

Who will be the 2016 Miss Ka'ū Coffee Queen?

Miss Ka'ū Coffee candidates are practicing often to prepare their talents, their smarts and their beauty for the judges and the public at the pageant on Saturday, May 14 at 6 p.m. at Ka'ū Coffee Mill.

Candidates for Miss Ka'ū Coffee are 18-year-old Ka'ū High School senior Shaira Panganiban Badua, daughter of Mario and Lucia Badua, of Pāhala; 17-year-old Ka'ū High School student Jami Beck, daughter of James and Sharon Beck, of Nā'ālehu; 21-year-old University of Hawai'i-Hilo

student Casey Koi, daughter of Corey and Connie Koi, of Pāhala; and 22-year-old University of Hawai'i student Rochelle Koi, daughter of Rory Koi, of Nā'ālehu, and Michelle Ortega, of Pāhala.

Junior Miss Ka'ū Coffee candidates are 15-year-old Ka'ū High student Karlee Fukunaga Camba, daughter of *Ka'ū Coffee Pageant, pg. 8*



Shaira Panganiban Badua



Jami Beck



Casey Koi



Rochelle Koi

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Tropic Care Brings Military Docs, Dentists to Ka'ū

Tropic Care, free medical, dental and eye care, returns to Ka'ū May 31 through June 4 at Ka'ū High School and Ocean View Community Center. Services provided by U.S. military reserve physicians, dentists, optometrists and other health care professionals are open to everyone. There will be medical health screenings, school sports physicals, dental services, eye exams with free eyeglasses, hearing screenings, nutritional services and veteran services.

The military reserve crews will set up camp just like a field hospital. Their service to the community helps them train for disaster sites and war zones. Ka'ū High School classrooms will be exam rooms in Pāhala.

Hours are Tuesday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. until 12 p.m. at both the Ocean View and Pāhala locations.

Tropic Care 2016 is managed by the O'ahu-based 198th United States Army

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Air Force Reserve Lt. Col. Xochitl Amador Aznar, of San Juan, Puerto Rico, treated dental patients in Ka'ū at no charge as a team member of the military reserve and Tropic Care. Tropic Care returns to Pāhala and Ocean View May 31. *Photo by Julia Neal*



A hike into the rainforest, source of old sugar plantation water and new irrigation and future hydroelectric water, is one of the events during ten days of the Ka'ū Coffee Festival that draws people to stay in Ka'ū. *Photo by Jesse Tunison/ Ka'ū Coffee Festival*

Businesses Showcase Ka'ū District During Coffee Fest

Year after year, local businesses open up special places in Ka'ū to visitors for the Ka'ū Coffee Festival. Aikane Plantation Coffee Co. hosts its annual Coffee & Cattle day, taking festival goers deep into a cattle and horse ranch, traveling over pastures that seem to be flowing between steep green mountain cones above Pāhala. Back at the ranch house, owners Meryl and Phil Becker offer up a paniolo lunch and tours through their coffee farm. This year they introduce a

new brand of native mamaki tea and music by Makana. Cost is \$25 per person, \$20 seniors.

Ka'ū Coffee Mill and owner Edmund C. Olson sponsors the music for the annual Ho'olaule'a at Pāhala Community Center. The Coffee Mill also sponsors the Ka'ū Coffee Recipe Contest, with just under \$2000 in prizes with emcee Miss Holly K and music. This year, Ka'ū Coffee Mill will host the Miss Ka'ū Coffee pageant where scholarships are *Business Showcase, pg. 2*



Aikane Plantation takes festival goers deep into Ka'ū coffee and cattle country. *Photo by Jesse Tunison/ Ka'ū Coffee Festival*

Ka'ū Coffee Farms, Nonprofits Support Marshallese Employment, Childcare

Employment for the Marshallese community is the subject of an effort by Ka'ū residents and community groups. An assembly of coffee farmers, businesses, church and community members is hoping to help organize day care for Marshallese children, involving the Marshallese families as caregivers. Many Marshallese find it difficult to work, particularly in the coffee industry, with prohibitions on bringing chil-

dren to job sites, explained Miss Ka'ū Coffee Maria Miranda, one of the organizers of the effort. She said the Marshallese family is "a beautiful thing with family members often going to work sites together."

