for the next 50 years and is known as Lā Hoʻihoʻi Ea, Restoration Day.

While Charlton's land claim was resolved successfully by the kingdom and indirectly elevated Hawai'i's status as a member of the Family of Nations, it had another direct consequence: the Māhele of 1848, which forever changed the Hawaiian worldview of land tenure.

CEO MESSAGE

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programs we've funded, scholarship recipients we've helped graduate from college and research we've conducted. Video on our social media channels highlight cultural practitioners who are perpetuating our heritage and traditions; community nonprofits that are working on the ground to improve our beneficiaries' health, economic standing and educational attainment; and the land stewards who protect our natural resources. In highlighting these accomplishments, we're also letting our beneficiaries know about resources for rental and housing assistance, for vocational training and for continued strengthening of cultural identity through language, tradition and practices.

In addition to sharing its own work, OHA builds connections in our communities. Outreach staff on all islands are available to beneficiaries, and their interactions make us more effective advocates at the state Legislature and county councils. As land stewards, our staff members strive to exemplify great konohiki by including area experts and residents in planning, ensuring our comprehensive management plans reflect cultural uses and future aspirations identified by Hawaiians with ties to the area. Our staff is currently working on a community-driven master plan for our 511-acre Wahiawā property surrounding the Kūkaniloko birthing stones to protect that important cultural site while keeping in mind the needs of our farmers and others who use the land.

Our transparency is an invitation to the public to hold us accountable and help us in our efforts. As informed Hawaiians we can uplift the lāhui and create a great Hawai'i.

'O au iho nō me ke aloha a me ka 'oia'i'o,

M. Calle

Kamana'opono M. Crabbe, Ph.D. Ka Pouhana/Chief Executive Officer

HO'OKAHUA WAIWAI ECONOMIC SELE-SUEEICIENCY

A stamp of success for Cardinal **Mailing and Presorting Services**

By Ku'ualohapau'ole Lau

s the youngest of three children growing up in the mailing business, Native Hawaiian business owner Malia Lageman recalls spending her long summer breaks sorting through mail. "My parents would bring home work for us in the summer time," she says. "We would insert pieces into envelopes and they would give us a penny per envelope that we would do."

Lageman is no stranger to the mailing business. In 1972, her parents purchased Cardinal Mailing Services from a family friend. After going to college, Lageman entered into a career in the mailing industry herself. However, it wasn't until 1999 that she had the opportunity to make the Cardinal Mailing Services her own, by purchasing the busi-



Malia Lageman, owner of Cardinal Mailing and Presorting Services. - Photo: Kawena Carvalho-Mattos

ness from her parents. Since then, Cardinal Mailing Services has gained clientele from a variety of businesses across the state. In 2011, Lageman expanded beyond mailing to presorting by purchasing assets from an outside company and bringing both businesses under one roof.



When the recession hit in 2009, Cardinal managers made employees a priority. - Photo: Ku'ualohapau'ole Lau

Lageman credits staff teamwork and dedication as the secrets to forming the successful businesses they have today. "Some of the employees here have been with us since the '80s, since I was a kid, and so they are kind of family," says Lageman. These strong relationships have strengthened the productivity and fostered respect in the workplace. However, it wasn't always so smooth sailing.

When the recession hit in 2009, Cardinal Mailing & Presort Services faced the tough financial decision to layoff several staff members. However, with selfless attitudes and team-centered mindsets, managers agreed to take pay cuts ensuring that every employee would keep their job and benefits.

"For me the employees are probably the greatest joy. They are also the most difficult part of owning a business," says Lageman. Her advice to those who are interested in starting up their own business is "Don't grow too fast," and to bring on staff as the needs of the business grows. Lageman encourages other entrepreneurs to dream big and instill their values into their businesses.

A Mālama Loan from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs has helped Cardinal Mailing & Presort Services by providing a \$100,000 loan for purchasing equipment to build the business. More than 2,000 Native Hawaiians have used OHA's low-interest loans to strengthen businesses, repair homes, and consolidate debt. To learn more about the Malama Loan or OHA's other loan programs, visit www. oha.org/loans.

Lawai'a launches fishing gear enterprise

By Lisa Asato

ntrepreneur Isaac Brumaghim first started fishing in his 20s. A "self-taught lawai'a," he was lured to the sport by the fun of it but knew he wasn't interested in getting a boat. Instead a friend encouraged him to try fishing from a canoe as "our Hawaiian ancestors did."

Intrigued, Brumaghim did some research and what he learned about Hawaiian canoe fishermen "lit a fire under me," he says. For Brumaghim, canoe fishing morphed into kayak fishing which, he says, offered "a lot more freedom" as far as hull capacity, workspace and vessel durability because it's made of plastic.

Brumaghim launched Aqua Hunters Collection LLC, a fishing gear and lifestyle brand in 2016. "I sell the gear that will make you look like (a fisherman), but I also sell the gear that makes you one," he says. Aqua Hunters Collection sells hooks and wire, including packets of nickel titanium fishing wire "made with nitinol" and "easy to crimp or tie" - as well as clothing, hats, mugs and photography on his website, aquahunters.com. His fishing tackle are also sold in five shops on three islands: Līhu'e Fishing Supply on Kaua'i; New Maui Fishing Supply on Maui; and J. Hara Store, POP Fishing & Marine (formerly Pacific Ocean Producers) and 'Ewa



Isaac Brumaghim, owner of Agua Hunters Collection, LLC, a fishing gear and lifestyle brand. - Photo: Courtesy

Beach Buy & Sell on O'ahu.

Brumaghim says his products benefit from social media endorsements when fishermen post pictures of their catch using his gear. Additionally, interest in his hooks has grown beyond kayak fishermen to include boaters "catching big tunas," he says. "So slowly but surely I'm expanding into the hands of anyone who wants to fish open ocean out here."

His own experience with his fishing tackle also tells a tale of their quality, resulting in days

when he can't miss. "I'm talking seven for seven, eight for eight, nine for nine. ... Every time I'm getting a strike, that fish is hooked. I have abilities at this point in my life, but my products are part of that too."

His biggest catch from a kayak came in 2012 – a 103-pound yellowfin tuna. But Brumaghim considers his greatest accomplishment watching his three sons, Blaise, 11; AJ, 9; and Pancho, 5, "become fishermen right in front of my eyes." That includes teaching them not only how to fish, but also cleaning and cooking the fish and thus self-reliance in feeding themselves. "That was the greatest gift I could pass on to them," Brumaghim, 43, says. "It gives me that happiness and joy that I'm fulfilling a great goal of mine - to be a teacher to my sons.'

Another legacy of his has been working to unify the kayak fishing community in Hawai'i through a forum in 2004 to share stories, tips and to "grow the sport together," to starting a highly competitive statewide kayak fishing tournament in 2008 that stretched for eight months and brought attention to the skills of local enthusiasts. He didn't continue the tournament because of family and business responsibilities, but Brumaghim says: "Truly the main goal was just to show the world how great Hawai'i fishermen were, and we did that. And that will always make us proud forever."

OHA Mālama Loan Program

Isaac Brumaghim credits an OHA Mālama Loan with providing the capital for research and development and then field-testing on hooks and lines. It also helped him to purchase sample products of designs for his line of hats, sweatshirts, T-shirts and coffee mugs. "The main thing was that my OHA loan gave me the freedom and the money to go and take that step forward in bringing my ideas to light and basically purchasing products and building an inventory as well as the packaging," he says. "Without any of those things it would have just been an idea. I would have been fumbling around for it forever. Sometimes you just need a helping hand from somebody who can believe in your ideas and your visions. I was granted that. I'm very thankful for them for giving me their support and their trust."



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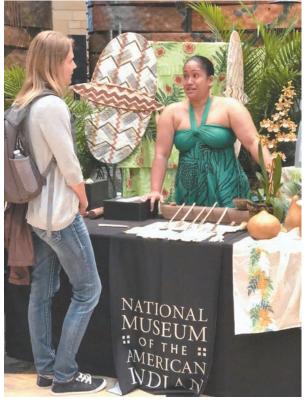








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The OHA D.C. Office celebrated our Hawaiian culture during the Hawai'i Festival at the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian. - *Photo: Marilyn Farias*







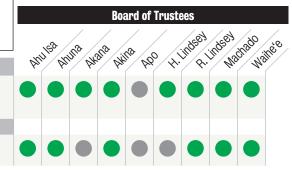


OHA Board Actions

The following actions were taken by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees, and are sumonline at http://www.oha.org/BOT.

