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Keiki Yoga Kohala Begins 8th Year at Kohala Elementary School

Since 2007, Kohala Elementary School students and their teachers have enthusiastically participated in classroom-based yoga classes. The program, called Keiki Yoga Kohala, is based on the nationally recognized Yoga Ed curriculum which uses yoga to support physical fitness and the development of stress

management techniques. This year's program got underway in mid September and is led by program coordinators/instructors Robyn Skudlarek and Jamie Eversweet Belmarez.

Each classroom of students receives 12 weeks of in-classroom yoga instruction. Classes focus on essential yoga poses

and breathing/relaxation techniques and use games and music to engage the students. Some of the goals of Keiki Yoga Kohala 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.

Keiki Yoga Kohala is widely supported by the teachers of Kohala Elementary who speak enthusiastically about the benefits of the program. Kindergarten teachers say, "Students really look forward to yoga. The classes help children listen carefully, follow directions and stay focused. It is calming and helps with their motor skills. And it's a lot of fun for them!"

The fourth grade team expressed the value of yoga: "Yoga provides the relaxation that students need to calm themselves down during



—photo by Robyn Skudlarek

Kohala Elementary School students from Mrs. Hagio's 2nd grade class practice the tree pose, learned in Keiki Yoga Kohala, a classroom yoga program supporting physical fitness and stress management.

stressful moments in their lives. Yoga shows students how to center and control their energies. It also improves their personal discipline. This is in addition to the physical strength and flexibility it teaches."

The kids love it too—and realize its benefits! One student commented, "Yoga helps me to keep calm. I don't get so stressed out." Another said, "Yoga is fun and it helps me feel relaxed. I do it at home with my mom too!"

Every year Keiki Yoga Kohala actively raises money

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Kohala Country Fair Features Award Winning Entertainment

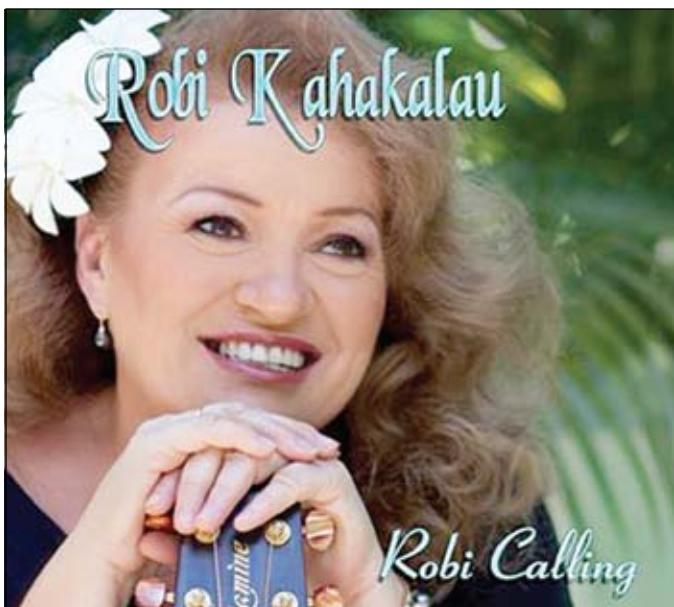


Whether your musical tastes are Hawaiian or classic rock, you'll have plenty to enjoy during seven hours of live music and dance at the Kohala Country Fair on October 4.

To celebrate its 30 anniversary, the Fair is proud to welcome multiple Na Hoku

Hanohano award-winner Robi Kahakalau. A singer and guitarist, Sistah Robi has been performing traditional Hawaiian music blended with island contemporary, reggae, pop and jazz since 1990.

Hilo's Keawe Trio brings to the stage their blend of traditional island mele with a contemporary island style. Kohala's own North Shore Live will perform contemporary island music and fresh originals. The classic rock and roll of Lorenzo's Army is sure to get the audience danc-



—photo by: Neos Productions

Singer/guitarist and multiple Na Hoku Hanohano award winner Robi Kahakalau will be performing at the 2014 Kohala Country Fair.

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Point of View

Yes, we need the rain, but these long, sunny days have certainly offered Kohala opportunities for some spectacular vistas. Here we see Maui viewed from Puuhue Road, Hawi.

—photo by Tom Morse



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This year, the Fair features a wide variety of dance on stage. LavaRoots will offer high-energy West African dance with live drumming. Na Kupuna O Kohala will perform hula they shared at the recent Kupuna hula festi-

val in Kona. The Kalahikiola youth group features Polynesian dance, sign language, contemporary dance and hula. The HICCUP Children's Circus will keep the audience laughing and gasping with their stilt-walking, acrobatics, juggling, magic and comedy.

Visitors can enjoy the show from the comfort of covered seating and dining areas, or listen as they shop and munch their way through about 100 food and craft booths. Keiki will have plenty of rides, activities and contests to enjoy.

Fair admission is free, and there is ample off-street parking at the fairgrounds one

mile east of Kapa'au, across from 'Iole Road. Donations are gratefully accepted to help offset the many expenses of staging the 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. action-packed event.

For information on all fair activities, as well as volunteer and sponsorship opportunities, visit www.KohalaCountryFair.com.



—photo by: LavaRoots

After several years, LavaRoots Performing Arts company returns to the 2014 Kohala Country Fair with high energy African dance and drumming.

Calling All Kohala High School Alumni

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On page 1 of the August 30 issue Grace Todd was inadvertently identified as Grace Akau. We apologize for the error.

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Improvements to Kohala's Water System Get A Boost

By Toni Withington

Untangling delays in construction of the new Halaula well and slowly loosening the moratorium on new water meters were among the steps taken during a meeting with a representative of the Department of Water Supply (DWS) this month.

Members of the Water, Parks, Roads Subcommittee of the CDP Action Committee met with Lawrence Beck, an engineer from DWS, to start solving problems in the four areas where Kohala's water system needs improvements. Recommendations were spelled out in a report sent to the DWS by the Action Committee in August. They are based on strategies spelled out in the North Kohala Community Development Plan.

Delays in construction of the Halaula Well at the top of Halaula-Maulili Road have kept the whole Kohala system from having the stability to prevent water cut offs, like the one experienced in 2006, Beck

said. The hold-up involves a dispute between the landowner and DWS regarding the appraisals and the selling price. The parties are currently seeking a mutually agreed upon third appraiser. He was hopeful that the issues would be resolved in 2015.

The well has already been drilled and tested. Funds are available for construction of the pumps and pipelines. Beck estimated once the land is secured it will take about two years to have the well in operation and hooked up to the system.

With the new well providing back-up capability to Kohala's water system, DWS could look at easing the moratorium on allowing new water commitments – new water meters – for land owners, said Andi Longpre, chairperson of the subcommittee.

Chris Brown pointed out that the moratorium has hurt small land owners in Kohala who want to subdivide in order to provide additional housing for their families.

The moratorium has also led to the hassle of shared water meters in condominium land divisions and 'ohana houses.

Beck said the DWS is "exploring ways to relax the

moratorium," in a small way, possibly before the Halaula Well comes on line.

On the subject of improving the aging pipelines, Beck agreed to provide the subcom-

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Yoga, continued from page 1 to keep the program running. Typically the funding comes from a combination of private foundations, a donation from Kohala Elementary School, an annual fundraiser, and private and business donations from the community. The funding pays for two teachers and basic equipment like yoga mats and straps. Their second annual fundraiser at Hawaii Island Retreat is set for Saturday, October 18, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. This year's event includes two adult yoga classes, a light snack and opportunities to enter a raffle for great prizes. There will also be a free yoga class for kids in the morning! You can visit the website at www.keikiyogakohala.com

for more information and to register for the event. One hundred percent of the proceeds go directly towards providing yoga classes at Kohala Elementary School.