John Ah San, President of Palehua 'Ohana Farmers Cooperative, explained that the effort is to also help Marshallese families and farmers meet labor laws,

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Marshallese coffee pickers have been paid by the pound or bag so they could take their time in the Ka'ū Coffee fields, alternating between childcare and work. *Photo by Julia Neal*

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PUC Seeks Comments on Solar Overhead Line/Substation

Hawai'i Electric Light Co. and the state Consumer Advocate have agreed on a schedule of dates in the Public Utilities Commission's decision as to whether to allow a high-voltage overhead line to be constructed in Ocean View. The schedule of dates is published in PUC Docket number 2015-0229. The Consumer Advocate has until May 18 to file Supplemental Information Requests to HELCO and the solar developer. These requests will be partly based on objections raised by members of the public who have submitted public comments to the docket. After receiving answers from HELCO no later than June 1, the Consumer

Advocate will announce its Statement of Position on or before June 29.

The line and substation are proposed for a site next to the Kohala Blvd entrance to Ranchos, across the highway from Ocean View's King Kamehameha Blvd. It would be in view of homes and a Thai restaurant. HELCO's application is to serve the 6.75-megawatt project that SPI Solar, an international corporation based in Shanghai, plans to install on 25 housing lots in three Ocean View subdivisions.

Ranchos residents encourage concerned citizens to submit public comments to the PUC prior to the Consumer Advocate

sending information requests to HELCO.

"HELCO has to justify its request for these very ugly and unnecessary structures," Ranchos resident Ed NeSmith said. "The more objections we can file, the harder HELCO has to work to overcome them. HELCO will have to work hard to convince the Consumer Advocate that the project is needed, given that there is a surplus of day-time power on the Big Island, and every day, good green power from wind and solar is 'curtailed' or not used."

Phillis May said, "HELCO will be hard-pressed to make a case that the high rates that HELCO must pay SPI will not

drive up the cost of power to all of us on the island. Currently, HELCO charges most retail customers 28.5 cents per kilowatt-hour. Although HELCO has no contract, the feed-in-tariff program mandates that HELCO

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which require a minimum wage. Some Marshallese find it hard to earn minimum wages when they are taking care of children in the coffee fields at the same time as they are being paid by the pound or bag for picking coffee beans, he said. It sometimes takes them longer to pick than those without children at their sides.

Allowing coffee pickers to care for children in the fields while adults are working can also lead to stiff federal fines for coffee farmers for labor law violations. In addition, coffee pickers need to either have their own business



Childcare for Marshallese workers is an initiative of coffee farmers, businesses and nonprofits. Photo by Maria Miranda

Lorie Obra and LDO, a coffee equipment company. Goodwill Industries and the Kohala Center are also helping out, Miranda said.

Many Ka'ū Coffee pickers of the Marshallese community live in Ocean View and work for both Kona and Ka'ū farmers. Kona Coffee farmers are also becoming involved, Ah San said.

The organizers plan several meetings with farmers, pickers, government agencies and nonprofit organizations.

For more on the childcare effort, call Miranda at 936-3362, and for more on the labor situation, call Ah San at 938-6248.

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sponsored by many local business people and entities. Major funders include Edmund C. Olson; Ka'ū Royal Hawaiian Coffee & Tea; Hawai'i Coffee Co.; Pacific Quest; CU Hawai'i Federal Credit Union; Punalu'u Bake Shop; and Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce.

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Hawane Rios & Chefs Support Coffee Lands Benefit

I Ola Nā 'Āina Momona hosts a farmer land security benefit dinner at Pāhala Plantation House on Tuesday, May 17 at 6 p.m. Tickets are available with a \$48 tax-deductible donation. Funds raised by the nonprofit will be used to send Ka'ū Coffee growers and their representatives to O'ahu to build support for their cause with lawmakers and potential donors.

