

France Honors Ka'ū's 442nd Veterans

Chevalier of the Legion of Honor is the title bestowed on Ka'ū residents Tokuichi Nakano and Iwao Yonemitsu by the French Republic during a ceremony in January at West Hawai'i Veterans Cemetery. French Consul General Pauline Carmona said her country owes the Nisei soldiers of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team a debt of eternal gratitude for the role they played in liberating France from Nazi occupation.

"The people of France have not forgotten," she said during her address. "Their children and grandchildren have not forgot-

ten. They will never forget."

Retired Army Col. Debra Lewis, of Hilo, said soldiers in the 442nd and 100th Battalion overcame a 314 percent casualty rate and were the most decorated for their size and the duration of time they fought.

"This devotion to duty and to each other have inspired generations long after the last weapon was fired," Lewis said. "They understood that anger against our country for unfair treatment (of Japanese Americans) was a luxury they could not afford. These brave men decided failure was not an

option."

Also receiving the Legion of Honor were Kazuma Taguchi of Hilo, Hidetaka Sato of Honaunau and Mitsuo Tachibana of Hilo. Sato and Tachibana received awards posthumously.

The Consul General of France wrote to Nakano and Yonemitsu saying, "I avail myself of this opportunity to reaffirm France's gratitude for the contribution in the liberation of our country."

Both Nakano and Yonemitsu previ-

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Iwao Yonemitsu and Tokuichi Nakano at a Veterans Day ceremony at Kilauea Military Camp. Photo by Julia Neal

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Gov. Ige: More Food Self-Sufficiency, Health Care

Consumer Groups Oppose, HECO Defends Merger

Two motions have been filed with Hawai'i Public Utilities Commission regarding NextEra Energy's proposed purchase of Hawaiian Electric Co. The \$4.3 billion deal between Hawai'i's largest utility and the Florida giant is expected to close in the fourth quarter of this year.

One motion made by a broad coalition of seven groups and two individuals asks the Commission "for a deferral of merger proceedings until the Public Utilities Commission defines Hawai'i's energy needs and fashions a merger policy that defines the public interest."

The entities are Life of the Land, a 45-year-old statewide community action group; Big Island Community Coalition, a coalition of landowners and businesses on Hawai'i Island focused on making Big Island electricity rates the lowest in the state by emphasizing use of local resources; Puna Pono Alliance, a community group supporting environmentally safe, culturally sensitive, economically viable and sustainable energy alternatives for Hawai'i County; Friends of Lāna'i, a group formed to give voice to the many residents who strongly oppose the building of an industrial wind power plant for O'ahu on Lāna'i; Commu-

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The sun, wind and ocean, as seen and felt at South Point, are envisioned by consumer groups as sources for alternative energy. Photo by Peter Anderson

Challenges for Ka'ū and other rural communities of Hawai'i gained attention in Gov. David Ige's first State of the State address, delivered in late January

Building a strong support network for agriculture is a priority, he said. "We need to support agriculture and help our local farmers dramatically increase the amount of food we grow locally," he said. "Hawai'i grows about 10 to 15 percent of the total foods residents consume. If we are to become a sustainable society, we must increase those numbers."

Ige cited the cost of importing foods as



More food grown in Hawai'i, as at Earth Matters farm in Ka Lae, is on his plate, said new Gov. David Ige in his State of the State address in late January.

Photo from Earth Matters more than \$3 billion leaving the state annually. "If we replace just 10 percent of imports with locally grown food, it would generate \$188 million in total sales, \$94 million for farmers, \$47 million in wages, \$6 million in new taxes and 2,300 jobs," he said.

To promote ag, Ige wants to preserve farm lands, develop agricultural parks, combat invasive species and "reassess areas that determine whether a local farmer can survive.

"We will be meeting with farmers from

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Live Feed Puts County Council Meetings Online

Hawai'i County Council meetings are now live online, beginning last month with a meeting at West Hawai'i Civic Center in Kona. County Council committee meetings are also live-streamed, giving Ka'ū residents unprecedented access to county government.

County of Hawai'i signed a contract with live-streaming and captioning provider Granicus for \$25,420 for the first year and \$7,000 less for subsequent years. Closed-captioning is an additional \$145 per hour.

The meetings will also be archived for later access online.

Ka'ū's new County Council member Maile Medeiros David said she is happy that remote Ka'ū will be able to have instant oversight of her work. She said she welcomes the video feed.

Julia Neal, Editor of *The Ka'ū Calendar* newspaper, said, "This will give our news team and the whole Ka'ū community a better ability to cover County Council meetings

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County Council member Maile Medeiros David attended 'O Ka'ū Kākōu's Keiki Fishing Tournament at Punalu'u. She said she welcomes the new live-stream broadcast for all County Council meetings, available online for remote Ka'ū. Photo by Julia Neal

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Ka'ū Coffee Buyers Promise Widening Market

Ka'ū Coffee buyers, who said they spent more than \$940,000 with local farmers this season, told the Ka'ū Coffee Growers Cooperative in late January that they will need more coffee in the future as they expand their marketing. Arturo Romero, of Houston, TX, and Francisco Lobos, of Ocean View, said they want to work with the cooperative so that farmers receive top prices. Francisco said the hui has been paying the farmers \$12 a pound for parchment and \$1.75 a pound for cherry.

"The name is out there how good Ka'ū is," said Romero. He encouraged Ka'ū farmers to allow his marketing to use the cooperative's name. "Doing business with co-

operatives is received well by companies," he said. He promised fair pricing and noted that it took years to establish fair pricing for farmers in El Salvador, his native country.

Romero said he wants to help Ka'ū farmers with fighting the coffee berry borer, a fertilizer program, providing labor for picking season and establishing a coffee receiving place. He said a decaffeinated Ka'ū Coffee will be developed along with acquisition of various packaging machinery for K-cups, filter packs and aluminum packs.

"By next harvest, we will be able to pay more for the coffee," he said. He contended that there are moral principals behind his business practices. "If we do good, these

benefits are not only for the corporation. They are for everyone to win. The key is to be win-win, to serve you good to make long lasting relationships," Romero told Ka'ū Coffee farmers.

While pure Ka'ū Coffee will be sold, he said the lead product will be a Ka'ū Hawai'i blend to achieve the broadest market. He said the company name is Bio Eco Hawai'i, Inc., and it does import Latin American coffee to blend with Ka'ū. He said his group is working on a blend that would be more than 10 percent Ka'ū Coffee to bring a higher price.

Ka'ū Coffee Growers Cooperative President Gloria Camba said the cooperative



Francisco Lobos, at left, and Arturo Romero with Ka'ū Coffee Growers Cooperative President Gloria Camba. Photo by Julia Neal

will consider the proposals from Romero and Lobos. She said the farmers have been selling to Lobos for years.

Ka'ū Coffee Festival Announces Ten Days in April & May

The Ka'ū Coffee Festival Committee has announced ten days of education and celebration of the Ka'ū Coffee industry, from Friday, April 24 through Sunday, May 3. The Ho'olaule'a with farm tours, music, coffee tasting, food and coffee sales takes place on Saturday, May 2 at Pāhala Community Center, where a new Miss Ka'ū Coffee will reign following the pageant on April

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nity Alliance on Prisons, a diverse coalition of community groups, churches, scholars, businesses and concerned community members working to improve the quality of justice in Hawai'i; Ka Lei Maile Ali'i Hawaiian Civic Club, which is dedicated to educating the community about Hawaiian history and has written a number of energy and land use resolutions that have been adopted by the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs; I Aloha Moloka'i, a community group that opposes windmill farms on Moloka'i, opposes an undersea cable to either Moloka'i or Lāna'i and is committed to seeking out viable renewable energy projects for the island of Moloka'i; Lynn Hamilton, a resident of Pāhala; and Richard Mayer, a University of Hawai'i Maui College Economics/Geography Professor Emeritus.

The other document was a petition filed by the five-member Clean Energy Groups: Blue Planet Foundation, Hawai'i PV Coalition, Hawai'i Solar Energy Association, Sierra Club, represented by its coun-

25. Buy Local, It Matters, is also a feature of the festival, drawing people to local businesses ahead of the Ho'olaule'a, where prizes are given to those who support regional enterprise.

The ten days of events are sponsored by Hawai'i Tourism Authority, County of Hawai'i, Ka'ū Coffee Growers Cooperative, Olson Trust, Ka'ū Farm & Ranch, Pāhala sel Earthjustice and The Alliance For Solar Choice, represented by its counsel Keyes, Fox & Wiedman, LLP.

Their filing is an Application for Commission Action, Petition for Declaratory Order, and/or a petition for Rulemaking to fulfill requirements of the Commission's Orders and Inclinations on the future of Hawai'i's electric utilities and define the public interest in Hawai'i as a prerequisite to considering any proposed acquisition of the HECO companies."