You can also donate to the program via the North Kohala Community Resource Center in Hawi: 889-5523 or at www.northkohala.com. We particularly encourage folks in the community who practice and value yoga to support our efforts to bring these skills to the young people of North Kohala. Mahalo for your kokua! For more information call or text Robyn Skudlarek at 808-345-5777 or Jamie Eversweet Belmarez at 808-756-3919.

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Ad Deadline: 11/17/14
News Deadline: 11/10/14



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From the Editor's Desk —

Wanted: Green Thumbs in the News

Do you have a garden you'd like to show off?

Through the efforts of Sustainable Kohala and other individuals and organizations, we've been hearing about gardening and farming in Kohala. Sage Farms, Lokahi Garden Sanctuary and HIP Ag, among others, have been pointing the way to raise more of the food we eat. But lots of people are gardening on a smaller scale, and it all counts!

If you are growing your own food, we'd love to see pictures and/or hear any gardening advice you've come up with. Maybe you have a small backyard (or front yard) garden;

maybe you're raising herbs in containers or cultivating lettuce in box frames. If you've come up with a good method for evading the fruit fly or keeping the pigs out, for example, pass it on so the rest of us can benefit from your expertise. After all, sustainability is partly about community, finding ways to help each other flourish. Don't be shy. Let us know what works for you.

I can't think of a better way to celebrate the fact that the Kohala Mountain News is now able to print at least partly in color than by showing pictures of people's gardens. If you would like someone to come and take a photo for

you, let us know; call Anne (884-5596) or Maureen (494-4237), and we'll send a photographer. You can e-mail your gardening tips (or photos) to annef@hawaii.rr.com or call and tell us what you'd like to say.

In this feature, I plan to focus mostly on gardens that produce food. But, hey, if you have a gorgeous flower garden, we'd like to see pictures of that, too. Beautifying our environment is in itself a worthy goal, and it all helps Kohala to grow more productive.

Anne Fojtasek
Layout Editor
KMN

Letters—

Animal Abuse Should Not Be Tolerated

Dear Editor,

I would like to tell you about a very distressing situation that happened in my neighborhood. The owner of five 2-month-old kittens was fighting with her boyfriend and in her rage threw all three of the kittens she had in her room out the window. Fortunately, two of them ran away immediately.

One kitten was missing, a female. My boyfriend, Albert Santiago III, and I searched and searched. We finally located her the next day under a shed, stuck



—photo by Kira Ledward

Ninja was only two months old when she was thrown out a window and rescued by the fire department. She will be up for adoption soon.

between two cement blocks and a log panel. We called the local veterinarian, but no answer. We contacted CARES (Cat Adoption and Rescue Efforts) and Debbie Cravatta directed us to the Humane Society, which could not help since the kittens were not contained. Debbie was very concerned and called everyone she could think of to help. Albert tried digging the kitten out unsuccessfully, so we finally called the

fire department. They came out and all of them worked together to free the kitten. The fireman said, "You're not a fireman until you've rescued a kitten."

I am very upset that people feel like animals can be thrown around, especially babies who cannot even take care of themselves yet. Being angry is no excuse for hurting animals. She should be ashamed of herself and punished for animal cruelty.

I am taking care of the kittens now. I will clean up all five in the litter, take care of their shots and put them up for adoption. If anyone is interested in adopting a kitten, they can call me.

Thank you,
Kira Ledward
365-4184

Siblings Thriving After Kidney Transplants

Dear Editor:

I'd like to say thank you to the community for all the help and support that was given.

I'd like to also update everyone on Dominic. We flew to California on June 20 to start dialysis on June 23.

After we had landed, gotten our luggage and packed everyone into the Super Shuttle, I received a call from our kidney transplant coordinator informing me that they may have a kidney available for Dominic. Further blood tests were required to make sure he was healthy enough for surgery and for DNA matching.

At 12 a.m. Sunday morning Dominic and I were sitting in the lab having blood drawn for DNA and cross matching; at 1 a.m. results came back as a perfect match. Dominic was then admitted to the hospital for IV hydration due to the possible surgery. We had to wait for the results of the cross match and for the organ to arrive. Dominic's kidney was donated



—photo by Norbert Von Der Groeben

Dominic and Julia Faisca, 1 month and 11 months post-transplant, respectively.

by a 29 year-old gentlemen from

Pennsylvania.

At 7:30 a.m. Sunday morning the cross match came back as perfect. Doctors claim, "The match was so perfect it was like winning the lottery, or even being donated by a twin."

Dominic received his healthy kidney

on June 22 at 4:25 Sunday afternoon,
See Transplant, page 5

County Council Update—

Legislative Update From the Desk of Councilwoman Wille

UPDATES

Kamehameha Park Skatepark:
Construction of the Skatepark Expansion is now underway. Hooray!

District 9 CERT supplies:
District 9 CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) supplies totaling \$10,500—approved by the Council in May 2014—have still not been distributed to our North Kohala/Waimea/Waikoloa teams. I understand the administration waited until every item ordered was in and an inventory of all items in the warehouse was completed before scheduling



any distribution. We definitely need to streamline this process!

Park maintenance tools:
My contingency relief fund allocation to Parks and Rec for park maintenance tools and equipment is also still pending. These park maintenance tools will be shared by North Kohala Parks, Spencer Park and the Waikoloa Parks.

Upcoming North Kohala contingency relief fund allocations:

These are some of the additional contingency fund allocations I am sponsoring, which are expected to come

Transplant, continued from page 4 which Dominic has named "Sam."

As of today Dominic is showing great growth and gaining weight nicely. He's back in school with all his friends.

Dominic's older sister Julia, who had her kidney transplant on August 28, 2013, has made her one year mark. She has grown so much over the last year. While we were in California she also

had her annual biopsy done, which showed a happy, healthy kidney, which Julia has named "Bob."

We still have a few bumps in the road, but we will overcome them like everything else.

Again, thank you for all the support that everyone has given to us!

Sincerely,
Natasha Faisca and family

up for a council vote on October 16:

- \$2000 for the Kapa`au Hawai'i Wildlife Center
- \$2000 for the North Kohala Coqui Frog Eradication Project
- \$2000 in prize money for the North Kohala Anti-bullying Campaign project

Please testify in favor of these allocations on Wednesday October 16 at 9 a.m.

Funding for North Kohala radio station and school garden programs:

I also expect to grant some contingency funds to the North Kohala radio station that Bob Martin, Chris Helmuth and others are working on, as well as for some North Kohala Public School garden curriculum projects. Other contingency fund allocations will be announced at a later date.

Parks and Rec budget allocation for North Kohala Park repairs:

No word yet on when all the North Kohala Park repairs will commence (including the hole in the court house by the Senior Center).

IMPORTANT UPCOMING COUNCIL LEGISLATION

Solid Waste Legislation:

At the September 30 Council meeting I plan to introduce a resolution to advance our Zero Waste policies. The resolution supports many programs directed at increasing our composting/recycling/reuse programs. If we maximize these programs there will be no need for the proposed extremely expensive mass burn incineration facility. The time of public testimony for this matter will be scheduled during the week before the hearing. Call my office for more information.

October is Eat Out at Hawai'i Island Restaurants Month:

On October 1 I am sponsoring this fun resolution urging all of us to eat out at least once during the month of October, preferably more, to support our Hawai'i Island restaurants during the October "slow period." Note that for November I will sponsor legislation to support eating Hawai'i Island produce and meats (versus eating fruit, vegetables, and meat from off-island).

