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Morse Receives Lions Club Exceptional Service Award

Each year the Kohala Lions Club makes an award to a person in the community who makes significant contributions to foster youth sports. This year, Tom Morse was selected to receive the Lions Club Exceptional Service Award 2012 for his work with Kohala Community Athletic Association (KCAA) as well as his many other volunteer efforts in the community.



—photo by Lucy Hernandez
Tom Morse

Tom has been a member of the Board of Directors of KCAA for the past seven years, serving as treasurer his first two years and as president for the last five years. In this capacity he has organized all of KCAA's youth sports programs. His duties include conducting Board meetings; selecting commissioners for each sport; maintaining, ordering and allotting equipment; publicizing events; coordination with County Parks and Recreation; and maintaining the financial viability of the organization.

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Kohala Country Fair Set for October 6

The 28th Kohala Country Fair, largest country fair not only on the Big Island but also the state, will be held Saturday, October 6, one mile east of Kapa`au with new entertainment, music, games, food booths, keiki activities, contests and more. With the slogan "Country Pride, Country Roots," organizers are expecting attendance to exceed last year's 4,000 in the expanded site.

The big news this year is entertainment with some of the biggest stars in Hawai'i performing. The legendary Brother Noland and award-winning songstress Paula Fuga will perform, as well as Kayden Valenzuela, I'land Boiz, Ricardo & Friends, the Kona Daifukuji Taiko group, and hula by Kohala's own Na Kapuna o Kohala. This year the entertainment will take place on an elevated stage in the center of the Fair.

"This is more than a fun-filled day, it is bringing the community together," said David Ebrahimi, chairman of the Fair Committee. "Our official theme this year is 'Celebrate Kohala.' We've all had some tough years with the down economy and its effect on a lot of people, so we see this as a celebration of life in this very special place."

The Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on a 10-acre site which is owned and donated for use by `Iole. There will be parking spaces inside the expanded fair grounds as well as more room for all the activities.

"This fair has been a progression

from something small that started out as a fair under the Hawi banyan tree to this island-wide event," Ebrahimi said.

Another highlight will be a greater number of events, from the traditional team lua-decorating contest and spam

carving to an ipu (gourd) carving. Contests will include a Sack Race, Raw Egg on Spoon Race, Water Balloon Toss, Wet Sponge Pass, and Tug of War, to be held from 10 a.m. to noon. Contestants must sign up before the events, and prizes will be awarded to winners of each contest.

In addition there will be demonstrations and exhibits such as the Kava Café with Tommy Lawrence, Lauhala Weaving with Master Weaver Ku'uipo Kalahiki-Morales, Ipu carving with Cindy Whitehawk, and artist Carol Jean teaching keiki about art.

Ready-to-hang high quality art—oils, pastels and collages—photography, poetry and woodwork will be on exhibit (not for sale) in a special section.

There also will be a "Made in Kohala" tent where almost 20 vendors plan to sell food and handmade creations, and a number of vendors will sell produce and plants in the Agriculture Tent.

The Fair has always included a wealth of games and activities for keiki. Featured this year will be the Hawai'i bungee trampoline, the "Zoo-Choo" train, Combo Jump, airbrush tattoos, a 50-foot "Slip-n-Slide," and Climbing Rock Wall. The Hiccup Circus Performers will be juggling, unicycle riding and stilt walking throughout the Fair grounds all day. The X-BOX "Dance Central" dance competition will be held in the keiki zone.



—photo by Megan Solis

The popular bungee trampoline will be back for this year's fair.

There will be some 100 food, craft and information booths clustered together in the center of the Fair. The food booths will be offering a range of international specialties from Filipino, Thai and Mexican to vegan, Indian and Korean. Besides the basic hamburgers, hot dogs, and shave ice,

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Local Talent `Ainakea Boyz and Tita Release 1st Single, Album to Follow

`Ainakea Boyz and Tita, an up and coming musical group from right here in their hometown North Kohala, has released their first single with plans for a full album coming soon.

The group was started by Shayne "Ziggy" Galan, who plays lead electric guitar, and consists of band members Mano Boy Javillonar on uke, Chad Osaki on bass, Braden Alcoran on drums and Tahjra "Tita" Alcoran on acoustic guitar.

The group came up with its name because most of the members lived in `Ainakea subdivision at one point, or as they call it, "The Hoodz." They crossed paths with musical artist and producer RJ Kaneao, who runs a music recording studio in Waikoloa called "Groove Plant Recording Studio." As a successful artist, RJ reached out to them to help them move along on their music journey. They accepted the challenge to make a full album which will consist



—photo courtesy of Keen Depictions

`Ainakea Boyz and Tita are, left to right, Chad Osaki, Paul Antonio, Shayne "Ziggy" Galan, Tahjra "Tita" Alcoran, Braden Alcoran and Mano Boy Javillonar.

of 10 songs, reggae and contemporary, all written by Shayne and Tita with the help of group members.

They are releasing their first single, "Only Wanna Be With U," on iTunes with a full album to follow, hopefully by early 2013.

RJ is producing the album and says

they have begun work mixing its first song, which features Tita singing lead. "I was amazed by her voice," he said. "She has an 'islandy' and catchy sound, a voice that cuts through... you don't have to do much to her voice in the studio."

What drew him to `Ainakea Boyz and Tita is their humility, he said. "They have a humbleness to learn," he said, "but also the spark or potential," which is the type of people RJ likes to work with.

This is their first time in the studio, he said, and the band is learning that it is hard work.

RJ explained, "It's not just going in there and singing what you want... there's protocol and you've got to have discipline. It's good to see a band like this grow. Shayne is a really humble guy and I really like that he took everything I told him and applied it."

RJ described the band's style as island music that reflects Kohala's

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Mahukona Beach Park Undergoes Transformation

By Toni Withington

Looking for a great place to have a party? Mahukona Park is back in the running. A massive make-over by volunteers has changed the downtrodden park facilities into a pleasant place to hang out with the family.

The transformation started in May when Friends of Mahukona Park "adopted" the facility under the Friends of the Park program by the County Department of Parks and Recreation. Since then the group has poured donated materials, their own money and countless volunteer hours of work to make the park and pavilion safe and sanitary. Marty and Linda Halbritter, who say they fell in love with the park 30 years ago, spear-

headed the effort.

The unusable barbecue and sink were the first to get fixed. New cement



—photo by Lorelle Carter
James "Frog" Wright spray paints the pavilion at Mahukona as part of the park's makeover.

tile counters, big grill and new plumbing on the sink took hours of work by

Jim Parker, Jerry Kotz, Marty, Phil La Bounty, Big Roy and Leo Williams. Materials were donated by Nick of Kai-pono Builders.

Jackhammers donated by Ben Ney, Pacific Plumbing Services, were brought in to bust up the toe-stubbing rocks on the main park lawn and around the pavilion. They were followed by about 20 truckloads of soil brought in by County crews—all of which had to be hand raked over the new playing field. Sod and grass clumps have been added almost weekly starting by the parking lot. The goal is to cover the whole park in grass, according to Linda. Kenny and Ertha have put hours of work into the new lawn. Six new trees have been brought in to replace

the several kiawe trees that were blown over last winter. Christina Hoffman and Marty directed that part. More native plants are in the works.

The restrooms were thoroughly pressure-washed by Ron Friman, John Winter and Marty. The showers, sinks and toilets were repaired, the shower floors re-tiled and the walls and floors painted bright colors. Charlie Russell did a great job with the tile.

The pavilion also got a power-wash bath, and a crew of at least a dozen painters turned the drab wood into a carnival of colors. James Wright, known to all as Frog, did much of the spray painting. The job was followed by a celebratory picnic.

Linda and Marty want to add a big Mahalo to all who worked on the project so far. They say there is still more planting and watering to do on the grounds. They plan to improve the campsites around the main lawn.

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unique sound. But the music business is rough, and he tells the band not to get discouraged. He is working in the studio to blend their unique sound with what is also "radio friendly." The band is working on structure and learning patience, he said.

For now, the group says they are all working hard in the studio and out. Since they are concentrating on putting out their first album and "banging performances" to come, they will not be taking any gigs until January 2013 when they will hold a CD release party and starting bringing and sharing their music all around Hawai'i.

Ainakea Boyz and Tita extend their thanks to the following people: RJ Kaneao for reaching out and blessing them with this great opportunity and

sharing his aloha and talent; Kevin and Mushie Perreira of 808 Fifty and Pa'ina Monster clothing for their T-shirt uniform and great support; TJ Kaaekua-hiwi of LIDS Waikoloa for the awesome work on their hats; Sonja Soun, owner of Keen Depiction Photography, for the awesome work on their photos; and to all of those who contributed donations and helped with the T-shirt purchases for the album.

So watch out Kohala and go get Ainakea Boyz and Tita's new single, "Only Wanna Be With U" and watch for their full album coming soon. Help support local music and Kohala's own Ainakea Boyz and Tita as they represent Kohala and jam their way through their musical journey bringing music to Hawaii and the world, Kohala Style!

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The award was presented at the Lions Club's annual luau on August 25. In his acceptance speech, Tom spoke about KCAA, which has been active in the community for more than 30 years. Former players are now parents of current players, he said.

An all-volunteer organization, KCAA provides seven after-school sports programs for Kohala youth ages 5 to 13. Last year 362 youth participated in biddy basketball, boys basketball, girls basketball, T-ball, coach-pitch ball, girls softball, volleyball, and golf.

More than 50 volunteer coaches guide the programs each year. Uniforms and equipment are provided free of charge to players thanks to the generosity of local merchants and grant support generated by the

North Kohala Community Resource Center.

"In a rural community such as ours it is important to provide wholesome activities for our youth. Participation in team sports provides a way to make new friends, get exercise, and learn to work as part of a team," he said.

Tom is also the volunteer business manager of the Kohala Mountain News and assistant manager of the Local Boyz kupuna softball team. As a member of the Kohala Lions Club, Tom is the committee chairman for the budget committee and the Flag Day committee.

Past winners of the Exceptional Service Award include Hermann Fernandez, Toma Raymond and Shiro Takata. The award included a \$500 check, which Tom donated to the North Kohala Community Resource Center.

Kohala Arena and `Iole Reach Agreement

Kohala Equine Education Center, Inc. [KEEC] and `Iole are pleased to announce they have signed an agreement that will allow KEEC to build and operate arena facilities at the location makai of the highway where the Kohala Country Fair takes place, effective after this year's fair. The site will continue to serve as the venue for the Country Fair and other events related to the rural heritage of Kohala.

KEEC is a sponsored project of the North Kohala Community Resource Center and has been working for more than five years toward the goal of building a community arena here in Kohala.

In addition to events and educational opportunities for Kohala residents who already own horses or those who want to learn horsemanship, the KEEC arena

will provide a home for therapeutic riding, and a venue for related agricultural programs.

The next steps for the KEEC Arena Project will be to raise an estimated \$70,000 and begin construction of Phase 1 facilities. KEEC is looking for volunteers to commit to chairing or serving on the three committees: Facilities, Events and Programs, and Membership. A kick-off meeting is planned for November.

If you have a passion for horses or agricultural education, come help us build Kohala a community arena! Please visit the KEEC booth at the Kohala Country Fair on Saturday, October 6, or contact KohalaArena@gmail.com or Beth Robinson at 443-4588 for more information.

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there will be kettle corn, lau lau, teri pork, spare ribs, fish tacos, tripe stew, chicken hekka, curry, summer rolls, pasteles, chili, smoothies, baked goods and root beer floats.

"We've never had such a range of food," says Lynda Wallach, co-chair of the Fair's booth committee. "Nowhere else on the Big Island will you be able to sample so many types

of local cooking."

Some 350 specially designed T-shirts, priced at \$15 each, have been ordered with the theme "Celebrate Kohala" on the back and the Fair's celebrated logo on the front. Fair T-shirts have been collectors' items since 1984 and will be sold on a first come-first served basis.

Full details are available on the Fair's website, www.kohalacountryfair.com.

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Seniors Invited to Nonpartisan Political Forum

All kupuna are invited to a North Kohala Senior Citizens Nonpartisan Political Forum to be held at 9 a.m., Monday, October 1, at the Kohala Senior Citizens Club in Kapa'au.

Michael Sumja, Kohala Senior Citi-

zens political coordinator and forum moderator, said that all county, state and U.S. House and Senate candidates were invited to participate and all but the U.S. Senate candidates have confirmed their attendance.