Life of the Land Intervenes

According to Life of the Land Director Henry Curtis, the PUC "now has on its plate two large issues: continuing to develop

Plantation Cottages and many coffee farmers and businesses throughout the region. To volunteer, sponsor or donate, contact 2015 Festival Chair Chris Manfredi at 929-9550 or cmanfredi@kaufarmandranch.com. To donate to the Miss Ka'ū Coffee scholarship fund, contact Scholarship Chair Julia Neal at 928-9811 or mahalo@alo-theutilityplanofthefutureandtheproposedmerger.com. The Commission could decide to do either one first or both simultaneously.

"The plan should come before which entity will implement the plan," Curtis said. "In addition, the Commission needs to update its guidance policy on mergers."

Curtis filed a motion to participate in the PUC's examination of the acquisition. "The HECO, pg. 4

ha.net. To sign up for a booth to sell Ka'ū Coffee, food, arts, crafts or for educational purposes, contact Brenda Moses at brenda@kaucoffeemill.com. See the schedule at www.kaucoffeefestival.com.



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Science Camp Applications Open

Dates are set of 2015 Science Camp for Teens Hawai'i. Headquartered in Pāhala, campers explore "Nature's Perfect Laboratory" – the Big Island of Hawai'i.

Science Camp is an opportunity for teens to get out into the field to learn science, do science, meet scientists, make new friends and enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Each day of camp, participants head out across the island to learn about volcanoes, the ocean, plants, animals, stars and more.

A limited number of positions for counselors-in-training are available for teens ages 17 through 19. Counselors-in-Training should be able to attend both sessions of Science Camp and are required to arrive one day before the start of camp.

One of the field trips during Science Camp in 2014 was to South Point, where campers learned about ocean currents, plas-

tic debris in the ocean and on beaches and then conducted a beach cleanup.

Campers in the first session used the debris to make trash art which was then displayed at Science Camp's booth at Volcano Village's Fourth of July Festival. Science campers and staff were also in the Fourth of July parade that day, helped run the Keiki Games and offered science demonstrations for everyone to enjoy.

"The beach cleanups and Fourth of July activities were great opportunities for Science Campers to participate in and give something back to the Hawai'i Island community which offers such a wonderful home for Science Camp," said founder Michael Richards.

Registration is now open. Scholarships and financial aid are available.

See sciencecampsamerica.com.



Science Campers participated in a Ka'ū beach cleanup last year. Registration for this year's camp is now open.

Photo from Science Camps of America

Calling All Miss Ka'ū Coffee Candidates

The Ka'ū Coffee Growers Cooperative is looking for candidates interested in running for the 2015 titles of Miss Ka'ū Coffee and Miss Ka'ū Peaberry. Young women ages 17-24 are invited to run for Miss Ka'ū Coffee. Girls ages 7-9 are eligible for Miss Ka'ū Peaberry. Candidates must be within the age ranges as of April 26th, 2015. Applications must be submitted to pageant coordinators by Saturday, Feb. 28 to enter the scholarship pageant. Practice will start shortly thereafter.

The Miss Ka'ū Coffee and Ka'ū Peaberry Scholarship pageant will take place on Sunday, April 26 at Pāhala Community Center. Contact Gloria Camba by calling 928-8558 or emailing camba_gloria@yahoo.com, or Nālani Parlin at 217-6893 or kaucalendar@gmail.com for an application and information. To donate to the Miss Ka'ū Coffee scholarship fund, contact Julia Neal at 928-9811 or mahalo@aloha.net.

After-School Music Begins, Ka'ū Concert Raises Funding

Ka'ū Intermediate School students can take free music lessons on Mondays at 4 p.m. and Fridays at 3:30 p.m. on the Pāhala



Keoki Kahumoku and Moses Espaniola, along with Kumu Hula Debbie Ryder, join in the concert to raise money for after school band for junior high students.

Volcano Choy, a pianist, vocalist and player of numerous brass and other instruments. After a long jazz career on the mainland, the Hawai'i

native now lives in Volcano and has agreed to visit the public school campus twice a

many ways the public can get involved," he said, "from writing letters to the editor to testifying at legislative hearings."

Curtis said, "The PUC must determine whether the NextEra takeover is in the public interest, where public interest is undefined."

According to Curtis, "Many energy experts are asserting that the proposed NextEra takeover of the local electric utilities is the most important energy event of the decade or the century."

"The merger issues could touch on every aspect of society," Curtis contended. "Should Hawai'i's electric utility promote concentrating power or decentralized power, large wind and solar facilities or rooftop solar, island-by-island solutions or one statewide electric grid interconnected through underwater high voltage transmission lines, fracked liquefied natural gas, geothermal?"

HECO Defends the Merger

According to the companies' joint application filed with the Public Utilities Commission in late January, customers could save



Jr. Volcano Choy, right, singer Betsy Curtis, drummer Bruce David and acoustic bass player Brian McCree, perform a jazz fundraiser for music in the school.

Photos by Julia Neal

the classes, their musical talents that are encouraged by their families and their willingness to learn.

nearly \$60 million if the proposed acquisition is approved.

The companies expect benefits from improved financial standing, technical expertise and strong vendor relationships and economies of scale.

The applicants also say they will not request an increase in general base rates for at least four years following transaction close. They affirm commitments to continue operating under HECO's current name and retain headquarters in Honolulu. "Hawaiian Electric will continue to be locally managed, with no involuntary workforce reductions for at least two years post close," the application states. The companies also expect to maintain HECO's overall current level of corporate giving.

"Hawaiian Electric stands at the forefront in addressing a vast array of complex issues associated with Hawai'i's

week to give classes and build potential for a school band.

Choy said he is inspired by the enthusiasm of the boys and girls attending

ness to learn.

The project also involves restoration of band instruments that have been stored in the school's band room for about a decade.

On Jan. 31, Choy, along with jazz singer Betsy Curtis, stand-up bass player Brian McCree and drummer Bruce David gave a fundraising jazz concert on the grounds of Pāhala Plantation House. Also joining in were Keoki Kahumoku and Moses Espaniola, Jr., both of them Hawaiian music teachers for youth in Ka'ū, and Kumu Hula Debbie Ryder. The event raised more than \$700 in donations. A separate grant raised \$4,500 to restore the band instruments through the state Foundation on Culture & the Arts.

public school campus. The program, sponsored by Volcano Art Center, is taught by Jr.

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HECO-NextEra deal is more than just changing the ownership of the HECO Companies," he said. "It is also about the Game Plan and the speed of transition to some future. The issues include ratepayer bills, reliability, smart grids, interisland cables and liquefied natural gas.

"Life of the Land intervened in the proceeding to protect our people, our environment and our cultural resources."

Curtis encouraged the public to become involved in the PUC examination. "There are

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and Ka'ū issues even though they take place more than an hour's drive from most places in Ka'ū. We look forward to increasing our reporting."

Videoconferencing continues at Ocean View Community Center, where Ka'ū residents can provide testimony during meetings.

To view meetings, see hawaiicounty.gov and click on the Council Meetings link at left.

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Over & Under: More of His Nature, daily through Sun, Feb 15, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Original paintings by John D. Dawson. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Palm Trail Hike, Sun, Feb 1, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park's Kahuku Unit. This moderately difficult 2.6-mile loop trail provides one of the best panoramic views Kahuku has to offer. 985-6011 or nps.gov/havo

Ham Radio Operators Potluck Picnic, Sun, Feb 1, Manuka Park. All American Radio Emergency Service members, anyone interested in learning how to operate a ham radio and families are invited to attend. Dennis Smith, 989-3028

Super Bowl XLIX, Sun, Feb 1, Kilauea Military Camp's Lava Lounge in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Door prizes every quarter. Open to authorized patrons and sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply. 967-8365 after 4 p.m.

A Walk into the Past, Tue, Feb 3 & 17, 10 a.m., 12 p.m. & 2 p.m., Kilauea Visitor Center and Whitney Vault in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Ka'ū resident Dick Hershberger brings Hawaiian Volcano Observatory founder Thomas Jaggar to life every other Tuesday.

Ocean View Neighborhood Watch meeting, Thu, Feb 5, 7 p.m., Ocean View Community Center.

Forest Restoration Project, Fri, Feb 6, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Volunteers plant native seedling trees in a fenced enclosure where plants will be protected from grazing animals. forest@fhvnp.org or 352-1402

Ka'ū Coast Cleanup, Sat, Feb 7, 7:45 a.m. Volunteers meet Hawai'i Wildlife Fund staff members at Wai'ōhinu Park to carpool/caravan to the site. kahakai.cleanup@gmail.com or 769-7629

Stewardship at the Summit, Sat, Feb 7; Wed, Feb 11; Fri, Feb 20; Sat, Feb 28; 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Volunteers meet at Kilauea Visitor Center to help remove invasive Himalayan ginger from park trails. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Exhibition Tour & Talk, Sat, Feb 7, 1 – 3 p.m., Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. John Dawson and Ranger Jay Robinson discuss the artist's current exhibit of paintings featuring his observations of the park.