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RE-ELECT MARGARET WILLE AS OUR DISTRICT 9 COUNCILWOMAN

SOME OF MARGARET'S SUCCESSES IN NORTH KOHALA:

- Secured funding for our Skate Park.
- Secured funding for our Anti-bullying Campaign.
- Secured funding for our Coqui Frog Kohala project.
- Secured funding for our Kohala Wildlife Center.
- Secured funding for our North Kohala Radio project.
- Secured funding for our K - 12 school garden programs.
- Secured funding for our composting workshops.
- Secured funding for our Ag mediation project.



MARGARET WORKS TO LOWER OUR TAXES: As Co-chair of the Real Property Task Force, on behalf of the Task Force, she is introducing legislation to close loopholes and lower our real property taxes. **TO DEFEND OUR HOME RULE VERSUS MULTINATIONAL CORPORATE CONTROL** of our food supply, she supports County level decision-making so we have more say so over our lives and our island. **TO PROVIDE LOW-COST COMPOST TO OUR FARMERS, LANDSCAPERS, AND HOMEOWNERS, STANDING FOR ZEROWASTE**, she supports the recycle - reuse - composting option and opposes the extremely expensive, toxic-waste-generating, mass-burn incinerator option.

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Aloha to Doug Warner

Story and photo by Toni Withington

Doug Warner, founder of Sunshine Hardware in Kapa'au, helped launch a new generation of Kohala businesses after the closing of the sugar plantation in Kohala. He died September 14 at the age of 75.

Before Kohala Sugar Company closed operations in 1975, Warner joined with four other young woodworkers to purchase the plantation's fuel depot in Honomakau. A creative wood turner and comb maker, he helped transform the open warehouse into a cooperative workshop for craftsmen called Sunshine Woods. As the others became successful enough to launch their own businesses, Doug took over half the building to start Sunshine Hardware, at the same time helping four other Kohala manufacturers establish

businesses by dividing up the remaining space.

Doug was active in community groups and generous in his support of every Kohala organization and sport. Sailing was his sport. He owned one of the first one-person Hawaiian style sailing canoes and would launch it from the old boat ramp at Mahukona.

In 1983 he suffered a massive cerebral hemorrhage while picking up building materials in Hilo. Few people survive such a stroke, but Doug insisted on returning to the home he built behind Sunshine. In a wheelchair and severely disabled, he steadfastly managed to live independently for 30 years. With the help of friends, family and a whole corps of health care workers, he sometimes graciously, sometimes stubbornly, held onto the life he wanted in Kohala.

A year ago, in failing health,

he moved to Hale Ho'ola Hamakua, where he again overcame the odds to celebrate his 75th birthday.

Greg Chilton, who with his wife Te Iwi took over Sunshine

Hardware, said "The Sunshine family will remember Doug with kindness. We will miss him."

Doug is survived by cousins on the mainland. A memorial service is pending.



A youthful Doug Warner stands in front of his business, Sunshine Hardware, in Kapa'au. Warner died on September 14 at the age of 75.

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Both of these "support local" initiatives will have a great effect if we collectively act on these island-wide efforts. Public testimony will be at 9 a.m.

Real property tax task force:

As co-chair of the real property tax task force, on September 30 and again on October 16 I will be introducing legislation to close loopholes. From the resulting savings I plan to introduce legislation to lower our real property taxes.

GMO related matters:

BIO, the world's largest biotechnology trade association—headquartered in Washington D.C.—and a handful of individuals and state organizations are currently suing Hawai'i County to invalidate our GMO ordinance. Unfortunately, the highly respected judge assigned to this

case opted out in favor of the magistrate who ruled the Kaua'i GMO ordinance to be illegal. Even our State Attorney General did not take the position that our Bill 113 was preempted by state or federal laws regulating GMOs, yet don't be surprised if this magistrate does just that. These multinational biotech corporations are bullies, and they use the local organizations and farmers to promote and grow their experimental GMO crops despite the undeniable risk of cross contamination of our non-GMO conventional and organic crops.

For more information about any of the above matters or other Council business, please call my office at 808-887-2043.

With much aloha,
Margaret Wille

Councilwoman for North and South Kohala

George Pule Remembered

By Lani Eugenio

The Pule `ohana would like to express their warmest aloha and appreciation to everyone for their prayers, support and kindness in the passing of their brother, George Solomon Pule, on August 10, 2014.

Born in Kohala on August 24, 1939, he was a landscaper for the Mauna Lani Resort Hotel and Bungalows. He was a member of the Kohala Senior Citizens Club

and umpired for the Kohala Senior Citizens baseball league. His father, Daynes Sr., was the brother of Akoni Pule, for which the Kohala highway is named.

George is survived by his sister, Sharon Pule; six brothers: Daynes Jr., Alden, Eric, Raymond, Albert and John; a brother-in-law, Ika Ve'a Sr.; companion, Bertha Momi Shontell; and numerous hanai children and grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

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Aloha E Keith

By Jan Wizinowich

The Big Island is a transformational place, which is what it did for Keith Ackermann, who passed away last week. Originally from Boston, Keith came to Hawai'i from Oregon to work for two weeks and never left. He was a larger-than-life being with a larger-than-life intellect who touched the lives of many people in the short time he was here.

He was part of the little colony of diverse individuals who pursued their many endeavors in the office spaces above Nanbu Garden Café in Kapa`au. This small group included Joe Wolin's computer firm, Aspen Labs. Joe observed, "Keith could talk to anyone about anything on any level." Sondra Hurley from Kohala Baptist Church, a Nanbu colony member, confirmed this: "I could talk to him about



—photo courtesy of Jan Wizinowich
Keith Ackermann is remembered with great love by many. He passed away in August 2014.

music. It could be classical or punk rock and he was genuinely interested. I talked to him about my granddaughter's birth and because it was

important to me, he was genuinely interested."

Everyone has an open door practice here, and across the hall from me Keith and his work mate John had long conversations about their current computer programming project which were completely indecipherable. But Keith could instantly switch to poignant stories of his teenage car buying fiascos in empathy with my worries about my son's first foray into vehicle ownership. Or perhaps pop in with a stunning short story he just whipped out.

His memorial at Kapa`a was a testament to all the lives he touched. Sondra reflected, "He was the kind of person who would just meet someone walking down the street and touch them in some way. He was always concerned about everyone's health,

and I had no idea he was having such problems."

His generosity and willingness to help knew no bounds. He would listen to someone's story of need and simply give them money with no questions asked and no strings. Some in the remembrance circle, led by Minister Steve Headland of Kohala Baptist Church, considered him a brother. And almost as if the spirit of Kanaloa was calling Aloha e to Keith, a pod of dolphins arrived as the setting sun sent its rays bursting from behind a cloud.

Jeffrey Gallagher Remembered

Jeffrey Gallagher, former resident of North Kohala, passed away in Kona on August 3. At press time a Celebration of Life service was planned at St. Augustine Church in Kapa`au on Saturday, September 27, at 9:30 a.m. Donations may be made to Hope Services Hawai'i.

Questions? Please feel free to call Lani Bowman at 889-5852.

Special Kahilu Theater Events of Interest to All District 9 Residents

On Sunday, October 19, at 4:15 p.m. Councilwoman Margaret Wille will be sponsoring a film and community discussion at Kahilu Theater.

The film will be "Racing to Zero," a fascinating documentary about the current options for solid waste management.

Following the film showing there will be a discussion about what it would mean to fully embrace a solid waste management plan focusing on Reuse /Reduce/Recycle, with a composting component. This event will be free to the public.

Margaret Wille will also be one of Kahilu Theater's sponsors for its fall 2014 Hawaiian Filmmaker Series to be held on Wednesdays and Sundays. The series includes Wednesday, October 22, when the film "Malama Haloa" featuring

Jerry Konanui will be shown at 6:30 p.m. Following the film there will be a discussion, led by Jerry Konanui, on food sustainability issues, including GMO concerns.