Participating candidates will include those for the following offices: Tulsi Gabbard, (D) and Kawika Crowley, (R), U.S. House of Representatives, District 2; Malama Solomon (D) and Kelly Greenwell (G), State Senate District 4; Billy Kenoi (incumbent) and Harry Kim, Mayor; Oliver "Sonny" Shimaoka and Margaret Wille, County Council District 9; and Lincoln Ashida and Mitch Roth, Prosecutor.

Candidates will have two minutes to introduce themselves followed by questions from the moderator. Questions are generated by the seniors prior to the day of the forum. All of the questions are put into a tub, and a senior will pick out one question at a time for the candidates. The candidates for each office

will answer the same question. Debating and squabbles are not permitted. A timekeeper will keep track of each candidate's allotted speaking time.

Sumja began the forum approximately 14 years ago when he became part of the Kohala Senior Citizens Club. He suggested inviting the candidates to a nonpartisan forum so the seniors could meet, see and talk to the candidates firsthand. The forum seemed to work well and has, when possible, convened ever since.

Sumja said the candidates bring food for the seniors, and they have a luncheon immediately following the forum where the seniors get to eat and talk with the candidates.

HELCO Proposes Another Rate Hike, Consumers Can Voice Hardships

By Linda Lewandowski

Hawaii Electric Light Company (HELCO) is applying to the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to raise Big Island electricity rates by 4.2 percent—shortly after its parent company announced impressive profits that were 70 percent higher than last year. Windfall profit and continued rate increases for consumers to bring in renewable energy is not a sustainable model for our people.

HELCO is required to submit a request to the PUC anytime they want to raise our electricity rates. There are two hearings scheduled in October where rate-payers can file their objections to this rate hike: Monday, October 29, 6 p.m. at Hilo HS cafeteria and Tuesday, October 30, 6 p.m. at Kealahou HS cafeteria in Kona. Attendance at PUC hearings is important to register rate-payer opposition to rate hikes to affect any change in regulatory decision-making. During the last set of rate hike proposals, only two people showed up at the hearings.

A grassroots organization called the Big Island Community Coalition (BICC) has formed to organize people across all

communities of the Big Island to attend the upcoming PUC hearings. Their website is: www.bigislandcommunitycoalition.com. You can sign up to receive important information as they expand their efforts across our communities.

In an August 24 letter to the editor in West Hawaii today, BICC stated that "We understand the regulatory system, which is rate-based. Our concern is that we continue to see requests for rate increases at the same time that we read about record profits for the utility. While we understand the fiduciary duty to maximize profits for the shareholders, we believe the utility's responsibility to the ratepayer is just as important. As part of good corporate business, it should benefit both by investing its profits into a sustainable grid."

Mayor Kenoi has also sent a strong message that the County will not support any additional renewable energy projects unless they result in cheaper energy for consumers. Stayed tuned to community bulletin boards and e-mail blasts for more information as we organize Kohala's attendance at the upcoming PUC hearings. Have your voice heard!

Annual Bazaar Serves Up Food, Music, Bargains... For a Good Cause

Mary Hanano, left, helps Jenna Vega and her mother select some tasty homemade goodies at St. Augustine Episcopal Church's annual bazaar September 15. With baked goods, white elephant items, silent auction, produce, plants and ono grindz, the bazaar offered something for everyone, including free entertainment by David Gomes, Hula Halau O Ka Hana No'eau No Kalaniami, a belly dancer and RMD Kohala Taiko drummers. The church uses monies raised at the bazaar as part of its ministry in North



Kohala to provide annual academic scholarships each year, support the Food Basket, host a monthly Community Meal at Walker Hall and support its Thrift Store.

We Appreciate Billy for His Support of Kohala



Billy Kenoi Dancing at Hawi Bon Dance

- **Organized and Pushed Completion of Hisaoka Gym and Keokea Park**
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- **Kohala Intergenerational Center Mentor Program**
- **Kohala High School Leadership Program and Drug-Free Lifestyle**
- **Kohala Senior Citizens Program**
- **Kamehameha Day Parade**
- **Coqui Frog Program**
- **CDP**
- **Supported Kohala Lions Club**
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~Megan Solís, ManagingEditor

Letters—

No Tenant Association Needed at `Ainakea Senior Apartments

In response to Lanric Hyland's letter printed in Kohala Mountain News on August 25, 2012, "Fear Rides Residents at `Ainakea Senior Housing":

On August 31, 2012, we the residents voted. 18 NO votes / 7 YES votes. We as a community here have spoken. The management team sent a notice on September 10—there will be NO tenants

association. This matter is now pau, over and done with.

You said there is no integrity, dignity and independence here. Well, you are wrong. We DO have integrity, we DO have dignity and we DO have independence, but most of all, sir, the magic word here, which you failed to mention, is Ha`aheo. We as local people

living here are proud of `Ainakea Senior Residences. This is our home, our community and contrary to how you make it sound, we are quite happy here. The "Aloha Spirit" did exist here a few months ago. Whether it continues or not is now up to you!

~Nahale Napeahi
Kapa`au

'Good Night, Frog!'

Longtime North Kohala resident James R. Wright, aka 'Frog,' 'Ribbit,' 'Butch,' passed away September 4 due to injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident near Pololu Valley.

Frog was born in Camden, Ark., and served honorably in the United States Army from 1963 to 65; he was the only survivor of his platoon during the Vietnam War. He was shot three times by enemy machine gun fire, seriously injuring him, and he spent the next five years in Brooks Army Hospital and subsequently, a series of other Veterans' hospitals. He endured 65 surgeries to reconstruct his jaw, tongue and lips. He

was the recipient of three Purple Hearts, a Bronze star, combat infantry badge and another as rifle sharpshooter. Frog already had a heavy Texas accent which when coupled with his tongue injury, produced a very unique Frog accent.

Receiving a 100 percent disability from the military, he supplemented his income by doing odd jobs around the island. Frog also had the good fortune of working as a 'roadie' for Willie Nelson and several other music groups.

He was an avid motorcyclist and a member of several national motorcycle clubs, including the Banditos. He often acted as a mediator between warring

factions, always resulting in a peaceful resolution.

Frog is survived by his mother, Billie Jean Wallace, sisters Delores Stoffers, Nancy Jane Walker, Lisa Kay Achord and brother, Ben Audie Wilcox, estranged wife, Mary Wright along with numerous nieces and nephews, all of Texas—along with countless friends.

He loved playing guitar, drinking Jack Daniels, gardening and being with his many friends and associates.

A memorial service was held September 28 at Lance's Crawdad Farm.

Say 'good night' Frog!!

~Friends of James "Frog" Wright

Community Needs to Support Kohala Coqui Coalition

The coqui frog coalition units in Waimea, North Kohala and elsewhere should not have to struggle for the money they need to be successful. Evidently many in our communities don't understand what the ramifications will be if the frogs win: property values will be reduced by hundreds of thousands of dollars, plus our peaceful nights will be forever gone! The communities on the east and south side of this island have given up their quiet nights and their property values to this intrusion. They gave up at the very beginning thinking

nothing could be done and therefore have accepted defeat.

Kohala, on the other hand, has chosen to fight. Since November 2003 the coalition in North Kohala has treated over 200 sites, some multiple times, and kept Kohala free of any permanent infestation. Initially this effort was at least partially funded with County and State funds but no more. For the last five to six years the Kohala Coqui Coalition has been funded only by donations from the community. I wish to thank those few folks (I think Bob Martin was one of

the first) who had the foresight to help Kohala start the fight against this threat.

Since we have a lot to lose I would like to be actively involved. I can either join Ralph Blancato and Hiram Hagio in the rain in the middle of the night trying to find the frogs or I can sleep soundly knowing that my monetary donation will fund their late night forays and keep us frog free! Remember, it costs nothing to report a frog, and it will be appreciated very much.

~Tommy Tinker
Kapa`au

Respect Diverse Voices, Leave Signs Alone

I have put up several signs for a candidate and noticed they are missing. Please let us all respect each others' choices in Kohala.

~Dixie Adams
Hawi

Hirono Drops the Ball with Post Office Concerns

A while back our community collected several hundred signatures on petitions requesting the postal service provide North Kohala with mail delivery. I called the office of the director of the US Postal Service for the state of Hawai'i, Darryl Ishizaki, at 808-423-3700, to determine the status of our petition. He was too busy to speak directly to me. I called the customer relations office of the USPS in Washington and had a

cordial chat with Yvonne Yoerger at 202-268-8596 and cell 202-258-4322. She said she'd pass our concerns along and get back to me. To this day, we've heard nothing from either postal employee.

Frustrated, I called the office of Mazie Hirono, our Congressional Representative, at 202-225-4906. I explained our problem of increased traffic at Kapa`au Post Office. I asked that we at least be provided with a mail box to allow us

to drop outgoing mail from our vehicle without having to wait for a parking space in the crowded lot. She sent a letter to Darryl Ishizaki in Honolulu.

Recently, I was informed that a collection mailbox was actually delivered to Kapa`au and sat here in the back of the post office for about a year, before being shipped off to another branch. Mazie Hirono acted with good inten-

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Viewpoint

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A Rebuttal of August 'Viewpoint' about Margaret Wille

By Frank 'Palani' Cipriani

After reading Frank J. Maier's published "opinions" in the last issue of KMN's Viewpoint, as just one of the many friends of Margaret Wille, I'm compelled to address and rebut Maier's maligning statements, point by point.

1. Contrary to Maier's allegations, Margaret has not taken a position on the proposed North Kohala gasification project. She explained that Maier called her and asked about her interest in waste to energy. When she began to explain, he cut her off mid-sentence. When she asked for his phone number, he hung up the phone. And before Maier again criticizes Waste to Energy projects, I point out there are two Waste to Energy technologies: gasification and anaerobic digestion. I strongly support using anaerobic digestion production for an Aquaculture/Agricultural Project here in North Kohala.

2. Maier speaks of "Wille's money-generating goals" as though this is a

"sin." We can't do much without it... I'm trying to raise start-up money for my company as I write this; "is something wrong with that?" She wants to seek new revenue streams so the County does not raise our taxes or cut essential services. That goal deserves appreciation.

3. I first met Margaret Wille in Councilman Pete Hoffman's office as I was being sworn in to the North Kohala Community Development Plan Action Committee (NKCDP). She has been actively contributing her time and energy to support the South and North Kohala CDPs. Margaret attends most every NKCDP Action Committee meeting (which I vice-chair), as well as attends several of the CDP subcommittees including the Ag subcommittee meetings (which I chair). She consistently provides valuable in-put and support, as we progress with our planning efforts to take ACTION! and develop diversified agriculture in our community. There has been no sign of "Sonny"

Shimaoka at any of the Action Committee meetings nor at any of our subcommittee meetings, due no doubt, "to a lack of interest?" (Margaret is also an honorary member of the North Kohala Senior Club. She brings us news of what is going on with the other senior clubs around the district and helps out with club activities.)

4. Maier's statement attacking Margaret and Pete Hoffmann as "not on the side of the Community;" (Well I ask: whose community? Mine?) She is certainly on the side of our community—consistently getting involved in issues of concern.

5. Re: Maier's negative comments about Margaret's desire to improve "Medicaid reimbursements for physicians" here in Hawaii. One has only to consider the loss of doctors moving away, unable to meet the high costs of maintaining their respective practices in our state. I am grateful Margaret is willing to work to solve this Medicaid reim-

bursement problem in conjunction with our state and federal legislators.

6. The KMN ad paid for by "Friends" did "raise a flag"... of support ... for Margaret. To answer Maier's question, "who are these friends?" Well, I'm just one of many! She, as opposed to any other of the District 9 candidates, sought public funding by securing the support of well over 200 District 9 residents.

7. Re: Maier's innuendo that Margaret does not care about the environment. Hogwash! Go read her blog, margaretwille.com, and learn about her concern for the environment.

8. The statement that Margaret portrays herself as an insider is simply laughable.

9. As for turning the reins of our community over to Maier's "Outsider friends," I will now express my own opinion and sum it up with one word... "HA!" The article "Extremely Concerned Again" smacks of "Palace Politics" in an election year. We don't need it in our community.