Love the Arts: Abracadabra: The Magic of Art, Sat, Feb 7, 5 – 9 p.m., Volcano Art Center's Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. VAC's annual fundraiser features silent and live auctions, entertainment, gourmet food, handmade confections, fine wine and champagne. Proceeds help develop future community

the Mauna Ulu area. Non-members may become members in order to attend. Preregistration required. 985-7373

Medicine for the Mind, Sun, Feb 8, 4 – 5:45 p.m., Volcano Art Center's Nialani Campus in Volcano Village. Buddhist healing meditation for beginners through advanced. Free. Patty, 985-7470

Mongolian BBQ, Sun, Feb 8, 5 – 8 p.m., Kilauea Military Camp's Crater Rim Café in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Choose from an array of veggies and proteins for chefs wok up. \$.85 per ounce. Open to



Humpback whales are living along the Ka'ū Coast for winter. A whale count is set for Feb. 28.

Photo from NOAA

Volunteers Needed for Feb. 28 Whale Count

Whale season is back in full flipper with numerous humpback sightings reported at Punalu'u, Honu'apo and Ka Lae during January. The Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary has set dates to count the whales along the shoreline for Saturdays, Feb. 28 and March 28. Both site leaders and general volunteers are needed for the Ka'ū Coast.

Now in its 20th year, this project uses volunteers to count whales and record their behaviors from over 60 shore sites on the islands of O'ahu, Kaua'i and Hawai'i. The project allows the public to learn more about humpback whale population, distribution and behavioral trends while being involved in a volunteer monitoring effort. Sanctuary Ocean Counts will be held at selected sites from 8 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

During the January Sanctuary Ocean Count, over 850 volunteers collected data statewide. A total of 354 whales were seen during the 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. time period, the most of any time period throughout the count. Weather conditions and sea states were ideal for viewing humpback whales and other marine life, including spinner dolphins and Hawaiian monk seals.

Interested volunteers may register on-art education and enrichment programs. \$55 members; \$65 nonmembers. Tickets available at Nialani Campus, VAC Gallery, Banyan Gallery and The Most Irresistible Shop in Hilo. 967-8222 or volcanoartcenter.org

People and Land of Kahuku, Sun, Feb 8, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. This guided, 2.5-mile, moderately difficult hike over rugged terrain focus on the area's human history. 985-6011

Sunday Walk in the Park, Feb 8, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park explore

line at <http://sanctuaryoceancount.org>. The sanctuary is also raising money for the project by selling Keep Calm and Count the Whales short-sleeve and long-sleeve tees and hooded sweatshirts. To register to volunteer for the whale count, see more at hawaiiumpbackwhale.noaa.gov.

The Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Sanctuary was created by Congress in 1992. According to its website, "the sanctuary, which lies within the shallower (less than 600 feet deep) waters of the main Hawaiian Islands, constitutes one of the world's most important humpback whale habitats.

"Through education, outreach, research and resource protection activities, the sanctuary strives to protect humpback whales and their habitat in Hawai'i." Federal law protects them from harassment and prohibits approaching humpbacks by any means to within 100 yards in the water and 1,000 feet via aircraft. Enforcement is coordinated by the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Coast Guard and state Department of Land & Natural Resources. Anyone seeing a boat, helicopter or persons harassing whales can make a report to 800-256-9840.

authorized patrons and sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply. 967-8356

Senior ID Cards, Mon, Feb 9, 9 – 11 a.m., St. Jude's Episcopal Church in Ocean View. For ages 60 and over. 928-3100

Ka'ū Community Development Plan Meeting, Feb 10, 5:30 p.m. Nā'ālehu Community Center.

•Ohe Kāpala, Wed, Feb 11, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Kilauea Visitor Center lānai in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Ranger Noah Gomes shares Hawaiian bamboo stamping, a traditional skill he has learned from his

university education and through his own pursuit. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Valentine's Box, Wed, Feb 11, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Grades K – 8 register Feb 2 – 6. Nona, 928-3102.

Ka'ū Scenic Byway Committee Meeting, Thu, Feb 12, 5 p.m., Nā'ālehu Methodist Church. Public invited. richmorrow@alohabroadband.net

Red Cross Volunteer meeting, Thu, Feb 12, 7 p.m., HOVE Road Maintenance Corp. office. For volunteers and those interested in becoming volunteers. Hannah Uribes, 929-9953

Valentine's Day Card, Fri, Feb 13, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. For ages 6 – 12. Teresa, 929-9113

Bookbinding Basics, Sat, Feb 14, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., Volcano Art Center's Nialani Campus in Volcano Village. Charlene Asato presents *Taking a Pamphlet Stitch on a Romp*. \$42 members; \$45 nonmembers. 967-8222 or volcanoartcenter.org

Atlas Recycling at South Point U-Cart, Sat, Feb 14, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Valentine's Day Buffet, Sat, Feb 14, 5 – 8 p.m., Kilauea Military Camp's Crater Rim Café in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Prime rib, chicken piccata, shrimp and mushroom alfredo, main entree buffet. \$27.95 adults; \$14.50 children 6 – 11. Open to authorized patrons and sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply. 967-8356

Fee-Free Days, Sat – Mon, Feb 14 – 16, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. To celebrate Presidents Day Weekend, the park waives entry fees.

Open House, Sat – Mon, Feb 14 – 16, Kilauea Military Camp in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. KMC invites the public to see how it supports America's troops by utilizing any of its facilities and services.

•Ōhi'a Lehua, Sun, Feb 15, 9:30 a.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Participants bring lunch and learn about the vital role of ōhi'a lehua in native Hawaiian forests, the many forms of the ōhi'a lehua tree and its flower. Free. 985-6011

Hawaiian Ranchos Community Association Annual Membership Meeting, Mon, Feb 16, 4 p.m., Ranchos Road Maintenance Bldg on Kohala. Lehua Lopez-Mau speaks about Ka'ū Heritage Center. All are welcome to hear about these 15 acres of Ka'ū Dryland Forest acquired in Kona Gardens for preservation and display. HRCA96737@hotmail.com

Presidents' Day Flag, Tue, Feb 17, 4 – 4:45 p.m., Kahuku Park. For ages 6 – 12. Teresa, 929-9113

Chinese New Year Wall Hanging, Wed, Feb 18, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Grades K – 8 register Feb 9 – 13. Nona, 928-3102

Bert Naihe in Concert, Wed, Feb 18, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Kilauea Visitor Center Auditorium in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Naihe shares his love of Hawaiian music on stage. Naihe's first CD *Bert Naihe: You're the One* was released in March 2014. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Little Fire Ants Info Meeting, Thu, Feb 19, 5:30 p.m., Nā'ālehu Community Center. Hawai'i Ant Lab staff

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members discuss how to eliminate LFA colonies. 315-5656

Hawaiian Civic Club of Ka‘ū, Thu, Feb 19, 5:30 p.m. 929-9731 or 936-7262

Forest Restoration Project, Sat, Feb 21, 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. See fhvnp.org for details unavailable at press time. forest@fhvnp.org or 352-1402

Recycling at Nā‘ālehu School, Sat, Feb 21, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Nā‘ālehu School Gym. Redeem your HI-5 sorted by type; receive 5 cents per container and additional 20 cents per pound on all aluminum. Atlas Recycling donates 20 cents per pound on all aluminum redeemed to the school. 939-2413, ext. 230

From the Summons of Art, Sat, Feb 21, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park. Patti Pease Johnson’s exhibit opens with a reception at 5 p.m. 967-8222

Hi‘iaka & Pele, Sat, Feb 21, 9:30 – 11 a.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park. Participants discover the Hawaiian goddesses, sisters Pele and Hi‘iaka, and the natural phenomena they represent through epic stories depicted in the natural landscape of Kahuku on this easy 1.7-mile walk on the main road in Kahuku.

HOVE Road Maintenance board of directors meeting, Tue, Feb 24, 10 a.m., St. Jude’s Church. 929-9910

Ocean View Food Basket, Tue, Feb 24, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 939-7000

After Dark in the Park: One Scientist’s Perspective

About Working at Hawaiian Volcano Observatory, Tue, Feb 24, 7 p.m., Kilauea Visitor Center Auditorium in Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park. Mike Poland shares what he has discovered over the past decade about Hawaiian volcanoes and earthquakes, as well as the scientists who work at HVO. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Lei Making, Wed, Feb 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Kilauea Visitor Center lānai in Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park. Ranger Noah Gomes shares a traditional skill he has learned from his university education and through his own interest. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Girl’s Day Wristbands, Wed, Feb 25, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Grades K – 8 register Feb 17 – 20. Nona, 928-3102

Love Our Park Beautification, Fri, Feb 27, 1:30 – 3 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register Feb 23 – 27. Teresa, 929-9113

Ocean View Community Development Corp. meeting, Fri, Feb 27, 5 p.m., Hawaiian Ranchos offices.