For more information contact the Office of Margaret Wille at 887-1419.



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Hawai'i CC to Present New Online Programs at Kohala Events

Hawai'i Community College (CC) will conduct two outreach events in Kohala in October to provide information about a new set of

accelerated, online certificate programs.

The new programs are designed to quickly boost participants' specialized

skills so they can succeed in the workforce. The classes are conducted using either an online format or a mix of online classes with hands-on fieldwork so students are not limited by their schedules or locations.

The new certificate programs being offered include business certificates in Business Foundations, Business Essentials, Retail Foundations, Entrepreneurship and Virtual Office Assistant.

Sustainable construction certificates are being offered in Sustainable Construction Technologies as well as Sustainable Lot Design, Preparation & Development.

Students will also receive support services that include tutoring, academic counseling, internships, job development and transcript evaluation/prior learning assessment (which allows adults to earn credit for work knowledge and experience).

Hawai'i CC will provide information at a booth at the upcoming Kohala County Fair on Saturday, October 4. Hawai'i CC staff will also host a community informational event at the Kohala High School cafeteria to present the new certificate programs, answer questions and help with enrollment. The informational event is Thursday, October 16, from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Hawai'i CC was one of four University of Hawai'i campuses to receive a Department of Labor grant to develop the classes. The grant aims to align academic programs with industry needs and increase the number of adults who attain certificates, degrees and other industry-recognized certificates. It also aims to expand and improve education and training programs that can be completed in two years or less and that lead to high wage and high-skill employment. For more

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Kohala Adventist Church Makeover Coming Soon!

The Kohala Seventh-day Adventist Church has been in the Kohala area since the 1930s and has had a history that is a testimony to many people working together to glorify God.

The latest development is a continuation of this story. The church members are excited to share with the community the acceptance of an application to Maranatha International Volunteers for the roofing of the complex and a rejuvenation of several of our buildings. The group will be replacing siding and doors, among other projects.

The project has gone "live" online, with openings for

25 volunteers who will be coming to help the church for 10 days—from December 28, 2014 to January 8, 2015.

The church has had positive feedback from the community and wants to extend a grateful mahalo nui loa to those who have stepped forward to help.

If there should be others who are willing to lodge people coming to work on this project, donate the use of mattresses (air or otherwise) or provide bedding for the duration of the project, this would be most appreciated.

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Work-Based Learning Program Provides Real-World Experience

Kohala High School has a new internship program for students who wish to gain real life work experience and explore possible career paths.

The Hawai'i Department of Education-sponsored program is called the "Work-Based Learning Program." It collaborates with various organizations and businesses throughout the Kohala community to secure a broad range of internship options for students to explore.

The intention is to offer



—photo courtesy of Lori Faisca

L-R: Genevieve Boyle, Tyra Faisca, Jake Frost (VISTA Coordinator), Christine Richardson, Aniela Chertavian, Leilani Silver (North Kohala Library Internship Supervisor), and Samantha Armitage (VISTA Coordinator).

half or full year opportunities for junior and senior students to intern at different businesses in town while earning high school credits. As stated

in the materials: "The program is designed to help students prepare for the high performance work-place. Work-based learning reinforces academic lessons, brings relevance to classroom learning and exposes students to the reality of the work environment."

The internships act as one element of a continuum of work-based learning experiences. This program is the

pinnacle of carefully planned learning opportunities that bring together key workplace lessons for the students involved.

The internships are a project of VISTA, which is commemorating 50 years in 2015, having been founded as Volunteers in Service to America in 1965 as a national service program to fight poverty in America. In 1993, VISTA was incorporated into the AmeriCorps network of programs.

Aniela Chertavian, supported by an internal team, is the Americorps VISTA KHS Associate on the project. As such her responsibilities are, "Development of professional skills, especially in areas that are underrepresented and disadvantaged." As a volunteer under the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), it is her duty to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering. She works to serve students who are underrepresented in the school setting. It is AmeriCorps' mission to educate the students on the importance of the transition from high school to college or the workplace.

Businesses that have committed to participation in the program are: Kohala Artworks, North Kohala Community Resource Center, Lio Lapa'au, North Kohala Public Library, ATV Outfitters, Kings View Cafe, Kohala Wildlife Center and Kohala Hospital.

Understanding Horses in Hawaiian Islands' History

Historian Boyd D. Bond will present the second of a three part lecture series, "Horses and horsemanship in the Hawaiian Islands" at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 29, at the North Kohala Public Library in Kapa'au.

For the final program Monday, October 27, Bond will give a "broad history of Waimea."

Each hour-long presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m. Those who attend his lectures find them entertaining and informative. Even Hawaiian

history buffs say they always come away with new stories and facts that they were unaware of previously.

Boyd Bond's knowledge of Hawai'i's history stems from his academic studies and from a lifetime spent in Hawaii as a sixth-generation descendent of early western settlers in Hawai'i. Boyd was raised in Hawai'i in a sugar plantation family, living on plantations throughout the state.

Of his interest in Hawaiian history, Bond says, "I can't

ever remember a time when I wasn't immersed in it. Many of the stories of Hawai'i's history are also our family stories." Bond earned a BA in Hawaiian History from the University of Hawai'i at Manoa and went on to earn a Masters degree in Education.

Call the North Kohala Public Library at 889-6655 for more information. Contact the library three weeks in advance if a sign language interpreter or other special accommodation is required.




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Na Kupuna o Kohala Takes Award at Festival

By Lynda Wallach

Performing before an audience of over 900 people, Na Kupuna o Kohala took third place in the mixed group division at the 32nd Annual Kupuna Hula Festival on September 11, dancing to *Ka Nani A'o Lanihuli*. Held at Sheraton Kona Resort & Spa at Keauhou Bay, the theme of this year's competition was the songs and stories of O'ahu.

The halau also participated in the wahine group and kane group competitions. Cheryl Sproat and Kealoha Sugiyama represented the halau, dancing beautifully in the solo wahine and kane competitions. The dances were all choreographed by Na Kupuna's kumu Kauai Nakamura and alakai Michael Matsu, who also designed the costumes, made lei and helped with fundraising. The band The North Shore and Tita, and singer U'ilani Lorenzo, provided the music.

The nine months spent preparing for the event culminated in two memorable evenings filled with hula and aloha. It is joy of dancing together and the support of the Kohala community and of all those who make their participation possible that keep Na Kupuna O Kohala coming back to the festival year after year.



—photo courtesy of Na Kupuna o Kohala

Members of the hula halau Na Kupuna o Kohala took third place in the 2014 mixed group division of the 32nd Annual Kupuna Hula Festival.

Spear Fishing Workshop by Kohala Native Fisherman Coming Soon

By Lani Eugenio

Jeff Coakley will be leading a spear fishing workshop on Saturday, October 4, to encourage responsible harvesting from our oceans.

Since he was 10 years old, Jeff Coakley has been recognized as a spear fisherman by the old-time fishing kupuna in Kaneohe.

At a very young age, he learned the names and habi-



—photo by Lani Eugenio

Jeffrey Coakley, an expert spear fisherman and longtime Kohala resident, will be teaching a spear fishing workshop on October 4. Coakley strives to educate fishermen about their roles in the perpetuation of natural resources.

tats of reef fishes from his native Hawaiian father, who was a skilled fisherman. Jeff's first step in earning his "spear fisherman" title was to scale and clean the fish his father caught. Later, he would be promoted to bag boy, pulling his father's floater strung with fish.