Two Hawai'i Island chefs and musician Hawane Rios are coming together to raise awareness of land security for Ka'ū Coffee growers. Rios' roots stretch from the rolling hills of Kohala to the beaches of 'Anaeho'omalū. "Her connection to the Earth Mother is deep and true and



Hawane Rios

taught to her by her family," IONAM Presi-

Bolo & Friends and enjoy the coffee farmers company. The kickoff pa'ina is co-sponsored by Hawai'i Farmers Union United and Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce.

New this year is an event at the house on Punalu'u Black Sand Beach. Owner Jim Dahlberg has donated the venue for a Lobster Palooza dinner and music to raise money for the coffee farmers and community group 'O Ka'ū Kākou. It is organized by coffee broker and festival organizer Chris Manfredi.

Listen to the Larry Dupio Band and Full Tilt Band from 2-6 p.m. Tickets are \$75 online at brownpapertickets.com.

On the day of the Ho'olaule'a, many coffee growers will donate their time, giving tours to coffee farms and manning coffee tasting and sales booths, as well as public information booths. The coffee farmers put out the manpower

dent Malian Lahey said.

Jonah VanGieson, of 'Ōhelo Café in Volcano, and Casey Halpern, of Café Pesto, will create a flavorful adventure from locally sourced fish, meat and organic vegetables. Big Island Brewhaus is sponsoring an open bar with a sampling of their craft beers.

"Our courageous community of Ka'ū Coffee farmers has earned the right to benefit from the reputation and coffee producing region that they founded," Lahey said. "Let's make sure they have that right in the long term."

See ionam.org.



Jonah VanGieson

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Edmund C. Olson also opens the towering flat top Makanau Mountain for stargazing. On two days during festival week, he opens up trails for guided hikes into the old sugar plantation water system and into the rainforest above Wood Valley Road.

Pāhala Plantation House, the historic sugar plantation manor, is the kickoff party location for the ten days of events, with the public invited to hear music by El Leo and

Visit 'Imakakōloa Heiau May 15

Edith Kanaka'ole Foundation representatives lead a two-hour site visit of 'Imakakōloa Heiau on Sunday, May 15. The foundation describes 'Imakakōloa as the only known hula heiau on this island. Olson Trust established an agreement with the foundation to steward the heiau.

Interested Ka'ū residents meet at Nā'ālehu Shopping Center or in front of Edmund C. Olson office building in Pāhala for a 9 a.m. departure.

For more information, email kala-hoohie@gmail.com.

it takes to put on the festival.

See event schedule on pages 9 and 16.

"The festival highlights the efforts of our hard-working Ka'ū coffee producers, and also

offers unique activities that showcase the heritage District of Ka'ū. Many events are only available during the festival," said Manfredi.

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Ka'ū Coffee Festival Urges: Buy Local to Win \$1,000

The Ka'ū Coffee Festival is once again launching its Buy Local-It Matters promotion in partnership with the state Department of Agriculture. Ka'ū Coffee farmers and supporters

met in late April to get ready for the May 13 - 22 festival and urge everyone to participate and build their opportunity to win \$1,000.

Festival organizer Chris Manfredi said, "This promotion is designed to drive customers to local businesses, where they can collect invoices, receipts or business cards and redeem them at our Ho'olaule'a on May 21 for chances to win valuable prizes. The more they collect, the more chances to win." See kaucoffeefest.com for a list of participating businesses.

Also on tap is The Ka'ū Coffee Experience at the Ho'olaule'a on May 21 at Pāhala Community Center. "The Ka'ū Coffee Experience is one of our most popular events," said Manfredi. "It will again feature locally grown coffees prepared in a number of ways

during guided tastings by accomplished baristas. From pour-over to French Press, cold-brew and espresso drinks, you can explore the best ways to brew Ka'ū Coffee to unlock all of the distinctive and complex flavors."