Sanctuary Ocean Count, Sat, Feb 28, 8 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Volunteers count and monitor whales at various coastal sites. sanctuaryoceancount.org

Paint Your Own Silk Scarf, Sat, Feb 28, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., with Patti Pease Johnson. 967-8222

Hula Kahiko, Sat, Feb 28, 9:30 a.m., hula platform near Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park. Featuring Na Mea Hula with Kumu Hula Ab Valencia and members of Hālau

Hula Kalehuaki‘eki‘eika‘iu at 9:30 a.m. and Kumu hula Manaiakalani Kalua with Akaunu at 10:30 a.m. 967-8222

Zentangle: Zendala, Sat, Feb 28, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Volcano Art Center’s Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. Lois and Earl share the deconstruction of tangles. 967-8222 or volcanoartcenter.org

EXERCISE & MEDITATION

Pāhala Pool Schedule: Water Aerobic Mon/Wed/Fri 8:45 – 9:45 a.m.; Adult Lap Swim Mon/Wed/Fri 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Tue/Thu 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.; Public Recreational Swim Mon – Fri 1 – 4:15 p.m.; Public Recreational Swim & Lap Swim Sat/Sun 8 a.m. – 12 p.m., 1 – 4 p.m. Closed Mon, Feb 16. 928-8177 or hawaiicounty.gov/pr-recreation

Iyengar and Yin Yoga, Mon/Wed/Fri, 10 – 11:30 a.m.; Ocean View Community Center. Mats and props provided. Stephanie, 937-7940

Free Play Sports & Games, Mon – Fri, 1 – 4:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. For ages 6 – 12. Teresa, 929-9113

Instructional Tennis, Mon – Thu, 3:30 – 4:45 p.m., Nā‘ālehu Community Center. Richard, 939-2510

Track & Field Practice, Mon – Fri, 4 – 5 p.m., Kahuku Park. For ages 6 – 14. Teresa, 929-9113

Basketball Instruction, Mon – Thu, 5 – 7 p.m., Nā‘ālehu Community Center. For ages 14 and above. Richard, 939-2510

Afternoon Sports & Games, Mon – Fri, 1 – 5 p.m., Kahuku Park. Teresa, 929-9113

Adult Walk for Fitness, Mon – Fri, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. Teresa, 929-9113

Exercise for Energy, Mon/Wed, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Center. DVD instructions; bring your own band, ball and mat. Free w/ donation of non-perishable food. Becky, 345-4334

Zumba Fitness, Mon/Thu, 5:30 p.m.; Sat, 9 a.m., New Hope Christian Fellowship in Volcano. Certified instructor Linda Fanene, 990-3835

Zumba, Mon/Thu, 6 – 7 p.m., Nā‘ālehu Community Center. Certified Zumba instructor Erin Cole, 938-4037

Aikido, Mon/Wed, 6 p.m., Old Pāhala Clubhouse. Alan Moores, 928-0919 or artbyalan2011@gmail.com

Beginners Yoga, Mon/Wed/Fri, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 929-7033

Instructional Kickball, Tue/Thu, 4 – 5 p.m., Kahuku Park. Program begins Feb 24 for ages 6 – 12. Teresa, 929-9113

Kempo Karate, Tue/Thu Ocean View Community Center, children 5 – 6 p.m.; adults 6:30 – 8 p.m., beginning Feb. 19. Gordon Buck, 929-7033.

Age Group Basketball, Tue/Thu, 6 – 8 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. For ages 11 – 12 and 13 – 14. Nona, 928-3102

Beginning and Intermediate Yoga, Tue/Thu, 8:30 - 10 a.m. Noa’s Island Massage in rear entrance of Ka‘ū Realty across from Hana Hou. Please come 10 minutes early. \$10 a class or \$80 for 10 classes. 756-3183

Belly Dance Classes, Tue; beginners, 5:30 p.m.; intermediate, 6:30 p.m. Farasha, 990-3835

Karate, Tue/Fri, Pāhala Community Center. Cliff Field, 333-1567

Self-Guided Yoga, Wed, 9:30 – 11 a.m., Cooper Center, Volcano. Calabash donations. Debra Serrao, 985-7545

Gentle Senior Yoga, Wed, 3 – 4 p.m., Nā‘ālehu Hongwanji. Senior price \$10 for 10 sessions. Stephanie Peppers, 937-7940

Meditation, Wed, 4 – 5 p.m. Nā‘ālehu Hongwanji. Velvet Replogle, 936-8989

Beginners’ Yoga, Wed, 5:30 – 7 p.m., Volcano Art Center’s Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. \$5. Rob Kennedy, 985-9151

Hula Kahiko, Thu, 4 – 6 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Hall. Ka‘ū School of the Arts, 854-1540 or info@kauarts.org

Western Line Dance Classes, Thu, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Hall.

Relay Races, Fri, 3 – 4 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register Feb 2 – 6 for program beginning Feb 13. Teresa, 929-9113

DAILY & WEEKLY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Volcano Farmers Market, Sun, 6 – 10 a.m., Cooper Center. Fruits and veggies, swap meet and more. EBT welcome.

Ocean View Community Center computer lab, Mon – Fri, 8 a.m. – noon. Members \$2/hour, non-members, \$4/hr. 939-7033 for information on computer classes.

Tūtū and Me Traveling Preschool, free classes Mon/Wed, Nā‘ālehu Community Center; Tue/Thu, 8:30 -

10:30 a.m., Pāhala Community Center. 929-8571

Niaulani Nature Walks, Mon, 9:30 a.m., Volcano Art Center’s Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. This one-hour nature walk travels through a portion of old-growth Hawaiian rain forest on an easy, 1/7-mile loop trail. Free (calabash donations welcome). 967-8222 or volcanoartcenter.org

Pāhala Senior Center: Lunch served Mon – Fri, 10:30 a.m. for residents aged 60+. Julie, 928-3101

Nā‘ālehu Senior Nutrition Center (Hawai‘i County Nutrition Program), Lunch served Mon – Fri, 10:45 a.m. for residents aged 60+, greater Nā‘ālehu area. 939-2505

Ocean View Nutrition Site and Senior Club hosts activities at St. Jude’s Church on Mon/Wed/Fri from 8:30 a.m. and provides lunches 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. for seniors 60+. Donations requested. On Thu, the program takes seniors to Kailua-Kona for doctors appointments, grocery shopping and to pick up prescriptions. Program closed Tue. Dick Hershberger, 989-4140

Zhineng Qigong, Mon, 2 – 4 p.m., Cooper Center in Volcano Village. \$10 suggested donation. alohachigong@gmail.com

Kanikapila Jam Sessions, Mon, 5:30 – 7 p.m., Volcano Art Center’s Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. 967-8222

Ka‘ū Community Chorus Rehearsals, Mon, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Hall; Ka‘ū School of the Arts, 854-1540 or info@kauarts.org

Knit-Wits, Tue, 1 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 929-7033

Ka‘ū Driver License Office, Tue/Wed by appointment. 854-7214

Movie Matinee, Tue, 2:30 p.m., Nā‘ālehu Public Library. Free, family-friendly movies for all ages plus free popcorn. 939-2442

Computers for Dummies, Tue, 6 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 929-7033

Ka‘ū Farmers Market, Wed, 8 a.m. – noon, Shaka’s Restaurant in Nā‘ālehu. Produce, Hawaiiana, arts and crafts, fresh baked goods.

Nā‘ālehu Market, Wed/Sat, 6:30 a.m. – 2 p.m., Ace Hardware. Produce and locally made products.

Community Bookstore, Wed, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Kauaha‘ao Church in Wai‘ōhinu. 938-0411

Sumi-e Japanese Brushstroke Painting, Wed, 1 – 3 p.m., Nā‘ālehu Hongwanji

Free ‘Ukulele, Slack Key and Steel Guitar classes, Wed, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Olson Trust Building in Pāhala; Fri, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., Nā‘ālehu Methodist Church. Keoki Kahumoku. Call Tiffany at 938-6582 for details and to confirm.