By the age of ten, he was spear fishing on his own along the reefs in front of his home at Kaneohe Bay. He remembers his father teaching him to have the "squid eye" of finding and spearing the elusive octopus camouflaged in its environment.

In 1971, Jeff moved to Kohala during the plantation era. He learned that many skilled divers fed their families from the fish they caught, thus offsetting the low plantation wages.

Kohala's people took pride in the fact that no one would ever go hungry, as they had always lived off the land and ocean. However, that was years ago, and today the fish are severely depleted and the shoreline bare of ipihi, limu and ama crabs.

Coakley feels that his spear fishing workshops are opportunities to teach proper spearing techniques and the cultural attitudes of taking only what is needed to feed one's family. "With education and understanding we will come to better know our role as stewards of Kohala's natural resources," Coakley stated.

The workshop is sponsored by Malama Kohala Kahakai and Kohala Lihikai with funding from the Hawai'i Tourism Authority. Space is limited to 10 participants, and registration is required to participate. For details of the workshop's time and place, and to register, contact kalanicoakley@yahoo.com or call 987-2298.

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munity Health Center. Items for sale will include baked goods, fruits, vegetables, plants and other goodies. A silent auction will also be held, with many items that have been generously donated by businesses and members of

our communities. Please help us support this worthy organization so they can provide

health services that are accessible to all, regardless of their ability to pay.



—photos courtesy of Hawaii Community Federal Credit Union

Community members browse the goodies for sale at the 2013 Hawaii Community Federal Credit Union's Annual Market Day. Monies raised at the 2014 Market Day will support The West Hawai'i Community Health Center.



Kohala Student Credit Union tellers display some of the baked goods available at the 2013 Hawaii Community Federal Credit Union's Annual Market Day. L-R Kassie Kometani, Summer Murai, Koa Bartsch, Isabel Steinhoff

Library News



Double Hull Canoe to Be Explained by Captain and Builder

Sailor and canoe builder Kiko Johnston-Kitazawa will give a presentation on Wa`akaulua, the Hawaiian double hull canoe, at 6 p.m. Monday, October 20, at the North Kohala Public Library in Kapa`au.

This will be a unique library program as Johnston-Kitazawa, known as 'Captain Kiko,' plans to bring a double hull canoe into the library to explain the canoe's design and operation. The audience will have the opportunity to examine the many features of the canoe up close and personal.

Captain Kiko has spent most of his life sailing, building boats and exploring the Big Island. Growing up in Hilo as the son of a surfboard and outrigger canoe builder, Kiko had his first sailboat at age 14 and a captain's license at age 18. He has sailed from Hawai'i to California, Washington and Canada several times.

Captain Kiko studied

seamanship and navigation under Captain David B.K. Lyman and Captain Norman Pi`iania as well as apprenticing with boat builders on the mainland. He builds double hull canoes, leads sailing tours and teaches canoe building.

Call the North Kohala Public Library at 889-6655 for more information. Con-



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Captain Kiko Johnston-Kitazawa, longtime sailor and canoe builder, will bring a canoe into the library to demonstrate the features of the Hawaiian double-hull sailing canoe.

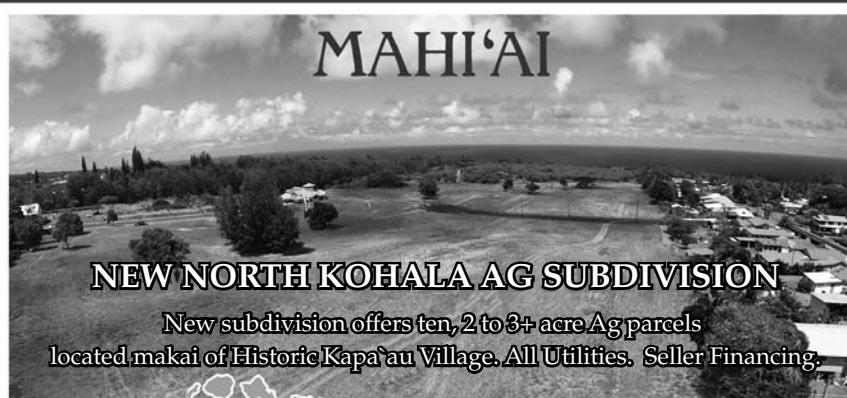
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North Kohala Radio Station Plans Firming Up

The 2006 earthquake shook some local residents into action. After not knowing what was going on in their community due to lack of public communications channels, they decided to create a public nonprofit radio station. It took until just this year to get access to a suitable frequency and a construction permit from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Now the group is raising funds and awareness of the new station.

The radio will be low-powered, only 100 watts, and will reach across North Kohala from Puakea Estates to Pololu Valley. If all goes as planned, for at least eight hours a day—estimated between 6 a.m. and 9 p.m.—

the FM station will broadcast at 96.1 MHz frequency with the call letters KNKR. As part of the emergency broadcast system, the station will have generators and operate 24/7 in case of emergency.

Live streaming will bring the programming to anyone in the world who would

like to listen in. Additionally, the group plans remote broadcasting to cover community happenings such as sporting events and reunions.

The antenna will be strategically positioned for maximum range, although sites behind physical obstructions may not receive a signal. There will be a studio in town with a broadcasting room and two recording rooms.

The intent is for this station to be about, by and from North Kohala. Programming will cover any topic of interest to Kohala, whether general or specific to a small subset. Possible content is only limited by the imagination of the residents, although proposals for programs will need to be approved by the programming committee.



Volunteers are working to get KNKR, Kohala's own radio station, up and running soon.



—photo by Maureen Garry

Bob Martin is leading community efforts to create a public FM radio station, KNKR, specific to North Kohala interests.

Currently seven volunteer working groups—ranging from site selection and fundraising to equipment and programming—give their time and energy to this project. When the station is up and running the budget will include several paid staff members.

The committees welcome any and all interested Kohala residents to their regularly-scheduled meetings. The station needs a lot of community support to become a reality.

For more information contact North Kohala Radio at kohalaradio@yahoo.com.

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CDP Action Committee Back in Business

Pratt Road, rock thefts from the leeward coast and a new approach to identifying the ancient coastal trail were among the issues brought up for discussion at the monthly meeting of the North Kohala Community Development Plan Action Committee (NKCDP).

The group took the month of August off for procedural training by the County Planning Department. Subcommittees continued to meet and brought out projects they are working on.

The Parks, Water and Roads Subcommittee reported it is beginning to make contact with land owners on Pratt Road to work out a mutually acceptable agreement to keep the former cane haul road available when needed for emergency traffic if Akoni Pule Highway is blocked. Emergency use of the alternative road is a listed strategy of the NKCDP.

The Community Access

Group (CAG) said a commercial masonry company was recently found illegally stacking rocks, some of them from historic sites on state land, to be hauled away for building rock walls. Joe Carvalho said the access group will make it a high priority to increase public education about the cultural harm done by the illegal taking of rocks.

The CAG said it is also working closely with Kohala LLC, owner of a 38-acre parcel of land makai of Kohala Ranch, in drawing up the required cultural assessment for a proposed nine-lot subdivision application. Part of the work will involve community input on the many historic sites on the land, the location of the ancient Ala Loa trail as well as a required public access shoreline trail. The proposed subdivision is next to and north of the Kohala Kai subdivision, which has been in the news for over a year following a failure of the County to properly address the cultural impacts brought up by the public.

The CAG reported that the Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail staff is drawing up a conservation easement with the Kohala Kai owner that

will preserve both the historic Ala Loa and the public access trail approved by the county.

The Power, Viewplanes and Erosion Control Subcommittee pointed to the county's setting aside of \$2 million to convert highway lighting to LED lamps. The subcommittee has been encouraging the county to take that step for two years. The Action Committee encouraged the subcommittee to set up an informational community meeting regarding Parker Ranch's proposal for an independent power company for North Hawai'i.