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marized here. For more information on board actions, please see the complete meeting minutes posted May 24, 2018 Motion Motion to authorize OHA Administration to assess the feasibility, timing, and downsizing of the current LLC operations Motion passes with eight structure, and to develop a transition plan to replace existing LLC managers, and report back to the RM Committee by AYES, and one EXCUSED. June 30, 2018 Motion passes with six AYES, Motion to authorize administration to utilize \$500,000 for Emergency Disaster Relief on Kaua'i and Hawai'i Island. and three EXCUSED.



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THE BILLS

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PUBLIC LANDS TRANSFER - OPPOSE S.B. 2237

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Consolidates ownership of lands currently being used by the Department of Education (DOE) under the DOE and removes these lands from the "public lands" category in order to make it easier for the DOE to develop and commercialize these lands in order to raise funds. These lands are primarily Kanaka Maoli lands or "ceded lands" (former Hawaiian Kingdom Crown and government lands) to which Kanaka Maoli never relinquished their rights. These lands should not be removed from the "ceded lands" inventory without first consulting the Kanaka Maoli people.

LEASE LIBRARY LANDS - OPPOSE S.B. 2919

Creates a pilot program allowing the DOE to generate revenue for public libraries by giving out 55 year leases for public library sites to the highest bidder. These library lands are public lands the majority of which are Kanaka Maoli national lands. There is no requirement for Kanaka Maoli consultation and no stipulation for 20% of revenue to be used for the betterment of "native Hawaiians."

HILO LAND LEASE EXTENSION - OPPOSE S.B. 3058

Authorizes the extension or modification of the terms of certain public land leases within the Hilo community economic district. OHA testified that by authorizing the extension of leases, this bill could invite century-long leases that would substantially inhibit the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) and future generations from ensuring the best and most appropriate uses of trust lands that could provide much greater benefits for both "Native Hawaiians" and the public.

KULEANA LAND - SUPPORT H.B. 860

Helps Kanaka Maoli families with kuleana lands by alleviating the economic stress of defending themselves against quiet title actions. Kuleana lands were granted to Kanaka Maoli tenant farmers between 1850 and 1855 and include gathering, access, and agricultural rights, as well as the right to build a dwelling. Only 8,205 Kanaka Maoli received Kuleana lands that account for less than 1% of Hawaiian Kingdom lands. Many of these awards were adversely possessed by corporations but a precious few are still in the same families today, keeping their ancestral tie to their lands.

AIRPORTS CORPORATION - OPPOSE S.B. 2996

Authorizes the establishment of the Hawaii Airports Corporation within the Department of Transportation with the authority to exchange, transfer, or convey lands. Airport lands are primarily Kanaka Maoli lands or "ceded lands" (former Hawaiian Kingdom Crown and government lands) to which Kanaka Maoli never relinquished their rights. These lands should not be removed from the "ceded lands" inventory without first consulting the Kanaka Maoli people.

PUBLIC LAND REDEVELOPMENT - OPPOSE H.B. 1469

Establishes procedures for designating public land redevelopment districts and modifies public land lease restrictions. OHA testified that by authorizing options for renewal of lease terms for any and all public lands, as well as allowing indefinite extensions of lease terms for certain lands, this bill could invite century-long leases that substantially inhibit the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) from exploring future uses of trust lands that may provide much greater benefits to both "Native Hawaiians" and the public.

MAUNA KEA - OPPOSE S.B. 3090 AND H.B. 1985 SD2

Establishes the Mauna Kea Management Authority (MKMA) and gives over the governance and management of 11,400 acres of Mauna Kea lands to MKMA. Although the measures put a limit to the number of telescopes allowed on Mauna Kea, the creation of MKMA undermines pending litigation regarding the future of sacred Mauna Kea and its fragile environments and sidesteps powerful efforts of Kanaka Maoli and the public toward healing and resolution.

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Saturday, August 11, 2018

GENERAL:

Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Polls are open from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm

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Kalihi, Salt Lake

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Voters will be asked in the upcoming General Election whether a State Constitutional Convention should be held.

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- →There are other ways to pass laws that allow for greater transparency and full public access and input.
- The entire State Constitution can be changed including existing protections and rights for Native Hawaiians.
- → Hawai'i's Constitution has strong protections for public workers.
- → Hawai 'i's Constitution provides strong environmental policies.
- →A State Constitutional Convention is costly and tax-payers will be forced to pay for it.

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GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATES RESPOND







David Ige

Colleen Hanabusa
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Andria Tupola REPUBLICAN

KPAC asked all Hawai`i's Gubernatorial candidates their stance on issues of concern for Kanaka Maoli. Here are the responses we received.

- 1. Do you support the transfer/sale of any portion of the 1.8 million acres of "ceded lands" aka stolen Hawaiian lands out of the Department of Land and Natural Resources? Yes or No? Explain.

 IGE Yes | HANABUSA Yes | TUPOLA No
- 2. Do you support providing legal protections and automatic property tax exemptions to kuleana land owners confronted with quiet title actions and forced tax auctions?

IGE – Yes | HANABUSA – "It is difficult, if not impossible, to answer this question without knowing the history of specific kuleana parcels of land." | TUPOLA - Yes

3. Do you support the building of the Thirty Meter Telescope on Mauna Kea? Yes or No? Explain.

IGE – Yes | HANABUSA – Yes | TUPOLA – No

4. Would you support the allocation of funds to make all public acts and transactions available in Hawaiian? Yes or No? Explain.

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IGE – Yes | HANABUSA – Yes | TUPOLA - Yes

5. How do you deal with the houseless issue?

IGE – "We use a multi-generational 'Ohana Nui approach and invest in children and families. We help families break the cycle of poverty and address the root cause or social determinants of health, which include healthcare, education, safety, living/work environments, and housing..."

HANABUSA – "The houseless issue is a complex multifactoral issue that merits a multifaceted approach...the state must actively lead and show true partnership with the counties in addressing the houseless issue statewide..."

TUPOLA – "My approach to the houseless issue is to find community solutions unique to each community. There is no one size fits all solution and each community has specific resources that can fill the gap where government falls short..."

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The candlenut tree



By Claire Kuʻuleilani Hughes, Dr. PH., R.D.

n 1959, the Hawai'i Legislature named the kukui (candlenut) tree the official emblem for Hawai'i because of its numerous uses and symbolic value.

The kukui tree served a variety of functions in old Hawai'i. Among those uses, the kukui provided an adhesive, fish bait, dyes and pigments, medicines, and nuts for lei-making. The kukui was also used in fire-making, healing and tattooing. Kukui was made into storage containers, and its buoyant wood was used as floats.

Today, kukui's best-remembered function is as a light source. The

mature nut-meat's oily-character provided enough oil to burn and emit light within the hale (homes, buildings) in old Hawai'i. The 'ōlelo (word) kukui means lamp, light or torch in Hawai'i's native language. The sum of its functions gave the kukui significant importance.

Kukui's origin and introduction into Hawai'i is uncertain. Its origin is not Asian, as most other introduced-plants. Kukui is native to Malaysia, Melanesia and Polynesia. Isabella Abbott suggests the seed (nut) made kukui easy to transport from any point in our ancestors' 2500-mile migration route to Hawai'i. The kukui grows easily in moist environments, and sizable groves are still seen on mountain slopes everywhere in Hawai'i.

In old Hawai'i's lore and traditions, the kukui is considered the kinolau (body form) of the god Lono; more specifically, Kamapua'a, the pig god, who is one of Lono's family. Every pig represents Kamapua'a. One kukui variety has a leaf with threepoints that resemble the snout and ears of a pig.

Several groves of huge, old, kukui trees are part of Hawai 'i's mo'olelo (story, tale, legend). Kukui trees grow to massive size, given suffi-



Kukui, or candlenut, is the official tree of Hawai'i. - *Photo: Forest and Kim Starr*

cient water and space. Thus, kukui groves can provide a shaded, spiritual, magical meditation area.

On Moloka'i's east-end is Lanikaula, or Ulukukuialanikaula (the shading kukui of Lanikaula). This was the secluded dwelling of Kalanikaula (the Heavenly Seer). It was customary to seal a vow there, by pounding a lock of the devotee's hair into the soft wood of a kukui tree with a sharp stone.

On Kaua'i Island, near Kīlauea, grew a small grove of ancient kukui trees. This sacred grove was named Kauhakake. On important occasions in history, Kaua'i chiefs and their people would meet in council there. At Makawao on Maui was Lilikoi, a famous grove and place to rest, wellknown for its fragrant and sweet kukui nuts. In Kona on Hawai'i Island, the natives remember two famous kukui groves, Kuaukukuila and Kukuiala'inamona. Also, below Kapāpala, a solitary kukui tree grew on a barren plain. Pele once rested in its shade.