Ka‘ū ‘Ohana Band Rehearsals, Wed/Thu, 4 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. Instruments provided; no experience necessary. Ka‘ū School of the Arts, 854-1540 or info@kauarts.org

Game Night, Wed, 6:30 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Center. Lucy Walker, 929-7519

Ka Lae Quilters, Thu, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Center. 238-0505

VA Center for Veterans, Thu, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. David, 329-0574

Desperately Seeking Serenity AFG meeting, Thu, 5 p.m., St. Jude’s Episcopal Church in Ocean View. Sandy, 557-9847

Art Fridays, 1 p.m., Kahuku Park. For ages 6 – 12. Teresa, 929-9113

Women, Infant, Children Services, Fri (except holidays) at various locations. 965-3030 or 934-3209

Aloha Fridays, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Volcano Art Center Gallery porch at Hawai‘i Volcanoes National Park. Variable hula art offerings. Everyone welcome. Free; donations welcome; park entrance fees apply.

Live Entertainment at Hana Hou Restaurant, Fri, 5:30 p.m. in Nā‘ālehu. 929-9717

Live Music Fridays at South Side Shaka, Nā‘ālehu. 929-7404

Live Music at Gilligan’s, Fri/Sat, 4:30 – 9 p.m., Discovery Harbour.

Ocean View Farmers Market, Sat, 7 a.m. – noon, Pōhue Plaza.

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings: One Day at a Time Group, Sat, 6:30 p.m., Cooper Center; Friday Night BBQ Meeting, Fri, 5 p.m., Wai‘ōhinu (929 -7674); Happy, Joyous and Free Group, Mon/Thu, 7 p.m. and Sat, 5 p.m., St. Jude’s in Ocean View. West Hawai‘i Intergroup, 329-1212 or the Hilo office, 961-6133



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KA'U SPORTS REPORT

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The Good News of Ka'ū, Hawai'i

February 2015



Punalu'u Black Sand Beach with a string of keiki and families in 'O Ka'ū Kākou fishing tournament.

Photo by Julia Neal

Keiki Win Plenty in Punalu'u Fishing Tourney

Sponsoring organization 'O Ka'ū Kākou has announced winners in the community organization's annual Keiki Fishing Tournament. It is the largest shoreline event in Ka'ū each year and took place in January at Punalu'u Beach, with hundreds of keiki and family members participating.

State Department of Land & Natural Resources staff members were on hand to teach about rules that protect ocean resources. Families learned about Disaster Preparedness from the Red Cross and about

early education offered locally by the Tūtū & Me program. All of the fish caught were returned to the ocean after measuring.

Keiki took home prizes. Winners in the Kupipi category were Kainoa Dacalio, first, Kircia Derasin second and Chesney-Jo Hao third. For hinalea, Asia Sesson took first, Cruze Alani second and Kaleopono Paliko Leffew third.

Ikaika Derasin caught the most fish. Second-most fish went to Joe Buyuan, and tying for third-most fish were Kersia Derasin and Akela Kuahiwinui. Toby Kekoa Burgess caught the largest fish.

Ka'ū's newly elected County Council member Maile Medeiros David attended the event. Keoki Kahumoku and friends provided music.



Kupipi fishing drew keiki to Punalu'u with Kainoa Dacalio taking first, Kircia Derasin second and Chesney-Jo Hao third.



Ikaika Derasin caught the most fish at Punalu'u.



Kircia Derasin and Akela Kuahiwinui tied for third in catching the most fish at the Keiki Tournament.



Joe Buyuan caught the second most fish.



In the hinalea category, Asia Sesson took first, Cruze Alani second and Kaleopono Palakiko Leffew third.



Toby Kekoa-Burgess caught the largest fish at the tournament.



The annual Keiki Fishing Tournament, sponsored by 'O Ka'ū Kākou at Punalu'u Beach, saw Ryder Cabrerros take first in the ahol-hole division. Brayden Bello took second, and Kawai Smith took third.

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Girl's Basketball

w/ Coach Cy Lopez:

- Fri, Feb. 6, DII - Semi-Finals
- Sat, Feb. 7, DII- Finals @ Kona
- Feb. 10 - 13, HHSAA Finals

Boy's Basketball:

w/ Coach Daryl Shibuya

- Wed, Feb. 4, Ka'u @ Kamehameha, 6 p.m.
- Wed, Feb. 11, Honoka'a @ Ka'u, 6 p.m.
- Fri, Feb. 13, St. Joe @ Ka'u, 7 p.m.
- Fri, Feb. 20, DII -Semi-Finals @ Hilo Civic
- Sat, Feb. 21, DII - Finals @ Hilo Civic
- Feb. 24 -27, HHSAA

Boy's Soccer:

w/ Coach Crystal Mandaquit

- Tues, Feb. 10, DII- Quarterfinals
- Thur, Feb. 12, DII - Semi-Finals
- Sat, Feb. 14, DII - Finals
- Feb. 26 -28, HHSAA Finals

Wrestling:

w/ Coach Greg Rush

- Sat. Feb. 7, Ka'u @ Waiakea, 10 a.m.
- Sat. Feb. 21, BIIF @ Hilo
- Mar. 6 -7, HHSAA Finals

Ha'aheo Kakou 'O Ka'u

Pop Warner Hosts Fundraising Dinner Feb. 13

Ka'u Lions Pop Warner Football Association holds a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Friday, Feb. 13 at Na'alehu Community Center. Tickets are \$7. Funds will help pay for the many fees, insurance and expenses associated with Pop Warner programs.

Newly elected Board members of Ka'u Lions Pop Warner Football Association are President Kai Manini, Vice President and Web Master Shellen Hashimoto, Secretary Nona Makuakane, Treasurer and Medical Director Tammy Kaawa, Fundraising Chair Betty-Ann Beck, Football

Support Ka'u's Special Olympics Athletes

Special Olympics East Hawai'i is sending Ka'u to competition around the island and the state. Special Olympics athletes are selling \$9 tickets for teri beef plates through Feb. 14. Call athlete Cindy Hickman at 670-6879 or organizer Lori Nakashima at 938-5144.

Commissioner Devin "Bully" Breithaupt, Roster Software Contact and Scholastics Commissioner Helena Carvalho, Travel and Media Coordinator Jolie Kekoa Burgos, Equipment and Uniform Manager Kolina Paaluh, Parent Coordinator Mona Santana, Concessions Coordinator Kuulei Ka-ne, Field Commissioner Buck Kala and Awards Banquet Coordinator Sasha Kaupu.

Board members met in January and want to start registrations early before school lets out for summer to get a head start on the season. They are also seeking assistance from volunteers to be coaches. All coaches are required to attend a mandatory workshop in the summer in order to be on the field during the season.

Secretary Nona Makuakane said Big Island Pop Warner Football Conference might be making a change in

Veterans Honored, cont. from pg. 1 ously received Congressional Gold Medals for their volunteer service in World War II in the famed 442nd Battalion, comprised of Japanese American soldiers.

team divisions for the upcoming season. Instead of a Midget Division, which targets ages 12-14 (105-170 lbs) and students 15 years old (between 105-140 lbs), the conference will have Jr. Midgets, ages 10-12 (90-140 lbs) and age 13 (90-120 lbs). They may also add an Unlimited Division for ages 11 to 14 weighing 105 lbs and above.

"All board members agree that the main focus of the association is for the kids of Ka'u," Makuakane said, "but we also need the support of the community." Anyone wanting to purchase spaghetti dinner tickets or make a donation can call Beck at 315-5702. To assist by volunteering as a coach, call Breithaupt at 339-1097 or Manini at 640-8409. Contact any board member with questions or if interested in providing any other kinds of assistance.

In his collection of photos and documents on his military career, Nakano displays a quote from former Pres. Bill Clinton saying, "We are diminished when any American is targeted unfairly because of his or her heritage."

While Nakano and Yonemitsu joined the U.S. military and were sent to Europe while the U.S. was at war with Japan, many others of Japanese heritage were sent to internment camps. Nakano, who is now 95, signed up when he was 23. Yonemitsu, who is now 92, signed up when he was 20. They both live with their wives in Na'alehu and had long careers in the sugar industry.

Nakano and Yonemitsu have volunteered for the last dozen years to assemble monthly issues of *The Ka'u Calendar* newspaper.



Senior Night honored members of Ka'u High's girls basketball who graduate this year.

Photo by Kaweni Ibarra

Trojan Girls Celebrate Senior Night with a Win

Ka'u High's varsity girls basketball team celebrated Senior Night in January. For seniors on the team, this was the last chance to play a game on Ka'u's home court.

Ka'u played against Hawai'i Preparatory Academy and made the best out of the last home game. Within the first minute, scores were tied, but Ka'u quickly changed that. The Trojans kept the lead for the entire game and held their ground for a final score of 56-31.

Seniors Kerrilyn Domondon, Denisha Navarro and

Bridget Pasion showcased the power of the team on both offense and defense.

Reported by *The Ka'u Calendar* journalism intern Kaweni Ibarra.

