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New Recycling Rules Will Increase Plastic Trash



Photo by CNN, www.cnn.com/2016/06/03/us/gallery/hawaii-trash-problem-irpt/index.html
Hawaii's beaches are littered with plastic, extremely dangerous to both wildlife, fish and humans.

By Sustainable Kohala

Recycling at our transfer station has changed. Due to China's recent rejection of soiled materials shipped to them for recycling, new restrictions have recently been instituted.

As of December 1, the County is no longer be able to recycle any #5 plastics or caps and lids. In addition, empty plastic bags will no longer be accepted for recycling.

These changes are affecting not only Hawai'i and the mainland U.S., but recycling operations around the world.

We can still recycle clean plastic containers, jugs, or bottles marked #1 or #2; HI-5 bottles and cans; aluminum; tin; paper; cardboard; and glass.

Food contamination is the main issue with China's refusal of our recyclable materials, so

always rinse your recycling items after use if they have contained food.

Clean plastic jars, jugs, or bottles marked #1 or #2 and CLEAN tin and aluminum cans, and clean cardboard (no used pizza boxes!) can be placed in the mixed recycling bin at the transfer station.

Clean glass jars and bottles go in a separate container next to the mixed recycling bin, and empty HI-5 beverage containers can be turned in for redemption at the neighboring site just makai of the transfer station.

For an up-to-date list of where to take other items, see recyclehawaii.org/where-to-recycle/for-residents.

Note that alkaline, rechargeable and lithium batteries; paint; electronics; and scrap metal are considered hazardous and have separate recycling facilities. The details of when and where to take these materials changes, so keep this web site handy.

Non-compostable materials in our trash present a big problem. Polystyrene foam (Styrofoam) and other plastics besides #1 and #2 are not recyclable and, unfortunately, do not break down in the landfill.

We assume plastics stay in our landfill, but migrating birds and wind often carry plastic materials from landfills to both land and oceans. These materials are especially dangerous to wildlife of all sorts. Over 100 million marine animals are killed



Photo by Deborah Winter
Jar of plastic retrieved from Pololu Beach, courtesy of Cassia Foley.

Kohala Swimmer Excels at Hilo Swim Meet



Photo by Jeffrey Coakley

The Kohala High School Swim Team

Left to Right: Christian Guevarra, Scarlett Jordan, Sydney Wiernicki, Reyanna Savedra and Dayten James-Foree

Missing: Oscar Ka'awa-Culp, Shamar Sarne, Jr. and Will Touche

It's 6:00 in the morning. It's dark, the pool water is freezing and you're just half awake. Who in their right mind would want to swim under those conditions?

The Kohala swim team undergoes this type of training three times a week, from 6:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., swimming 2,000 - 3,000 yards per session, rock music blasting in the background. Why? Maybe it's the waffles with whipped cream or toasted bagels with cream cheese and honey at the end of the practice session. Or, maybe they are just a bunch of masochists that enjoy the pain.

Whatever the reason, these young men and women brave those conditions, working hard to be the best that they can become and it's personal...wanting to master their environment and pushing themselves to the limit. Many of them head off to college or enter the military after graduation, having learned the discipline that it takes to be a swimmer, a sport that is ranked as the #2 most difficult.

Over the years it's been a small team who swam for Kohala High under the guidance

of swim coaches Jeff Coakley and Elysia Ney. Though small in number, from 2003 - 2018 swimmers have competed in the State Championships, with a break between 2006-2011 when swimming was suspended.

Before the help of their coaches, Christian Guevarra, Reyanna Savedra and Scarlett Jordan didn't know how to swim any of the swim strokes of fly, back, breast or free but now have become proficient swimmers. That's how good their coaches are...

Besides freestyle, Christian and Reyanna have become proficient in breaststroke and Scarlett in the backstroke, while second-year veteran and Boys' Team captain Dayten James-Foree continues to have solid swims in the 50 and 100 freestyle.

Girls' Team captain Sydney Wiernicki comes from a family of water people and is looking to make her mark in the BIIF [Big Island Interscholastic Federation] as a 100-yard backstroker like her mom, Bindi Wiernicki. At the first meet of the season, held at Hilo High School on

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Sunset at Mahukona

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each year due to plastic debris in the ocean. There are 100 million tons of plastic in oceans around the world. Over 70% of seabirds now have plastic in their systems.

Please be extra mindful of any plastic or Styrofoam you throw away. Can you re-use or reduce it? Can you avoid using it?

Re-use and reduce are better than recycling. Our landfills are filling too quickly to sustain our flow of trash, recycling costs money and energy to ship and process, and rules change. Yet there are many ways to reduce and re-use items that would otherwise go to the landfill.

For example, when purchasing food items like yogurt or other products, look to see if the container is recyclable (#1 or #2) to help you decide which item to buy. If it isn't #1 or #2, can you re-use the container?

An empty jam jar can store leftovers. An old laundry detergent tub can hold hardware or craft items for the next project. Consider buying a collection of forks, spoons and knives from a thrift store that you can use and wash after a social gathering, instead of throwing "away" plastic cutlery. (There is no "away"!)

Lots of easily accumulated items like bottle corks, tabs off soda pop cans, bottle caps and jar lids can be collected

and "upcycled" into art projects and usable items. The HUB craft center for children is a good place to drop off these types of reusable items.

Water bottles create a huge amount of unnecessary plastic trash. Consider using a refillable glass or metal beverage container and save money while reducing plastic trash.

Here's a website with 50 creative re-uses for common household objects: twistedstifer.com/2012/06/creative-ways-to-repurpose-reuse-and-upcycle-old-things.

Consider giving away rarely used items to friends, family or thrift stores. Or have a clothing exchange party or yard sale.

As for reduce, share rarely used items with neighbors and family and you save money and reduce your impact on our landfill.

Finally, over 50% of our solid waste at our local transfer station is green waste! When branches, leaves and flowers are combined with plastics and other manufactured materials, they break down much more slowly. While there is a capital improvement project proposal for a green waste facility for North Kohala, until that appears, please consider taking your green waste to a site where it will break down more easily.

Thank you for recycling, reducing, and reusing!

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November 24, Syd gave notice that she will be contending for the BIIF backstroke title by swimming a fast 1:03 back and taking 1st place. As a freshman, she came in third in the 100-yard backstroke BIIF finals and also competed in the State Championships. This year as a sophomore, she's looking to challenge the top swimmers and has already qualified for the State High School Champs!

However, a great part of the success of the Kohala High swim team is the support of the Kohala community in supporting their fundraising activities. The monies raised are used to pay for goggles, racing suits, swim equipment, travel to off-island State meets, housing, air and ground transportation, and food.

We would like to thank the Kohala community, Takata Store, St. Augustine Church, The HUB and Bert Kanoa, Sr. for their continued support.

The team is looking to have a laulau plate sale on December 22 to offset expenses to the February 8-9 State Championships at the Veteran's Pool on Oahu.

We are looking for a place to stay, if anyone has any connections on Oahu.

Mahalo!

Funding for Kapanāia Bay Purchase Secured

By Toni Withington

Kapanāia Bay took a giant leap closer to being protected as open space this month when the State Legacy Land Conservation Commission (LLCC) put the project near the top of its list for

chase of 84 acres of land that include Kapanāia Bay and the Walaohia Gulch, had asked the state's open space funding source for half of the \$2.9 million purchase price. The LLCC ranked Kapanāia second on a

the commission's findings by the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

Speaking for the funding at the two days of LLCC hearings on Oahu were Fred Cachola; his daughter, Dr. Kehau Abad; Toni Withington; and Beth Robinson, who represented the owner.

There were nine applications in total from all islands for the \$4.4 million funds available this year. Kapanāia was selected second, behind the purchase of Pia Valley, a pristine ridgetop parcel on Oahu's Ko'olau Mountains. Also funded was an ocean-front parcel in Hana on Maui and the steep cliffs and skirt of land from Oahu's Pali Lookout to Kaneohe taro patches.

The finding comes as a victory for the many groups and individuals that have been working for protection of Kapanāia for almost forty years. Starting in the 1970's, Hui Mamalahoa secured public vehicle access to the bay as part of a quiet title action brought by Kohala Sugar Company.