Viewpoint —

A Message to Kohala Parents

The Kohala Coalition Against Drugs (KCAD) encourages parents to spend time teaching their children values that will help guide them through life. Family and community values include self-reliance, respect for neighbors and the community, and a sense of gratefulness. Teach your children to stay away from drugs, alcohol and smoking. Encourage them to believe in teamwork, dedication and a superior work ethic in the classroom and on the playing field.

We all have busy schedules, but please make time to be with your children, at the park, doing homework, or at the dinner table. Use these times to teach

them a sense of duty, honor and morals.

In Kohala there are many youth sports activities such as tennis, football, basketball, baseball, volleyball and soccer. All coaches for these sports, whether through Pop Warner, KCAA, or other organizations, are volunteers from the community. We encourage the coaches to teach not only the fundamentals of the sport, but also the values outlined above.

Please help Kohala to continue to be a wonderful place to live.

Respectfully,
The Board of Directors
Kohala Coalition Against Drugs

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tions, but there was no follow up from her office. Perhaps our North Kohala issue wasn't important enough. Sadly, we are no better off today than we were

three years ago. I will therefore be giving my support to Linda Lingle in the general election.

~Howard Olsen
Kapa'au

Three Local Organizations Awarded Young Brothers Grants

Three of the over 40 organizations awarded Hawai'i County Community Advisory Grants by Young Brothers, Ltd., this year were North Kohala-based nonprofits. From left, Linda Elliott and Rae Okawa with the Hawai'i Wildlife Center, Karin Cooke and Lew Whitney with Kokolulu Farm Cancer Retreats, and Tom McCue (not pictured) with the Kohala Community Athletic Association represented both their own organizations and North Kohala in accepting the awards. Since the grant program's inception in 2001, Hawaiian Tug & Barge/Young Brothers has contributed a total of \$503,150 to over 480 nonprofit organizations throughout the state of Hawai'i.



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This is what I have followed in the 38 years working for you as the County's Law Enforcement Administrator, Civil Defense Administrator, and your Mayor. These values and work ethics will

It has always been a goal to have our community be proud and trustful of their government. place of care, a nice place to live, and the most beautiful place on the face of the earth.

Much Aloha,

Harry Kim

Harry Kim

Education

- Ola'a School
- Hilo High School
- University of Hawai'i at Hilo
- Southern Oregon University, B.S. and M.S.

Occupational Background

- Veteran, U.S. Army (Medic)
- Teacher, counselor, coach
- Administrator, Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA)
- Civil Defense Administrator
- Mayor
- 25 years Kea'au Kim Chee

politics.

Assistance Agency continue to be my guide.

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Old Fashioned Kanikapila Set for October 21

Remember the old days when folks would get together on Sundays just to eat, play music and talk? Well, mark October 21 on your calendar and come out for a return to those laid back times.

The lawn at the Senior Center will be the setting for Kanikapila a me Mo`olelo o Kohala from 4 to 7 p.m. Free food, music—any kind, but hopefully some with Kohala origins—stories about the past—small kid time, plantation camp life, adventures, whatever. A plantation-era clothing contest is in the makings. If you like, come dressed like the old days.

No speeches. No fundraising. No reason. Just to have fun and celebrate Kohala through music and stories. The gathering is being put together by several Kohala groups including Kohala Lihikai, the new coastal stewardship group, the National Park Foundation, the Ala Kahakai Trail Association and the Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail.

Some entertainment is being planned, but there will be an open mike for anyone to share music and stories of Kohala. Dinner and punch are provided, but bring a chair, a dessert to share and your favorite beverage if you like. If you dress in plantation-era clothing you could win one of the prizes being judged by seniors—who better to remember the old days? If you are too young to remember the plantation days, check out the photos in the many books about Kohala in the library. Come and relax on the lawn.

Contact Kohala Lihikai at 884-5476 for more information. The project is made possible in part by a grant from the National Park Foundation through the support of L.L. Bean, Disney and the Anschutz Foundation. Similar Music and Talk Story sessions were put on in West Hawai'i, the most recent with the Kailapa Homestead community in Kawaihae.

Health, Art, Music... It's All at the Library in October

North Kohala Public Library offers more than books and periodicals. In the month of October, the library will host three special events. Contact the library at 889-6655 for more information.

TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE – OCTOBER 11

Licensed acupuncturist Adrienne Dooling will offer an introduction to Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) from 2-4 p.m., Thursday, October 11, at North Kohala Public Library.

Dooling will give a practical explanation of the meridian system and ways that acupuncture can offer pain relief with no side effects. Participants will have an opportunity to learn about tongue and pulse diagnostics, as well as acupressure points for self care. The presentation will emphasize the role of acupuncture for back pain and arthritis.

Dooling points out that back pain and arthritis affect 70 percent of the population and cost the health care system over \$26 billion annually. Acupuncture is one of the fastest growing movements in health care and can help digestion, depression, anxiety and more.

Dooling will also cover stress, digestion, and herbal remedies. She will share recipes for improved digestion, which is central to good health and energy.

ARTIST JOHN D. DAWSON – OCTOBER 29

Join Big Island artist John D. Dawson

at 6:30 p.m., Monday, October 29, as he talks about his career as a natural history artist, his love of our island's plant and animal communities, and his latest



—photo courtesy of `Iole John D. Dawson

works including the USPS Bonsai Forever stamps.

Dawson has a passion for Hawai'i's natural history. An illustrator for over 50 years, he has worked for publications ranging from National Geographic to Ranger Rick and for institutions ranging from New York's Museum of Natural History to our own Volcano Visitor Center.

His memorable Nature of America post office stamps depict ecosystems across the U.S., but the final stamp in the 12-part series, issued in 2010, celebrates 24 native species of the Hawaiian Rainforest. Living in Hilo since 1989, Dawson completed 20 years of research for his studies of Volcanoes National Park, which culminated in an exhibit of original paintings for Volcano Arts Center last month.

Dawson also recently completed a series of 21 panels that will be displayed along the Big Island Eco Adventures zipline course at `Iole. These panels will invite guests zipping through `Iole's

gulches to pause and gain a more vivid understanding of Kohala's rich and unique history.

HALLOWEEN AND AUTUMN TUNES – OCTOBER 31

The library will host a concert of Halloween and Autumn Tunes performed by Kohala music students from 3 to 4 p.m., Wednesday, October 31.

Adrienne Cherry's piano students will fill the library with sounds of the seasons. Everyone is invited to enjoy the entertainment by Kohala's young musicians prior to their evening of Halloween festivities.

Art Showing: Kapuna`ola (source of life)

Artist Haley Graham presents a colorful collection of paintings inspired by and dedicated to the honeybees. Exhibiting the grace and power of the feminine, Haley's art intends to encourage community awareness of the current devastating condition of our pollinators, and share the sacredness of the honeybees and the importance of giving back to them.



—photo courtesy of Haley Graham

"Beeface" by Haley Graham

Come and view the paintings at the Kava Kafe starting with a free artist's reception at 6 p.m. Friday, October 12. There will be live music, a vegan dinner and Kava available, plus lots of other yummy treats. For more information, contact Kava Kafe at 889-5015.

Genetically Modified Foods: Are They Safe?

Are you curious about what animal studies show about eating genetically modified food? Do you know how much of it is in the food you currently eat? Do you know how to avoid it? Most of us do not understand the full health implications of consuming genetically modified organisms and how prevalent they are in our food supply.

The American Academy of Environmental Medicine (AAEM) reported that "Several animal studies indicate serious health risks associated with GM food," including infertility, immune problems, accelerated aging, faulty insulin regulation, and changes in major organs and the gastrointestinal system. GM foods can create unpredictable side effects such as allergies, toxins, new diseases, and nutritional problems. These issues are currently on the rise in our population.

Dr. Hanalei Roberts, N.D., is giving a presentation on the safety of genetically modified foods from 4 to 5:30 p.m., Saturday, October 27, at the Algood Barn, 55-3309 Ho`ea Makai Road. The impact that GM foods have on our health, society, and the environment will be outlined, followed by a community discussion. In addition to learning about the health effects of GMO foods you will be able to pick up a guide on how to shop for GMO-free foods.

Dr. Roberts is a Naturopathic Physician with a family practice in Kapa`au. She is also a natural foods chef with a passion for local food and sustainability. Contact Dr. Roberts at 315-0509 or at hanaroberts@gmail.com for more information. No registration is required for this free presentation.

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New Residents' Association for Kapa`au Kupuna

By Lanric Hyland

As a result of the events described in last month's Kohala Mountain News Viewpoint section ("Fear Rides Residents at Ainakea Senior Residences,") several of the residents got together August 29 and officially formed the Ainakea Senior Residents' Association. The officers elected for the first year are: Lanric Hyland, chair; Karen Martinez, vice chair; and William Ziolkowski, treasurer.

The meeting with management as described in that article was held August 31. In addition to residents and management, in attendance were Collin Kaholo, chair of the CDP Affordable Housing subcommittee, and Margaret Wille, a candidate for County Council District 9. Collin set the tone for the meeting by reminding everyone that residents don't lose their constitutional rights just because they live in public housing for the elderly. And Margaret made several conciliatory suggestions which helped to bring people together.

Management's Charlene Sohriakoff, vice president of Hawai'i Affordable Housing, started the meeting by introducing a recent employee, Brittany Branson, hired to be liaison between the company and residents. Brittany said her job was to attempt to resolve any issues the residents might have with management, and gave out her phone number to be called if needed.

She also informed the residents of several changes in the rules which the company had agreed to. From now on, the rules will be guidelines rather than literally enforced. Residents could now

have political signs and other things, such as holiday decorations, visible in their windows; chairs and shoes and a welcome mat at their front doors; and could consume alcoholic beverages when sitting on their back lanai at pau hana time. Management also agreed to requests to reduce the \$25 charge for a lost key to the actual cost of its replacement, to eliminate the requirement that a resident needs prior approval for a friend or relative to spend the night, and to keep the laundry room and Community Center open until 8 p.m. or later upon request so long as the resident was willing to lock up after.

Unfortunately, management started the meeting by passing out a "questionnaire" asking if tenants wanted to join a residents' association. This violates federal law (HUD Handbook 4381.5) which prohibits management from "attempting to form a competing resident organization under the control of the management company..." Seven of us voted yes, 18 voted no. According to management, "Therefore there is no tenant association," and "We are looking into getting the correct procedures for setting up an association." But we had already met two days before that and, with all residents notified about our meeting, had created the association and elected officers, which makes Hawaii Affordable Properties actions illegal.

Of great importance to the Association, management agreed to make all rule changes in writing and to specify with greater clarity exactly under what circumstances a resident's lease would not be renewed. It also agreed to respond

to the Association's request for a written response to 29 rules clarification questions as soon as possible. Finally, it agreed to let residents have containers to collect recyclables to cash in to fund

such events as monthly birthday parties and other social events. The Association very much appreciates management's assurance it will work with residents to make our lives happier in the future.

Kohala High Leo Club Lends a Hand at the Blitz Build

Sixteen Leo Club members represented Kohala High School on Saturday, September 15, at the 2012 Habitat for Humanity West Hawaii's La'i Opua Blitz Build in Kona. The event spanned 10 days from September 12 to 22 with the goal of building five homes for five families during this time.

Howard Hashimoto, one of the club's advisors, made the necessary arrangements for the club's participation. He shared that "students were excited about being a part of the blitz build" and that "it was an excellent opportunity to make a significant difference in the lives of these families."

Members of the Leo Club spent a full day painting, caulking, greeting, sorting scrap lumber, and cleaning job sites. The Leo Club is a service organization sponsored by the Kohala Lions Club.



—photo courtesy of Janette Snelling

KHS Leo Club members, left to right: Dylan Snelling, Jayvimar Arellano, Prince Perote, Patricia Cubangbang, Melanie Sagahun, Howard Hashimoto, Joyce Hashimoto, Ramon Cubangbang, Montana White; second row: Eloisa Viernes, Angelika Agustin, Gabrielle Bartolome, Yuki Zbytovsky, Michelle Sagahun; front row: Leasha Villcorte, Janette Snelling

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Action Committee Gives Annual Update at Community Meeting

Story and photo by Megan Solís

The approximately 30 Kohala residents who came to the annual community meeting of the North Kohala Community Development Plan Action Committee on September 12 had lots of opportunities to talk with committee members and get some detailed information about the work of AC subcommittees.