The Kohala Water Report, issued by the Action Committee (AC), was the topic of a meeting between the Department of Water Supply (DWS) and the Parks, Water and Roads Subcommittee this month. It is the first of several meetings. The details are reported in another story in this issue of the Kohala Mountain News. (See pages 1 - 2.) Related to the water report, the Agriculture Subcommittee said it will be starting communications with the DWS about improving the

agricultural water lines from the Kohala Ditch.

In procedural matters, the AC voted to keep its current officers in place for six months or until more members can be seated on the committee. The annual community evening meeting was converted into a comprehensive written report of the AC and the subcommittees to be published in the Kohala Mountain News. It will be a public record of what was accomplished this year and the issues to be addressed in the coming year.

The next meeting of the Action Committee is scheduled for October 13 at 5 p.m. at the Senior Center. The committee will be making recommendations for county spending on capital improvement projects in the district for the next year.

The Action Committee is seeking new members to represent the community. Right now the committee is short four members and had to wait 20 minutes in order to have a quorum in order to meet. Applications are online at the Hawai'i County Planning Department website.

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Dr. Benjamin D. Bond of Kohala

Kakau e Boyd D. Bond

Many people generally assume that the old Bond Memorial Library was named for the famous Father Elias Bond of Kohala, who built Kalāhikiola Church and began the original Kohala Sugar Plantation which brought so many of our families here. Actually, the former library was named in honor of his youngest son, Dr. Benjamin Davis Bond.

Benjamin, or 'Bennie' as his family called him, was born in Kohala in 1851 and was seventh of the nine children of Rev. and Mrs. Bond. Bennie would have grown up speaking English and Hawaiian with equal fluency. He also learned to speak the Canton version of the Chinese language, along with some Mandarin and bits of regional dialect from the Chinese living in `Aina Kea and the area just *makai* of the `Iole Mission Station.

In his early years Bennie spent much time following his mother around as she tended her garden, learning about the plants she grew to keep her family going. As he got older he also learned the medicinal and cooking uses of many plants in the gardens

of the Hawaiians and Chinese he grew up with, and this led him to choose a career in medicine. After graduating from Ō`ahu College young Benjamin sailed off to Amer-



—photos courtesy of Boyd D. Bond
Dr. Benjamin D. Bond circa 1928 in Hilo, after his retirement.

ica to attend the University of Michigan's School of Medicine. Upon graduation he served his residency for a year at Bellevue Hospital in New York City. In 1884 he returned home to Kohala.

His plan had been to follow his father into missionary work, and the new frontier for American missionaries at that time was China. Since he could already "speak Chinese," Dr. Bond was considered a hot prospect by the missionary board on the East Coast. When he returned to

Hawai`i it was to say goodbye to his family before leaving for missionary work in China, as it would have been unlikely that any of them would ever see each other again. However his father, Reverend Bond, had other plans for his son.

Kohala Sugar, the "missionary plantation," began in 1863 and is remembered as the first and the last sugar plantation in Kohala. However, in 1884 there were many sugar plantations of different sizes and several mills in operation, and after years of decline from disease and a poor economy the population was back on the rise. Yet Kohala still had no permanent doctor. Sleeping in the bed he had used in his youth, on just the second morning since his arrival, Dr. Bond was awakened and summoned to his father's office. There he discovered the owners of

the different mills all sitting there, literally with their hats in their hands, looking up at the diminutive doctor with pleading faces.

The owners did plead with him. Dr. Bond knew the terrain, he knew the people and their languages, Kohala's need was great and he could do real good right here at home. But Dr. Bond resisted, as he felt that his calling was strong and his course had already been set. Yet in the end, no one could say no to Father Bond. It was his word, saved as the last resort, which finally tipped the scale. Dr. Bond agreed to stay. He set to work immediately, establishing a schedule of rounds at the different mills, and later was hired by the kingdom and then the territory to examine incoming migrant workers through the facilities at Mahukona. Father Bond

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Bond, continued from page 14 built a small doctor's office for his son, right outside his own office at `Iole, and Dr. Bond soon settled back into the routine of life in North Kohala.

The Renton family had started Union Mill in Hāwī, and in 1887 Emma Renton married Dr. Benjamin D. Bond, 13 years her senior, and moved into the cottage at `Iole that Father Bond, then aged 74, had built for them. They raised four children there: Benjamin Howell Bond, Alice Renton Bond, James Douglas Bond and Kenneth Davis Bond, all of whom "spoke Chinese" as well.

He served Kohala for 40 years, and for about thirty-five of those years Dr. Bond was the only regular doctor for the entire population in a forty mile radius around `Iole, over terrain that is mountainous and in the time before roads. A horse was kept saddled day and night should the doctor be suddenly called out to some

remote spot, and although he was the only doctor available to most, by all accounts he was a skilled one at that. When Dr. Bond died in 1930, the Hilo Tribune noted in his obituary that, "...many was the time he was called out in the middle of the night to attend some poor mangled Hawaiian on the trailside, where he would kneel and, by the flickering gleam of a kerosene lamp, perform surgery then and there. And success attended all but a very few such cases."

In the last five years of his practice, doctors had become more plentiful, as had roads and hospitals in the territorial period. But when the Kohala plantation closed in 1975, there were still many people around who were brought into the world, or remembered being treated, by the diminutive doctor with the grey beard and a twinkle in his eye.

But that's not why the old library was named for him.

Although through his youth, Bennie had noticed the disappearance of vegetation which started at lower elevations was creeping ever higher. He also remembered the need every few years to dig lower and then lower again to find the water table for the fragile pipe system that fed the mission station, his home. This was even more apparent when he

returned from many years of schooling on the East Coast.

Making the connection between watersheds and the water table, throughout his life Dr. Benjamin Bond was a strong advocate for replanting in the *kula* regions, or upper foothills, and above for the purpose of re-establishing watersheds. He brought plants in from all over the world to plant at `Iole and to see what would work best in Hawai'i. He was a bit of a 'Johnny

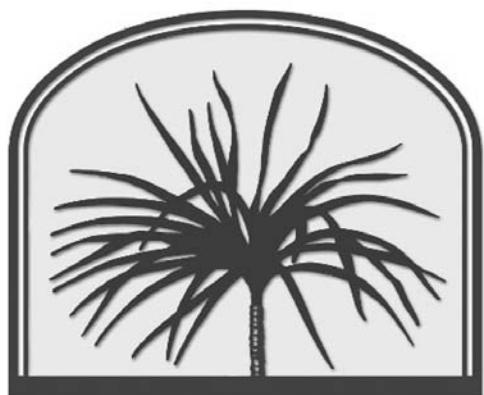
Appleseed' in that he would take seeds with him in his vest pocket when he visited other places and plant them here and there in other districts.

Hawai'i suffers from droughts from time-to-time, and enough people were convinced to try this concept on their own properties that eventually a database was created that proved Dr. Bond was right. The Territorial and then later State govern-

See Bond, page 15



Dr. Bond's family circa 1906. Back row, L-R: Alice, Benjamin D., James Douglas, called Doug. Front row, L-R: Benjamin Howell, called Howell; Kenneth, or Ken, and Emma.