The North Kohala Community Development Plan, written by the community and passed in 2008, calls for purchase of coastal

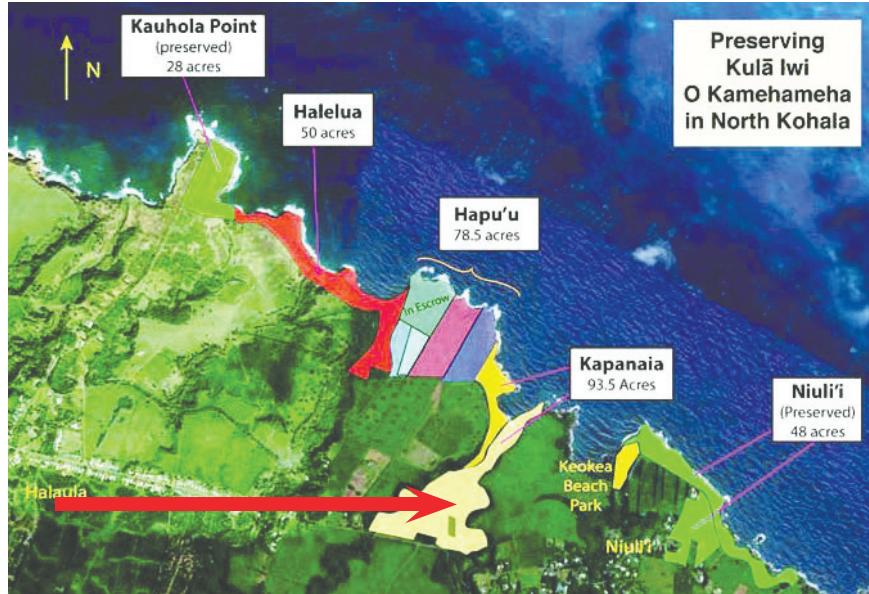


Image by John Winter and Toni Withington
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Hawai'i County, which has already agreed to fund the pur-

list of four projects selected for funding. Release of the funds requires only the approval of

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land and identifies Kapanaia to Ainakea as the highest priority for public access. Several years later, the Kohala Community Access Group worked with the county to approve a public access pedestrian trail along the coast.

As part of a project to protect the Kula Iwi O Kamehameha—the homelands of Kamehameha I—the lands at Kapanaia have been nominated by five Kohala community groups to the county's priority list for public purchase since 2010. It has ranked high on that list every year since. In 2015, the County Council directed the County Finance Department to begin negotiations with the owner of the land, Pacific Plains, LLC of Texas.

Representatives of Pacific Plains have worked coopera-

tively with the Kohala groups since the process of subdividing the former sugar land started a decade ago.

This year, the staff of the Public Access, Open Space and Natural Resources Commission (PONC) established the price by appraisal and applied to the State LLCC for matching funds. Hamana Ventura, executive director of PONC, represented the county at the LLCC meeting. He congratulated the Kohala groups that have worked so hard.

The groups involved with the establishing of open space in Kohala are Malama Wahi Pana O Kohala, Ka Makani O Kohala 'Ohana - Kako'o, Malama Kohala Kahakai, Maika'i Kamakani O Kohala, Kohala Historic and Cultural Preservation Group, and Kohala Lihikai.

Hawi Listed in 39th Place on List of Best Small Towns in America

On December 12, 2018, Newsmax Media's online page, www.newsmax.com, re-ran their January 20, 2016, story on their picks for the 50 Best Small Towns in America. In their estimation, Hawi ranked as number 39 with the following entry:

"39. Hawi, Hawaii (population 1,081) — Known for its

tropical lushness and peaceful lifestyle, Hawi is located on the Big Island.

Home for the bicycle turnaround of the Ironman World Championship, it also features loads of art galleries and serves as a great place to sip legendary kona [sic] coffee at outdoor cafes."

Rain in Waianae Gulch

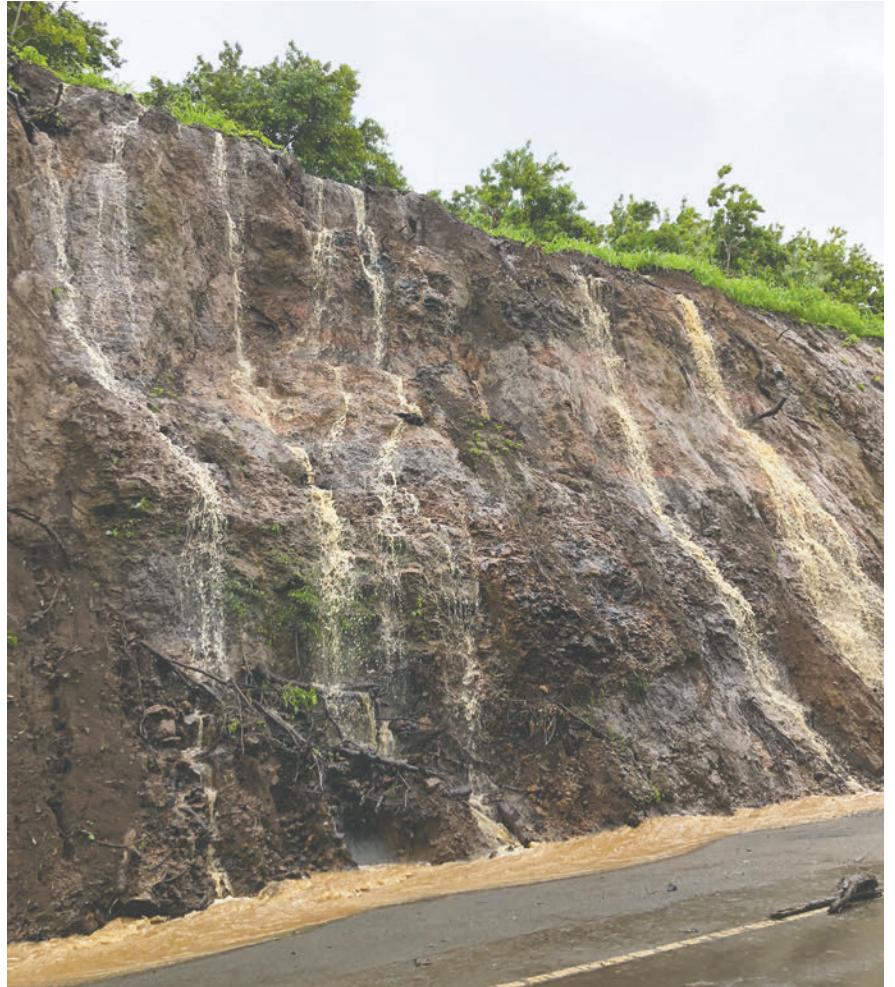


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Torrential rain drenched Waianae Gulch on November 10, 2018, prompting some residents to call the area "Niagara Falls."

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From the Desk of District 9 Councilmember Tim Richards



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Councilmember Tim Richards represents North Kohala as part of Hawai'i County Council District 9.

Aloha everyone! Once again, it is time for the monthly update from our office.

Hawai'i County Council Members Sworn In

On December 3, I was humbled to again take the Oath of Office as your Council Member for the term of 2018 – 2020. Thank you for your continued support and confidence in me to represent the people of District 9. I am excited to work with my

fellow colleagues on the Hawai'i County Council as we focus on the work ahead of us in making Hawai'i Island the best place to live, work and play for generations to come.

We do have our work cut out for us regarding the ever-challenging County budget, however I am optimistic that with this balanced group of Council Members, we will work together to consider the voice of our constituents' island-wide as we aim for a fiscally responsible County government. As always, feel free to contact either of my offices if you have any questions or concerns. I will continue to build the bridges to better serve you all.

Bill 108 Is Now an Ordinance – Vacation Rentals

The infamous Bill 108 has passed through the Hawai'i County Council with Draft No. 7 on November 20, 2018. It is important to note that although this measure has been adopted, the specific process is currently being crafted by the County Department of Planning for the effective date of April 1, 2019. We do understand that some residents and vacation rental owners alike may not be satisfied with the specific outcomes of Bill 108, however we are cautiously optimistic that we can continue to work toward creat-

ing a process that will benefit our island community going forward. Continue to stay informed as we eagerly await the unfolding of the new County of Hawai'i Vacation Rental regulations.

Kamehameha Park Recreation Facilities

Please note that I have been pursuing, and will continue to pursue, the leadership of the County Department of Parks and Recreation (P&R) for status on various improvement projects involving Kamehameha Park, the playgrounds, Hisaoka Gym and Shiro Takata Fields. Some of these have been promised to me since 2016, and again in 2018. I even made certain that Council Contingency funding had been provided toward some of these projects. I am trying my best to be patient, and I ask that you try too.

I hope we will see the progress needed in this area sooner rather than later. Please feel free to update me on matters involving our recreation facilities; such facilities as these are important and should be accessible for all – keiki to kupuna.

As always, it continues to be a great privilege to serve as your Councilman. Wishing each one of you a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous 2019!

CDP AC to Emphasize Collaboration in 2019



Photo courtesy of JT Morgan <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/User:Jtmorgan>
The Affordable Housing Group is looking to partner with a landowner in North Kohala to acquire seven to fifteen acres of land on which to build a "pocket neighborhood." Such housing communities are built around a central common area, with vehicles and parking around the perimeter, and reduce the cost of housing while encouraging a sense of community.

By Lynda Wallach

At its November 19 meeting, the North Kohala Community Development Plan Action Committee (NKCDP AC) welcomed its newest member, Chris Cackley. The incoming member will be filling the seat of Jack Hoyt, who had agreed to extend his

term until a replacement was approved.

The AC had spent some time on a priority-setting exercise. Affordable housing, infrastructure, agriculture and economic development, and public access were selected as the areas having the highest priority, with

collaboration being the overarching theme. Steve Hoffman, AC Chair, presented the results of the exercise, which will guide the work of the committee in the coming year.