On May 22, also at Pāhala Community Center, is Ka'ū Coffee College. Said Manfredi, "the theme this year is 'Coffee Quality.' Guest speakers include UH-CTAHR extension agent Andrea Kawabata paired with Greenwell Farms biologist Arturo Bal-



Ka'ū Coffee growers and festival organizers urge everyone to Buy Local for a chance to win \$1,000. See kaucoffeefest.com for details.

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where producers can enhance and maintain high quality, and recognize and minimize defects. "If you're in the coffee business, these sessions should not be missed," Manfredi said.



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must pay the developer 23.6 cents per kWh. When HELCO marks this up, our rates will go up, too. This is not a good deal for the ratepayer. I paid 11.5 cents per kWh when I lived in the Bay Area."

"HELCO will have to admit that this project is not legal in that it produces more than five megawatts of power," retired physicist Peter Bosted said. "It should never have been allowed in the FIT program, which was intended for farmers and ranchers. If SPI Solar wants to sell power from a utility-sized installation, SPI must negotiate a Power Purchase Agreement."

"I hope the Consumer Advocate will look long and hard at all the public comments that have been sent in. Many of them are excellent and really hit the nail on the head. Others paint a picture of residents dismayed at having their neighborhood industrialized."

To date, public comments have been overwhelming in opposition to HELCO's proposal. The PUC received testimony op-

posing the project from the following individuals and organizations (in chronological order): Kerstin Mueller, Janice Hazen, Phillis May, Thomas Kraft, Mats Fogelvik, Lester Lowe, Kimberly Calverase, Ron Gall, Ed NeSmith, Sandra Mayville, Donald G. Hatch, Ronald Biggs, Hawaiian Ranchos Road Maintenance Corporation, Gary Kneeland, Hoda Hanfy, Jay Hibbard, Karen P. Pucci, Peter and Ann Bosted (with petition signed by 635 people), Janeen Marie, Ka'ū's state Representative Richard Crea-gan, John & Rosemarie O'Connor, Ross Metzger and Ruth Garza. Also, on Feb. 26, a list of Ranchos property owners' responses to a mid-August letter mailed by Hawaiian Ranchos Community Association's board was filed.

Only two testifiers supported the project: Jim Houston and Patrick McCormick Lee.

To view public comments and other documents, see <http://dms.puc.hawaii.gov/dms/>. Type the docket number, 2015-0229,

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Community Brings Hoe Wa'a, Koa Canoe Back to Miloli'i

Hoe wa'a (canoe paddling) has been a longtime tradition for the families of the fishing village of Miloli'i. The kūpuna of this tiny village paddled in numerous canoe regattas and long distance races, and many owe their physical strength to paddling their own personal 'ōpelu canoe on a daily basis to fish for 'ōpelu to feed their family and community.

In 2015, after 81 years, the newly formed Miloli'i Canoe Club, with the help of Pa'a Pono Miloli'i, returned to the water with a total of 22 paddlers, many of whom have lineage to those past kūpuna of the village.

Both the Novice B men's and women's teams dominated the water course throughout the 2015 canoe regatta season which gave them berth into the 2015 HCRA State Races held in Hilo. Hard work and dedication by each paddler and supporter of the canoe club paid off.

"The King Kamehameha Day race was the most exciting," said Miloli'i native Lai-la Kaupu. "We had lane one with the worst swells coming in against Kailua pier. We still won gold in both the women's and men's team races."

The season also featured a number of open water distance races. Frank Durao, who moved to Miloli'i from California and



Rep. Richard Creagan, Sen. Kaiali'i Kahele and County Council member Maile David welcome back the koa canoe to Miloli'i.

is operating a macnut and coffee farm, likes the longer races. "We raced in the Queen Lili'uokalani Race," he said. "The women paddled from Kailua pier to Hōnaunau, which

is eighteen miles, and then the men paddled back. There were over 100 wa'a from all over the Pacific. In a race like that, you learn to feel the rhythm of everyone paddling together. You can feel the single motion of the wa'a moving forward with each stroke."