Homecoming Court Named for Trojans

The annual Homecoming Celebration this year at Ka'u High School is centered around a home basketball game against the St. Joseph Cardinals on Friday, Feb. 13. The homecoming coronation will be Thursday, Feb. 12 at the Ka'u High School gymnasium at 6 p.m. This year's king and queen are Tyren Fukunaga-Camba and Trystah Amps Nurial-Dacalio. Senior princess and escort are Sky Kanakaole-Esperon and Kaweni Ibarra. Junior princess and escort are Stacey Breithaupt-Castaneda and Treison Pascubillo. Sophomore princess and escort are Arjhell Salmo-Grace and Jacob Flores. Freshman princess and escort are Alexia Tudela and Isaiah Naboa.

Ka'upu Takes Second in NFL Punt, Pass, Kick

Leahi Ka'upu, seven years old, of Pahala, won second place in her age division in the NFL Punt Pass Kick competition last Dec. 7, at the Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego.

Her family sends mahalos for the community helping to raise funding to send her to the event after she won local competition.



Leahi Ka'upu takes second in NFL competition for keiki.

Girls Socc It!

Augustine Sanchez, shown here in the air, Po'ai Emmsley and Chloe Gan are the three Trojan girls playing on the boys soccer team for Ka'u High. The team celebrated Senior Night on Jan. 30. Big Island Interscholastic Federation Quarter Finals begin Feb. 10.

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clean energy future, while delivering substantial customer benefits, including lower costs and improved reliability over time."

"The filing of this application begins an important review process that we believe will ultimately result in a more affordable clean energy future for Hawai'i," said Eric Gleason, president of NextEra Energy Hawai'i, LLC. "We share Hawaiian Electric's vision of increasing renewable energy, modernizing its grid, reducing Hawai'i's dependence on imported oil, integrating more rooftop solar energy and, importantly, lowering customer bills, and we believe our combination will help to accelerate Hawai'i's clean energy transformation. ... As we move forward, our focus will be on applying our expertise and resources, alongside Hawaiian Electric's, to bring significant

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NŪPEPA NĀ'ĀLEHU

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The Good News of Ka'ū, Hawai'i

February 2015

Food Corps Hawai'i Re-Ups for Nā'ālehu Elementary School

Kalu Oyama continues in Food Corps Hawai'i as a service member at Nā'ālehu School for its second year.

Food Corps Hawai'i program is committed to building garden-based nutritional education programs and expanding connections between hands-on learning and core curriculum to help students adopt healthier lifestyles, improve academic performance and obtain real-life learning experiences about sustainability and eco-literacy. The Kohala Center serves as the host site for the state of Hawai'i's FoodCorps program.

Service members expand hands-on nutrition education programs, build and tend school gardens and help bring high quality, locally produced foods into schools.



Kalu Oyama, second from left, continues this year as FoodCorps Hawai'i service member at Nā'ālehu School.

Photo by Nālani Parlin

According to FoodCorps, when these three pillars of its approach are implemented

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benefits, savings and value to Hawaiian Electric customers and to create the clean energy future we all want for Hawai'i."

Alan Oshima, HECO's president and chief executive officer, said "As the filing outlines, joining with NextEra Energy provides Hawaiian Electric with the unique opportunity to strengthen and accelerate our clean energy transformation."

NextEra Energy's principal subsidiaries include Florida Power & Light Company, which according to HECO, is "one of the nation's largest and most well respected electric utilities," and NextEra Energy Resources, LLC,

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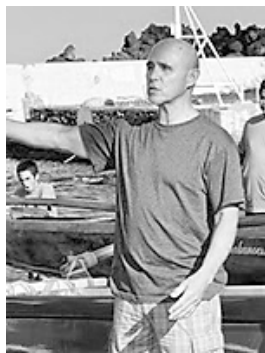
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Tourism Authority Supports Malolo Canoe Project in Miloli'i

Pa'a Pono Miloli'i's Malolo Project has won support through Hawai'i Tourism Authority's Kukulu Ola: Living Hawaiian Culture Program, part of its Product Enrichment Program for 2015. LHCP projects make up 33 of a total of 156 programs supported in 2015 through it and two other HTA PEP programs. In line with the HTA's Strategic Plan to support Hawai'i's community programs and events, the goal of PEP is to support community-based programs that



Uncle Bill Rosehill
Photo from Pa'a Pono
Miloli'i

enhance visitor experiences, as well as create opportunities for economic development, natural resources management and perpetuation of Hawaiian culture.

HTA will support restoration of the Malolo canoe to ready it for racing competitions and to pass knowledge of canoe building to the future generation of Miloli'i and South Kona residents. The yearlong restoration project is under the direction of Uncle Bill Rosehill.

The Malolo will be extended from its

PUC and Consumer Advocate (take that into account)."

PUC to Hear all Views

Hearing all points of view is a priority for Randy Iwase, who Gov. David Ige nominated as chair of the PUC following Mina Morita's resignation. "We will be quite open to allowing a variety of people and points of views to come in and intervene, whatever that may be," Iwase told Duane Shimogawa, of *Pacific Business News*. He also said that the PUC will make decisions after public comments are received and all the questions are answered.

Iwase said NextEra's acquisition of HECO has to be in the best interest of "not just the parties and the people of the state, but also by the policy set by the Legislature.

"We are going to do our best to get there," Iwase said. "I'm sure there will be a few who will disagree, but we will do our

current 36 feet to 45 feet, and its hull will be altered so as to be able to compete with koa canoes today. The Malolo will be the Miloli'i Canoe Club's koa canoe for the 2017 Moku O Hawai'i racing season.

"Hawai'i is a destination like no other in the world, and our Product Enrichment Program highlights different ways in which our community comes together to make our home a better place for both

residents and visitors to enjoy," said Ronald Williams, HTA Chief Executive Officer. "These programs not only highlight the unique experiences found across the state, but also support the perpetuation of our host culture and the sustainability of our vast natural resources."

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Electric Industries executives, according to a report in *Pacific Business News*. If the \$4.3 billion acquisition is approved, President and CEO Connie Lau would receive \$10.7 million, including \$6.8 million in cash and \$3 million in equity. James Ajello, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, would receive \$3.7 million, including \$2.1 million in cash and about \$1.2 million in equity. Chet Richardson, Executive Vice President and general counsel, would get \$2.8 million, including \$1.6 million in cash and \$820,000 in equity.

Reporter Duane Shimogawa said that according to a NextEra Energy filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, HEI executives would receive a total of about \$17 million after approvals are received to finalize the transaction.

Gov. David Ige said he has concerns about the payouts. "The parties are paying a significant premium to executives of HEI," Ige told *PBN*. "So where is this significant premium paid to ratepayers? I hope the

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Stars over Ka'ū - February 2015

by Lew Cook

By now, I hope that all of you have become used to writing 2015 on papers instead of 2014! We have more planets appearing at our chart time (10 p.m. at mid-month, an hour later early in the month, and an hour earlier late in the month). Also, Venus is now poking its bright head up in the western sky and is approaching Mars, walking away from the more rapidly approaching Venus who passes him by, not noticing Mars as she passes him by on Feb. 21.

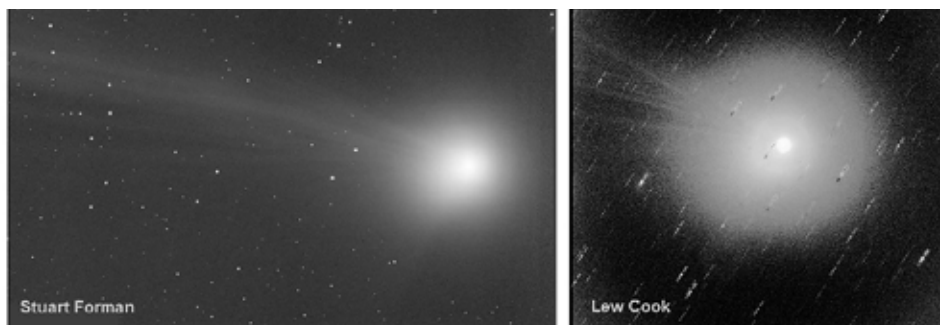
Jupiter appears in the night sky after its absence since June. It is in Leo, a constellation filled with galaxies.

Comet Q2 Lovejoy is still in the sky, visible with binoculars. I've plotted the approximate path on our chart. It starts the month west of Perseus and travels north to Cassiopeia. Look for it with binoculars, but don't miss other sights, like the double cluster in Perseus. I asked my friends to take a picture

of Comet Lovejoy. The best results are shown in the photo accompanying this article.

In mythology, Perseus is notable for slaying Medusa and appears holding the slain head of Medusa in his left hand as he faces us. Medusa had the face of a human, but had living venomous snakes for hair. Anyone who looked into Medusa's gaze directly was turned to stone. Perseus slew this monster by looking at its reflection in his highly polished shield, thus avoiding direct eye contact. The eye of the demon Medusa still winks at us every 2.87 days.