Action Committee priorities include to:

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Future KMN Deadlines

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Ads and News: 1/11/19

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1) Improve collaboration with community members and county agencies,

2) Relieve the barriers to affordable housing,

3) Work to clarify economic issues and opportunities, and act to support key initiatives, and

4) Support any activity that supports job opportunities, reduces the cost of living and preserves the quality of life in Kohala

Toni Withington's report from the Public Access Community Group included information on a trail from Kauhola Point to Hapu'u (see map on page 3 for location). She also told the group about a study being done to determine the legal status of the Mahukona to Niuli'i railroad, looking into the possibility of converting it into a public trail. The group will be seeking out information and ideas from the community regarding this potential trail over the next several months, and a report on the current status of this study will be on the CDP AC meeting agenda in January. Finally, Withington said that the County Planning Commission has been working with the owners of the 90 acres at Kapanania and is in the process of purchasing the property. They have applied to the State Legacy Land Commission for matching funds for the purchase. Members of the Public Access group planned to travel to Oahu on December 10 to make their case to the Commission with the decision to be known shortly after. (See update on the approval of these funds on page 1 of this issue.)

Susan Fischer of Power, View Planes and Erosion Control gave a presentation on the Upolu Airport Environmental Restoration Project. The project includes erosion prevention, establishing a trail, educating the public about native plants and restoring native habitat. The project, which is ongoing, began in 2011 with the major focus being on

erosion control. It has involved several Kohala organizations and multiple students from Kohala High School.

It has included the planting of over 1,400 native plants for ground cover, designing and installing check dams and sediment-collecting dams and creating signage. (See story on page 7.) The erosion prevention program is essential in preserving the health of our coastline by helping to prevent the contamination of offshore coral reefs, preserving fish habitats, preserving existing vegetation, preventing the destruction of introduced native plants and providing for the return of seabird nesting areas. It has also helped to prevent the further erosion of pedestrian trails and the jeep road.

Jack Hoyt of the Affordable Housing Group then spoke to the AC on the issues regarding affordable housing in Kohala and some of the group's recommendations. The approach of the committee is to try to acquire seven to fifteen acres of land on which to build a "pocket neighborhood." This type of neighborhood groups houses around a common area that can be used for gardens, picnic areas or playing fields. There are no roads or driveways within the neighborhood and vehicles are located in parking lots on the perimeter. The group believes this would reduce the overall cost of the houses as well as encourage a sense of community among the residents of the neighborhood. Building such a neighborhood, he explained, faces three problems: zoning, waste and water. Currently, most of the land in Kohala is zoned agricultural, so a change in zoning would be required. Regarding waste, the State now requires new homes to have a septic system with a leach field large enough to accommodate the number of residents, which is expensive. Finally, additional water meters may be dependent on the com-

pletion of the Halaula well. The group does not have the funds to purchase land but is hoping that they will be able to find a landowner in Kohala that will be willing to partner with them and support this experiment.

John Winter, of the Water, Parks and Road Group, brought up the issue of the proposed military activity along the Kohala Coast. Because of the tight time frame and the restrictions of the Sunshine Laws, it was not possible for the AC to respond as a committee by the December 10 deadline for public comment, but he encouraged members to respond individually to the draft Environment Assessment.

He also presented the Pololu Lookout Proposal, which was drafted after numerous meetings with the residents near Pololu and the general community. His purpose was to get this on the AC agenda for the next meeting so that it can be forwarded to the appropriate County departments as quickly as possible.

More information on the proposal and the process are in the story on page 8.

The next meeting of the NKCDP AC is on Monday, January 28, at 5:00 p.m. in Kamehameha Park's Hisaoka Gym conference room. Members of the community are encouraged to attend.

Hear Classical Guitar in North Kohala

Event: Hawaiian Classical Guitar Recital

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Controlling Erosion at Upolu Airport



Photos by Toni Withington

The photo on the left shows the raw erosion along the shore at Upolu Airport in 2015. Three years later, in 2018, the same place has filled and turned green (shown in the photo on the right), thanks to erosion control efforts.

By Toni Withington

Soil erosion control projects at Upolu Airport seem to be working, and more projects are planned, the North Kohala Community Development Plan (NKCDP) Action Committee was told at its meeting on November 19.

Susan Fischer, chairperson of the Power, View Planes and Erosion Control Group, gave an update of progress on the restoration efforts undertaken since 2011 on the mile-long strip of state land makai of the airport runway. Photos showed dramatic capture of soil behind dams and recent growth of several of the

native plants near them.

She said the group and Kohala Lihikai will continue working with Airports Division and Kohala High School (KHS) students to locate and install additional dam sites. The cliffside land was left bare after extensive recreational vehicle use a decade ago. Without plants, soil run-off was eroding the land and polluting the reefs offshore.

The restoration project was undertaken by Kohala Lihikai and eight other Kohala organizations with the help of Airport Division, starting with the nurturing and planting of 1,400 native starts. In 2015 three

Kohala High School students designed and built check dams to stop the soil runoff. Airports staff followed with the installation of roll-like sediment-collecting dams.

Fischer showed before and after photos of the results in only three years. Her focus was on erosion control, but she pointed out that the Upolu Project also includes establishing a trail, educating students about native plants and restoring the native habitat.

The photos showed the spread of native pa'u o Hi'iaka and ilima groundcovers in the sediment collected by the dams. Naupaka starts have also blos-

somed into large patches of the native bush. Still, there are bare places, she said.

The group will continue to evaluate the effectiveness of the present dams and work with Airports Division to locate additional dam sites. A KHS Senior Project program, led by senior Angelique Kokal, will also get underway this winter. Another nursery of native plants is also in the works.

Fischer said the lessons learned at Upolu will be used to undertake erosion control projects on the coastal open space lands acquired by the County at Pao'o, Kaiholena and Hapu'u.

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Pololu Woes Move Toward Solution

By Toni Withington

The much-debated topic of what to do at Pololu Valley lookout cooled significantly this month as about two dozen people at a well-publicized meeting agreed to work toward establishing a parking lot with restrooms town-side of the congested scenic site.

The recommendation of those attending was to “create a parking lot, but not too big; deal with the problems we

In the end, it was the health issues revolving around no restrooms—the sanitation and stink—that convinced some of the holdouts to raise their hands in favor of a parking lot with restrooms.

Some had hoped that portable toilets could be installed at the lookout, but representatives of the State Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW), which administers the lookout and trail, said their

tive David Tarnas. John Winter gave background to the CDP efforts.

The DLNR had previously expressed an intention to negotiate with Surety Kohala regarding changes in land boundaries around the lookout and on the Pololu Valley floor. Shontell said Surety is willing to donate some land town-side of the lookout for a parking lot. An arrangement might end up with the State taking owner-

limit on the offer, since Surety is winding up operations in Kohala and wants to sell its land.

While discussing how much land would be needed, Shontell said his estimate of the current traffic count at peak hours is ninety cars. He estimated two acres would accommodate that. Others felt that, with Surety gone, it would be difficult to get more land for expansion. Coakley kept the



Photo courtesy of Bill Shontell

Cars line the road near Pololu Lookout. Currently there is no parking lot at the site; however, local groups have reached a consensus and will be requesting a donation of land from Surety Kohala on which to build a lot.



Photo courtesy of Bill Shontell

Vans of tourists frequently stop at Pololu Lookout. In its current configuration, the lookout road does not afford much room for a larger vehicle to turn around.

have now, not future ones.”

Four different sub-groups of the Community Development Plan Action Committee have been wrestling for seven years with a division between those who want to improve the lookout and trailhead and those who want to discourage any more traffic. Both sides have expressed their views at many previous meetings about the congestion and lack of restrooms.

studies showed that option to be impossible.

The meeting was moderated by Jeff Coakley, a member of the Action Committee and the Parks, Water, Roads Group (PWR). Those attending included Steven Bergfeld of DOFAW, Clement Chang of Na Ala Hele State Trail System, Moana Rowland of Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), Bill Shontell of Surety Kohala and State Representa-

ship of 85 acres of land Surety owns on the valley floor, Bergfeld confirmed.

After everyone in the audience had a chance to ask questions and voice their opinions, Coakley asked for a vote on the parking lot. It was nearly unanimously favorable. Shontell said Surety was willing to donate the land for the lot on the mauka side of Akoni Pule Highway close to the lookout. He indicated there is a time

discussion going as participants upped the count one acre at a time. When it reached five acres, Shontell said that was as high as they could go. So it was agreed to ask for five acres, parts of which could be left undeveloped for future use, if needed.

Several speakers spoke in favor of the PWR Group’s finding that people living near the lookout want to keep the visits

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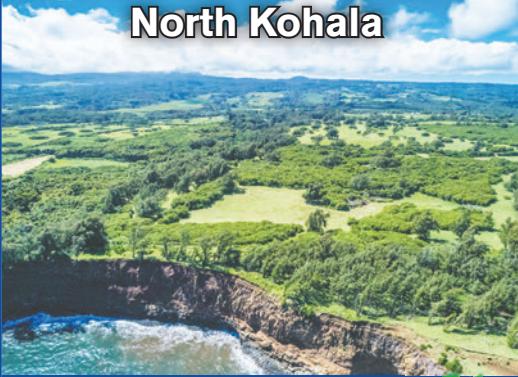
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to Pololu a wilderness experience. "Keep the area casual and somewhat rustic," was one comment.