In its second year, the Miloli'i Canoe Club aims to not only build participation in the club but to also build the community that fuels the club. "We hope the history and cultural practice of paddling will boost the morale of the village," said Lei Kaupu, "and motivate the paddlers to strive and work harder and inspire the future generation to continue on in the practice of their kupuna."

Nohea Kaiaokamalie, 2015 president of canoe club agreed. "Paddling a canoe is the true Hawaiian sport," she said. "It is ingrained in us. Even if it has been gone for a generation in Miloli'i, we can still find it."

The canoe club has brought together a wide community of paddlers. In the wa'a, participants may find themselves paddling with a fisherman, an ethnobotanist, a farmer, a minister, an emergency room doctor, a

grandmother or someone from as far away as Vermont. They all become "part of the family here. Our small club is very welcoming, and people learn quickly. Only a few of us paddled when we were young," said Didja Llanes, head coach of Miloli'i Canoe Club.

Before the fall of 2014, Amoe Taetuna hadn't paddled before, but after a few weeks as the club began to train, she was asked to take the steering seat and captain the women's boat in the 2015 Pa'a Pono Miloli'i Ocean Fest. "It just came naturally to me," she said. "I know the feeling of the water – the currents, the wind, the waves. I grew up on the water. Now as captain, I want to share this with the crew. I like to talk to them and motivate them. We are all learning together."

On April 23, Miloli'i welcomed the return of their koa wa'a, the Mālolo, with a blessing and feast. Built in Miloli'i in the 1920s, the Mālolo is one of the oldest and most storied koa racing canoes in Hawai'i. Many current members of Miloli'i Canoe Club had grandparents who paddled on the



Canoe racing returns to Miloli'i.

Photo from Miloli'i Canoe Club

Mālolo in the 1930s. The Mālolo also won and set the record at the 1954 Moloka'i Channel race.

Miloli'i Canoe Club welcomes new members to practices on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. and on Saturday mornings at 8 a.m. The wa'a are launched at the southern end of Miloli'i village, and paddles are provided. For more information, contact Didja Llanes at 345-6738 or Nohea Kaiaokamalie at 937-9333 and nkaiaokamalie@gmail.com. Sponsorships and donations are welcomed.



Miloli'i Canoe Club, now in its second year, invites new members.

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For more information, call Coach Cole at 938-4037.



Assistant coach Kevin Sun, Ka'imi, Brandon, Rowlie, Chloe, head coach Erin Cole at a meet in Kea'au in 2015. Cole urges next-season participants to start running now.
Photo from Erin Cole

Ka'ū Youth Benefit from County Grants

Programs involving young people are on the agenda of Ka'ū nonprofits that will receive grant funding from Hawai'i County. At a meeting of Hawai'i County's Human Services & Social Services Committee on April 19, all nine County Council members approved the grants.

Boys & Girls Club applied for funding of its Pāhala and Ocean View Out-of-School Fitness for Life program. The Pāhala program requested \$40,000, and the Ocean View program, \$20,000. Amounts approved are \$8,750 and \$7,500, respectively.

The club, which implements the program at locations islandwide, describes it as a healthy lifestyle initiative that instills physical activity habits to prevent obesity and its many associated chronic illnesses. Its goals for participating youth are to increasing daily physical activity, improve attitudes toward physical activity and improve knowledge of health benefits of the program, which focuses on daily moderate to vigorous physical activity. The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention have identified the program as a model for obesity prevention.

'O Ka'ū Kākou's annual Keiki Fishing Tournament at Punalu'u is one event for which the nonprofit will receive funding. The group applied for a \$5,000 to fund operations and supplies, which includes 1,300 breakfasts and lunches. The hui will receive \$2,125 for the event, which OKK described in its application as promoting "a healthy love for the art of shoreline fishing by providing an opportunity for family participation in a supervised fishing tournament."