Groves of kukui along the Hamakua coast, once known as the domain of Kamapua'a, were cleared by commercial sugar planters years ago. Prior to clearing the kukui, this area was known to support great numbers of wild boar that fed on fallen kukui nuts.

Finely chopped, roasted kukui nuts mixed with a little salt make a delicious condiment for raw fish. A word of caution: It must be used very sparingly! Kukui is a very powerful purgative, eating too much can mean significant pilikia (trouble), even a trip to the emergency room.

There are several medicinal uses for parts of the kukui. I personally experienced only one - several times. When we were young children, my mother used the kohu kukui (also called pi'iku or kulukulu a) on us. That's the juice that oozes up into the "well" of a mature, green kukui nui, where it was disconnected from the stem. My mother would separate the nut from the stem, use gauze to collect the juicy kohu kukui, then wipe our tongues and inner-cheeks with it. That was to wipe away and clear our tongues and mouth of the "stuff" that caused colds. It is bitter, bitter, bitter! I still shiver at the memory. She laughed heartily at my questioning and complaining about the experience...once, well into my adulthood! My mother maintained, emphatically, that it works.

Ali'i passed on lessons in pono leadership

By Nanea Armstrong-Wassel

hrough purposeful mentorship and specialized training, Hawaiian youth are properly prepared for success in their designated endeavors. This is a Hawaiian cultural characteristic that has prevailed among all classes of society. Good leaders – good people – are influenced by those who teach and lead by example.

Young ali'i were expected to model and emulate their mentors. They were provided with kahuna (specialists) specially chosen to teach them how to strategically and responsibly wield power, and how to control and mālama their resources. These skills were foundational for the proper care of one's people.

This was the way Kamehameha I was trained in the court of his uncle Alapa'inui for the first seven years of his life and later by the warrior

ali'i Kekūhaupi'o. The following advice given to Kamehameha I during his early mentorship is attributed to Kekūhaupi'o:

"'O ke ali'i i lilo i ka le'ale'a a mālama 'ole i ke kanaka me ke kapu akua, 'a'ole ia he ali'i e kū ai i ka moku." [The chief who is taken with pleasure-seeking and cares not for the welfare of the people or the observation of the kapu of the gods is not a chief who will become a ruler.] ('Ōlelo No'eau no. 2451)

This proverb has since become a famous 'ōlelo no'eau (wise saying) imparting that success comes not by seeking idle pleasure and superficial importance, but by living up to one's beliefs and caring for the welfare of others.

Countless lessons passed on through mo'olelo (stories) speak of ali'i who epitomized good and honest leadership, hard work and genuine concern for the well-being of their people. However, just as many stories exist about the 'ino ones: leaders who were selfish and cruel, and who did not care for the best interests of their people.

It is often remarked that after Kaleleake'anae, the battle of Nu'uanu, Kamehameha I immediately set about restoring the agricultural capabilities of the areas devastated by combat. He knew that the only way he could bring about peace and stability, and exemplify good governance, was to return life to the land and feed the people. Kamehameha also knew that he could not place the burden of feeding his large Hawai'i Island armies on the people of O'ahu. He had a responsibility as makua (father) to the newly-conquered population.

John Papa 'Ī'ī, 19th-century Hawaiian historian, politician, judge, and close Kamehameha family kahu and advisor witnessed the personal participation of Kamehameha I in the large-scale planting efforts:

When Kamehameha went to Nu'uanu, mounted on his horse, Kawaiolaloa, many of the children. including Ii, followed him with great interest. They found innumerable people all over the farming area, from down below the present road at Niuhelewai to the bend in the road where the houses of the Portuguese now stand...The men, scattered systematically from a spot on the upland side to a place on the seaward side, dug and beat on the banks with dried coconut-leaf stems. The next day they trampled in the wet patches and planted taro. [Mary Kawena Pukui trans.]

Reverend Stephen L. Desha also describes how Kamehameha I modeled for his Hawai'i Island ali'i what pono leadership would look like under his tenure. Desha illustrates in his newspaper serial, Moolelo kaao no Kuhaupio ke koa kaulana o ke au o Kamehameha ka Nui:

However, before he [Kame-

hameha] began his journey, he commenced the planting of kalo at the place called Kapālama and Niuhelewai ...Not only did his warriors participate, but Kamehameha encouraged his ali'i from Hawai'i to enter into this work of farming on the land over which they had triumphed. [Frances Frazier trans.]

Kamehameha's rule exemplified the practice of "e 'ōpū ali'i." This practice emphasized being a kind and generous ruler by ensuring the security, protection and nourishment of the people. As part of this practice, Kamehameha secured Niuhelewai, Kapālama and Nu'uanu Valley as his own personal farm lands. These famed lands were the starting point and resource base for his island circuit to provide manpower and food for his people.

In this season of elections, may we be fortunate enough to have leaders who will civically engage in their governing responsibilities with the same aloha for Hawai'i and its people as did our ali'i of the past.



Dreaming of the future?

Hāloalaunuiakea Early Learning Center is a place where keiki love to go to school. It's also a safe place where staff feel good about helping their students to learn and prepare for a bright future.

The center is run by Native Hawaiian U'ilani Corr-Yorkman. U'ilani wasn't always a business owner. She actually taught at DOE for 8 years. A Mālama Loan from OHA helped make her dream of owning her own preschool a reality. The low-interest loan allowed U'ilani to buy fencing for the property, playground equipment, furniture, books...everything needed to open the doors of her business. U'ilani and her staff serve the community in 'Ele'ele, Kaua'i, and have become so popular that they have a waiting list.

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YEAR OF THE HAWAIIAN - KE AU HAWAI'I

Perspectives of a Young Hawaiian Leader



JACOB KA'ŌMAKAOKALĀ AKI

Ke Au Hawai'i's vision

e ho'oulu ai (It is for us, the descendants, to rebuild)

We celebrate the vibrancy of Native Hawaiian culture, recognize pivotal events that altered the course of Hawai'i's history, and honor the advancements made by Native Hawaiians that continue to enrich the lives of all people of Hawai'i.

generation has passed since more than 40,000 Hawaiians gathered at Aloha Stadium for Hoʻolokahi – Hawaiian Unity Day – the culmination of the Year of the Hawaiian, Hoʻolako, in 1988.

Today those who remember Ho'olako can look back on three decades of accomplishments, while young Hawaiians can consider how to build off these advancements over the next 30 years and beyond. On Aug. 4, thousands of Hawaiians can join together for Ke Au Hawai'i, a Year of Hawaiian festival at Aloha Stadium. Ke Au Hawai'i recalls Ho'olokahi in 1988 – but in a different location, and in a different era.

For a perspective on what the Year of the Hawaiian means in 2018, we asked Jacob Ka'ōmakaokalā Aki, a 23-year-old emerging leader who has advocated for Hawaiian issues at the state Legislature, at the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs annual convention and even at the United Nations.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO YOU TO BE HAWAIIAN IN 2018?

I believe that in this day and age, having the koko doesn't necessarily make you Hawaiian. To me, being a Hawaiian in 2018 means that

ADVANCEMENTS

Advancements over the past 30 years (since the last Year of the Hawaiian celebration in 1988):

- > Creation of Kula Kaiapuni immersion schools
- > Growth of Hawaiian focused charter schools to 15
- > Creation of Kahaka'ula o Ke'elikōlani Hawaiian language immersion college
- > In 1994, return of the island of Kaho'olawe to the people of Hawai'i
- > Mālama Honua Worldwide Voyage: raised global awareness mālama honua
- > Repatriation of Kalani'ōpu'u's mahiole and 'ahu'ula to Hawai'i
- > Creation of laws to protect iwi kūpuna and sacred burials
- > Resurgence of Native Hawaiian action to reaffirm our people's relationship with 'āina, kai and our environment; imbed our customs, traditions and values in government and decision making processes
- > Creation of Papa Ola Lōkahi, serving Native Hawaiians in health care and wellbeing, in 1988 through the Native Hawaiian Health Care Act
- > Various Acts of Congress and Executive actions at the federal level recognizing the special legal and political relationship between the federal government and the Native Hawaiian people, based on their unique political status as Hawai'i's Indigenous people

ANNIVERSARIES

These are accomplishments from the last generation.