AC Chair John Winter gave an overview of the purpose of the County General Plan, and how it provided for the development of a Community Development Plan for each of the county's nine districts.

The North Kohala CDP was created by the community through a steering committee, focus groups, and community meetings in which visions, goals, values, and issues important to residents were identified and discussed. The NKCDP became a county ordinance in 2008, with the overall theme of "Keep Kohala, Kohala." Winter noted the NKCDP is a "living document" in that it can be amended with public input.

As an official county organization, the Action Committee is subject to the Sunshine Law, but is advisory only, making recommendations to the county Planning Department based on the goals and priorities in the CDP.

"I see it as our chance to be proactive with the County, telling them what we want, rather than reactive, fighting County projects that they think we need but we don't. This is a major change and affords us an important opportunity for progress," Winter said.

The meeting agenda centered on reports of the work done by the subcommittees in the past year and the plans for the coming year, as related by representatives from each of the six subcommittees.

Growth Management: Hermann Fernandez had a report available of all of the land use plan approvals, including subdivisions, farm dwellings and variances the subcommittee has reviewed in the last year as well as the subcommittee's procedures and policies to review information in a timely manner because of the time limits on permit approvals. He explained the goals are to keep housing and infrastructure centered near the town centers of Hawi and Kapa'au and keep lands outside of town without structures open for agricultural purposes.

Public Access: Ted Matsuda, subcommittee chair, reported this subcommittee has been working for coastal preservation and shoreline access including: coordinating with the National Park Service and Planning Department to map and identify Grants of Easements; working with and doing walk-throughs of access with the county, landowners, and trails organizations to come to mutual shoreline access agreements; providing support in the purchase of coastal lands for preservation, including parcels at Kaiholena, Pao'o, Nu'uuanu, and Kauhola with more in the works; and working with the State, County and Ala Kahakai in the coastal native plant restoration at Upolu Airport. Goals for 2013 include continuing the work in progress and working with landowners to open Pratt Road. The major goal is full shoreline access from Pololu to Kawaihae.

Affordable Housing: Jack Hoyt reported this subcommittee has been researching housing options and found that self-help housing and Habitat for Humanity are more viable than developing an affordable housing project at this time. The biggest hurdle is getting applicants to take a homebuyer's certification course to prepare them financially for loan qualification. The group is trying to bring a course to North Kohala (current courses are in Hilo and Kona) but there has not been much interest locally. A tour of the self-help housing project was poorly attended as well, so the group is rethinking their plans for how to tackle this issue.

Parks and Water Improvement: Giovanna Gherardi reported the focus of this year's work was coordinating with Parks and Recreation and local groups on renovations for Kapa'a and Mahukona beach parks. Both parks have received facelifts, and two "Friends of the Park" groups and the Mahukona Cat Colony Caregivers group have organized to work with the county on ongoing repair and maintenance of the parks. The subcommittee is also working on a plan to map the unmarked "spaghetti" water lines at area properties.

Winter added that last year the AC recommended the complete rebuilding

of the pavilion and restrooms at Mahukona as its highest priority for a county capital improvement project.

Power, Viewplanes and Erosion Control: Susan Fischer said this group has worked on a map showing the potential routes for electrical transmission lines

ing low profile minimal street lighting alternatives.

Agriculture: Margaret Wille reported on behalf of chair Frank Cipriani that the main goals are for North Kohala to produce 50 percent of its food by 2018 and to increase agricultural education programs. To achieve the goals the group is working on identifying Important Agricultural Lands, the formation of a citrus juicing coop, education on improving soil health, and the development of an Aquaponics program with the high school. Adriel Robitaille was also on hand to explain the high school program in more depth.

Each subcommittee had a table with exhibits and handouts about the work being done. The subcommittees welcome new members; see the calendar on page 19 for meeting dates.

Three AC members' terms will expire this year, and interested Kohala residents are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit www.hawaiicounty.cdp.info or

call Rosalind Newlon at the Planning Department at 323-4770. A copy of the NKCDP is available for downloading at the same website, along with AC meeting agendas and minutes. The County General Plan can be downloaded at www.cohplanningdept.com/community-planning/general-plan/.

The next AC meeting is set for 5 p.m., Monday, October 8, at the Senior Center in Kapa'au. The public is encouraged to attend.



At the September 12 community meeting, residents had an opportunity to talk story with Action Committee members like Keoni MacKillop, right, about issues of concern in Kohala.

to create a redundancy loop to increase reliability of electrical service. The loop would help improve reliability: if power is interrupted on one part of the loop it might be rerouted another way. The map also marks possible places where transmission lines might route geothermal power from Puna or Kona through North Kohala to other islands. The group also continues efforts in erosion control and view plane protection. Recently the group has been research-

Kohala Pool to Host Novice Championships

The County of Hawai'i novice swim championships will culminate at the Kohala pool on October 27 starting at 9 a.m. Swim teams representing the county pools of Pahoehoe, Pahala, NAS, Kawamoto, Laupahoehoe, Konawaena, KCAC, Honoka'a and Kohala along with a team from the YWCA will swim off to see who will win the championship. This year there are over 350 registered swimmers who will be competing to help their team win the coveted first place trophy.

The Kohala team practices

Monday through Friday from 3 to 4 p.m. learning the four competition strokes of fly, back, breast and freestyle under the guidance of Senior Lifeguard Jeff Coakley and lifeguard Kelli Pollak.

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Work Begins on Upolu Coast Restoration

Rising up from under a mass of paperwork, the nine community groups that have pledged to restore the shoreline at Upolu Airport have begun efforts to re-plant the bare ground with native vegetation. The government paperwork involved in letting the volunteers save the reef off the runway from soil erosion has delayed start of the physical work on site for over a year.

"Now we are ready to locate the shoreline trail and stake it with the help of fishermen, cultural gatherers and users of the area, so we can plant the naupaka we already have growing at the airport," said Toni Withington of Kohala Lihikai, one of the groups participating. She put out a call for those with local knowledge of the Upolu area to work with Ted Matsuda of the North Kohala Community Access Group and GPS mappers from the State Airports Division and Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail. Those wanting to participate on the trail can contact Matsuda at 889-5801 or Withington at 884-5476.

Volunteers are also needed for other parts of the project—potting cuttings of

native plants, assembling the watering system and working with young people painting signs. A work day is set for Saturday, September 29. Meet at the airport terminal at 9:30 a.m. The goal is to put 1,000 naupaka plants in the ground by this winter. Later the groups will expand on native ground cover already there—ilima, hinahina, pa`ouhi`iaka and akulikuli.

Airports Division has already supplied some naupaka starts that have been tended by Malama Kai Foundation's Ocean Warriors this summer. The other groups that are participating are Kohala National Guard Alumni, Kohala Historic and Cultural Preservation Group, Malama Na Wahi Pana o Kohala, Malama Kohala Kahakai and Kamakani o Kohala Ohana—Kako`o.

The local team has been shuffling through official papers with Department of Transportation Airports Division, County Planning Department, Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail and the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Now it's time to plant along the trail and save the reef from erosion.

BOH Monty Richards Award to Benefit Kohala Hospital ER

North Kohala Community Resource Center has been awarded \$10,000 for the Kohala Hospital Charitable Foundation [KHCF] through the 2012 Bank of Hawaii Monty Richards Hawaii Island Community Award. The award will be used to purchase a cardiac monitoring system for Kohala Hospital's emergency room.

The Arc of Hilo, `O Ka`u Kakou, and West Hawaii Community Health Center were also named as award recipients at a presentation at Kahua Ranch on Thursday, September 6.



—photo by Bank of Hawaii Charitable Foundation
Kohala Hospital will benefit from the \$10,000 given by the Bank of Hawaii Monty Richards Hawaii Community Award. From left are Kohala Hospital Charitable Foundation Vice President Susan Denman, NKCRC Executive Director Christine Richardson, BOH Sr. Vice President and East Hawaii Regional Manager Art Taniguchi, Herbert "Monty" Montague Richards, Jr., KHCF board member Dixie Adams, BOH Sr. Vice President and Hawaii Island Manager Roberta Chu, and KHCF President Tommy Tinker.

Christine Richardson, executive director of North Kohala Community Resource Center, remarked, "We are

honored and delighted to collaborate with KHCF to secure funding for new equipment for our new emergency room. We want to thank Monty Richards and the Bank of Hawaii for their generosity and acknowledgement of the hard work the Charitable Foundation directors are doing to improve Kohala Hospital."

On behalf of KHCF, Tommy Tinker said, "KHCF is proud that we have been chosen as one of the nonprofit organizations that will share in the 2012 Monty Richards Bank of Hawaii annual grant awards. This \$10,000 will go to purchase a cardiac monitoring unit which will be utilized in the Kohala Hospital's new E/R wing."

The award was established in 2008 and supports Hawaii Island nonprofit organizations that demonstrate innovative approaches to help improve the quality of life on Hawai'i Island. The award was established in honor of Herbert "Monty" Montague Richards, Jr., a dedicated Hawaii Island community leader and former longtime board director for Bank of Hawaii. A fifth-generation kama`aina, Richards presently serves as the chairman and trustee of Kahua Ranch, where he has worked since 1953.

Book Signing at Yoga Center September 30

Author Dr. Marilou McIntyre will be signing copies of her book, *Life Is Forever—Get Used To It*, at 11:30 a.m., Sunday, September 30, at Kohala Yoga Community Center, 54-3877 Akoni Pule Hwy, in Kapa`au.

In her book, Dr. McIntyre recounts her 30-year search for health, wealth and happiness, beginning when she was a struggling, single mother of four. She has experienced genuine communications from guardian angels, spirit guides, departed loved ones in spirit, and Ascended Master Teachers who helped alter her lifestyle and revealed mysteries and truth to enhance her life, in addition to uncovering and solving many ageless mysteries.

She conquered cancer twice, and practices what she preaches—it works. Her true story can be a map to help

cynics, truth-seekers, and the just plain curious to improve the quality of their lives and be Happy, Healthy, and Helpful. If you are interested in a how-to book to heal phobias and fears, get her other book, *Fast Road To Happiness*, which is filled with documented healings utilizing her ability to assist individuals to revisit lifetimes that caused their problems and create Spiritual healing.

Signed books, with a personal message, are available for \$19.99 for *Life Is Forever—Get Used To It*, and \$15.99 for *Fast Road to Happiness* with a 10 percent discount at the signing. The books are also available through Amazon.com.

For more information or to get a Spiritual Past-Life Reading from Dr. McIntyre between September 27 and October 7 (suggested donation), please call the Rev. Lee at 989-5995 or 889-5505.

Annual Kupuna Dinner Postponed

The staff at the Makapala Retreat Center recently announced that the annual Kupuna Dinner, normally held in mid-November, will be postponed until after the New Year. Please watch for bulletin board flyers and announcements in Kohala Mountain News sometime after the New Year with dates and updated information.

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Get Lost in the Fun: Big Island's First Corn Maze Grows in Kohala

Story and photos by Megan Solís
Ready for some good old-fashioned, down-on-the-farm fun? Join Kohala Mountain Farm in October as it

offers not only an expanded pumpkin patch but the island's first corn maze, designed by Kohala High School junior Daylan Higa.

The farm has expanded this year from 1.5 to 9 acres, including 4 acres of pumpkins.

Stacy Hasegawa, project coordinator for the farm, said she hopes to "inspire kids to think about agriculture and how creatively you can do something different to make a living."

Stacy said she had been struggling with the farm

for the last four years and was ready to give up when her friend Benji came from the mainland last December for a visit. With a background in agriculture and a desire to help, Benji offered to move to Hawai'i to assist Stacy with the project. With fresh ideas, a wealth of knowledge, and renewed enthusiasm, Benji and another farmer helped Stacy's vision for the farm to grow.

"I really want to create something for our community where the kids can come and have fun seeing everything growing and also to get high school kids inspired and hopefully down the line to give them opportunities to get

work experience," Stacy said.

The farm hosted a dedication of the maze September 2, followed by an awards ceremony for the maze

Kanu O Ka `Aina charter school was the runner up, winning a zipline trip for two from Kohala Zipline.

Daylan's design had to be altered slightly to accommodate the proportions of the corn field and to make the maze more challenging, but the concept and elements are true to the original design.