County grants help 'O Ka'ū Kākou provide community events, including its annual Keiki Fishing Tournament at Punalu'u. Photo by Peter Anderson

OKK also applied for \$7,000 for its annual Family Fun Fest and will receive \$3,000. The annual event, held in conjunction with Nā'ālehu's Fourth of July Parade, "provides fun, healthy activities for people of ages," OKK's grant application states. Funds for the effort go toward operations,

supplies and equipment. On its application, OKK states that it expects to serve 550 hot dogs, 850 shave ices and 150 adult lunches. It also expects 90 bingo participants and to serve 150 adult lunches to them and the volunteers.

Grant funding for OKK includes \$3,750 for its Ka'ū Coffee Trail Run. Last year, the county provided \$5,000. In an application from Director Wayne Kawachi and Secretary Nadine Ebert,

OKK requested \$11,000 for the annual event, which it described as "an international event, drawing runners from all over the United States as well as Japan and Europe ... promoting Ka'ū as an international destination as well as promoting the coffee industry. Additionally, the event provides a day of outdoor physical activity for the whole family by encouraging family registration."

Uhane Pohaku Na Moku O Hawai'i nonprofit, led by Kawehi and Debbie Ryder, proposes restoration at Makanau and Ninole. The group applied for grants "to help restore and preserve the Punalu'u ahupua'a," makai and mauka.

"Our project will work with at-risk youth, ages 10-21, islandwide," Uhane's grant application states. Makai, the project includes "clearing vegetation growing over Ninole and Hilo'e fishponds" and replacing them with coastal plants, according to the application. Uhane's mauka

project is restoration of Makanau, which the group describes as being "rich in biological and cultural diversity." The application states that the group wants to "teach the youth of its Hawaiian traditions so that the Hawaiian culture can continue." *Ka'ū Youth, pg. 7*

Ka'ū Alumni Invited to Annual Reunion

More than 70 alumni and friends of Ka'ū High School have signed up so far to attend the annual school reunion, this year at the California Hotel in Las Vegas on June 24. Organizer Neal Kanda encourages everyone from Ka'ū High to join in. "This is very exciting as we approach our June get-together," Kanda said.

For more information, he can be reached at nkkanda2@gmail.com or 808-284-1066.

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Trojans Finish 2016 Season at Net

Ka'ū High Athletic Director Kalei Namohala reported scores for boys volleyball teams' April matches. Rivals shut them out in two sets in each match. Scores were: April 5 Ka'ū 10, 22, Hilo 25, 25 & JV 2 - 0; April 7 Ka'ū 10, 6, KS Hawai'i 25, 25 & JV 2 - 0; April 16 Ka'ū 11, 16, Waiākea 25, 25; April 19 Ka'ū 22, 17, Kohala 25 25; April 22 Ka'ū 9, 13, HPA 25, 25.

Ka'ū Youth, cont. from pg. 6

tinue to thrive in today's youth, our next generation, so that they can continue to pass on the traditions of old."

Uhane requested \$57,199 for the projects and will receive \$7,000. Other possible funding sources listed for the project are \$346,994 from a state grant-in-aid and \$75,000 from the state Office of Youth Services.

Uhane's projects will be managed by new Executive Director Kawehi Ryder, said Debbie Ryder. She explained that former Uhane director Steven Pavao and former project contact person Roxanne Costa are no longer with Uhane. They were working with a Safe House for girls that was established by Uhane on 'Ōhi'a Street in Pāhala, but the program has ended, Debbie Ryder explained. Now called Hale 'Ōhi'a, the former safe house will be used for other community and youth programs, she said.

She noted that Uhane recently hosted Family Court Judge Henry T. Nakamoto for a site visit to the farm that the organization is caring for in Wood Valley. She said that Uhane is applying to help youth through offering community service at the farm and other Uhane sites.