- > 125 years since the overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom
- > 100th anniversary of the first Hawaiian Civic Club by Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole
- > 40th anniversary of the creation of the Hawaiian Language immersion programs; Hawaiian language was brought back from the brink of extinction; more than 20,000 people now speak the language
- > 25th anniversary of the issued formal apology by the President of the United States for America's role in the overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom on January 17, 1893
- > 40th anniversary of the creation of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs by the 1978 Constitutional Convention, and various advancements of Native Hawaiian rights through the amendment of the Hawai'i State Constitution
- > 40 years since the State recognized Native Hawaiian rights to a pro rata share of Public Land Trust revenue; that portion of Hawaiian Kingdom lands currently held by the state as a public trust

WHY IS IT IMPOR-TANT TO HAVE THIS YEAR PROCLAIMED YEAR OF THE HAWAIIAN?

your kuleana.

you have an understanding of

what your role and kuleana

is in the efforts of advancing

our people forward. Being

Hawaiian is understanding

I believe that the Year of the Hawaiian can serve as a catalyst for unity amongst our people. 2018 is a significant year because it marks 125 years since the illegal overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom; 100 years since the founding of Hale O Nā Ali'i O Hawai'i and the establishment of the Hawaiian Civic Clubs; 40 years of 'Ōlelo Hawai'i as an offi-

cial state language; over 35 years since the beginning of the 'Ōlelo Hawai'i movement; and 30 years since the issuance of the Apology Resolution by President Clinton.

Ke Au Hawai'i can serve as a platform for us to celebrate our successes, but more importantly, it serves as a reminder for the hard work that we have ahead of us. I think every year should be the year of the Hawaiian, but 2018 can serve as the starting point of where we want to steer our lāhui for the next thirty years.

WHAT ARE SOME OF THE

Over the past 30 years,

our lāhui has made sig-

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Year of the Hawaiian -Ke Au Hawai'i **Festival**

Aug. 4, 5 to 10 p.m. Aloha Stadium Lower Lot

Celebrate the Year of the Hawaiian 2018 with mele, mākeke, mea 'ai and mana'o. Entertainment includes 'Ekolu, Fiji, Sudden Rush, Hālau Hula Pua Ali'i 'Ilima and 'Aha Pūnana Leo. Tickets are \$15, keiki 10 and under are free. Ticket and event info at www.keauhawaii.com.

Mahalo to Ke Au Hawai'i organizers Kamehameha Schools, Kaiwi Entertainment, Hawai'i's Finest, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawaii Tourism Authority and Council for Native Hawaiian

and culture, are beginning to innovatively and creatively integrate traditional practices with contemporary art and culture (i.e. Manaola, Kealopiko and etc.) More importantly, we have made significant advances in reclaiming

'Ōlelo Hawai'i as a medium of

education from pre-kindergar-

ten to the 12th grade and into

post-secondary and college;

more parents are choosing

'Ōlelo Hawai'i and Hawaiian

Cultural Based Education as

the medium of education for

a resurgence in cultural

practices that have inspired

a new generation of Kanaka

'Ōiwi practitioners. This new generation of practi-

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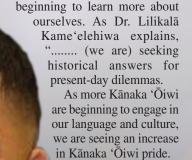
We have also experienced

their keiki.

our identity as a people. Embedded in that endeavor are major efforts to reclaim our history. Within the past 30 years, we have seen an increase in Kānaka 'Ōiwi scholars who are beginning

to tell our mo'olelo through our own lens. Non-Hawaiians have been telling our story for too long and we are making great strides to change the narratives.

As a lāhui, we continue to suffer from many socio-economic disparities that have plagued our people for generation, thus, contributing to the historical trauma that we continue to experience today. However, as we are changing the narrative and beginning to uncover more of our own, we are



HOW DOES YOUR GENERATION BENEFIT FROM THE WORK AND ADVOCACY OF THOSE WHO WERE INVOLVED IN THE 1988 YEAR OF THE HAWAIIAN?

As kānaka, we stand on the shoulders of those who have come before us. It is through their hard work and sacrifice that we are able to continue to make the significant advances needed to move our people forward.

Those who were involved in the 1988 Year of the Hawaiian and other prior efforts to revitalize our language and culture have laid the foundation on which we build on. If it were not for their vision, foresight and urgency, we would not have institutions like Punana Leo, Nā Kula Kaiapuni, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and others who continually advocate for our lāhui; we would not have the thriving culture that our keiki are able to experience today; and we would probably not be standing here celebrating the successes that we have experienced over the last 30 years.

We owe a great deal to those that have come before us.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE WILL BE ACCOM-PLISHED IN THE NEXT 30 YEARS?

Personally, my biggest hope for the next 30 years would be to witness the re-establishment of a Native Hawaiian government; I would like to see the raising of our Hawaiian Nation. However, I believe that our lāhui needs to continue to make bigger strides before we are ready to govern ourselves.

First, I would like to see more Kānaka Ōiwi engaged and rooted in our language and culture. I believe that the best way to rehabilitate our people is to provide them with opportunities to engage in cultural practices and activities. In order to raise a nation, we are going to need a strong population; and I am a firm believer that cultural engagement is one of the solutions to solve the socio-economic disparities that we continue to face.

Secondly, I would like to see more unity among our people. I would like to see our people attain the political discipline needed to sit down, hash out our differences, agree to disagree and do what we need to do to create a more vibrant lāhui for future generations.

Lastly, I would like to see more Kānaka Ōiwi in decision making roles. If we are to raise a nation, we need to begin grooming the next generation of leaders who are well-versed in both western and Hawaiian leadership styles. We need more Kānaka 'Ōiwi at the table where major decisions are being made and who can be a voice for our lāhui.

ABOUT JACOB

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He is a graduate of the Kamehameha Schools and received a B.A. in Hawaiian Studies from the University of Hawai'i at Manoa.

Jacob is an active member of the King Kamehameha Hawaiian Civic Club and Pā Ku'i A Lua. In addition, he is currently the IkūHa'i (President) of Hale O Nā Ali'i O Hawai'i, 'Ahahui Po'o Helu 'Ekahi, Hālau O Wahīika'ahu'ula.

His passion includes: Hawaiian language, Hawaiian culture, politics and being of service to the Hawaiian community.

Jacob Ka'ōmakaokalā Aki. - Photo: Michi Moore





HTA Offers Funding to Programs Supporting Hawaiian Culture, Hawaii's **Natural Resources and Community-Based Events** in 2018

The Hawaii Tourism Authority has announced funding support will be provided to qualified applicants for programs in 2018 that perpetuate Hawaiian culture, preserve Hawaii's natural resources and present community-based festivals and events.

Funding will be awarded through a request for proposals (RFPs) process for three HTA programs, Kukulu Ola, Aloha Aina and Community Enrichment, which are offered to help improve the quality of life for residents and enhance the visitor experience for tourists.

"How we celebrate the Hawaiian culture, protect our environment, and share our way of life in communities is key to Hawaii's future and why we place such importance in supporting groups and individuals committed to these ideals," said George D. Szigeti, HTA president and CEO. "These programs help guide how our communities embrace sustainability and uphold the qualities that make the Hawaiian Islands such a magnificent place to live and visit."

The three programs that HTA has issued RFPs for and will provide funding support to qualified applicants statewide in 2018 are as follows.

- > Kukulu Ola (RFP 17-13): HTA is supporting programs that enhance, strengthen and help to perpetuate the Hawaiian culture by cultural practitioners, craftsmen, musicians and
- > Aloha Aina (RFP 17-14): HTA is supporting programs that help preserve and enhance the quality of Hawaii's treasured natural resources for the enjoyment of current and future generations.
- > Community Enrichment (RFP 17-12): HTA is supporting community-oriented programs, festivals and

special events promoting culture, education, health and wellness, nature, agriculture, sports, technology and "voluntourism" for the enjoyment of residents and visitors.

The deadline for applicants to submit proposals to HTA seeking funding support for their programs in any of the three categories is Friday, August 4, at 4:30 p.m.

Program applications are available at HTA's website atwww.hawaiitourismauthority.org/about-hta/rfps.

All inquiries should be directed to Ronald Rodriguez, HTA procurement officer, via email atcontracting@ gohta.net or by phone at (808) 973-9449.

RFP Information Sessions HTA is hosting public information sessions on all islands about the application and award process for the RFPs at the following locations. Interested applicants are encouraged to attend and ask questions about receiving funding support.