As far as traffic control and safety, a consensus was reached to keep the narrow, two-lane approach free of parked cars and pedestrians. Painting parking stall lines at the lookout was proposed as a first step to solve the problems of turning around at the lookout.

Na Ala Hele was asked to do a user survey of the trail and perhaps propose a carrying capacity on the number of hikers to the valley floor. Clem Chang said they would look into that.

Both DLNR and the Department of Transportation (DOT), which was invited to the meeting but failed to show, will be introducing budget requests to the legislature this winter for funds to advance planning and implementation of projects identified by the community.

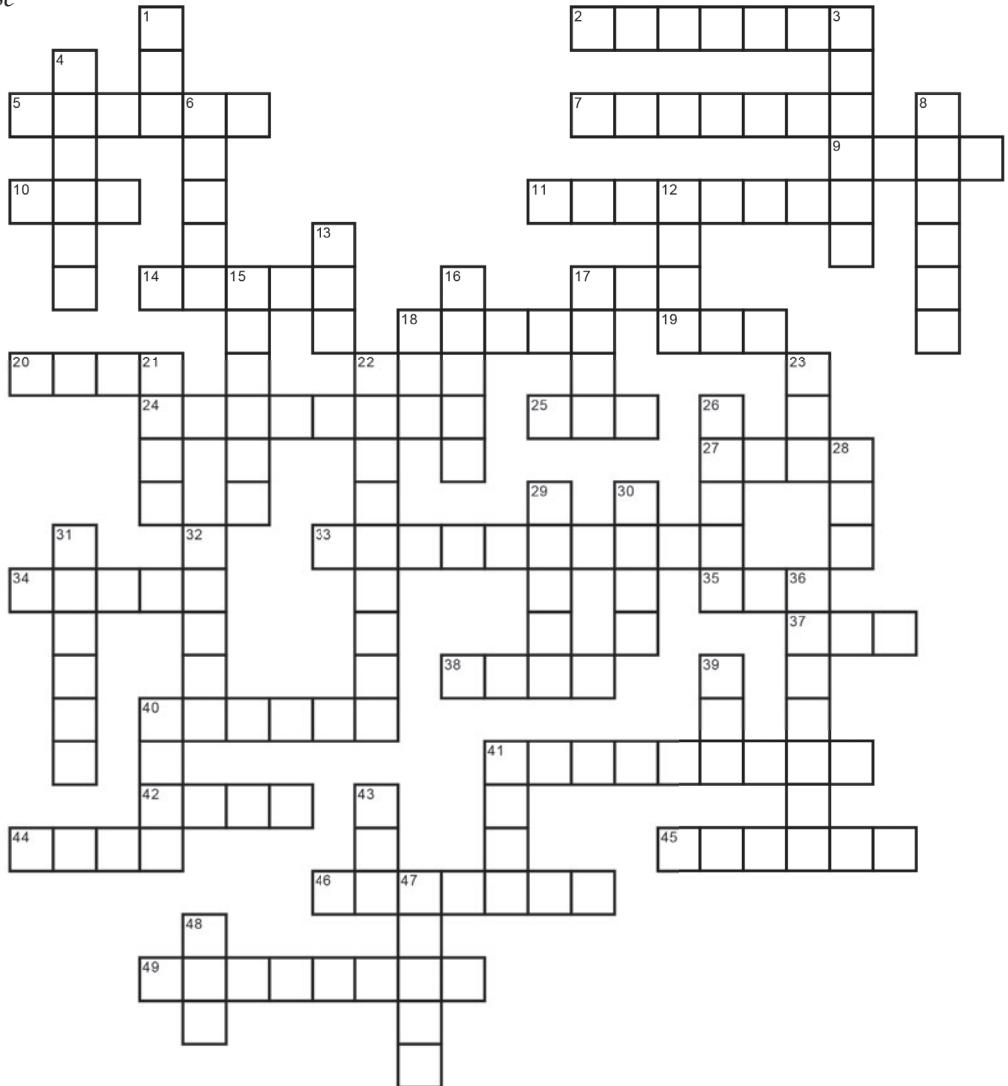
David Tarnas was fully supportive, saying he would carefully watch those requests and consult with the Planning Department about the proposed consolidation and re-subdivision of land with Surety.

A report issued by the PWR Group after the meeting was sent to all the agencies, DLNR, DOT, County Planning Department, County Police Department, Parks and Recreation and all of the district's representatives. It includes five first steps to take.

"We believe this proposal addresses the problems while not overly developing the area," the report says. "It allows for natural future visitor growth without inviting excessively more traffic. Kohala residents stressed their desire to limit large tours and buses, wishing to keep Akoni Pule Highway access as it is, with narrow stretches and bridges."

By Cindy Morse

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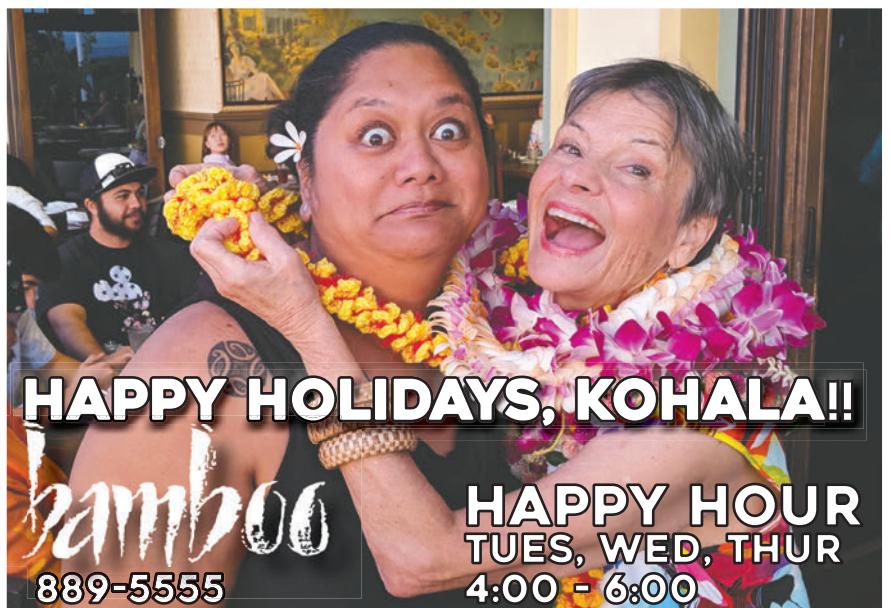
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The Life and Times of Jimmy Luke

[Editor's note: This story was originally published in the August 2007 issue of the Kohala Mountain News.]

Story and photo by Tim Head

If you ask Jimmy Luke what has been the most important, fantastic, positive, onolicious CHANGE in Kohala since he graduated from Halaula Elementary sixty ago, you quickly get a one-word answer: machines.

This story is not about machines. It's about an ancient Chinese clan that immigrated to Hawaii in the 19th century and how a few of its members chose to make Kohala their home, rather than moving on.

Luke Duck Sum arrived in Kohala about 1874. He soon purchased land and opened a general store in Halawa. About ten years later he went home and returned with his son, Luke Ngawk. Thus began the Luke family presence in Kohala, when strong, young Chinese men were the backbone of the sugar business. It was mainly Chinese muscle that built the railroad from Niuli'i to Mahukona, connecting six plantation mills to overseas markets.

Some 46,000 Chinese (mostly from Kwang Tung in south China) came to the islands before annexation, nearly all as sugar workers.

The idea had been that they would return to China at the completion of their contracts, and some actually did.

But many found that Hawaii offered more opportunity for a better life—much better than returning to their villages.

This was in spite of the fact that living conditions in the sugar camps were horrible and treatment by lunas sometimes tended to be harsh, brutal and mean-spirited. In 1891 three hundred Chinese sugar workers rioted in Kohala against unfair deductions from their meager wages. The riot was crushed.

But the lesson was not missed. Many workers did not renew their contracts and left the plantations to seek business opportunities in Honolulu and Hilo.

Among the Chinese who stayed in Kohala, some learned the Hawaiian language and began growing taro. When the

Kohala to an end.

In the 1920s Luke Ngwak's son, James Luke Sr., was selected to be among one hundred Chinese/American men to be trained as auto mechanics in Detroit. The plan was to send them to China in preparation for a bonanza of auto exports



Jimmy Luke

price of taro dropped (as native Hawaiian poi eaters died by the thousands from introduced diseases), these Chinese went into rice farming.

In Polulu and Waimanu valleys, taro lo'i were converted to wet rice culture. But those ventures didn't last long, either. Blights, insects and competition from mechanized California farms brought rice growing in

to Asia. James completed the course but never went to China. His son Jimmy doesn't know why.

Instead, James returned to Kohala and worked briefly at a sugar mill before becoming an independent businessman.

The family prospered. James Sr. stayed busy building houses, and his wife, Ethel, became the mother of four children. During

World War II, James founded Kohala Trucking (later renamed James Luke and Sons) and began regular trips to Hilo six days a week.

Jimmy was born in 1938. His mother, Ethel Nobuta Luke, was Japanese. He never met his maternal grandparents, who lived in Honolulu. As was the custom in those days, perhaps they disapproved of their daughter's marriage to a non-Japanese. Whatever. Jimmy's middle names are Chinese, and as a child he learned to understand spoken Chinese.