The pumpkin patch will be open weekends October 13 to 14, 21 to 22, and 27 to 28, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Last entry into the maze at 4 p.m. Pumpkins will be priced by size. The maze is priced \$9 for guests 13 and older; \$7 for 5 to 12 years old; and free for 4 and under with paying adult.

Bring a can of food or a non-perishable

food item and get \$2 off maze tickets.

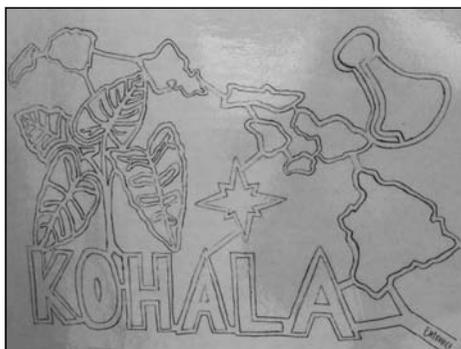
The farm will also have pizza from Zest and Kahua burgers available at the farm on the weekends.

Kohala Mountain Farm is located on Kohala Mountain Road (Hwy 250), halfway between Hawi and Waimea. The entrance of the farm is between mile marker 12 and 13 on the makai side of the road. Look for pumpkins and signs along the roadside!

Kohala Mountain Farm is a project under the fiscal sponsorship of North Kohala Community Resource Center.



Maze design contest winner Daylan Higa, second from right, and Adriel Robitaille, far right, accept a check for \$1,000 for Kohala High's ag program from Dodie MacArthur, far left.



Daylan's design included local elements of the Hawaiian Islands, taro leaves, a poi pounder, the star Hokulea and the word "Kohala."

design contest.

To come up with his design, Daylan said he thought about ancient Hawaiian times and how the kalo was the main source of food, and he included

"Kohala" and the island chain because Kamehameha was born here and he united the islands.

For his win, Daylan was awarded a helicopter trip for two courtesy of Blue Hawaiian Helicopters, and Kohala High School's agriculture program was given \$1,000, courtesy of contest sponsor MacArthur & Co. Sotheby's International Realty.

Makali'i Bertelmann of



—photo courtesy of Kohala Mountain Farm

An aerial view of the corn maze at Kohala Mountain Farm.



Even with the corn just a few feet high, walkers got a bit lost in the roughly 3-acre maze. Imagine the puzzle when it's over their heads!



Kimo Ho`opai gives the blessing at the entrance to the maze with Stacy Hasegawa, coordinator of the farm.

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KHS Cross Country Runners Hit the Trails

Kohala High's Cross Country team boasts eight seniors of the 14 runners on this fall's team. To coaches John Kometani and Melody Nietfeld, this spells motivation.

"Many of the runners have run together for four seasons. As seniors, they are motivated to have a strong per-

formance and do their best this season," they said.

Practices began the first day of school and focus on three key areas: strength, speed and endurance training. The training days alternate between hill workouts, intervals, strides, and long, slow distance runs. One of the biggest

challenges for the team is simply to prevent running injuries such as shin splints, knee pain and ankle strain.

In the first two meets (one pre-season), the team performed OK given their minimal training, the coaches said. At the second meet, some promising athletes finished in the top third of racers with sophomore Josiah Adams finishing 12th of 287 male runners.

In cross country, individual runners earn a place based on their running time in the 3-mile race, earning points for

their team based on the placing of the top five runners. The better the place, the lower the points earned. The objective is to earn the lowest possible score.

Meets are "All Schools" invitations with all Big Island high schools participating. This year there are 287 male runners and 180 female runners. Qualifiers for the Hawaii State meet are determined at the Big Island Interscholastic Federation (BIIF) meet.

Wishing fleet feet for all our KHS runners!



—photo by Megan Solís

2012 KHS Cross Country Team, front row: Lai Kai Bello-Coito, Melanie Sahagun; second row: Koa Bartsch, Michelle Sahagun, Whitney Collier, Mariah Collier, Aulii Leialoha, Leigh-Ann Rivera, Josiah Adams; third row: Melody Nietfeld (Coach), Montana White, Madrone Goldman, Dillon Ku, Justin Meikle, Benjamin Kupuka`a, John Kometani (Coach).

KHS Girls Varsity Volleyball At the Net

With 12 matches between August 29 and the BIIF tourney in October, the Cowgirls varsity volleyball team has a busy season on the court. Under the coaching of Braddah Keyes, assisted by Kine Lorenzo, the varsity team has just two seniors: Sariah Medeiros and Shaylen Reyes-Galan.

Practice began with the start of school though the team had a few weeks of conditioning prior to the start of the season. Pre-season practice is illegal in high school sports, and there are no club teams here, a disadvantage for smaller communities like Kohala.

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—photo by Megan Solís

KHS Girls Varsity Volleyball Team, left to right, front row: Assistant Coach Kine Lorenzo, Kawehilani Heinicke, Katy Rix, Jocelyn Wong Campollo, Hauoli Sproat-Lancaster, Ivy Medeiros, Head Coach Braddah Keyes; back row: Pono Giron-Arellano (manager), Sariah Medeiros, Mohala Kaholoa`a-Kumukoa, Shaylen Reyes-Galan, Brittney Kanoa, Na`ai Solomon-Lewis, Devin Cadiente (manager).

KHS Varsity Football Tackles New Season

Kohala High School's football team hits the gridiron this season under the coaching of Reggie Tolentino. With practices officially beginning at the end of July, the Cowboys have been practicing hard after school Monday through Friday with games on Saturdays.

Coach Tolentino said with nine players returning this year, the team's strength lies with a lot of returning ball-handlers and two power runners. The offensive backfield is young and will need a lot of work, he added. Tolentino is assisted by coaches Billy Rodrigues, Kamalani Solomon, Lindo Matsu and Wes Yamamoto.

The biggest challenge for the team, though, is off the field. Athletes are

required to pass a gradecheck for each of their classes. The new block schedule will help, he said, and players with a grade point average of less than 2.5 must get tutoring help, available during the block schedule.

Kohala plays in Division II, which includes Kamehameha, Konawaena, Honoka`a, and Ka`u. Currently 0-3, the Cowboys hope to step up their game in the remaining season.

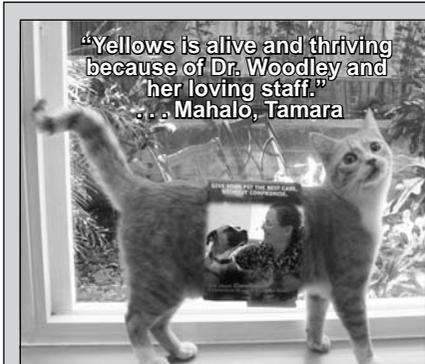
The team still has two home games to come, including an October 13 matchup with HPA and the Cowboys' Homecoming game against Ka`u November 3.

So come on out the KHS field and cheer for our Cowboys!



—photo by Megan Solís

KHS Varsity Football Team, left to right, kneeling: Rocky Carnate, Casey Stevens, Coby Amar, Trenton Akamu-Lorenzo, Dakota Tolentino, Peter Fong, Haruto Fuyertes, Matthew Salvador, Michael Salvador; standing: Willy Perez, Dayton Kumai-Isabel, Jeremiah Shaw, Frank Santana, Kassius Nauka, Nathan Carvalho, Dalyn Kupukaa, Isaiah Mamhot, Kalani Macariola, Dustin Rivera, Ricky Ching, Jake Ball, Kainalu Emeliano-Solomon, Daylan Higa, Keanu Kainoa, Brayden Torres, Carlos Rodriguez; back row: coaches Kawalani Solomon, Lindo Matsu, Reggie Tolentino, Wesley Yamamoto, and Billy Rodrigues. Not pictured: Riah Seidel-Glory, Justice Lewis-Matsu, Kanaloa Black, and Davyn Ramos.



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Shirakiku Mixed Fruit, 11 oz.	1 ⁴⁹
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Kraft Grated Parmesan, 8 oz.	3 ³⁹

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Libby Corn Beef, 12 oz.	4 ⁹⁹
Easy Mac 'n' Cheese, 12.9 oz.	3 ³⁹
Western Family Cookies, 25 oz.	2 ²⁹
Western Family Mandarin Oranges, 11 oz.	99 ^c
Western Family Kidney Beans, 15 oz.	1 ⁰⁹
Van Camp Pork 'n' Beans, 15 oz.	2/1 ⁵⁹

Natural Foods

Chip'ins Popcorn Chips, 7.25 oz.	2 ⁹⁹
Annie's Organic Dressings, 8 oz.	3 ¹⁹
Newman's Fig Newmans, 10 oz.	3 ¹⁹
Near East Rice or Couscous Mix, 5 - 6 oz.	1 ⁹⁹
Natural Sea Albacore Tuna, 6 oz.	2 ⁶⁹
Panda Licorice Chews, 6 - 7 oz. box	2 ³⁹

Dairy

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Meadow Gold Yogurts, 6 oz.	10/7 ⁰⁰
Horizon Organic Milk, 64 oz.	5 ⁷⁹
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Natural Beer, 24 pk., cans	17 ⁷⁹
Bud Light, 18 pk., bottles or cans	16 ⁹⁹
Rolling Rock, 12 pk., cans	8 ⁹⁹
Yellowtail Wine, 750 ml.	5 ⁹⁹
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Crown Royal, 750 ml.	23 ⁸⁹
Karkov Vodka, 1.75 liter	12 ⁹⁹
Early Times, 750 ml.	8 ⁵⁹
Bacardi Rum, 750 ml.	11 ⁹⁹

Kohala School News Briefs

Help KHS Life Skills to Reopen School Store

Kohala High School's Life Skills program is in the process of re-opening the school store. With budget cuts and funding being tight, the school needs our community's help to get the program started. The students came up with a wish list and are hoping that you can help them out.

The list is as follows: cash register; shelving or wood to make shelving; measuring cups/spoons; big mixing bowls; two blenders; baking pans; cookie sheets; electric mixer; wooden mixing spoons; rubber spatula/metal

spatula; hot pads/oven mitts; cooling racks.

They will also be collecting Takata Store BANZAI cards! You can drop the card in the box at Takata's with KHS Life Skills as the receiver or drop off at the High School office, attention to Life Skills. If you have questions or want to help, please contact Aime Rost at 889-7117 ext 248 or email at aime_rost@notes.k12.hi.us or you may contact Stacey Matthey at 889-7117 or email at stacey_matthey@notes.k12.hi.us. Thanks for your support.

Kohala High Students Bond, Share Anti-Drug Message

Kohala High School students and staff participated in a school-wide bonding day September 17 with the theme, "Cowboys Got Game." The purpose of the event is to encourage students to work together, with peers and staff, toward school, class and personal goals for the school year and to promote student commitment to making their education an important focus.

In addition to team-building activities like four-way tug of war, the students participated in a presentation from Hawaii Meth Project with program manager Colby Takeda, to educate students about the dangers and devastating effects of methamphetamine, including what it looks like, the signs of using, and how to take action and speak up about it.

Following the presentation, students created anti-meth posters and waved them along Akoni-Pule Highway to spread awareness to the community. Most motorists passing by honked in support of the students and their message.

When one sign-waver, senior Kai Thompson, was asked what he learned that day, he enthusiastically commented: "Don't do meth - not even once!"

Senior Leilia Culp said she learned that meth kills you slowly, and friend U'ilani Carvalho added that it tears families



—photo by Megan Solis

Kohala High students wave signs they made with anti-drug messages to drivers passing by on Akoni Pule Highway. The activity was part of the school's annual bonding day.

apart and ruins your life. However, both agreed that the best part of the annual bonding day was being with friends and the waterslide at the end of the day.

Hawaii Meth Project is a prevention program aimed at reducing methamphetamine use through public service messaging, public policy, and community outreach. For more information visit HawaiiMethProject.org, "Like" their Facebook page, and visit their website for teens, MethProject.org, which has the facts about meth, and content that can be shared with friends and family. The Hawaii Meth Project is looking for volunteers to help them at the Kohala County Fair on October 6. For those interested email ctakeda@hawaiimeth-project.org.

Kohala Robotics Launches New Season with VEX

The Kohala Robotics program is a blended educational robotics after-school program for middle and high school students to engage in STEM related activities. Skill sets include designing and building robots to meet specific game tasks, programming, documentation, photography, written and oral communication, promotions, time management, collaboration and website management.