- > O'ahu Wednesday, July 5, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., Hawai'i Convention Center, Emalani Theatre, 1801 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu
- > Kaua'i Thursday, July 6, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., Līhue Civic Center, Pi'ikoi Building, Meeting Rooms A & B, 4444 Rice Street, Līhue
- > **Kona** Friday, July 7, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., West Hawai'i Civic Center, Building A, Council Chambers, 74-5044 Ane Keohokalole Highway, Kailua-Kona
- > Hilo Friday, July 7, 2:30 5:30 p.m., County of Hawai'i Aging and Disability Resource Center, Training Room, 1055 Kinoole Street, Suite #101, Hilo
- > Moloka'i Tuesday, July 11, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Building D, 600 Maunaloa Highway, Kaunakakai
- > **Maui** Monday, July 17, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Maui Arts and Cultural Center, Alexa Higashi Room, 1 Cameron Way, Kahului
- > Lāna'i Monday, July 17, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., Lanai Cultural and Heritage Center, 730 Lanai Avenue, #126, Lāna'i City

WAIKOLOA AHUPUA'A, SOUTH KOHALA. ISLAND OF HAWAI'I

ASM Affiliates is preparing a Cultural Impact Assessment (CIA) to support environmental permitting associated with the proposed development of TMKs: (3) 6-8-002:005, 006, 028, 029, and 030, located in Waikoloa Ahupua'a, South Kohala, Island of Hawai'i. This CIA will serve as a companion document to the environmental documentation being prepared in compliance with HRS Chapter 343.

We are seeking consultation with any community members that might have knowledge of traditional cultural uses of the proposed project area; or who are involved in any ongoing cultural practices that may be occurring on or in the general vicinity of the subject properties, which may be impacted by the proposed project. If you have and can share any such information please contact Bob Rechtman brechtman@ asmaffiliates.com, or Lauren Tam Sing ltamsing@asmaffiliates.com, phone (808) 969-6066, mailing address ASM Affiliates 507A E. Lanikāula Street, Hilo, HI 96720.

NORTH KOHALA DISTRICT, ISLAND OF HAWAI'I

All persons having information concerning unmarked burials on a roughly 40-acre property (TMK: (3) 5-9-001:008) in Kahuā 1st Ahupua'a, North Kohala District, Island of Hawai'i are hereby requested to contact Dr. Bob Rechtman, ASM Affiliates, Inc. (808) 969-6066, 507A E. Lanikaula St., Hilo, HI 96720, and/or Mr. Kea Calpito, DLNR-SHPD Burial Sites Program (808) 933-7653, 40 Po'okela St., Hilo, HI 96720.

There is an existing DLNR-SHPD approved Burial Treatment Plan that addresses some of these burials, but a proposed change in land use necessitates updating that plan and including additional burials that have been discovered subsequent to the approval of that plan.

Appropriate treatment of the remains will occur in accordance with HRS, Chapter 6E, respective to this burial site. The landowner intends to preserve the burial in place, following the preparation of a Burial Treatment Plan in consultation with any identified descendants and with the approval of the Hawai'i Island Burial Council. All interested parties should respond within thirty (30) days of this notice and provide information to DLNR-SHPD adequately demonstrating lineal descent from these specific Native Hawaiian remains, or cultural descent from ancestors once residing or buried in the same ahupua'a or moku.

HO'OLAHA LEHULEHU
PUBLIC NOTICE

BURIAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES IS HEREBY GIVEN that an in situ human burial site, designated as State Inventory of Historic Places (SIHP) # 50-80-14-7066 Feature 178, and additional isolated human skeletal remains designated as part of SIHP # -7066 Feature 170, and SIHP # -7067 (a previously identified in situ burial site), were identified by Cultural Surveys Hawai'i, Inc. during the course of data recovery fieldwork conducted in 2013, related to the Princess Ka'iulani Hotel Redevelopment Project, Waikīkī Ahupua'a, Honolulu (Kona) District, O'ahu, TMKs: [1] 2-6-022:001 and 041.

Following the procedures of Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 6E-43, and Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR) Chapter 13-300, these remains are believed to be over 50 years old. Based on the context, they are reasonably believed to be Native Hawaiian.

Background research indicates that these remains were located on or near the border between Land Commission Award (LCA) 104 F.L.:5, awarded during the Māhele to M. Kekūanao'a, and LCA 2084:3, awarded to Keohokahina. Other LCAs in the project area or its vicinity are: LCA 1506 to Waikīkī, Wahine; LCA 2006:3 to Male; LCA 2079:1 to Kauhola;

LCA 2082:2 to Kuene; LCA 6324 to Kameheu; and LCA 8559 B:31 to W.C. Lunalilo.

The landowner is Kyo-ya Ka'iulani, LLC. The contact person with Kyo-ya for this burial notice is Mr. Michael Takayama, Director of Real Estate [2255 Kalākaua Ave., 4F, Honolulu, HI, 96815, TEL (808) 931-8621]. Prior archaeological work within the Princess Ka'iulani Redevelopment project area between 2011 and 2015 has resulted in prior finds of human skeletal remains and burial sites. Appropriate treatment for these prior finds has been worked out in consultation with the recognized Native Hawaiian cultural descendants, the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD), the landowner, and the O'ahu Island Burial Council (OIBC).

The landowner proposes that the in situ burial (SIHP # -7066 Feature 178) and the fragmentary previously disturbed remains (SIHP # -7066 Feature 170 and SIHP # -7067) be preserved in place within established burial preserve areas. However, the decision to preserve in place or relocate these previously identified human remains shall be made by the OIBC in consultation with the SHPD and any recognized lineal and/or cultural descendants, per the requirements of HAR Chapter 13-300-33. Appropriate treatment shall occur in accordance with HAR Chapter 13-300-38.

All interested persons having any knowledge of the identity or history of these human remains are requested with 30 days of the publication of this notice to contact Ms. Regina Hilo, SHPD Burial Site Specialist, at 601 Kamokila Boulevard, Room 555, Kapolei, Hawai'i 96707 [TEL (808) 692-8015, FAX (808) 692-8020]. All interested parties shall file descendancy claim forms and/or provide information to the SHPD adequately demonstrating lineal descent from these specific human remains or cultural descent from ancestors buried in the same *ahupua* 'a or district.





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Senator demonstrated dedication to Hawaiians

n May, Hawai'i paid tribute to the late Senator Daniel Kahikina Akaka in public memorial ceremonies. OHA had an opportunity to give our aloha to Aunty Millie and their 'ohana. In paying my final respects to Senator Akaka, I was overwhelmed with emotions as I recalled this great man and our many years working together for the future of Native Hawaiians.

Senator Akaka's dedication to Native Hawaiians. and his landmark legislation to extend parity in federal

recognition for Native Hawaiians, was paramount in his career. So much so that it was a key theme in the final words in the U.S. Senate in December 2012. This continuous excerpt below shows Senator Akaka's full intent of these words, his legislative legacy, and a career's commitment to self-determination for our people.

"I am proud to be the first Native Hawaiian ever to serve in the Senate, just as I am so proud to be one of the three U.S. Army World War II veterans who remain in the Senate today.

The United States is a great country. One of the things that makes us so great is that though we have made mistakes, we change, we correct them, we right past wrongs. It is our responsibility as a nation to do right by America's Native people, those who exercised sovereignty on lands that later became part of the United States. While we can never change the past, we have the power to change the future.

Throughout my career I have worked to ensure that my colleagues understand the Federal relationship with Native peoples and its origins in the Constitution. The U.S. policy of supporting self-determination and self-governance for indigenous peoples leads to Native self-sufficiency, resulting in our continued ability to



The United States has recognized hundreds of Alaskan Native and American Indian communities. It is long past time for the Native Hawaiian people to have the same rights, same privileges, and same opportunities as every other federally recognized Native people.

For more than 12 years now, I have worked with the Native Hawaiian community and many others to develop the Native Hawaiian Reauthorization Act, which has the strong support of Hawaii's Legislature and Governor as the best path forward toward reconciliation.

My bill has encountered many challenges, but it is pono—it is right—and it is long overdue. Although I will not be the bill's sponsor in the 113th Congress, it will forever bear my highest aspirations and heartfelt commitment to the Native Hawaiian people, the State of Hawaii, and the United States of America.

I know I am just one in a long line working to ensure that our language, our culture, and our people continue to thrive for generations to come. I believe Hawaii has so much to teach the world and this institution. In Congress and in our Nation, we are truly all together, in the same canoe. If we paddle together in unison, we can travel great distances. If the two sides of the canoe paddle in opposite directions, we will only go in circles."

OHA faces great opposition in the work we do to empower our lāhui. However, in taking example from our beloved Senator Akaka before us, we will not waver and we will not let forces hinder us from accomplishing what we know to be pono. We must unite and holomua forward.

OHA releases checks to Native hawaiians impacted by april flood on Kaua'i

Office of Hawaiian Affairs News Release

ANALEI. KAUA'I - The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) on June 20 distributed the first set of disaster relief checks to 58 Native Hawaiians households impacted by the April flood on Kaua'i.

The checks were distributed at OHA's Board meeting at the Waipā Foundation in Hanalei, Kaua'i.



Ahuna

Vice Chair. Trustee, Kaua'i and Ni'ihau

natural disasters on Kaua'i and Hawai'i Island.