When he reached school age, Jimmy entered a situation that required sitting quietly at a desk inside a classroom most of the day.

He became a squirmy rascal. His parents were relaxed about it and did not pressure the boy. James Sr. was himself two generations away from the old country's emphasis on educational attainment. So they just let the boy run, barefoot and free in the neighborhood.

Like his father before him, Jimmy was sent to Honolulu for high school. After graduating from 'Iolani he returned to Kohala and announced that he wanted to join the army.

Father's response: "You crazy, they'll kill you!" So, instead, Jimmy went to aircraft mechanics school in California and completed the course, "but I never worked on one airplane." Again, like his father, he returned to Kohala and went to work.

Work in Kohala involved "helping out" in many ways. He began by digging graves and cesspools with a shovel.

Then he got his strong hands on a jackhammer. But his big love affair came later, with the arrival of one of the most fantastic machines of the twentieth century, THE BACKHOE.

Work he did, but Jimmy

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remained a fun-loving young man and let others stress themselves out trying to become successful and rich. His parents opened a small grocery in Makapala, and he and older brother Lawrence served as the clerks. After a short time, the business closed. Jimmy remembers with a laugh, "We go broke. Everybody charge."

When his parents opened Luke's Place in Hawi, Ethel took charge and was largely responsible for the restaurant's huge success. James Sr. provided beef from his "hobby" ranch.

Jimmy took his turn tending bar but was soon exiled to outdoor work. "I set up drinks on the house too many times," he chuckled.

Like the barefoot boy in Makapala, grownup Jimmy continued to resist marching to other people's drums. He has a beautiful red album—"Lineage of the Luke Family in Kohala, Hawaii"—but he has no interest in his ancestors. Somewhere along the way, he had become a hard-working American individual—and at the same time remained an easy-going, fun-

loving, happy-go-lucky, home-grown guy.

Jimmy Luke worked for forty-five years in the community. Because he was not motivated to make big money, he often took on jobs that he knew would not be profitable as a way to help people in financial distress.

Equipped with a backhoe, he dug many graves over the years for free, not wanting to hand a bill to people already overwhelmed with grief and financial worries. His attitude: "I no care. Gonna die broke anyway."

His greatest skill has been an ability to connect and relate personally with all kinds of people. With light-hearted humor and a relaxed, friendly manner he is one of Kohala's unique and loved characters. But he's not comfortable being regarded as a loveable, generous man.

He tries to balance such sentiments by coming out regularly with his favorite self-description, "I'm just a humbug guy who never care nothing."

Jimmy is no angel (thank God). He's been a smoker and gambler. Some people frown on that. Well, he learned his lesson in Vegas where he was smoking heavily at the crap tables. Then he came home and visited a friend who was dying from cigarette-caused emphysema. It shook him. Quit the next day.

A few years ago, a perceptive observer told this writer that Jimmy Luke seemed like the "mayor of Kohala." The reference resonates. In traditional small-town America, the mayor was a wise elder (not a politician) who took time to offer generosity and kindness to everyone.

"Jimmy Luke, Mayor of Kohala." Sounds pretty good for a "humbug guy, who never care nothing."

Relax, Jimmy. It's an honorary title. You're retired. You don't have to do anything. Just continue to be yourself.

2018 Benchmarks for Hāmākua-Kohala Health



Photos courtesy of Hāmākua-Kohala Health

As 2018 comes to a close, Hāmākua-Kohala Health (HKH) has a proud list of accomplishments to celebrate with island communities. New partnerships help expand health care services where needed most, new doctors and therapists enhance the staff, and new facilities are open opened with more on the way.

In August, HKH opened its third branch, located on Laupāhoehoe Community Public Charter School (LCPCS) grounds. There, on-site psychologist Dr. Ziska Garcia sees both children and adult patients, with focus on pediatric mental health and women's health. Prior to the clinic's opening, the Laupāhoehoe community had no psychologist, and patients had to drive to Honoka'a, Waimea or Hilo for counseling services.

Also during the summer, Dr. Ilea Bain joined the team at the Kapa'au clinic, providing behavioral health services for teens and adults with her integrative approach that melds Gestalt psychotherapy with Buddhist concepts. When the upcoming clinic in Waimea opens, Dr. Bain will rotate hours between it and the North Kohala clinic.

The Amazing Tooth Bus will

also be rotating services between Kapa'au and Waimea in order to broaden their reach to children, especially those in the QUEST program.

In September, the National Committee for Quality Assurance renewed HKH's Patient Centered Medical Home Certification. Created by the American Association of Pediatrics in 1967, the PCMH program is based on core concepts of patient care, management, access, support, coordination/transition and quality.

"We are very pleased to receive the PCMH certification," said Chief Executive Office Irene Carpenter. "It means we are meeting the quality measures set forth by NCQA and providing the very best quality care to our communities."

The soon-to-be-open clinic in Waimea has also received its letter of certification. Once a date is established to start seeing patients, a Grand Opening is planned for early in the year. The new facility will provide much-needed pediatric, internal medicine, and mental and behavioral health services from Pediatrician Pamela McKenna, MD; Internal Medicine specialist Eric Murray, MD; Psychologist Ilea Bain, PsyD; and Certified Substance Abuse Counselor Candace Kauahi.

In addition, new Prenatal Care services have launched in both Honoka'a and Kohala to address the rates of low birth weight and premature birth in these communities. "Kohala has the highest rate of premature birth and underweight birth on the island, followed by Honoka'a." Carpenter said. "They also have the highest rate of teenage pregnancies. It's our hope that accessible prenatal

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 care, closer to home, will help more moms have very healthy babies when the time comes.”

In conclusion, HKH wishes to acknowledge their community partners, all of which have helped clear the way for expanding services.

“We are very grateful for our partnerships with Waimea Elementary School, Waimea Middle School, and LCPCS,” said Car-

penter. “Side-by-side with them, we are working hard to address health disparities along the Hāmākua and Kohala Coasts.”

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	9AM	1PM	EARLY LEARNING WITH CATHY MORGAN	HUB CLUB	889-0404	
	3PM	3:45PM	CAPOEIRA - 3-6 YEARS	HUB BARN	889-0404	
	4PM	5PM	CAPOEIRA - YOUTH	HUB BARN	889-0404	
	5PM	6PM	INSANITY CLASSES WITH ROSS PAGAT	SOLID ROCK NORTH CHURCH	989-0966	
	6PM	6:30PM	FREE RMD TAIKO CLASSES	HISAOKA GYM	895-2025	
	7PM		AL-ANON MEETING WITH LAURA	KOHALA MISSION SCHOOL		
TUES	6:30AM	7:30AM	AA DAWN PATROL	KAMEHAMEHA PARK	889-5675	
	9AM	10:30AM	CHAIR YOGA	INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER	889-0583	
	9AM	11AM	TAI CHI - ALL	HUB HALE	889-0404	
	9:30AM	12PM	GARDENING TODDLER W/KAYLA SINOTTE	HUB CLUB	889-0404	
	2:45PM	3:45PM	KEIKI BALLET 3-7YEARS	HUB BARN	889-0404	
	3PM		SCRABBLE FOR TEENS & ADULTS	NORTH KOHALA LIBRARY	889-6655	
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Kohala Sports

**Shiro Takata Field Update
December 2018...**

Many Kohala residents have been wondering about the status of Shiro Takata Field at Kamehameha Park. Formerly known as "A Field," or the "Main Diamond," Shiro Takata Field has undergone reconstruction this year, but it is still bordered with orange fencing that signifies that construction is still ongoing.

The North Kohala Parks maintenance crew has been doing a wonderful job at tending the outlying areas, but the field still stands in waiting. The reconstruction has consisted of scraping away of the old infield sod, cleaning up and leveling of the graveled (skinned) infield, and

replacing the old grass infield with new grass and soil.

The Hilo County Parks ground crew that brought over their equipment and did the initial construction, however, is still not done. They are still waiting for the sod to catch before going any further with the infield repairs.

The intention was to reopen by January of 2019, but a repair and testing of the field's lighting tripped a breaker so that is a new problem that still needs to be addressed. We at KMN will continue to update the community on the field's progress as information becomes available. Thank you for your concern and patience.



Photo courtesy of D. Aiona
The sign at Shiro Takata Field stands in front of the field equipment used by the Hilo County Parks ground crew to renovate the baseball infield. December 6, 2018.



Photo courtesy of D. Aiona
The North Kohala Parks maintenance crew has been doing a wonderful job at tending the outlying areas, but Shiro Takata Field still stands awaiting completion by the Hilo County Parks ground crew.

**Kohala High School Soccer Team
Working Hard Towards Success!**

Kohala High School Soccer has a new set of coaches that are looking to motivate their players for success. Whether it be in the classroom holding a high G.P.A. or on the soccer field, Head Coach Daniel Perez wants his players to be committed and willing to push their abilities to the limit! After a stint dedicated to building competitive youth soccer in Kohala and on the west side of the Big Island, Coach Perez is back at the helm and expects his players to finish this season saying, "Man, I can't wait for next season," or "I'm a better person (for pushing myself hard)." Next to Coach Perez will be Kohala High mathematics teacher Mr. Fasil Bizuneh, who will flank Coach this year as his assistant. A former college runner, accomplished competitor, and soccer player himself, Coach Bizuneh has been facilitating Futsal games at school and also plays soccer in his spare time.