Students may still enroll. Sessions are

Mondays and Wednesdays: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Bond Memorial Library (across from King Kamehameha Statue). Feel free to drop in to visit the program on these evenings.

Watch for announcements of our specialty modules that introduce youth and parents to various robotics concepts.

An exciting new addition to the program is the Big Island League. Kohala Robotics will host a tournament on December 1. Volunteers will be needed to man various areas of the competitions.

Middle school contact is Alvin Kawamoto, 889-6979, or Cheryl Cabrera. High school contact is Fern White, 889-7117, or Eric Dela Cruz, 896-6507.

Families Invited to Kohala Middle School October 17

If you have a student at Kohala Middle School, save the evening of October 17 to come to the school's second community event for this school year. Parent-teacher conferences will be held along with a short School Community Council (SCC) meeting that will provide an update of plans and achievements. Light refreshments will be served. The time schedule and further details can be found on the school's bulletin board and website: kohalams.org.

Parents are also encouraged to share any ideas or concerns about the school through the SCC parent representatives, Michele Amar and Lisa Carvalho. Contact information for these parents will also be posted on the school website.

Support Elementary School 'Rubber Slipper' Drive

Kohala Elementary School is accepting Takata Store Banzai! cards worth \$1.50 each to help purchase rubber slippers to give to students whose footwear breaks during the school day.

Please drop off at the school's office, give to a KES student to bring to school or leave it at Takata Store specifying that it is for KES. Banzai cards are also used to help pay for students' field trips. Mahalo for your attention and cooperation.

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Yoga Ed for Kids Needs Your Help

Kohala Elementary School students have enthusiastically participated in classroom-based yoga classes for the last

five years. Yoga Ed. is a nationally-recognized educational program that uses yoga to support and enhance learning,

health, and personal responsibility. Some of the goals of Yoga Ed. are to inspire students to establish and maintain a lifetime of wellness and physical fitness, to develop focus, concentration, and self-calming techniques, and to help kids transfer the skills they learn through yoga to other academic and social situations.

When students learn these skills they begin to realize they can control how they respond and react to their world; they understand that if they are able to focus and be attentive they have a better chance at success. And when the atmosphere in the classroom is calm, cooperative, and respectful, everyone benefits.

One student commented, "Yoga helps me to relax and think. I don't get so stressed out about things." A fifth grade teacher at the school says, "Yoga Ed. has excellent techniques to calm the class so they can get ready to learn and the teacher can teach."

Yoga Ed. is widely supported by the teachers of Kohala Elementary who speak enthusiastically about the benefits of the program. The kindergarten team expressed that, "Students really look forward to yoga. The classes help children follow directions and stay focused. It is calming and helps with their motor skills. They learn to listen carefully."

The same foundations have funded Yoga Ed. since its inception in 2008. In some years the school has also been able to make a small donation to support the program. Times are hard, and this year neither the foundations nor



—submitted photo

Kohala Elementary School students learn balance and focus through yoga.

the school are able to pledge any monetary support. Organizers are trying to raise awareness about this issue so that they can continue to offer this program to our elementary school children. The funding pays for two teachers and basic equipment like mats and yoga straps to provide yoga training for every elementary school student.

Last year the yoga instructors initiated their first annual Treasure Hunt fundraiser which they hope to continue. Past and current teachers include Jacqui Paling, Robyn Skudlarek, Jan Roberts, and this year's coordinator, Lori Pusateri.

Organizers invite people to help keep Yoga Ed. alive by donating to the program via the North Kohala Community Resource Center. The program needs to raise at least \$5,000 in order to begin the program this fall. Folks in the community who practice and value yoga are especially encouraged to support the efforts to bring these skills to the young people of North Kohala.

Mahalo for your kokua! For more information call the Resource Center at 889-5523.

Volleyball, continued from page 11

In his third year as the girls volleyball coach, Braddah Keyes said he's seen a lot of growth in the girls, not only in volleyball but in life. He said he tries to teach them about having a good attitude and developing respect.

"The girls have potential, they want to perform... they just need guidance," he said.

The biggest challenge? Coming together as a team and having the same goals.

Some of the top teams in Division II include Ka'u, Konawaena, and HPA, along with a lot of teams from smaller schools.

The Cowgirls have three home matches remaining before the BIIF tourney: October 5 vs. Konawaena; October 17 vs. Honoka'a; and October 19 vs. Parker.

HPA Admission Events for Prospective Students and Families

Hawaii Preparatory Academy (HPA) is hosting a series of admission events for prospective K-12 and post-graduate students.

Experience Kindergarten, for prospective kindergarteners and their families, will be held at the Village Campus from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Monday, October 8. Students and families will meet kindergarten teacher Hope Soo, and observe her kindergarten class. Soo also will meet with families to provide an overview of the kindergarten program at HPA.

The Middle School Open House, for prospective students entering grades 6 to 8 and their families, will be held at the Village Campus from 8 a.m. to noon on Monday, November 12. Middle School administrators, current students, and parents will be available to provide information about the curriculum and program. Students and their families also will have an opportunity to visit classrooms, meet teachers, and learn more about Middle School classes.

Experience Upper School, for prospective students entering grades 9 to 12, postgraduates, and their families,

will be held at the Upper Campus from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, November 12. Students and families will meet teachers and administrators, attend various classes, learn about financial aid options, and hear from college counselors, current students and parents. There also will be opportunities to tour the campus and observe the afternoon sports program. A light lunch will be provided.

Experience Lower School, for prospective students entering grades K through 5 and their families, will be held at the Village Campus from 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4. Lower School administrators, current students, and parents will be available to provide information about the curriculum and program. Students and their families also will have an opportunity to tour the campus, visit classrooms, meet teachers, and learn more about Lower School classes.

RSVPs are requested for all admission events. For information, or to RSVP, contact the HPA Admission Office at 881-4007 (e-mail:aloha@hpa.edu), or visit the HPA website at www.hpa.edu.

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THE COQUI CORNER

September 2012

Kohala has been fairly quiet with no NEW reports of coqui frogs this month.

There is a frog on Halaula Hill that calls sporadically, but it has been very difficult to locate. That frog is still at large.

There are several frogs calling at the transfer station, and extensive time and labor has gone into creating a road for access to them. We believe it is a carry-over from the large infestation one year ago.

At the time of this writing, Kohala Nursery and Pratt Road are quiet. This is an area that will need monitoring, but appears that eradication efforts have been successful.

Thank You, Kohala, for your continued support. Your donations make it possible to continue the work in keeping Kohala Coqui Free.

Donations made through NKCRC are tax deductible and greatly appreciated.

Coqui Hotline: 889-5775

Hawai`i Wildlife Center Now Accepting Native Animals for Care

After years of planning, design, development and construction, Hawai`i Wildlife Center is proud to announce that wildlife intake has officially begun at its brand-new, state-of-the-art native wildlife treatment facility. This is a huge



—photo courtesy of Hawai`i Wildlife Center

HWC president Linda Elliott, left, and Judi Ellal, HWC wildlife rehabilitation manager, provide care for a native Hawaiian bird.

milestone for HWC, and the community's support was a big part in getting the center to where it is now. HWC is Hawai`i's only state-of-the-art wildlife rescue, rehabilitation, research and education facility exclusively for native wildlife. HWC is a professional organization run by experienced and passionate staff who are prepared to save native animals.

Please note that HWC only accepts native birds and the Hawaiian hoary bat. It does not accept introduced, nonnative, exotic, domestic or agricultural animals.

Wildlife intake hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Sunday. If you find a sick or injured native bird or bat, please follow the steps below. If you ever need assis-

tance identifying an animal please contact us. Please also note that because the animals in our care will be sick or injured, they will not be on display to the public.

If you need assistance with a nonnative animal, contact the Division of Forestry and Wildlife Hawai`i Branch.

What to Do if You Find a Sick or Injured Bird

For your safety, call HWC at 884-5000 during office hours for instructions. For off-hours, follow the steps below:

1. Find and prepare an appropriate-sized container. Use a cardboard box, plastic tub or dog/cat carrier large enough for the bird to comfortably sit or stand in. Place a clean, soft cloth with no strings, loops or holes on the bottom, a T-shirt is a good example. Make sure there are air holes in the lid. For small birds, you can use a paper bag with small ventilation holes and with a paper towel on the bottom.

2. Use caution and protect yourself. Cover the bird with a lightweight towel, T-shirt, or small sheet, depending on the size of the bird. A bird with a long neck and beak should be handled very carefully as it may attempt to strike out and stab. In this case, safety glasses should be

worn, or call HWC for advice.

In the event of an injured raptor (hawk or owl) the feet and talons (sharp nails) are dangerous in addition to the beak; great caution should be used to prevent injury to you. If possible, call HWC immediately for instructions.

3. Gently pick up the covered bird and place it in the prepared container.

4. Do not give food or water to the bird and do not leave any in the container or bag.

5. Secure the lid of the box, or roll the top of the paper bag closed and secure with a paper clip or tape.

6. Place the container/bag in a quiet and dark place, away from people, animals and loud noises.

7. Wash your hands if you handled the bird without gloves.

8. Contact and deliver the bird to HWC as soon as possible during business hours. If it is after hours hold the bird in the container in a dark, quiet, and warm area until the next morning.

Please note: In Hawai`i as in most states, it is against the law to keep any wildlife without appropriate rehabilitation permits, even if you plan on releasing the animal.

Ocean Warriors Gear Up for 5th Year of Learning and Service

Malama Kai Foundation is starting another exciting year with its Ocean Warriors (OW) program, made possible with generous support from EPA, NOAA-BWET, and Harold K. L. Castle Foundation. Ocean Warriors was developed in 2008 to weave together science, coastal stewardship, and service learning, and to support Kohala's students in applying this learning to coastal conservation in North Kohala.

For four years, students have been participating in weekly afterschool field trips and regular weekend and summer activities to learn ecology and ocean science, lead conservation efforts, and hold cleanup days and fundraising for the public acquisition of Kauhola Point.

Initially, OW was geared to students in the sixth and seventh grades. However, with the ongoing success of the program, many OW students are continuing beyond their initial grade level. For the second year, we have a number of eighth grade and high school students returning, some for their fifth year. For these students, we have developed an additional program called Ocean Warriors Leaders (OWL). The OWL program focuses on developing leadership skills, enhancing knowledge of coastal and ocean processes, and supporting student commitment to safeguarding Kohala's beloved coastline. The OWLs will assume increasing leadership roles in the regular Wednesday afternoon Ocean Warriors program.

The program will resume in November, following our fall break Ocean Camp October 2 to 4. The OWLs will then be aiding the program as junior leaders.

As many may know, Malama Kai Foundation's Ocean Warriors efforts were previously focused on protecting and stewarding Kauhola Point. However, with the recent land acquisition success, and because the area is under new management, we are saying "aloha" to a focus on Kauhola and turning our efforts to other areas of shoreline where we can once again support ground-up community-based stewardship efforts.

As part of our program, the Warriors are offering training in coastal monitoring techniques to both adult and student community members. Snorkel surveys and other activities are included in the training. The strength of the program has always been its foundation based on insights and knowledge of local *kupuna*, fishermen, watermen, commu-

nity groups, and local residents. Stay tuned for training dates and locations, as the training will be provided for you to monitor your favorite sites! If you would like more information about the Ocean Warriors program, or would like to volunteer either with the students or with shoreline monitoring, please email oceanwarriors.mkf@gmail.com.

Thank you to the many local volunteers who partnered in the Kauhola

efforts, as well as Malama Kai Foundation program funders (NOAA-BWET, Harold K. L. Castle Foundation, EPA, Kukio Fund, and Hawaii Community Foundation), and North Kohala Community Access Group. Many thanks to the OW program leaders whose dedication has made this program possible: co-coordinators Elizabeth Pickett and Tom Loomis, as well as Lani Bowman and Keala Kahanui.

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In Days Gone By

Editor's Note: Kohala Mountain News has been perusing archived issues of newspapers to find some of Kohala's news from yesteryear.

100 Years Ago - from *The Kohala Midget*

September 4, 1912 – We are glad to learn that a hospital site has been decided on, and we shall be able to give full particulars soon. We may congratulate ourselves that, perhaps, before our turn comes, with a broken leg, to be put on a steamer for Honolulu by means of a whale-boat, in a rough sea, after a ten-mile bone-shaking ride in a hack, there will be some local provision for caring for us humanely.