Since then, OHA began collaborating with Catholic Charities Hawai'i to distribute \$200,000 in OHA funds to Native Hawaiian households on Kaua'i affected by the flood. The one-time emergency financial assistance may be used for food, clothing, medicine, or other materials; emergency housing; medical and related services; transportation; and dependent child or elder care. In addition, OHA is





The Office of Hawaiian Affairs is providing aid to help our beneficiaries recover and rebuild their lives and homes after the flooding. - Photos: Kawena Carvalho-Mattos

"This community is working extremely hard to bounce back,' said Kaua'i and Ni'ihau Trustee Dan Ahuna. "The support OHA has been able to provide is an example of what we can accomplish when we as an agency stand behind our community. We have relief funds still available and urge people to help us get the word out to beneficiaries who still need kokua."

On June 7, the OHA Board announced a relief package of emergency loans and \$500,000 in aid for Native Hawaiians impacted by the

partnering with the Waipā Foundation to distribute \$50,000 to kalo farmers affected by the flooding and is also offering disaster relief loans for a variety of needs.

For information on OHA's Kaua'i disaster relief programs, please visit www.oha.org/kauai or contact the OHA Kaua'i Community Outreach Center at 808-241-3390 or email info@oha.org.

Updates for OHA's relief efforts for Hawai'i Island will be available at www.oha.org/puna.

Robert K.

Lindsey, Jr.

Trustee, Hawai'i





So Where is the "Forensic" **Audit Trustees Promised?**

he most frequent question I am asked by beneficiaries is "Where is the forensic audit?" While the term "forensic" is just an informal nickname, we all know that we are talking about the independent audit for fraud, waste and abuse, which the Trustees authorized back on February 8, 2017.

Thanks to a May 22, 2018 Committee on Resource Management update, I can now tell you the shocking truth. After over a year of endless delays and obstacles, the independent audit

has not even started! That's right. As of the deadline for submitting this article, we do not have a signed contract with any auditing firm to perform the work!

As chair of the Audit Advisory Committee, I've done everything within my power to honor the wishes of beneficiaries that we conduct this audit. And I can assure you that Trustee Hulu Lindsey, Chair of OHA's Committee on Resource Management, has tirelessly supported and advocated for it

Unfortunately, OHA's execution of the procedural hoops to jump through has taken place at a snail's pace.

Although trustees unanimously approved the independent audit, we have heard excuses over the past several months as to why it is not necessary.

Clean bill of health?

One excuse is the claim that OHA has had many annual audits, and these audits have, according to OHA's CEO and some trustees, given OHA a clean bill of health. Don't be fooled! The reality is that these audits are merely required "financial statements" audits. They simply show that our financial statements are in order, but are not designed to systematically look for fraud, waste and abuse.

Don't believe the State's scathing audit of OHA?

Another excuse is the claim that the recent State Auditor's reports on OHA (which are available at http://files.hawaii.



gov/auditor/Reports/2018/18-03. pdf and http://files.hawaii.gov/ auditor/Reports/2018/18-03.pdf) are mistaken in their scathing criticism of OHA. But to that, I simply ask, "Who are you going to believe?" Please see my Ka Wai Ola May 2018 article, entitled "Why the State Audit is Good Medicine for OHA," for a fair analysis. The reason the State has an independent auditor look into agencies is because there needs to be an external watchdog.

So why has the Independent Audit been delayed?

Perhaps it is best to consider what the independent audit is going to look into, and ask "who would be threatened by a thorough investigation?" Based on the original action item approved by the trustees, the independent audit will look for fraud, waste and abuse in the following areas:

- OHA's limited liability companies
- All contracts over \$100,000 and a sampling of smaller contracts
- · Incidents that have raised red flags with other agencies, such as the State Procurement Office.

Presumably, if there is nothing to hide in these areas, there should be collaborative cooperation among trustees and administration, who are the top stakeholders with regards to the independent audit. Unfortunately, we won't know what, if anything, is being hidden until the independent audit is performed. What we do know is that beneficiaries deserve to be given the truth.

The time has come for beneficiaries to speak up and hold your trustees accountable. You can call or write trustees, or you can come to our public Board meetings to demand that the independent audit be made a top priority.

Trustee Akina welcomes your comments. You may reach him at TrusteeAkina@oha. org or (808) 594-1976.

Visiting Mike Hodson of Waimea

Island sharing stories of different kanaka, we head to Waimea to visit with Michael Lee Kahaeokalaniokapakipika Hodson. Mike, his sweetheart, Patricia Kainoa Hodson, and their 'ohana have lived in Waimea for many years. Many on Hawai'i Island know them through their family farm, WOW Farm Inc. That success story is worthy of a whole article by itself. However, I would like to share with you a little more about Mike and his 'ohana that some people may not know.

Mike grew up in his early years on the leeward coast of O'ahu. He spent time in 'Ewa Beach, Mā'ili and Wai'anae. He attended Campbell High School and Hilo High School. At the tender age of 19, he began his career at the Hawai'i Police Department. He spent 27 years in the department before retiring as a Narcotic Detective. His wife, Kainoa, also attended Campbell High School and then Honoka'a High School. She is a 3rd generation Waimea Hawaiian Home Lands lessee. They have 4 children and 6 grandchildren.

For the past 13 years, Mike has been a homestead farmer. He has been the President of the Waimea Hawaiian Homesteaders Association (WHHA) for the past 8 years. He has been the Chairman of the Waimea Nui Community Development Corporation for the past 5 years. Working with Federal, State and County agencies, he led the "Veteran-to-Farmer Program" or "Farming for the Working-Class Program" as it was dubbed by the kama'āina of Waimea. Now, after 66 years of waiting and due to the WHHA's persistence coupled with support from state leaders, the Waimea Nui Community Development Initiative began construction in March 2018.

When asked about the future of Hawai'i

loha nui kākou! As we continue and our kānaka, he shared some personal our journey around Hawai'i thoughts. Here is some of what he had to

> "It starts with our native Hawaiians as defined in the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. Each of our 21 regions of homestead lands could be a political subdivision or state of the future Native Hawaiian Government. This would breathe life into Prince Kūhiō's plan of getting our people back on the land and fulfilling the main purpose of rehabilitation. Our people could go back to what we once were in being socially accepted, thriving culturally, being highly educated, being economically self-sufficient

and politically sovereign."

He cautions us to remember our differences and explains it in this way. "By lumping us all together as one language, one culture, and one belief, this amounts to a campaign of cultural eradication...a genocide of sorts." He goes on to say, "...thirty years from now, each community may face regret and mourn for their old ways, region by region!"

Before passing in the 1990s, Mike's Tūtū Wahine, a retired teacher and fluent in our native tongue, told him how difficult it was to speak to our young people learning the language for the first time as adults in institutions of higher learning. "They are changing our language," she would say. "The old tongue is dying, and the new University tongue is taking over. No can help. No more much of us left!"

"Today," he says, "Let's not do it again! We must respect the different cultural practices of each native community! We must fulfill Prince Kūhiō's plan. We are a land-based people and our land base is different from district to district. Our cultural practices may be different from district to district. Let's not do it again!"

E holomua kākou. Always with aloha...



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

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HUKIKU / KEULUA – The 'ohana of Moke Hukiku & Kapali Keulua have family reunion activities planned July 21-28, 2018 on O'ahu. The 'ohana includes the descendants of James Moses, Mary Kiko, Annie Flores, Jack Moses, Joseph Kaahanui Moses, Frank Moke, Louise Larinaga, Kalei Tisalona, & Malia Santiago, as well as those of Pio Anakolio, Lokalia Anakolio Holt, James Lawrence Holt, Kaluna Keawekane, Malia Kaneaiakala, Keola's/Ahsing's, & Kaahanui's. Contact E. Kalani Flores (e-mail: Hukiku.Keulua@gmail.com / ph: 808-885-5383 Hawai'i Island) for further information.