When asked about the players to watch, Coach started his discussion with his returning seniors Alika Viernes, Christian Cedillos, and football lineman Keola DeWitt. Alika was praised for displaying his speed and talent, Christian his soccer intelligence, and Keola for his commitment and motivational skills. They will line up on the pitch (soccer field) with their junior teammates in midfielder Shilo Perez—their most experienced player, returning goalkeeper Kamani Provençal, returning center back Justus Ventura, and center back Manase Pagud. Shilo Perez, son of Coach Perez, has experience at all levels of club soccer, including playing in Europe. He will garner the most attention from opposing defenders, leaving opportunities for services to their sophomore striker, Julian Parks. Julian returns as a motivated player who has a renewed commitment to the game and displays a good nose for the goal. Coach also further mentions

promising freshmen Riley Preston, who will be a solid defender and goalkeeper for the Cowboys in the years to come, and also the very intelligent Iris Cedillos, who always does her best to help the team.

From experiences coaching with competitive club soccer programs like the Kona Rage and Culture FC, Coach Perez has high expectations for each and every one of his players. He expects his players to play high school soccer bringing with them the club experience that they have to push through adversity together like they do in league and tournament play (Shilo and the Cedillos' with the Kona Crush Academy; Alika, Justus, Riley, and Shilo with the Kona Rage). He views their club experience as one of the keys to success that could possibly present opportunities for soccer players from Kohala in the future.

Furthermore, Coach Perez expects his players to find soccer rewarding through their hard work hoping that soccer will open up doors for them. Ensuring that players are well-skilled and conditioned in the off season, Perez facilitates a Futsal program for students of all ages at the outdoor courts behind Hisaoka gym at Kamehameha Park, in addition to his commitment to competitive soccer all year 'round. He is and always will be a resource for youth soccer in Kohala.

Kohala started off the season with a rain-out at Honoka'a on December 4. By press time, the Cowboys will have played six games on the season, but there's more to watch! You can catch the Cowboys' home games starting on January 3 vs. Kamehameha Schools Keaau, January 8 vs. Konawaena, January 10 vs. Hawaii Prep, January 15 vs. Pahoa, January 18 vs. Honoka'a, and January 22 vs. Ka'u. Games start at 3:00 pm at the Kohala High School soccer field.

The Kohala Community Athletic Association would like to thank the following volunteer coaches for a successful 2018 in our after-school sports programs for the children of Kohala.

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Kohala Sports

Makahiki Games Comes to Kohala Elementary School!

Kohala Elementary School's fourth and fifth graders were taught some Makahiki Games by Kohala Middle School's students. Accompanied by Mr. Duncan Anderson, Mrs. Wendy Nickl, and Mrs. Sheri Preston, the team of eighth graders dem-

onstrated and facilitated a "Mini Makahiki Games" to the students at the Kohala High School field on Friday, December 7.

Here are some of the pictures depicting the Hawaiian Sports that our elementary students were participating in on that day! Enjoy!



Photo Courtesy of: S. Aiona
Kohala Middle School and Kohala Elementary School students with their teachers take time out for a photo at their Makahiki games on Friday, December 7, 2018.

Front row (left to right): Cherish Philpot, Malachi Emeliano, Zaeden Fernandez, Keale Valenzuela, Weston Camara, and Tyler Van Zandt. Back row (left to right): Keith Luga, Arlen Camara, Tamatasi Vakauta, Makai Pang, Elijah Tabiolo, Mr. Duncan Anderson and Mr. Donovan Aiona.



Photo Courtesy of: S. Aiona
Kohala Middle School teacher Mr. Duncan Anderson leads Kohala Elementary School students Hali'a Perez (left), and Alyssa Marie Bautista (right) in Haka Moa (Chicken Fight). Friday, December 7, 2018.



Photo Courtesy of S. Aiona
Zaeden Fernandez of Kohala Middle School watches on as Kohala Elementary School's Sophia Maia-Williams (left) tries to render Kalena Cambra (right) off balance in a game of Huki-Huki (One-on-one Tug of War). Friday, December 7, 2018.

Library Sponsors Book Launch

Event: Book Launch for "A Design of His Own"
Who: Mark Eaton and Virginia Fortner
Where: North Kohala Public Library
When: January 28 at 6:00 p.m.
Audience: Open to all

Come to the North Kohala Public Library on January 28 at 6:00 pm and meet Mark Eaton and Virginia Fortner as they launch their book, "A Design of His Own."

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Kohala Sports

KHS Volleyball Wins Coach and Player of the Year

Mikayla Kekoa has been a standout player for the Kohala High School Cowgirls volleyball team this season. In recognition of her performance, she has been voted the Big Island Interscholastic Federation (BIIF) Division II Player of the Year by the Hawaii Tribune-Herald, West Hawaii Today and league coaches.

Coach Chyler Imai added to the team's accolades as she

was voted Division II Coach of the Year, especially remarkable because this is her first season as head coach.

Kekoa was also named to the girls All-BIIF Division II first team, as were teammates Shania Fuertes and Cheylin Imai. Kiana Kauka, Gabby Tomas and Mekaila Pasco were also named to the All-BIIF team as honorable mentions.

Congratulations, Cowgirls!



Photo courtesy of Chyler Imai

The Kohala High School girls volleyball team received multiple honors after winning the Big Island Interscholastic Federation (BIIF) Division II Championship over the Konawaena Wildcats in October, 2018 (shown in photo). Head Coach Chyler Imai has been named the Division II Coach of the Year and Mikayla Kekoa has been named Player of the Year.

Front Row (left to right): Kiana Kauka, Kaila Pasco, Cheylin Imai, Mikayla Kekoa, Gabby Tomas, Shania Fuertes and Manager Isaiah Salvador
 Back row (left to right): Manager La'akea Kauka, Teige Lorenzo-Akamu, Zoe Miekle, Ayezha Isabel, Tiani Perez, Kayla Joy Kealoha, Sierra Shaw, Mia Fuertes, Assistant Coach Leeta Grap, Head Coach Chyler Imai and Assistant Coach U'i Lorenzo

The Kohala Senior Citizens Club meets every Monday @ 9:00 am except on Major Holidays. Movie Nights every 1st Friday @ 6:00 PM, unless its a major holiday. All Seniors invited (do not have to be a member)

21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY EVENING PROGRAMS - Ceramics

Interested in learning how to mold and model clay using various techniques? Want to be more creative? Join Mrs. Margaret Hoy every Monday evening from 6-9 pm to learn the art of Ceramics. Modules run for 8-week periods and the first module will begin on January 7 in the High School Art room.

Music and Games, Gifts for the Hospital's Residents



Photos by Sadie Young

The Hawaii Community Federal Credit Union students blessed our Kohala Hospital residents with Christmas carols and much-appreciated gifts after a rousing game of bingo!



Holiday Love at The Little Free Pantries of Kohala

Story by Lisa Andrews

The coordinators for the Little Free Pantry in Kohala would like to remind you that the holidays are a time when some families fall short of being able to feed all their family's mouths. Please kokua and drop off canned goods, sealed food and produce that you can share to either food pantry. One is located at the thrift store to the Pololu (east) side of Life and Death Wellness and Minnie's restaurant. The other pantry is located next to the nursery lot on Akoni Pule Highway. Keep your eyes open for the new Little Free Pantry in Halaula. The motto for the little free pantry is, "Take what you need and leave what you can."

There is also a need for can openers to be left at the pantries. Lani Bowman, one of the pantry organizers, found reasonably price can-openers, the style used in the military out in the field, that are very tiny and easy to use. Just go to on www.amazon.com and search for "P-38 can

opener." If you could kokua, please order any quantity of can openers. It would be greatly appreciated if you would drop them off, labeled "To Lani," at the St. Augustine's Episcopal Church Thrift Store on Wednesdays between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. or Thursdays between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.

Happy holidays to you and yours. Thank you so much for your generosity this year. The Little Free Pantry is a wonderful way to malama our community.