September 11, 1912 – The ladies of St. Augustine's Guild will hold a Delicatessen Sale at Social Hall, Kohala, on Saturday evening, Sept. 21, at 8 p.m. There will be a sale of pin-cushions and fancy articles.

50 Years Ago – from *Ka Maka O Kohala*, published by Kohala Sugar Co.

September 4, 1962 – Newcomers – To Mr. and Mrs. John Fuellas of Halaula, a daughter, Myrna Jeanne, arrived on September 1. Myrna weighed 5 pounds, 11 ounces. John is employed as a push rake operator.

September 21, 1962 – Newcomers – Bernard, weighing 8 pounds, 2 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. James W. Ho`opai of Kahua. James is employed at Kahua Ranch.

September 28, 1962 – Four candidates from North Kohala

district are actively campaigning for nomination or election in the coming October primary elections. Veteran Akoni Pule, incumbent State Representative from the 5th district, is seeking his 8th consecutive term. Jack Iriguchi of Kapa`au, the Kohala tax collector, is asking voters to nominate him for the 5th District State Representative on the Republican ticket. Mrs. Ruth Tabrah is a candidate for Local School Advisory Council, 5th district. She is the wife of Dr. Frank Tabrah, Kohala Sugar Company physician. Ikuo Hisaoka, incumbent member of the County Board of Supervisors, is also seeking reelection.

30 Years Ago – from *The Kamehameha Times*

September 10, 1982 – What a nice surprise for preschoolers as well as other community children to start the school year out with a freshly painted jungle gym and swing set. Mahalo nui to Kohala Lions Club who managed to find a dry day to repair and repaint the equipment at Kohala Community Center Playground. – Lani Bowman

September 24, 1982 – Congratulations to Peggy Macres and Miriam Reyes for recently completing their first 50-mile swim in the Kohala Pool's Red Cross Swim and Stay Fit Program.

It's Alumni Football Time Again!

Alumni Football USA has scheduled four games early next year on the Big Island.

These games are an opportunity for alumni of local high schools to play in one more, full contact football game while raising money for their old high schools.

The games are open to the public, and funds raised at the games benefit local youth programs.

Honaka`a Alumni vs. Kohala Alumni, (Time and field TBA); Kea`au Alumni vs. Hawaii Prep, (Time and field TBA); Kealakehe Alumni vs. Konaawaena Alumni, 7 p.m. January 5

at Kealakehe High School; Hilo Alumni vs. Waiakea Alumni, 7:30 p.m. January 4 at Wong Stadium.

Only the first 40 guys to sign up for each team will get to play—free to sign up, \$100 to play. Cost includes everything for game day: Alumni Football USA organizes and coordinates the games, rental of professional helmet, pads and equipment, game day EMTs, officials, announcers, field liability insurance, DVD of your game and commemorative T-shirt.

To sign up, call 866 U GET HIT or visit: www.AlumniFootballUSA.com.

Youth Football Returns to Kohala

By Tom Morse

The Pop Warner football program has returned after a one-year hiatus. The Kohala Chargers will field a total of 75 players ages 7 to 15. Five-day-a-week practices began in August and will continue three days per week from September through November. Sunday games began September 9 and will run through October 28.

Each team has at least three Kohala volunteer coaches, each of whom has taken a six-hour training course in Kona or Hilo. Earl Hoshida is head coach for the Mighty Mite age group 7 to 9. Kamon Kupuka`a leads the Pee Wee group, ages 9 to 12 years old. Clyde Igavashi is head coach for the Midgets, ages 12 to 15.

Kohala teams play an eight-game

schedule against West Side teams. On three of those dates Kohala will be the hosts at Kamehameha Park. Equipment, which must be refurbished or replaced each year, is a major expense for the program. Also each of the five away games requires two buses to transport the players and coaches. Meeting the expense budget is always a challenge. Tax-deductible donations may be made through the North Kohala Community Resource Center.

At each of the home games the teams will raise funds by providing local food at the park's concession area throughout the day. Home game dates are Sundays, September 23, September 30 and October 14.

For more information contact Mike Matsu at 987-2317.



—photo courtesy of the Kohala Chargers
The Mighty Mite Pop Warner football team practices with coaching from Earl Hoshida, left.

Kohala's Got Talent Seeks Performers

One Holistic Place is looking for talent of all kinds.

Last year, One Holistic Place held its first annual Kohala's Got Talent fundraiser in North Kohala. The event was a great success, featuring 20 adult and keiki performers, including singers, dancers, and comedians. Keiki are already contacting OHP to share their talent again this year. This year's show will take place in Waimea on December 7 from 6 to 10 p.m.

One Holistic Place was founded in

February 2011 to prevent chronic illness in the Hawaiian population. OHP will use the funds raised to support keiki and young adults by providing day and outreach programs to support Hawaiian culture, health and spirituality.

Please email Oneholisticplace@gmail.com or OHPvolunteer@gmail.com, or call 756-3883 by November 1 to express an interest in performing on December 7. Video submissions are appreciated.

Police Reminder: Dogs Not Allowed at Beach Parks

North Kohala Police would like to remind the public that dogs, whether loose or on a leash, are not allowed in any County Beach Parks under Section 4-29 of the Hawai'i County Code.

Due to a recent increase of complaints from the public as well as caretakers of Keokea Beach Park that dog owners are allowing their dogs to remain within

the park, North Kohala patrol officers will be increasing enforcement and citing any violators in the area which could result in a fine and possible court appearance.

If there are any further concerns or complaints, please feel free to contact Community Police Officer John Kahalioumi at 889-6540.

Vendors Sought for Kohala Holiday Craft Fair

The 3rd Annual Kohala Holiday Craft Fair is slated for November 24, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Kohala High School cafeteria. Do you have crafts, gifts or baked goods to sell? Now is the time for vendors to sign up for a table. Vendor fees support various school projects.

Each year the fair offers a wide variety of hand-made gifts, crafts, onolicious food and baked goods, lucky number drawings, and entertainment. A Craft & Cupcake contest will also be held this year. Survey feedback indicates that many people enjoy the local atmosphere and fun spirit.

Additional information and applications for vendors are available through Teresa Marquez, Donna Smith, or Fern White at 889-7117.

WHAT'S NEW AT THE RESOURCE CENTER?

- KCAA recently received a \$1,000 award from Young Brothers Community Fund. Congratulations!
- New projects to the Center include Nino Kaai's Hokupa'a project for excellence in youth athletics and our own Kohala Chapter for Pop Warner football. Welcome and Mahalo to these great project organizers.
- We are looking for volunteer Kohala Guides. Our Guides enjoy talking with visitors and sharing Aloha at our beautiful Welcome Center. We anticipate a busy visitor season and hope to expand this fun volunteer program. Please call the Center for details.

You can support our projects and the Center directly with a tax-deductible donation to the North Kohala Community Resource Center, P.O. Box 519, Hawi, HI 96719 • 889-5523 • www.northkohala.org

Okinawan Reporter Visits Kohala

Recently a reporter from Okinawa, Japan, paid a visit to North Kohala in search of answers. Hideki Matsudo, a correspondent for The Ryukyu Shimpo newspaper, read about the U.S. Marine Corps' recent proposal, which was later withdrawn, to increase the routine landings and trainings at Upolu Airport.

He said people in Okinawa are concerned about safety and noise impacts from a similar proposal by the Marines to conduct routine training with the MV-22 Osprey helicopter at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma in Okinawa. MCAS Futenma is situated in the center of Ginowan City, a city of nearly 100,000 people. The air station covers approximately one-quarter of the area of the city. The Osprey will allow the Marines to train all along the

length of Japan, by using the tiltrotor's increased range to bridge the distance to the Japanese main islands. Deployment of the Osprey is slated to begin in October.

Matsudo had read about how the issue was addressed in Hawai'i on Margaret Wille's blog and contacted her to learn more and set up an interview. Wille agreed, seeing this as an opportunity to create goodwill and friendship with the people of Okinawa.

Matsudo met with Wille and John Winter of the NKCDP Action Committee to hear how the people of Kohala reacted to the issue. Wille and Winter had no magic solution to offer—in the case of Kohala it was a matter of letting the Marines know that they needed to talk to the community and hear our concerns about

the environment, noise impacts and effects on historical sites. Ultimately, the reasons the Marine Corps decided not to increase trainings at Upolu are still not known.

After the interview, Matsudo visited Upolu Airport as well as the Mo'okini Heiau and Kamehameha birthsite, two cultural sites located near



—photo courtesy of Hideki Matsudo
Okinawan reporter Hideki Matsudo with Margaret Wille at Upolu Airport.

Kanu o ka 'Aina Celebrates Building Completions

Kanu o ka 'Aina (KANU) New Century Public Charter School, with its non-profit partner Kanu o ka 'Aina Learning 'Ohana (KALO) in Waimea, celebrated

the completion of two new buildings, Halau Poki'i and Halau Puke, on Tuesday, September 4. U.S. Senator Daniel K. Akaka was among the dignitaries attending the celebration.

"We couldn't be happier right now," said Pat Bergin, KANU co-administrator. "It means so much to everyone involved—teachers, parents, volunteers and particularly our more than 250 students, to be together in such a special place in these beautiful new buildings."

The two buildings, completed in time for the new school year, allow all KANU students to be accommodated together at Kauhale 'Oiwī O Pu'ukapu. The buildings occupy a site on Department of Hawaiian Homes Land and are part of KALO's womb-

to-tomb community based initiatives to support culture-based education and the community.

Within Halau Puke is a native

at Puupulehu and Waipi'o expand the learning opportunities further.

Halau Ho'oloko has been occupied at the site on Department of Hawaiian Home Lands since 2009. Halau Ho'oloko also serves as a community resource and technology center.

Although KANU is not an immersion school, Hawaiian culture and language are integrated into the curriculum from preschool on. KANU integrates Hawaiian culture, language, traditions, community and the natural environment in a curriculum that is project-based and place-based.

As a free public K-12 school, KANU is held to the same performance expectations and same assessment testing that all schools throughout the state must follow. The school achieved Annual Yearly Progress Safe Harbor status for the 2012-13 school year and has received six full years of accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

KALO executive director Taffi Wise expressed appreciation for the support

from DHHL, USDA, Kamehameha Schools, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Castle, Pa'ahana Enterprises, Quality Builders and the Waimea Community who have all had a role in reaching this milestone. "However, we are not done," Wise said. "KANU still needs a cafeteria, high school classrooms and more. Since charter schools do not receive funding, KALO and community partners will continue efforts to perpetuate Hawai'i's culture through charter schools like KANU."

Learn more at kanu.kalo.org or call 890-8144.

Kanu o ka 'Aina Learning 'Ohana (KALO) is a nonprofit educational organization based in Waimea that assists statewide with Hawaiian-focus charter schools. Incorporated in 2000 as a Native Hawaiian nonprofit, KALO provides viable choices in education, which empower Hawaiian learners of all ages to remain natives of the Hawaiian Islands inhabited by our people for over 2000 years.

KALO's womb-to-tomb programs constitute a dynamic intergenerational family of learners comprised of educators, students, parents, extended families, community supporters and partnering organizations dedicated to the perpetuation of Hawai'i's native language, culture and traditions. Visit kalo.org.



—photo courtesy of Kanu o ka 'Aina Learning Ohana

U.S. Senator Daniel K. Akaka and USDA Rural Development State Director Chris Kanazawa are flanked by other dignitaries and some of the students of Kanu o ka 'Aina New Century Public Charter School at the school's recent celebration of two new buildings which allow all preK-12 students to be together on one site.

library for school and community use. The library is supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Classrooms for KANU students grades 6 through 12 are also in a portion of the library building.

Halau Poki'i is home to preschool classrooms through grade 5. The private preschool, Malamapoki'i, is operated by KALO and supported by Kamehameha Schools. Having the private preschool alongside KANU's K-12 school helps create a seamless early education transition as part of the public private partnership between KALO and KANU.

Two off-site outdoor learning labs

Hospice Offers Volunteer Training

North Hawai'i Hospice is hosting a two-day volunteer training, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, October 6 and 13 at the North Hawai'i Hospice office in Waimea. The free training includes an overview of hospice services including patient care, grief and bereavement support and the valuable role hospice volunteers play. Participants learn skills for patient care and end-of-life support.