KALEOHANO/WENTWORTH - To all descendants of (h) Apela married (w) Waiolae, children are: Kajana Apela (h) James W Kaleohano (w) Kekipi. Tutu Kekipi's parents are: (h) Keawe (w) Poaimoku, whose children are: (w) Kuaana (h) Peahi Kealakai, (h) Hawila (w) Alice Wentworth, (h) Holualoa (w) Keawehaku Kaholi, (h) HolHolua (w) Keawehaku Kaonohi, (h) Apela (w) Kamela Kaula (h) Howard Hawila Kaleohano & (w) Alice Ale Wentworth, There will be a family reunion July 7 and 8, 2018, in Kailua-Kona at the Old Kona Airport. Descendants of Ella Kawailani Wentworth (Obed Naukana Kaiawe). Moses Moke Wentworth (Annie Kaapa/Ilima Uhai Hao). Alice Ale Wentworth (George K. Beck Sr.), Louisa Kekipi Kaleohano (James Kealaiki Sr.), Annie Kaleohano (Annum Y. Kealamakia), Adeline Waialoa Kaleohano (Moses Keale Sr./Joseph Kahale), Sophia Kapono Kaleohano (Daniel Huakanou Kaiawe), Smith Kaleohano (Louisa Kawale Kaupu), Howard Hawila Kaleohano (Mabel U. Kahale/ Lily Kanohea), Daisy Kauwana Kaleohano (Acho Young), Mary Haulani Kaleohano (W. Kurishige/J. Valera) are all invited to this event. For registration and more info, contact Dean Kaiawe (808)987-3229, Sonya Fukushima (808)323-3574. Christine Mendoza (808) 430-5547 or visit the Kaleohano/Wentworth family page on Facebook for updates. kaleohano.wentworth@gmail.com.

KEOHOKAPU – "KEOHOKAPU Reunion (Na Mamo O Keoua ame Kelekia Keohokapu)" Planning for our Ohana to gather in North Kohala from Aug. 9 -12, 2018. For details, questions & number attending, please call Faye @ (808)225-3666. We also want to update our family's genealogy, so please complete your immediate family's info & mail to PO Box 190683 Hawi. HI 96719

KUAKAHELA-KALIMAONAONA

- The descendants of Kuakahela and Keaka Kalimaonaona is scheduled for July 28 and 29 2018 in Kailua-Kona at Makaeo Events Pavilion. Children: Naiheauhau, Kealohapauole, Kaunahi, Kaaihue, Kamau, Kimona (Simeona), Malia, Wahinelawaia and J. K. Kuakahela. Please come and join us to plan this 2-day event. Please contact Agnes if you have questions 808-987-1884

LOPES – The descendants of Seraphine Lopes & Pakele Kaluahine Kahumoku "2nd Ohana Reunion" is being held on July 29 - 29, 2018 at Swanzy Beach Park, 51-489 Kamehameha Hwy., Ka'a'awa, O'ahu. The reunion gathering day is Saturday, July 28, from 10a to 9p. Please join us for lunch and dinner, bring a main dish w/ dessert. 'Ohana will have music, games,

talk story and genealogy updates during the reunion. Camping is allowed on July 27 - 29, but you must obtain a C&C of Honolulu camping permit. The 13 descendants of Seraphine Lopes & Pakele Kaluahine Kahumoku are: Seraphine Ir Louie Tom John (Violet Makia) Thomas (Annette Bogdanoff), Frank (Christina Bogdanoff), Eben "Nahi" (Maria Torres), Charles (Annie Ale Kaleleiki Apana), David (Hannah Higgins), Jenny (Nahi Kukui), Mary (George Schutte), Carrie (Joseph Keoki Paoa), & Girlty (George Medeiros). Musician volunteers are needed and monetary donations are welcomed. Funds will be used for picnic tables, tents, paper goods. For more information contact family representative: Ramona "Bully" DiFolco (808) 263-0121 or cell (808)

LOVELL-HOLOKAHI – Joseph Lovell a me Mary Mele Holokahiki Family reunion, July 12-15, 2018 Kohala Coast, Hawai'i Island, to honor Kupuna Mele Holokahiki who was from Pololū Valley. We need your kōkua: please serve on a committee, donate, and most important – plan on attending. Fill out the questionnaire form ASAP to help our planning. There are a few rooms left at Kohala Village Inn – contact Makalapua at kaawa@hawaii.edu. Contact us at the family email: lovell.holokahiki@gmail.com or call Teri 808-494-5384

MAKUAOLE - To all descendants of Samuel Makuaole Opuweuweu (1852-1917) and daughters, Rebecca 'Kapeka' Makuaole (1883-1975) and Mary 'Mele' Makuaole (1884-1942), of Hakioa, Makaweli, Kaua'i; There will be a Makuaole Family Reunion on the island of Kana'i in 2018 The Reunion dates are July 5 6 & 7, 2018 at Lucy Wright Park in Waimea, Kaua'i. All descendants who have not yet been contacted and are interested in attending the Makuaole Family Reunion are encouraged to contact us for more information. Please submit your contact information (Name, family line, adresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses) to Makuaole2018@Gmail.com or contact Mahe (Lacro) Vegas, daughter of Annie (Apo) Lacro (808.651.1197); or Ikaika Rosa, grandson of Grace (Makuaole) Acain (206.356.3235).

POE - 'Ohana Poe reunion, Aug. 31 to September 3, 2018, Nanakuli Ranch. Inviting Descendants of Harry Wallace George Poe, Sr. (Poe Nui) to our reunion. Poe Nui had three wives, Nauhane Kawelo (Wife 1) Keiki - Kaimi Moo Poe and Harry Wallace George Poe, Jr. (Keoki Nui) who married Luka Pule (Spouse 1): Keiki - Uilama Poe; Elizabeth Kalauoka'ae'a (Spouse 2): Keiki - Harry George Poe (Tutu Man) married Elisa Kahumoku (Spouse 1): Keiki - Emily Poe, Jennie Palau (Spouse 2): Keiki - Solomon Poe and Emily Dung (Spouse 3): Keiki - Isaac, Kapua, Keoki, Kuhi, Kalakapu, David, Ah Ching, Harry George and Edward; Hemolele Ka'aha'aina (Spouse 3): Keiki - Emma Poe married Frederick Meyer. Jr., Annie Poe married Alana Anana, George Poe (Li'ili'i) married Ana Kamaka, Milia Poe married Hihilani Kapela: Keiki - Edna, Victoria, Eleanor, May, Nona and Myrtle; Kahau Kawelo (Wife 2): Keiki - George/Keoki Poe, Emma Kalipo Poe (Spouse 1) Lincoln McCandless: Keiki - Annie Kalipo Poe McCandless married Manuel Stanley Silva, Sr. (Spouse 2) Dung Sing Akana: Keiki - Albert Akana, Helen Akana, Katherine Akana and Alfred Akana; Mary Kananimauloa Poe married (Spouse 1) Albert Kauaua Kalama; (Spouse 2) Samuel Mana Kahoano. Akalapine Kupihea (Wife 3): Keiki – Daniel and James Wallace Palea Poe (Tutu Palea). Contact Adrian Silva at 216-4241 or email kaohanapoe@gmail.com.

PUA - The descendants of David Kaluahi Pua and Maria Kini are planning a family reunion on August 31 - September 2, 2018, at Punalu'u Black Sand Beach, Ka'u, Hawai'i. We have secured the pavillion area for the 3 days. David and Maria had eight children, all of whom produced descendants. They were Violet (Pua) Waltien, Caroline (Pua) Kauwe, Samuel Pua. David Pua Jr., Abigail aka Pake (Pua) Kaupu, Mary Mae aka Fat (Pua) Kaupu, Donald Pua and Eugene Pua. For more information, please contact Ala Kawaauhau at 808-345-5440 or by email at kawaauhauedward@vahoo.com. Please write "Pua Reunion" in the subject line. You may also visit the David Kaluahi Pua a me Maria Kini 'ohana facebook page for updates.

ROBINS-FRIEDENBURG – Thomas Robins/Victoria Friedenburg family gathering on July 14, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. till pau at Punalu'u Beach park in Ka'u, Hawai'i. Please bring a dish to share. Join us and help make this a memorable event. Family, Food, and Fun. RSVP by June 1, 2018 or direct questions to Heidi - robinsfamily808@gmail. com. Kim - robins2friedenburg@gmail.com or 808-929-7130.

VICTOR – The descendants of Kamukai Wikoli and Amelia Akoi, collectively known as the Victor 'Ohana, will be holding its 2018 reunion at the Nani Mau Gardens in Hilo from 17-19 August. Information and registration forms will be available online at www.victor-ohana.org or www.facebook.com/the.victor.ohana. Email dwight@victor-ohana.org with questions. Mahalo!

ZABLAN - 80th Year of the founding of our HUI O ZABLAN. The Hui O Zablan Picnic will be from 9:00am-4:00pm on Sat., 4 Aug 2018 at Magic Island, Ala Moana Park, Section 30, the mauka section closest to the street. It is a Potluck. Bring your own chairs. The Hui O Zablan Reunion T-Shirts: Deep red shirt with a gold Hawaiian shirt design, and a goldenrod vellow shirt with a red Family Crest design again features Cousin Kimo Zablan's art work. Cousins Jimbo and Tammy Correa Beaumont are producing the shirts at a very resonable price. Shirts will be available for purchase for a reasonable price at the Picnic, Bring your kala. Call Cousin Susan Victor 988-1272, if you have any late additions to Family Album. Annual Family Reunion Luncheon will be held in the fall. Date and time to be announced. The Hui O Zablan hope to see all you Joaquin and Ane Nahaku Keaweamahi and Joaquin and Maria Bothelo descendants and our Extended Families. Come help us celebrate our 80th!