In fact, this star, the eye of the monster's severed head, is a binary star whose stars eclipse each other. Called an eclipsing binary star, its nature was discerned by the British amateur astronomer John Goodricke in 1783. He realized one explanation of the periodic dimming of the star's light was caused by a dark object passing in front of the bright star.



Comet Lovejoy is captured by many amateur astronomers who work hard to present their images. The best from my circle of friends is shown here. The processing method Stuart Forman used differed from mine. He eliminated the streaks in the stars as the comet moved past them and also eliminated motion of the comet. He also used a color camera. The image on the right (mine) was taken on the Jan. 11, while the one on the left (Forman's) was taken on the Jan. 14. Forman's shows the tail, but required two hours of exposures, while mine was taken with a large telescope in New Mexico with three red, three green and three blue one-minute exposures.

He didn't realize the "dark" object was another star, cooler and dimmer. Algol was the first eclipsing binary to be recognized.

The eclipses last about seven hours from bright to dim and back to bright. Look at Algol (marked on the chart in the high northern sky) on a night when Algol is out of eclipse, and remember how bright it looked. I've marked several stars with the numbers 2 and 3 so you can use them for comparison. The numbers are the magnitudes (brightness) of those stars for comparison to Algol, which at its brightest is magnitude 2.1 and fades to magnitude 3.3. Because the timings of the eclipses are about three hours 11 minutes less than three days, we can see a minimum light from Algol.

Excluding those that occur in the daytime, there are two eclipses that are convenient for us. The first occasion is Valentine's night, when the eclipse is centered at 10:38 p.m. If it is clear, go outside around 7 p.m. and find Algol. See how its brightness compares with the stars numbered 2 and 3. It ought to be similar in brightness to the stars labeled 2. Then, around 10:30 go out again

and check the brightness. Is it closer to the stars labeled 2 or 3? The next minimum, on Feb. 17, happens three hours and 11 minutes earlier. Repeat the process. Go out at 7:20 p.m. and find Algol. Then at 10 p.m., go back out and check it again. It's OK if you check the star between those times, and if you do, estimate the brightnesses and make notes of them.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
Feb. 06	6:55 a.m.	6:18 p.m.
Feb. 13	6:51 a.m.	6:21 p.m.
Feb. 20	6:47 a.m.	6:24 p.m.
Feb. 27	6:43 a.m.	6:27 p.m.

In the Moon Phases table are respective rising and setting times.

Moon Phases	Date
Moon Rise	Moon Set
Full Moon	Feb. 03
6:24 p.m.	6:25 a.m.
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First Quarter	Feb. 26
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Boys & Girls Club Teaches Healthy Lifestyle

Boys & Girls Club Family Night with dinner is once a month at Pāhala Community Center, where 45 children attend the afterschool program. During January's session, islandwide Chief Professional Officer Zavi Brees-Saunders said Boys & Girls Club aims to help children do well in school, continue with education, give to the community and live healthy lifestyles. Exercise and nutrition are part of the program.

Brees-Saunders thanked Pāhala Club Director Dolly Kailiawa for her ability to be creative and skillful in managing and mentoring children.

toring children.

Brees-Saunders noted that it costs \$4,000 per year per child to operate the club. Parents pay \$10 a year. She said the staff and board of directors are applying for grants and need donations. Punalu'u Bake Shop recently donated \$500. Local businesses and other community members

who want to donate can call Ka'ū board of directors member Julia Neal at 928-9811 or Saunders at 961-5536.

Funding can be available from various agencies, Brees-Saunders said. From one

source of funding, when a club is 60 percent native Hawaiian, a club can receive extra funds. Serving low-income families can also draw funding, she explained, but families have to help with documentation.

To sign up a child, call Kailiawa at 756-5285.



Hilaria Panglao and her granddaughters Daehlee Figueroa and Logan Figueroa participate in Family Night for Boys & Girls Club. Photo by Julia Neal



Chief Professional Officer for islandwide Boys & Girls Club, Zavi Brees-Saunders, with Pāhala staff member Ipolani Reyes and her daughter Harlem. Photo by Julia Neal

Shipping Container Huts Proposed for Low-Income Sheltering

Associated Press reports that "on the Big Island, housing officials are considering building micro-units made from shipping containers. They're planning to get seven shipping containers that are each 40 feet long and divide each into four units," said housing administrator Stephen Arnett. "Those units would be set aside for people

with mental health or other problems," he said.

The report was carried in an AP story on a housing briefing at the state Legislature in late January.

Other affordable housing programs were discussed.

Department of Hawaiian Homelands

Director Jobie Masagatani told legislators the department broke ground on more than 450 lots statewide in the past two years, according to AP reporter Cathy Bussewitz. It has a wait list of about 26,000 people. "The biggest concern for me is our kupuna who are on our waiting list," Masagatani said.

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each island to hear what they need to make Hawai'i more self-sufficient." He said Department of Agriculture Director Scott Enright will spearhead that effort.

Ige said that as a start to promoting more ag, the state is adding \$5 million to the agriculture loan program and expanding use of the fund to include biosecurity and food safety needs.

Ige acknowledged the important role public hospitals like Ka'ū Hospital play in an island state. "Unlike other states, good healthcare is not easily distributed throughout the islands," he said. "Our families and doctors cannot simply drive to another hospital if one is busy or does not have the services they need. ... That's especially true on our neighbor islands where they're often the only provider of acute care."

Ige sees potential in public-private partnerships for hospitals with financial deficits, "but only if they are shaped in the right way. But no matter our direction, changing how we operate our hospitals to meet changing needs will be key to any long-term solution."

Energy self-sufficiency is another of Ige's priorities. "Importing fossil fuel remains one of our greatest weaknesses, and we simply must move to reduce our dependence on it," he said. "We have the locally generated resources that can allow us to be self-sufficient."

"In addition, we will be restructuring and staffing the Public Utilities Commission to give it the expertise and resources needed to deal with its due diligence. I will also be assigning a special counsel to protect the public's interest for the short and long term."

Ige said he plans to empower schools by giving those closest to children authority and resources to take action. "As Governor, I will appoint members to the Board of Education who embrace school empowerment of our principals and teachers as the key to ensure student success," he said. "I challenge the leaders of public education to stop issuing mandates from the state office and to focus on empowering schools and delivering resources to the school level."

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Jaggar Museum & Kīlauea Visitor Center Extend Hours

Jaggar Museum in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park is open longer, now seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., and Kīlauea Visitor Center is also open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association bookstores within both visitor facilities have the same hours.

The new hours address periods of peak visitation and enable the park to keep both centers open seven days a week. The park itself will remain open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Visitors who arrive before operational hours at Jaggar Museum and Kīlauea Visitor Center are encouraged to enjoy the view of Kīlauea Volcano's summit eruption from the outdoor observation deck adjacent to Jaggar Museum or at other vantage points along Crater Rim Trail. Popular places like 'Akanikolea (Steam Vents), Nahuku (Thurston Lava Tube) and Kīlauea Iki Trail are often best enjoyed before 9 a.m. when the park is not as busy.

Free, ranger-guided programs originate

at both Jaggar Museum and Kīlauea Visitor Center. At Jaggar Museum, visitors can enjoy daily *Life on the Edge* ranger talks at 2 p.m., 3:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. to learn about the current eruption from Halema'uma'u Crater and Kīlauea Volcano's eruptive nature. At Kīlauea Visitor Center, *Explore the Summit* walks are offered at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., and the daily *How It All Started* geology talk is presented daily at 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. All other activities for the day are posted after the visitor centers open.

Earthquake & Magma Expert Joins HVO

Hawaiian Volcano Observatory has welcomed a new staff scientist, Ingrid Johanson, an expert in using GPS as well as satellite radar data (InSAR) to measure motion of the ground surface in response to geologic events such as earthquakes and magma movement.

Growing up in California's central valley just east of San Francisco, Johanson was no stranger to earthquakes, but it was a summer internship in geophysics that inspired her



Dr. Ingrid Johanson joins HVO as a geophysics expert studying earthquakes and lava flow. Photo from HVO

to study them. At the time, she was a UCLA undergraduate pursuing a degree in physics. Through the internship, Johanson discovered geophysics could combine her love of math and physics with an appreciation for nature to help understand the processes that shape and move Earth. Geophysics also gives her the added bonus of working outdoors.

As part of graduate research at the Uni-

Quake, Magma Expert, pg. 16

Friends of HVNP Names Fien Executive Director

Elizabeth Fien is new Executive Director for Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Fien will be responsible for implementation and oversight of all aspects of the nonprofit group's operation, including conservation, stewardship, development, external relations, governance and general management. She will also lead the organization as it prepares to celebrate Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park's 100th anniversary in 2016.