Completion of both training days is mandatory to become a certified hospice volunteer. Beverages and snacks will be provided. For information and to apply, call Catrinka Holland at 885-7547.

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Parks & Rec Youth Sports Activities for October

T-ball 4 Tots is coming Friday, October 5, and every Friday thereafter for the month of October.

This will be T-ball for Tots' fifth year and is sponsored by the County and Kohala Community Athletic Association (KCAA). Ages 3 to 5 years old are invited to learn how to throw, run bases, field, and hit—a clinic to help youngsters know the basics before entering the T-ball program, which starts registering 5 year olds in mid-December.

Registration forms will be at the Hisaoka Gym from 3:30 to 7 p.m. starting September 17, or participants may register the first day of the clinic, which is held at the Veterans Field C, below

the playground, from 4 to 5 p.m. Registration costs \$5 per child for a medal, certificate and a Halloween goodie bag.

Parks & Rec/KCAA age group volleyball for youths ages 9 to 14 will start its first games in October. Games will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Hisaoka, Thelma Parker, and Honoka'a gyms from 4 to 6 p.m. Please call Hisaoka Gym at 889-6505 for dates and times.

Biddy basketball is also on its way. The Super Saturday Biddy Tournament will be held October 27 at the Hisaoka Gym from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Concession will be provided.

Back by Popular Demand, 'ALOHA BUDDHA' Showing in Hawi

It has been a wonderful and well attended O-bon season here in North Kohala; many thanks to our local Buddhist Temples for hosting the dances and welcoming everyone to them.

Beginning in the early 1900s, many Buddhist Temples here in the islands were the heart, soul, and center for the Japanese community. Lorraine Minatoishi, architect and filmmaker, has created the film, "Aloha Buddha," which carefully documents the story of the Issei, the first generation Japanese, who came as laborers to work on the sugar plantations. The film recounts the story of sugar, the arrival of the Japanese, the bombing of Pearl Harbor and the "Americanization"

of the Nissei, the second generation of Japanese in Hawai'i.

The film also features some of our local residents here in North Kohala.

As time went by, there began a gradual demise of local Buddhist Temples. Years later this was followed by a small rebirth, and changes began to occur as the temples struggled and continue to

struggle to find ways to be relevant and meaningful for people today and generations to come.

The makers hope this film will stimulate interest and continued support from our local communities for the Buddhist Temples here in Hawai'i for a long time to come.

The film will be shown at 2 p.m., Saturday, October 20, at Hawi Jodo Mission in Hawi. Call 889-0999 for more information. The showing is sponsored by Kohala Aikikai and the Koboji Mission, and hosted by the Hawi Jodo Mission.

There will be a second showing at 3:30 p.m., Sunday, October 21, at Honoka'a Peoples Theatre in Honoka'a. For more information, email info@peacedayparade.org. This showing is sponsored and hosted by the Honoka'a Hongwanji Buddhist Temple.

Filmmaker Lorraine Minatoishi will be present at each showing and available for questions and comments. A donation of \$5 is requested. Refreshments will be served after each showing.



—Submitted photo

KOHALA CALENDAR

October

- 1 Mon Schools' Fall Break thru 10/5.
- 1 Mon 9 am, Nonpartisan Political Forum for Seniors, Kohala Senior Ctr, Kapa`au.
- 1 Mon 6-7 pm, Growth Management Subcmte. Mtg., public invited, Surety Kohala office, Hawi, Hermann, 889-1464.
- 1 Mon 7 pm, Al-Anon mtg, every Monday, lower level, St. Augustine's Walker Hall, Laura, 884-5833.
- 2 Tue 4-5:30 pm, Hope for Haiti Mtg., St. Augustine's Walker Hall, new members welcome, Lani, 889-5852.
- 2 Tue 5 pm, CDP Parks & Water Improvement Subcmte. Mtg., KIC, public invited, Giovanna, 889-5590.
- 3 Wed 10 am, Homeschool Wednesday, also 10/17, ages 6-12, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 3 Wed 4:30-6:30 pm, CDP Public Access Subcmte. Mtg., Senior Center, Ted, 889-5801.
- 3 Wed 7 p.m., AA meeting, every Wed., Kalahikiola Church annex house, `Iole Rd.
- 4 Thu 6-9 pm, Green Drinks Hawi, Kava Kafe, organic networking & pupus, Forrest, 987-2365.
- 5 Fri 10 am, Preschool Story Time series, every Friday, ages 2-5, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 5 Fri 4-5 pm, Parks & Rec/KCAA T-ball 4 Tots, ages 3-5, every Fri in Oct., \$5, Veterans Field C, Kamehameha Park, 889-6505.
- 6 Sat 8:30 am, "Walking in the Wild" guided silent walks w/ Gavin Harrison, at `Iole, by donation, sign up by 8:30, call `Iole at 889-5151.
- 6 Sat 9 am-4 pm, Kohala Country Fair, entertainment, food, booths, games, contests, `Iole land east of Kapa`au, free.
- 6 Sat 9:30 am-3:30 pm, North Hawaii Hospice 2-day volunteer training, also 10/13, NHN office in Waimea, for info & to apply call 930-6625.
- 7 Sun 10:30 am, Metaphysical Church, Hear author on past lives, Kohala Yoga, 54-3877 Akoni Pule Hwy, Rev. Lee, 889-5505.
- 8 Mon 4:30-6:30 pm, CDP Action Cmte. Public Mtg., Senior Center.
- 8 Mon 6-7 pm, Kohala Haw'n Civic Club Public Mtg., Hawi Community Center, Rochelle, 896-3033.
- 9 Tue 11 am, Adult book discussion group, "Blessings", by Anna Quindlan, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 10 Wed 8 am, No. Kohala Merchants Association Mtg., Resource Center, public invited, Bobby, 889-0505.
- 10 Wed 3:30-6:30 pm, West HI Reg. Board of Directors mtg for Kohala Hosp & Kona Comm Hosp, open to public, Kohala Hospital, 322-6970.
- 10 Wed 6:30 pm, KHS SCC mtg., rm. D-24, parents & community welcome, 889-7117.
- 11 Thu 3 pm, Acupuncture for arthritis & backpain, presentation by Adrienne Dooling, L. Ac., North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 11 Thu 3:30 pm, Kohala Elem. SCC mtg., rm. 12, public invited, 889-7100.
- 12 Fri 6-9 pm, Art show opening by Haley Graham, paintings dedicated to honeybee, live music, local organic food, free, Kava Kafe, 889-5015.
- 13 Sat 10 am-5 pm, Kohala Mountain Farm pumpkin patch & corn maze, every Sat & Sun in October, Kohala Mtn Rd, mm 12-13.
- 15 Mon 4:30 pm, CDP Affordable Housing Subcmte, public welcome, Senior Center, Collin, 880-6726.
- 17 Wed 5 pm, KMS Community Mtg & SCC, parents & community welcome, KMS library, 889-7119.
- 18 Thu 1:30-2:30 pm, Kohala Hospital Auxiliary Mtg., Hospital Pavilion, new members welcome, Dixie, 889-5730.
- 18 Thu 6 pm, Ukulele workshop, all ages and levels, bring an ukulele & join the kanikapila, free, Hawi Gallery, Richard, 206-452-3697.
- 20 Sat 9 am-1 pm, Treasures Helping-Hand Store, Assembly of God, Hawi Rd., free meal: 10 am-1 pm, 889-5177.
- 20 Sat 2 pm, "Aloha Buddha" film, free, Hawi Jodo Mission, 889-0999.
- 20 Sat 4:30-6:30 pm, Free Grindz--Hot Meal, under the Hawi Banyans, bring a friend, Kohala Baptist Church, Sondra, 889-5416.
- 20 Sat 6 pm, "Petals and Blood" poetry evening, music, w/ Gavin Harrison, Algood Barn, 55-3309 Ho`ea Makai Rd, Sugg donation \$25, 884-5288, www.gavinharrison.net.
- 21 Sun 10:30 am, Metaphysical Church, "Proof of life beyond death," Kohala Yoga, 54-3877 Akoni Pule Hwy, Rev. Lee, 889-5505.
- 21 Sun 4-7 pm, Community Kanikapila, food, music, free, lawn at Kohala Senior Ctr, for info call Kohala Lihikai at 884-5476.
- 25 Thu 5-6:15 pm, CDP Power, Viewplanes, Erosion Control Subcmte mtg, public welcome, St. Augustine's, Susan, 882-7611.
- 27 Sat 8 am-4 pm, Parks & Rec Super Saturday Biddy Basketball tournament, Hisaoka Gym, 889-6505.
- 27 Sat 9 am, Novice swim championships, Kohala pool, 889-6933.
- 27 Sat 11 am-12:30 pm, Free Community Meal, St. Augustine's Walker Hall, Thrift Store open 10 am-12:30 pm.
- 27 Sat 4-5:30 pm, Genetically Modified Foods: Are They Safe?, by Dr. Hanalei Roberts, free, Algood Barn, 55-3309 Ho`ea Makai Rd, 315-0509.
- 29 Mon 6:30 pm, Presentation by Big Island nature artist John Dawson, sponsored by `Iole, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 30 Tue 6 pm, CDP Agriculture Subcmte. Mtg, public welcome, KIC, Frank, 333-8026.
- 31 Wed 3 pm, Halloween & Autumn music performed by Adrienne Cherry's piano students, North Kohala library, 889-6655.

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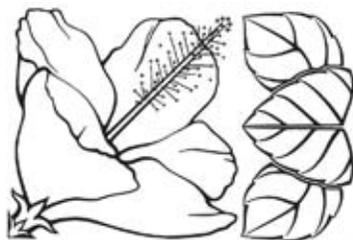
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Kumu Raylene Remembered as Na Kupuna O Kohala Takes First Place

By Deborah Winter

Na Kupuna O Kohala won first place in the Mixed Kane/Wahine Division category at the 30th Annual Hawai'i Kupuna Hula Festival, September 12 to 13. The longest-running kupuna hula festival in the world was held at the Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort and Spa. Twenty-two halau from the islands, Japan and California gathered to present solo and group dances.

The winning dance "He Aloha No 'O Honolulu" was conceived by the late Kumu Raylene Ha'alele'a Kawaiie'a, and choreographed by Nalani Kaholoa'a. It depicts a boat journey from Honolulu to Kona with a shelter stop at Mahukona and Kawaihae.

Kealoha Sugiyama took second place in the Kane Solo division for his performance of "Hualalai," which was choreographed and taught to him by Kumu Raylene.

Kumu Raylene also choreographed and taught "Aia La O Pele" which was

the entry for the Wahine category, and dedicated to her. In the words of Vivian Moku, "All who knew Kumu Raylene can attest that she was the epitome of Aloha Nui Loa. She is beloved and will be forever in our hearts." These words were read as the dancers took their place on stage. There were tears of love from the dancers and the audience.

In addition to the competition dances, the group performed a piece for the Ho'olaule'a section of the program which was choreographed by Lucy Cipriani. Entitled "Samba Festival," it featured costumes that were designed in the genre of Carmen Miranda. A Brazilian-inspired dance, it brought many winks, cheers, and laughs.

These as well as other dances will be performed by Na Kupuna O Kohala at the Kohala Country Fair October 6, so they can be shared with our community.

Many people supported the halau in the competition, including musi-



Second Place Kane Solo "Hualalai":
Kealoha Sugiyama



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First Place Mixed Kane/Wahine Category "He Aloha No O Honolulu" performers: Standing, left to right: Kealoha Sugiyama, Evalani Kawai, Kayoko Hanano, Susanne Holland, Margaret Couttie, Ethel Yamamoto, Emily DeWitt, Nalani Kaholo'a, Hank Gorriero, Melanie Pang, Jeanne Sunderland, U'ilani Lorenzo, Le'a Mizuta, Lucy Cipriani, Audrey Veloria; Kneeling: John Keawe, Jr., Harry Cabrera, John Keawe, Sr.

cians Audrey Veloria, John Keawe, Sr., John Keawe, Jr., and U'ilani Lorenzo. Melanie Pang helped with direction and preparation.

The competition is an annual event with an atmosphere that is more about fun and aloha than it is about the stress

of competition. The main point is to share hula, rather than win. However, given how much the halau misses their beloved Kumu and how hard they worked to represent her vision, public recognition of their dances has a special significance this year.

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