FAMILY SEARCH

CULLEN – Looking for genealogy records for my great grandmother on my father's side. Mary Cullen 1869-1920 married John Fernandez 1860-1939. Their daughter Madeline Fernandez Colburn. Please call or text Pauahi Colburn at 722-8400. Mahalo nui.

ESTRELLA/SOEIRO – My G-Grandparents Arsenio de Sousa Estrella & wife Carolina de Jesus Soeiro came from Ribeira Grande, Sao Miguel, Azores. They arrived on Oʻahu in 1883 on the ship "Albergeldie" with their two children Manuel & Maria. They then went to work on the plantation in North Kohala, Hawai'i and had Joseph, Wilhelmina, John & Antone. Somehow Arsenio left the family and where is unknown Carolina then went to Wailuku Maui and married Christino Lorenzo (Lawrence) and one son named Frank. I have known G-Uncles John & Antone since they lived on Maui where we grew up. The only G-Uncle we did know is Joseph who lived on O'ahu. I cannot find any information on Maria and Manuel, unless they passed away on the Albergeldie coming here. My G-Grandmother Wilhelmina married Antone Lopes and had Henry, Louis, Sonny, Peter & William then remarried my Grandfather Antone Haleakala and had: Manuel, Evelyn & Frank (my father). So this is the line I am trying to research. E-mail: annette913@yahoo. com. Mahalo.

KAIWA – Looking for descendants or related 'Ohana Members of 'BILL KAIWA', aka 'SOLOMAN ANI. Please contact ROBERTA BOLLIG 320-248-3656 or flh63kb@ yahoo.com MAHALO!

KALAUPAPA – Are you looking for an ancestor at Kalaupapa? Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa, a nonprofit organization made up of Kalaupapa residents, family members and friends, might be able to help. We have information on more than 7.000 people sent to Kalaupapa. Contact 'Ohana Coordinator Valerie Monson at vmonson@kalaupapa ohana.org or call 808-573-2746.

KAMAKAU – Looking for descendants or related family members of Ellen P. Kamakau. Born at Kaopipa/Kaupipa, Maui on September 3, 1850. Since, deceased. Please contact 808-366-0847 or lruby@hawaii.edu.

KAMEKONA/LOA/KAHAWAI

–Searching for genealogy, family members, foster or hanai records for my Great Grandmother, ROSE HIWA KAMEKONA, born June 15, 1909, 1st marriage to George Loa 1927 (one child with/Rose Loa/now Rose Lani), 2nd marriage to Francis Kahawai 1928 - 1929 (three children with), deceased 1935. I am the grand-daughter of Rose Loa/Lani, great grand daughter to ROSE HIWA KAMEKONA. Please call/ Iv mess/text Luana @ #(808) 450-0103 or email lkeliikoa3@gmail.com.

KEAWE – Looking for genealogy records or family members for my grandmother Hannah Keawe born 1875 in North Kohala, HI. Married my grandfather Henry K. Iaea born 1880 in Ka'u, HI. Married 1901 Hon. Territory of Hawai'i birth 1896-1909. Index by name of mother Keawe Hannah, father Henry K. Iaea -child Elizabeth Kalua born 7/19/1898 in North Kohala. Please call Ned Iaea 808-979-1800 or 808-426-1061. Mahalo!

KINA/LINCOLN/BAILEY – We are looking for the descendants of the unions of Meleana Kaimuali'i Kina (Moloka'i) and George Walter Lincoln, Nellie Lihue Lincoln and Charles Anson Bailey (Maui), Nellie Lihue Bailey (Maui) and John Domingo Joyce, Pearl "Peachie" Marie K. Bailey (Maui) and West LaFortune, Meleana Wahineho'ohano Nui (Maui/Moloka'i) and Samuel Moewale Kaleo (brother to Charles Lui Ko'oko'o and Kunewa Moewale). We are planning a reunion for October 2018. Please contact us at oct2018. reunion@gmail.com or call Phyllis @291-5826, Kanani @ 674-6679, or Moana @ 744-9901.

Kuemo (-no)/Kolaimo - Looking for descendants of Japanese drifters who came to O'ahu in 1841, much earlier than the first Japanese immigrants came to Hawai'i. Kuemo or Kuemono (original name is Goemon) came from Tosa, Japan and he naturalized to the Kingdom of Hawai'i on Jan 10, 1845. He lived in Honouliuli as a farmer from 1847 and seems to married to a Hawaiian lady "Hina" on May 20, 1851 according to marriage record. I am also looking for descendants of Kolaimo, who's original name is Toraemon of Tosa, Japan and naturalized to the Kingdom of Hawai'i on Feb 13, 1847. He worked as a carpenter under Mr. Heart, married to a Hawaiian lady and died in O'ahu. Please contact Harry (808) 777-9187 or harrypor terkiawe@gmail.com Mahalo!

KEKUKU APUAKEHAU – Looking for lineage from Joseph Kekukupena Apuakehau, 1857-1936, and Miliama "Miriam" Kaopua, 1857-1919, to Kalaimanokahoʻowaha also known as Kanaʻina nui (Big Island Ali'i), circa 1778, to Alapaʻi Nui (Big Island King, 1725-1754). Any and all information will be greatly appreciate. Mahalo! Please send email to Miriam: matar02@Hawaiʻiantel.net.

KINA-LINCOLN-BALLEY-JOYCE-LAFORTUNE-NUI-KALEO - We are looking for the descendants of the unions of Meleana Kaimuali'i Kina (Moloka'i) and George Walter Lincoln, Nellie Lihue Lincoln and Charles Anson Bailey (Maui), Nellie Lihue Bailey (Maui) and John Domingo Joyce, Pearl "Peachie" Marie K. Bailey (Maui) and West LaFortune, Meleana Wahineho'ohano Nui (Maui/Moloka'i) and Samuel Moewale Kaleo (brother to Charles Lui Ko'oko'o and Kunewa Moewale). We are planning a reunion for Oct 2018. Please contact us at: oct2018.reunion@ gmail.com or call Phyllis @ 291-5826, Kanani @ 674-6679, or Moana @ 744-9901. NALAUAI - Looking for genealogical information on Kamala Kali Nalauai (possibly Naluai?) b.abt.1870 (I have no other information at this time on Kamala) who married Lui Kapi'ioho b. abt.1854 or 1864. They had 6 known children together. Lui Kapi'ioho is the brother of Hika'alani Kapi'ioho b. Aug.1858, twins Kou & Kamai Kapi'ioho b. Nov. 8,1861, ALL said children of Maunalei (w) & Kapi'ioho (k) who were married 1847 in Ewa, O'ahu. Seeking more information on Kapi'ioho 'Ohana as well. Please contact Mapuana - usinewa@ gmail.com.

MAIELUA – We are hoping to update the 1995 genealogy book of the Maielua Ohana, originating out of Lahaina, Maui. Our common ancestors are Solomon Nukuhiwa Maielua and Koana Kenolio Nehemia (or Nehemia Kenolio). Please contact J. Maielua by email at:Lahaina. mai@gmail.com.

WAIOLAMA – Searching for family members and genealogical records of George ('Ainaahiahi/Kaaniaahiahi) Waiolama born about June 5, 1892 in Kahakuloa, Maui. Mother: Kawao Kaainaahiahi Kahakuloa, Maui. Father: Kawao Kaainaahiahi Kahakuloa, Maui. Father: George Sr.) Waiolama of Wailuku,Maui. George Jr. is a half brother of my grandmother Elizabeth "Lizzie" Leialoha Cook. Also, family members of Waiolama on Oʻahu, Helemano area, who was a brother in law of 3x great uncle Konohiki Namahana (Mahoe) (if this is the one and same Waiolama family?). Please contact Sissy Akui at kealohamaiole@gmail.com. Mahalo! ■











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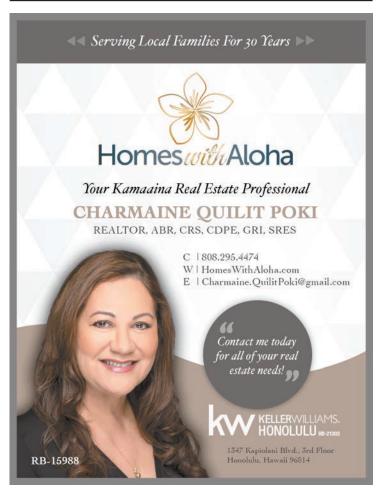
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