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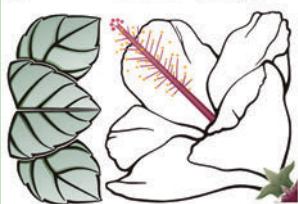
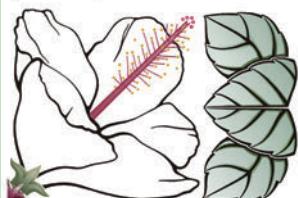
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12/21	FRI	7 PM		KĪPUKA	FREE ANTI-BULLYING PERFORMANCE	HUB BARN	889-0404
1/2	WED	4 PM		KOHALA COMMUNITY ACCESS GROUP	MEETING	SENIOR CENTER	IMUAKOHALA@GMAIL.COM
1/2	WED	4:30 PM		NKAG MEETING		OLD COURTHOUSE	
1/3	THU	7 PM	9 PM	KOHALA ECSTATIC DANCE JAM	FEATURING AN ECLECTIC ROTATION OF DEEJAYS	HUB BARN	889-0404
1/7	MON	9 AM		SENIOR CLUB	INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS & POTLUCK	OLD COURTHOUSE	895-2094
1/7	MON	5 PM		CHESS CLUB		NORTH KOHALA LIBRARY	889-6655
1/7	MON	6 PM	7 PM	GROWTH MANAGEMENT GROUP	MEETING	BANK OF HAWAII BUILDING	854 4888
1/7	MON	6 PM	9 PM	21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY EVENING PROGRAM- CERAMICS	PINCH POTS, SLAB BOXES, COIL POTS - WITH MARGARET HOY	KHS ART ROOM	889-7117
1/8	TUE	11 AM		ADULT READING DISCUSSION		NORTH KOHALA LIBRARY	889-6655
1/8	TUE	6 PM		HAWAII FARMERS UNION UNITED	6PM POTLUCK, 7PM PRESENTATION. FOR EVERYONE	THE HUB	KOHALA.HFUU@GMAIL.COM
1/11	TUE	6 PM		KOHALA HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING GAME	BOYS BASKETBALL VS. KEAAU	KING KAMEHAMEHA PARK	889-7117
1/11	FRI	6 PM		SENIOR CLUB	MOVIE NIGHT - ALL SENIORS WELCOME	OLD COURTHOUSE	895-2094
1/12	SAT	10 AM	2 PM	'OHE KAPALA WORKSHOP		HUB BARN	889-0404
1/12	SAT	10 AM	7 PM	MYOFASCIAL TRIGGER POINT THERAPY CERTIFICATION		HUB HALE	889-0404
1/12	SAT	7 PM	9:30 PM	FREE CONCERT WITH KAWIKA ALFICHE AND HĀLAU 'O KEIKIALI'I	WITH SPECIAL APPEARANCES BY NĀ KUPUNA 'O KOHALA AND HALU HĀLAU O MANAOLANA	HUB BARN	889-0404
1/13	SUN	10 AM	7 PM	MYOFASCIAL TRIGGER POINT THERAPY CERTIFICATION		CLAY COTTAGE	889-0404
1/13	SUN	12 PM	4 PM	KAWIKA ALFICHE AND HĀLAU 'O KEIKIALI'I	ENGAGING COMMUNITY WITH HULA, MELE AND UKULELE CLASSES WITH A KANIKAPILA HŌ'IKE	HUB BARN	889-0404
1/14	MON	3 PM	5 PM	NORTH KOHALA PARENT SUPPORT GROUP	SUPPORTED BY N. HAWAII COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S COUNCIL	KINGS VIEW CAFE	989-4894
1/14	MON	6 PM		DANCE OF THE SACRED MOTHER	WITH CARLA ORELLANA (OPEN TO ALL)	NORTH KOHALA LIBRARY	889-6655
1/14	MON	6 PM	9 PM	21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY EVENING PROGRAM- CERAMICS	DRAPE MOLDS, WHEEL THROWING - WITH MARGARET HOY	KHS ART ROOM	889-7117
1/15	TUE	10 AM		ADULT WRITER'S GROUP		NORTH KOHALA LIBRARY	889-6655
1/17	THU	3 PM		GUITAR RECITAL	BY IAN O'SULLIVAN (OPEN TO ALL)	NORTH KOHALA LIBRARY	889-6655
1/19	SAT	4:30 PM	6:30 PM	FREE GRINDZ HOT MEAL	KOHALA BAPTIST CHURCH	BANYAN TREE	889-5416
1/23	WED	5 PM		PARKS, WATER & ROADS GROUP	MONTHLY MEETING	OLD COURTHOUSE	889-6238
1/24	THU	6 PM	6:30 PM	PRAYERS AROUND THE PEACE POLE	ALL ARE WELCOME, REGARDLESS OF RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION	ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH	895-5753
1/26	SAT	10 AM	12 PM	THRIFT SHOP	AT ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH	NEXT TO WALKER HALL	889-5390
1/26	SAT	11 AM	12:20 PM	COMMUNITY MEAL	AT ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH	WALKER HALL	889-5390
1/28	MON	5 PM		NKCDP AC MEETING	NORTH KOHALA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN ACTION COMMITTEE	HISAOKA GYM	323-4770
1/28	MON	6 PM		BOOK LAUNCH: A DESIGN OF HIS OWN	MIKE EATON AND VIRGINIA FORTNER (OPEN TO ALL)	NORTH KOHALA LIBRARY	889-6655
1/28	MON	6 PM	9 PM	21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY EVENING PROGRAM- CERAMICS	PIERCED DESIGNS - WITH MARGARET HOY	KHS ART ROOM	889-7117
1/30	WED	4 PM	5:30 PM	RESTORATIVE YOGA THERAPY CLASS	WITH CARLA ORELLANA, CERTIFIED YOGA THERAPIST, BY DONATION	THE HUB	889-0404
1/31	THU	3:30 PM		NA 'IMI 'IKE	HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE STUDY GROUP	NORTH KOHALA LIBRARY	889-6655

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Francis Herbert: North Kohala Library's Newest Team Member



Photo by Donna Botelho
New North Kohala Librarian
Francis Herbert is hard at work.

By Donna Botelho, Kohala High School Senior

As I approach the North Kohala Public Library, children run and play outside. Indoors, many adults and teens are hyper-focused on their tasks—as is the new librarian, Francis Hebert. He greets me warmly, immediately giving me his full attention.

Hebert, who is from Sherbrooke, Canada, an hour away from Montreal, decided to go into librarianship when he was still in university. "When I was in university, I studied literature before studying librarianship, and I was always interested in books and reading, so I just came to librarianship out of love of books. I thought that working in a library would be a nice environment," he explained.

People have lots of different reasons they decide to come to Hawai'i, but for Francis it was because of wanderlust. "We decided to come to the beautiful Big Island, just a sense of adventure. New culture, a new climate. Where I'm from, it's already snowing right now. It was about trying something

new and I was able to get the job here at the North Kohala Public Library, so that's what brought us here," he stated.

Coming here from such a different place warranted a lot of first experiences. "Being Canadian, some things are different in the U.S. and even more so in Hawaii. Just the remoteness and, you know, being on an island is all new to me."

His trip west from Canada to Hawai'i was gradual. "We drove all the way from Derby Line Port of Entry (Vermont) to Los Angeles in about 12 days before boarding the plane to Kona (from LAX). We had a chance to see a lot of different places on our way here. When we landed on the dry side of Big Island; we were surprised by the scenery. We didn't expect such vast lava flows," he said.

Hebert also has had the time to take in the scenery. "I think what is most surprising is the diversity of micro-climates within a relatively small area. This is very different from Eastern Canada where you have to travel long distances to see a gradual change in temperature and climate. The vegetation is also very different and very beautiful," he said.

The local food has also been a treat and very different from Canada. "We knew we were going to like the local food, and poke has not disappointed! Having year-round access to fresh fruit, produce and fish is a big bonus," he said.

Another aspect of the differ-

ence in Hawai'i is the weather. "The weather is so different. We had Hurricane Lane two weeks after we arrived and that was a first for me; I'd never experienced something like that before," said Hebert.

One of the things Hawai'i and Canada have in common is the connection to the outdoors. Hiking is something he does frequently. In New Brunswick he was close to nature; however, it had a different feel to it. He's been in Hawai'i for some time now and has had an opportunity to explore. He's visited Mauna Kea, Waipio Valley, Pololu Valley and other places right here in North Kohala.

Although Hebert is a librarian, he is also a huge sports fan. "I played American football and hockey when I was younger. I also played basketball all my life; I still play sometimes. The kids love basketball around here. It seems to be the biggest sport, so maybe at some point I'll have a chance to volunteer for that," he explained.

He has many years of library experience under his belt and has worked in libraries in Montreal and Campbellton, a small town in the province of New Bruns-

wick. The structure and organization of the library system there is very unlike Hawai'i; it is more library-driven and programs trickle down to the branches to be presented to the public.

This is very different from Hawai'i. He noticed very quickly how community-driven the North Kohala Public Library is. People enjoy creating programs and want people to participate in them; the independence here is something he enjoys.

Some future projects may eventually be in store for the library once Hebert has settled in. "We have small and medium projects on the table, but nothing major as of today. Being new here, I want to take my time and get to know the lay of the land before committing to bigger projects. In the long term, we want to make sure that the library continues to play a central role within the North Kohala community," Hebert stated.

Francis Hebert is a very dedicated to our library and the North Kohala community. On his journey to Hawai'i from Canada he's continued to pursue his passion for librarianship and the Kohala community is lucky to have him here.

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Kohala Robotics Brings Home Awards from Japan



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Kohala VEX Robotics group at Miraiken Museum of Emerging Science and Technology in Odaiba.

(Left to right): Eric Dela Cruz, Gideon Rabang, Kaimi Hook, Lara Hook, Grace Todd, Deighton Bell, Alvin Kawamoto and Fern White.



Design Award Winners (left to right) Grace Todd, Deighton Bell, Gideon Rabang and Kaimi Hook.

final match, wherein China's 7090A team had an alliance with another China team and took the win with a close score of 16-22, as the Kohala partner 7090B robot was surprisingly unable to maneuver on the field.