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- Mon 7 pm, Narcotics Anonymous, Wylie Hall, Kalahikiola Church, 'Iole Road.
- Tue 8-9 am, Heart's Reflection Sitting Meditation Group, Meditation Hale, 53-3988 Akoni Pule Hwy, mauka, east of hospital, by donation, 889-5151.
- Tue 2:30 pm, Kendama Club, free, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- Wed 7 pm, Alcoholics Anonymous, Wylie Hall, Kalahikiola Church, 'Iole Road.
- Thu 8-9:15 am, Vinyasa Flow Yoga w/ Maya Parrish, all levels, (note: no class on Oct 9 & 16) by donation, white tent at Kohala Institute at 'Iole, 889-5151.
- Thu 2-4 pm, Hawaiian weaving w/ Mele Waikiki (alternating coconut frond & lauhalā), by donation, white tent at Kohala Institute at 'Iole, 889-5151.
- Thu 4-5 pm, Beginning Hula w/ Mele Waikiki, by donation, white tent at Kohala Institute at 'Iole, 889-5151.
- Thu 7 pm, Narcotics Anonymous, Wylie Hall, Kalahikiola Church, 'Iole Road.
- Fri 10 am, Preschool Story Time, free, North Kohala library, 889-6655.

Email weekly calendar listings to kmncalendar@hotmail.com or call #884-5986

Ironman Road Closure Coming



—photo by Megan Solis

Kohala resident Jesús Solís worked with the kokua crew from Kanu O Ka `Aina school in Waimea, handing out electrolyte drinks to cyclists at the Hawi turnaround during the October 2012 Ironman competition.

The 2014 Ironman World Championship triathlon is scheduled for Saturday, October 11, and will once again be influencing our travel routes.

Akoni Pule Highway between downtown Hawi and the Kawaihae/Waimea Junction will be closed from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Kohala Mountain Road will likely be more crowded than usual, so be sure to give yourself some extra time for a stress-free drive.



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Kohala Mystery Site



—photo by Charles L'Heureux

Do you know what this structure is? It's found in Kohala, in a place many people have visited. Not sure? See the answer below. ★

Sustainable Kohala to Offer Free Farm Tour

Sustainable Kohala will offer a free tour of Lokahi Farm on October 11 from 2 to 5 p.m. Richard Liebmann will host the tour of this local organic farm and discuss starting seeds, preparing soil, caring for plants, dealing with insects and weeds, mulching and harvesting.

To attend the tour, please arrive at Lokahi Farm by 2 p.m. The farm is located at 55-448 Ho`ea Road, Hawi.

This decade-old shot shows the gazebo at Artesia, built by Jim Channon as part of a plan to blend nature, art and architecture. It has sometimes been used for romantic pupus and cocktails with a spectacular ocean view at sunset.



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 ments decided to act on the data. They replanted large areas of denuded lands on most islands to expand the water supply for agriculture and the growing populations, although Dr. Bond did not live to see this.

When the old library opened in 1928 it was simply the Kohala Public Library. It wasn't until the 1970s that the Hawai'i legislature voted to rename it as the "Dr. Benjamin D. Bond Memorial Public Library" in recognition of his tireless efforts throughout his life to champion the importance of watersheds on our island home. Perhaps it was a budget decision, or maybe not enough room on the wall, but the sign on the building since then has been "Bond Memorial Public Library," and many people who did not know the story would assume it was a tribute to Rev. Elias Bond. Bennie would probably be okay with that.

The new library opened in 2010 and is a wonderful addi-



Dr. Bond's house in the 1930s

tion to modern Kohala! The old library building belongs to the Department of Education and is being used by the robotics club at Kohala High School for the time being while plans for use of the building in the future are being made.

The name on the building will change again, and memory of the quiet country doctor who

gave his life to his community will fade. But now YOU know the story! Aloha!

Water, continued from page 3
 mittee with the Department's five-year funding schedule for new lines and the 20-year priority list outlining which lines get fixed first.

Long range solutions for the subcommittee's primary recommendation—the establishment of an agricultural water system to supplement DWS's potable water system—remained in the discussion phase. Although the DWS is only responsible for providing safe drinking water, the subcommittee pointed out that the availability of inexpensive non-potable agricultural water would not only benefit many North Kohala

residents, but ease the strain on DWS as well. The subcommittee asked the DWS to help the community find ways to use existing sources of water for farmers' crops, such as the Kohala Ditch and the series of water tunnels that used to provide residential water.

"It is crazy that we are using expensive drinking water on farmlands when we have excellent water available from other sources," said John Winter. Beck said he would talk to the department administration about possible ways Kohala can set up an independent agricultural water system, and would find out what DWS can do to help see that happen.



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Beautiful Skincare Opens Studio in Hawi

To quote Sophia Loren "Nothing makes a woman more beautiful than the belief that she is beautiful." Those words resonate deeply with Deborah Flynn, the proprietor of the new skincare studio in downtown Hawi, "Beautiful Skincare." Located next to the Nakahara store it is easy to find, yet in a quiet location. If you see that the door is closed, it is because the studio is air-conditioned for the clients' comfort.

Inside, the studio is elegant and spacious; clients feel themselves relaxing the minute they walk through the door. Shades of blue and gentle lighting calm the spirit, while in the background soft music plays through notes of subtle aromatherapy. Meanwhile, water quietly bubbles away in the fountain, further aiding relaxation. Deborah thought of all the right things to soothe the senses and make time

with her something clients will want to repeat often.

Beautiful Skincare's hours are flexible, being open Tuesday thru Saturday



—photos courtesy of Deborah Flynn

Deborah Flynn is the proprietor of Beautiful Skincare, a new skincare studio in downtown Hawi.

with advance- appointment options, spontaneous calls or walk-ins. Deborah lives just a three-minute walk away, so if clients drop by and she is not in the studio, "Just call me," she says. She can generally be ready to give a treatment in about 10 minutes.

Deborah offers her own personal approach to skincare, offering only a few primary services that have the empha-

sis in relaxation and being pampered, coupled with deep hydration. Her style of facial is meant to bring clients to that deep and serene place that is in each of us. "Nothing can soften the face more than good stress relief, and that is what my facial can do for you," says Deborah. "It will also hydrate and repair your skin, and hopefully encourage you to treasure your skin with good home skincare and sunscreen. What I do for you is only as good as the care you give your skin at home."

Deborah also says that beautiful skin comes naturally when we use a quality skincare line and choose the right products for our clients. She chooses Ilike' organic skincare products for their premium quality.

"The art of touch is a very individual experience, and if you want a facial that takes you to that deep relaxation place within yourself, then I am the right professional for you. During your ninety minute experience with me, I am doing some kind of touch or application the entire time."

Deborah has worked for 35 years as a cosmetologist in all aspects of her industry; she

even taught for 18 years at the trade show level. The first salon she owned was in New York, only leaving it after 14 years to move to Olympia Washington with her new husband, Blake. True to form, Deborah opened a salon there too, and closed it only when she and Blake decided to go on some long-term travel adventures.

Deborah and her husband have now settled in Hawi. Her original plan was to be on sabbatical for two years while they build their new home, yet she has chosen to open an intimate skincare studio here in North Kohala.

Ask her why and she'll reply, "I decided that we all need good care for our skin, especially when we live in tropical sunny climate like Hawai'i. I know I sure do. And what's not to like about a pampering experience? It seemed



The studio for Beautiful Skincare is designed to soothe and relax clients.

that most of our options for beauty treatments beyond hair care were at least 30 minutes to an hour away. Who wants a long drive home after such a lux-

urious treatment? I love what I do and I can't seem to get away from it." Deborah laughs as she says this and continues,

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Animal Evacuation Needed in Puna

The district of Puna is on alert! The June 27 lava flow poses a threat to farms and homes in the Puna area near Pahoa. Since this flow is heading



—photo courtesy of the Good Shepherd Foundation

Animals displaced by the Puna lava flows can be placed through a free service provided by the Good Shepherd Foundation.

towards an agricultural area, it also threatens farm animals such as chickens, ducks, sheep, goats, horses, pigs, in addition to dogs and cats.