Elizabeth Fien

Fien is the first to hold the Executive Director position for Friends. FHVNP was previously managed by an all-volunteer board of directors. She has been with the organization since 2012 and previously served as its Education & Development Coordinator and Director of Development.

Since her tenure with FHVNP, Fien has doubled the organization's income, obtained over \$140,000 in grants and formed a partnership with Volcano House providing educational tours of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. She also established significant financial support from the Geist Foundation and several other foundations for the park's Youth Ranger Internship program.

Fien brings to FHVNP a 20-year track record of successful leadership, management and fundraising. She spent the early part of her career in legal health care management with Rocky Mountain Health Care Corporation in Denver. After moving to Hawai'i in 1995, she worked as a nonprofit consultant raising funds for Bridge House, Friends of

Waimanalo Library and Waimanalo Health Center, where she served as Board President from 2007-2009.

"I am humbled and honored to help lead and collaborate on the important work that lies ahead for the Friends – an organization that has made such a difference to all of us who love Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park and this part of Hawai'i," Fien said. "With ambitious goals to engage more youth in the park, balance the visitor experience and use with resource protection and strengthen community involvement and support, the Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park is an exciting place to be as we approach the park's centennial."



Kīlauea Caldera and Stars can be seen from Jaggar Museum. Photo by Peter Anderson

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This month we will be working at the Kahuku unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. We will be removing invasive plants in a kipuka of native Ohia forest with a nice mix of other native trees and understory. Access and work at this site will be strenuous. We will learn about the park's native forest restoration program at the Kahuku unit. Pre-registration is required. To register, please contact forest@fhvnp.org or call (808) 985-7373.

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Little fire ants, recently detected in Nā'ālehu, are considered one of the worst invasive species in the world.
Photo from Hawai'i Department of Agriculture

Little Fire Ant Battle Heats Up

A community-based eradication effort for Little Fire Ants in Nā'ālehu will be held on Thursday, Feb. 19 at 5:30 p.m. at Nā'ālehu Community Center. The formal presentation will be followed by a question and answer session.

The Hawai'i Ant Lab reminds residents that "Little Fire Ants are ubiquitous and well-established on the windward side of the Big Island of Hawai'i." Scattered populations live along the west coast from Kailua-Kona to Captain Cook, and a small, isolated outbreak has been detected in Nā'ālehu. "This approximately 6.4 acre infestation is an ideal candidate for spot-eradication because the community

is small and geographically separate from other infested areas. The infested area includes several private homes, a portion of Nā'ālehu Park, the 76 Gas Station, commercial properties and the Ka'ū Family Health Center," the statement said.

The county Department of Parks & Recreation is treating Nā'ālehu Community Park. "In order to get rid of this invasive ant species, the community needs to treat on their private properties also," warned the Fire Ant Lab. The Hawai'i Ant Lab, Big Island Invasive Species Committee and The Nature Conservancy are teaming up to train the Nā'ālehu community on treatment methods. The project team

Ka'ū Coast Cleanups Set

Hawai'i Wildlife Fund wishes Ka'ū residents the very best in 2015, "and we hope to see you soon," said Ka'ū Coast Cleanup coordinator Megan Lamson.

On Sat. Feb. 7, HWF will host a Ka'ū Community Coastal Cleanup event at Pa'ula/Lepana on the Kalaemano property. Volunteers are asked to RSVP to kahakai.cleanups@gmail.com. 4WD vehicles are needed, and space is limited in HWF vehicles. This cleanup is made possible with

logistic support by Kuahiwi Ranch. Meet at Wai'ōhinu Park at 7:45 a.m. to carpool/carpool to cleanup site.

On Sun. March 15, HWF teams up with Kona Boys and Hawai'i State Parks for its second annual kayak and cleanup event at Ka'awaloa (Captain Cook Monument) in South Kona. Space is very limited, so RSVP early. Volunteers must be over 16 and be able to swim, paddle a kayak and haul debris over 25 pounds.

will work in collaboration with the community to engage the community, garner broad support and cooperation; develop a community action plan that includes treatment, monitoring and ongoing quarantine procedures; develop and deliver training, supplies and provide technical input; and monitor outcomes, report and promote as a demonstration to other communities.

"In order for the community-based eradication to be a success, it is vital that everyone in the community participate in treatment efforts. If you are not within the treatment area, we still encourage your participation at the Public Informational Meeting and vigilance for new introductions of Little Fire Ants," the Ant Lab statement recommended.

For more information, contact Hawai'i Ant Lab, 16 East Lanikaula Street, Hilo, HI 96720. Call 315-5656 or email heather.for-ester@littlefireants.com.

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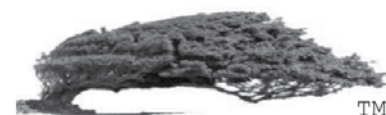
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The Directory Online to Inform, Fund Scholarships

The Directory, 2015, Ka'ū's business and community guide, is online through kauchamber.org. It can be reached directly at kaucalendar.com/Directory2015.swf and also at kaucalendar.com/Directory2015.pdf.

Printed versions of the 80-page digest will be circulated throughout the district at post offices, financial institutions and stores, as well as government and commercial offices. The annual publication, a partnership between Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce and *The Ka'ū Calendar*, raises money for scholarships for Ka'ū residents seeking higher education. Ka'ū Chamber president Dallas Decker said that annual scholarships follow students year after year as they complete college and technical courses. The idea is to help keep them funded and for them to return to work in Ka'ū with their new skills.

The Directory features a "yellow pages" style section of ads and listings for local businesses. It has a calendar section for daily and weekly activities in Ka'ū and a listing regional events for the year. It fea-

tures maps of Ka'ū communities, contact information on government officials, community organizations, parks and churches.

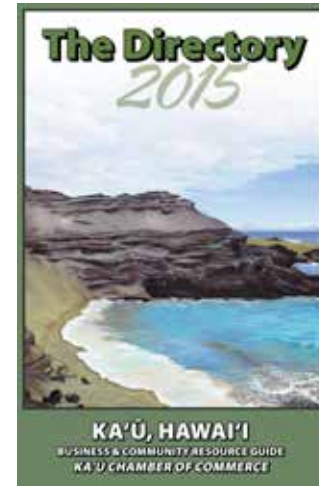
There is a section of Emergency Preparedness, another on schools, libraries, hospitals, clinics, animal shelters and county and volunteer fire departments.

Features include the winning 2015 Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce Ken Wicks Scholarship essay contest winner, the annual Ka'ū Chamber Art Contest that decides the cover image for *The Directory*. Ka'ū Coffee contest winners, the winning Ka'ū High Eight-Man Football Team, the French honoring Ka'ū WWII 442nd veter-

ans and Chamber Endorsements are other stories in *The Directory*.

The entire book is illustrated in color photos about the people and places of Ka'ū by such artists as Peter Anderson and photographers for *The Ka'ū Calendar* newspaper and www.kaunewsbriefs.blogspot.com.

To make *The Directory* even more accessible than being online and in print,



said editor Julia Neal, is the plan to put all of the information and illustrations on an app, accessible through many electronic devices. That project, headed by Chamber board member Lee McIntosh, is expected to go live early this year.

To add a business or community listing or advertising and scholarship support, call 928-6471.

Quake, Magma Expert, cont. from pg. 14
versity of California at Berkeley, Johanson helped develop a technique using InSAR to map surface motion. Her work led to new insights into how stress accumulates along faults, including the San Andreas Fault, and how that relates to the potential for future damaging earthquakes.

After earning her Ph.D., Johanson completed a postdoctoral fellowship with the U.S. Geological Survey and worked at HVO,

where she studied Kīlauea Volcano for several months before accepting a position at UC Berkeley as a research scientist and manager of the Bay Area Regional Deformation network. BARD is an array of continuously operating GPS stations that monitor surface motion across the faults that make up the Pacific-North America plate boundary around the San Francisco Bay area.

Johanson was responsible for processing GPS data, including high-rate and real-time GPS. Her results are incorporated in California's earthquake early warning system.

Real-time deformation data are not only useful in earthquake early warning (the feasibility of which is currently being studied in Hawai'i), but also invaluable in assessing volcanic hazards, reports HVO in its *Volcano*

Watch publication.

During quickly emerging events, such as intrusions of magma into rift zones or shallow levels beneath the summits of Kīlauea and Mauna Loa, real-time tilt and GPS positioning allow tracking magma beneath the surface as it moves. "Johanson's experience in this field will bring valuable improvements to our real-time GPS capabilities," HVO reports.

"The combination of GPS and InSAR expertise Johanson brings to HVO has great potential to further our understanding of volcanic and earthquake processes on Hawaiian volcanoes. With the ongoing lava flow on Kīlauea and the ever-present threat of renewed activity at Mauna Loa, Johanson's expertise is needed now more than ever."

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