The Design Award is a prestigious award both judged on a national rubric for the team's Engineering Notebook and Interview as well as the performance of its robot to match what is described in the notebook. The Design Award in most tournaments will qualify a team for advancement to next level in a region such as States or Worlds.

The Sportsmanship Award

is presented to a team that has earned the respect and admiration of the volunteers and other teams at the event. Ballots are used for this award. Key criteria include that the team is courteous, helpful and respectful to everyone at the event, on and off the field; the team treats others on the playing field in the spirit of friendly competition and cooperation; the team demonstrates respect and willingness to help event staff, other teams and spectators; and the team demonstrates excitement and enthusiasm throughout the event.

Kohala VEX Robotics has

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Sportsmanship Award Winners (left to right) Kaimi Hook, Grace Todd, Gideon Rabang and Deighton Bell.

Japan is a land of many people and awesome ramen. It is an island nation wherein millions of people are transported in amazing orderly manner. Kohala High's VEX Robotics Team 2460A, NaPaniolo, recently experienced these aspects alongside thirty-one other teams from Korea, China and Japan. The team of Kaimi Hook, Grace Todd, Deighton Bell and Gideon Rabang competed in Tokyo at the American School in Japan (ASIJ), Chofu Prefecture, on November 29 through December 1, 2018 in the 10th ASIJ VEX Robotics Tournament. When the competition ended, Kohala High School's VEX robotics team was a Tournament Finalist and had won two awards: the prestigious Design Award and the respected Sportsmanship Award.

participants square off in the 2018-2019 VEX Robotics Competition game, Turning Point. The game involves stacking caps on posts, flipping caps, stacking balls on caps, toggling flags, throwing balls and parking robots. During qualification matches of a tournament, teams are randomly partnered with other participating teams. At the end of qualification matches, the top eight seeds select their alliances to go to the finals. Then single-elimination proceeds in quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals to determine the champions.

Producers of the ASIJ decided to run all teams into the eliminations. Therefore, the number of matches played was doubled. Kohala, as third seed, was selected by the top-seeded team, 7090B of China. The alliance went undefeated until the very

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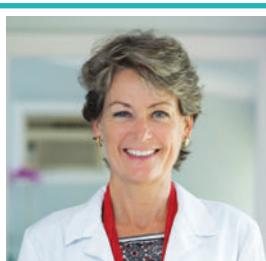
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qualified two teams to Hawai'i VEX States Championships that will take place at University of Hawai'i on Oahu January 11-12, 2019. The teams hope to earn one of just four World Championship berths that will be the top honors at States. Therefore, the team continues to meet after school three times weekly for two hours each night.

Kohala VEX Robotics is a

Hawai'i State Department of Education 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant recipient and North Kohala Community Resource Center Project.

The program continues to raise funds independently as well. Contact Program Coordinator and Mentor Ms. Fern White at 889-7117 for more information or to schedule a robotics shop visit.

NaPaniolo Reflections While Waiting at Narita Airport

Kaimi Hook reflected that, "Traveling to Japan was an amazing, once-in-a-lifetime experience. I have always wanted to go and without Robotics this would not be possible. My main takeaway from this trip is everywhere you go there is a different way of doing things. When it came time for the tournament, things did not go as planned and it was nothing like home. Even though this was the case, I did not want to ruin the experience with a sour attitude. The best thing to do was just put the difference aside and soak up the experience around me. When I did, I was able to do things with a positive attitude."

Deighton Bell commented, "The Japan Trip was full of fun and life-lessons. The fun part was that we got to go to Tokyo Dome City, where there is a roller coaster that is crazy fun and scary. A lot of life lessons learned though in Japan. If you leave something important somewhere, it will still be there."

You can trust people. Also, the trip was educational. We went to a couple of electronic museums and learned about how technology developed over the years."

Grace Todd thoughtfully noted, "Traveling to and within Japan was an incredible introduction to one of the many worlds that can be found outside of our own. It is difficult to imagine how tiny our town is without exposure to the larger cities that have been built upon what was seemingly similar to our home at one point in its history. The abundance of people in a space that didn't quiet seem to accommodate the crowd depicted a growth in population that Earth isn't quite ready for. We were exposed to problems that wouldn't affect us directly in our small corner of the world; our eyes were opened to the opportunities that we wouldn't be given in other places as well as the heart-aching realization that we expect the worst of every situation. We are conditioned to fight for our survival, conditioned to fear. People in Japan trust each other so freely, while we are told not to trust anyone, because we live in a world where few can be trusted, and the rest are expected to turn on us in the future."

Gideon Rabang stated that his experience in Japan was about maturing. "I define my experience as 'maturing' because of the way I didn't have my family with me to guide me through everything. Even though I did have the help of my mentors, I shouldn't always rely on them all the time. I did learn many things, like carry my *suica* (train transport card) on me at all times, stay as a group (don't split up), obey and respect the mentors, use currency wisely and remember how much support we have from our community to make this experience possible,

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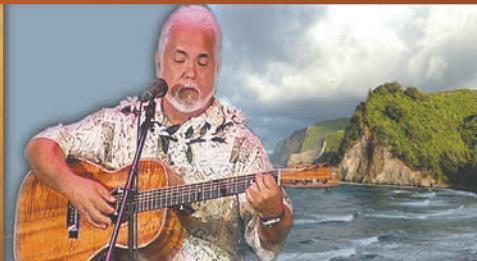
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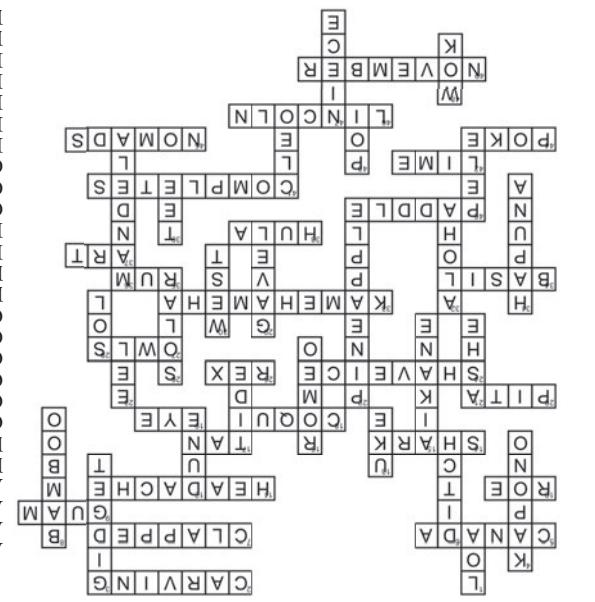
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HUB to Start the Year with Free Concert and Classes

Story by Rande Golden

If you enjoy Hawaiian music and hula, reserve the evening of January 12, 2019 for a free concert in Hawi by Kumu Kawika Alfiche and Halau O Keikiali'i. This special presentation will be held at



Photos by Michelle Kawai
Kumu Kawika Alfiche plays his ukulele.

7:00 p.m. in the Kohala Village HUB Barn. Beer, wine and light food will be available.

Alfiche and his students are based in South San Francisco, with the kumu's roots extending from Kauai to Hawai'i Island. He

began his hula training in Hanalei on Kauai and ended it on Hawai'i Island, learning from kumu in Keaukaha and Hilo. Alfiche was one of six students who were part of the only 'uniki, or formal graduation, done by Kumu Hula Ray

sessions as well as performances over the many years their Kumu has been teaching.

Kumu Kawika Alfiche also opened South San Francisco's Kaululehua Hawaiian Cultural Center in 2003. His goal is to offer



Kumu Kawika dances with his halau, Halau O Keikiali'i.

Fonseca in March of 2007.

Halau O Keikiali'i is composed of both men and women, ranging in age from 5 to 85. Alfiche and his dancers have performed in concerts with many well-known entertainers, including the Cazimero Brothers, Hapa, Nathan Aweau and more. They have offered various educational

a wide variety of learning experiences that share the many aspects of Hawaiian culture, including hula, ukulele, 'olelo, and arts and crafts. The Center sponsors camps, classes, workshops, festivals, demonstrations, and more. This talented teacher is also a recording artist, with four CDs and three DVDs created to date.

Besides performances by Halau O Keikiali'i, people at the concert will also be able to enjoy dances from both Halau O Mana'olana, run by Kumu Hope Keawe, and Na Kupuna O Kohala, led by Kumu Kau Nakamura.

This concert is being sponsored by FEED Hawai'i, which is the Kohala Village HUB's non-profit. This organization was created to support the local community by enriching it in many ways. Donations to support programs of this non-profit will be accepted that night.

FEED Hawai'i's program coordinator, 'Ekela Kahuanui, shared, "I'm excited that Kohala folks get to experience these talented performers. We hope people also take advantage of the unique learning opportunities being offered on Sunday, January 13."

Free Hula and Mele classes will be held at the Barn on January 13, with Hula being offered from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. for all ages. A Mele class is scheduled for 2:00 p.m., and those interested are asked to bring your guitar or ukulele. A kanikapila will take place at 3:00 pm. "Come play, sing, dance, or just sit back and enjoy!" encouraged 'Ekela.

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