Can you resist this sweet face?

All these animals would need to be evacuated in the event of an approaching lava flow.

Finding accommodations for displaced animals could become a major challenge. H.E.L.P. Puna is providing a free



Molten lava is a challenge for man and beast.

online service, at www.Help-Puna.org, for residents who need to find places to protect their animals, connecting them with others who wish to offer their properties as temporary homes.

H.E.L.P. stands for Hawai'i Evacuation of Livestock and Pets. It is a program of the Good Shepherd Foundation, a nonprofit organization with an animal sanctuary near the lava flow.

Everyone is encouraged to offer their property as a haven from the lava flow for any livestock and pets they can accommodate. Those offering their places as refuges can do so for free or for a fee. It is between the parties to decide all financial issues and also to ensure a good fit.

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"So why wait? To quote the movie Field of Dreams, 'Build it and they will come.' So here I am North Kohala. Hope to

see you soon."
Deborah can be reached at 808-430-4894 or www.beautifulskincare.skincaretherapy.net.

October

KOHALA CALENDAR

- 1 Wed 4:30-6:30 pm, CDP Public Access Subcmte. Mtg., Senior Center, Ted, 889-5801.
- 2 Thu 6-9 pm, Green Drinks Hawi, Kava Kafe, organic networking & pupu, Forrest, 987-2365.
- 4 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.
- 4 Sat 9 am-4 pm, 30th Annual Kohala Country Fair, entertainment, crafts, food, games, keiki zone, free admission, 1 mile east of Kamehameha Statue, Kapa`au.
- 6 Mon Kohala Public Schools Fall Break, no school thru Fri, 10/10.
- 6 Mon 6-7 pm, CDP Growth Management Subcmte. Mtg., public invited, old Bank of Hawaii bldg., Kapa`au.
- 8 Wed 8 am, No. Kohala Merchants Association Mtg., Resource Center, public invited, Richard, 889-1112.
- 8 Wed 10 am, Homeschool Wednesday, ages 6-9, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 8 Wed 5-6:15 pm, CDP Power, Viewplanes & Erosion Control subcmte. mtg, public welcome, Senior Ctr, Susan, 882-7611.
- 11 Sat 8 am-3:30 pm, Ironman Triathlon 2014, Akoni Pule Hwy. closed from Kawaihae to Hawi.
- 11 Sat 2-5 pm, Tour of Lokahi Farm, learn about starting seeds, preparing soil, caring for plants, dealing with insects & weeds, mulching, & harvesting, free, sponsored by Sustainable Kohala, 55-448 Hoea Rd, please arrive by 2 pm, Richard, 987-7501.
- 13 Mon 5-6:30 pm, CDP Action Cmte. Public Mtg., Senior Ctr., Kapa`au.
- 14 Tue 11 am, Adult book discussion group, "Empty Mansions" by Bill Dedman, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 14 Tue 3:30 pm, Kohala Elem. SCC mtg., rm. 12, public invited, 889-7100.
- 16 Thu 1:30-2:30 pm, Kohala Hospital Auxiliary Mtg., Hospital Pavilion, new members welcome, Dixie, 889-5730.
- 18 Sat 10 am-3 pm, Keiki Yoga Kohala benefit, adult & keiki yoga classes, light lunch, Hawaii Island Retreat, Kapa`au, 345-5777 or 756-3919 to register.
- 18 Sat 4:30-6:30 pm, Free Grindz--Hot Meal, under the Hawi Banyans, bring a friend, Kohala Baptist Church, Sondra, 889-5416.
- 20 Mon 6:30 pm, "W`akaulua, the Hawaiian double hull canoe," by Kiko Johnston-Kitazawa, free, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 22 Wed 10 am, Homeschool Wednesday, ages 6-9, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 25 Sat 11 am-12:30 pm, Free Community Meal, St. Augustine's Walker Hall, Thrift Store open 10 am-12:30 pm.
- 27 Mon 6:30 pm, "A Brief History of Waimea," by Boyd D. Bond, free, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 28 Tue 5 pm, CDP Parks, Water & Roads Subcmte, public welcome, Senior Ctr., andi@hawaii.rr.com.
- 28 Tue 6:30-8:30 pm, 'Talking Story about Death and Dying,' open forum, Kokolulu Cancer Retreat, Bobbi, 238-5681, Stephen, 328-2452.
- 29 Wed 9 am, Volunteer day at `Iole (trail clearing and painting projects) followed by complimentary catered Mahalo Lunch, RSVP to programs@kohalainstitute.org.
- 29 Wed 2:30 pm, Kids' book and movie discussion group, "Bridge to Terabithia," grades 4-7, North Kohala library, 889-6655.
- 29 Wed 4-5:30 pm, Restorative Yoga Therapy w/ Carla Orellana, by donation, Kohala Institute at `Iole, 889-5151.
- 31 Fri 3 pm, Spooky Music Concert by Kohala's young musicians, free, North Kohala library, 889-6655.

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➤ We are pleased to welcome KHS Senior Genevieve Boyle as our intern from the new DOE Work-Based Program! Genevieve will be learning about NKCRC's project sponsorships as well as how the Welcome Center operates.

➤ Don't miss the Kohala Country Fair on Saturday, October 4! Come see us at our booth, next to a few of our projects, and enjoy a great community event.

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Kohala Robotics Invited to Asian Pacific Championships in China

Five Hawai'i VEX robotics teams that did well at the International Summer Games held at Hawai'i Convention Center this past July have been invited to participate in the Asian Pacific Championships. Kohala teams 4119 and 4119B, comprised of 7th- and 8th- grade students, accepted the invitation.

The 8th Asia-Pacific Robotics Championship will be held from December 2 through 4 at China Dongguan. Over 100 teams from Asia-Pacific countries join the competition. This international event aims to promote robotics education to young people in the Asia-Pacific region. It nurtures young people's interest in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), provides an interactive competition platform, and reinforces students' real-world problem-solving skills and teamwork spirit.

The Asian Robotics League (ARL), which extended the invitation, will host ground trans-

portation and some accommodations for Hawai'i teams. O'ahu's Waialua VEX team 3590 is also going to China.

Kohala has already been working hard to raise funds for the program. The afterschool VEX robotics program no longer has 21st Century Community Learn-

ing Centers (CCLC) funding for program supplies or qualifying national travel. In order to meet demands of travel, and for materials to build and maintain the robots, several kinds of homemade, specialty items, like kulolo have been made and sold. Car washes and small projects are constant. The team also volunteers in the community.

On September 3 Kohala VEX Robotics teams and mentors received a special visit from United States Congressional Representative Tulsi Gabbard. She awarded each member with certificates of recognition for the program's success, especially the World Championships and International Summer Games. She also recognized the value of the Asian Robotics League invitation.

Anyone who wishes to support the Kohala VEX robotics' international experience, please contact Fern White, Program Coordinator, at 896-0316 (cell) or 889-7117.



—photo by Cheryl Cabrera

Kohala Robotics Program Coordinator Fern White and United States Congressional Representative Tulsi Gabbard show a Certificate of Recognition, one of which Gabbard awarded to each member of Kohala Robotics. Gabbard visited the group to acknowledge the program's success.



—photo courtesy of Kohala VEX Robotics

US Congress Representative Tulsi Gabbard (back row center), enjoys visiting the King Kamehameha statue while here to recognize the Kohala VEX Robotics programs achievements. Front row (L-R): Jada Hook, Morgan Swan, Kaimi Hook, Josh Page. Back Row (L-R) Cheryl Cabrera, Alvin Kawamoto, Representative Gabbard, Kaliko Dela Cruz, Eric Dela Cruz and Fern White.

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