Regarding Makanau, she said that Uhane sends a "big mahalo a nui loa to Mr. Ed Olson for the right of entry access to Makanau for the Ka'ū Community doing restoration work up at the Mauna." The organization recently hosted Japanese hula sisters with Hālau Hula O Leionalani, under the direc-

tion of Kumu Debbie Ryder, at Makanau during the Merrie Monarch Festival. Uhane has also been helping Demetrius Oliveira, of Pāhala, with caring for the heiau under an arrangement between Edmund C. Olson and Oliveira.

A dry opelu project conducted by Uhane is another for which the nonprofit is receiving county funding. "We will continue the dry opelu process but will now teach the youth how to catch the fish with the use of the upena (net) to catch opelu and eventually boat fishing," the grant application states. The youth will learn the food bait process (palu). They will cultivate the taro and pumpkin that is used for fish food."

According to county records, Uhane requested \$35,900 for the project, and \$8,250 was approved. Last year, the project received a county grant of \$5,000.

Another grant application from Uhane requested \$56,349 for its Palehua Farm Project, which will work with at-risk youth on a farm in Pāhala, according to the application. The project "is a pu'uhonua compass, with our kupuna as the foundation, that enlightens our youth service projects with a working farm in progress," the application states. The grant would be used to expand traditional Hawaiian food production at the farm. "Cultural food sustainability is what we want to teach each of our youth and their families," Uhane says.

County Council members approved \$9,500 in grant funding for this project. Last year, it also received \$5,000.

Permission to Visit Makanau

Visitation to Makanau is allowed by appointment only. The Edmund C. Olson Trust allows community organizations to visit Makanau through requests, with consideration of the family ranching in the area and events and projects planned for the mountain. The schedule over the next two months includes a group from Kamehameha Schools and a stargazing event on Friday, May 20 during the Ka'ū Coffee Festival. Community groups wishing to schedule access to Makanau can call Olson Trust land manager John Cross at 987-4229.

For the stargazing event, participants will meet at Ka'ū Coffee Mill and travel together to Makanau, where they discover Ka'ū's dark skies. Cross and others will speak of the history of lands below and the significance of Makanau and the night skies. To sign up, call 928-0550.

Health Club Students Fundraising for Nationals

Ka'ū High & Pāhala Elementary School's Health Occupations Students of America Club members will be fundraising during Tropic

Care's health clinic at the school between May 31 and June 4. They will sell Pāhala Pops and other goodies for funds to travel to Nashville, Tennessee and compete in Nationals next month. It will be the first time Ka'ū High has sent students to the competition. They competed with 32 schools at the state level on O'ahu in March, and members qualified for Nationals by taking second and third places.

"Mahalo for your continued support," said HOSA Club member Aislinn Carroll, who won second place at the state level in pathophysiology.

Checks can be made out to HOSA Health Club Ka'ū High and Pāhala Elementary. To donate online, see gofundme.com/cysq9wuk?utm.



Aislinn Carroll

Ka'ū Trojans Spring Sports Schedule

Track & Field

w/Coach Angie Miyashiro

- Sat, May 7, HHSAA

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- Fri, May 6, 9 a.m., HHSAA

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- Wed, May 4 - Sat, May 7, HHSAA



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Up Close, daily through July 5, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Marion Berger exhibits her paintings featuring portraits of Hawai'i's native birds. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Birth of Kahuku, Sun, May 1, 9:30 – 11 a.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Participants explore the area's rich geologic history. Free. nps.gov/havo

Watercolor Painting, Sun, May 1, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Volcano Art Center in Volcano Village. Marian Berger offers her knowledge. \$100/\$90 VAC members. 967-8222

Ham Radio Operators Potluck Picnic, Sun, May 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

Beginning Hawaiian Language Classes, Sun, May 1 & 15, 2:30 p.m., Ka'ū Youth Center near Nā'ālehu Community Center. Classes taught by kupuna Jeannette Howard are followed by informal kanikapila stressing songs of Ka'ū. Free; open to all. Beverly Byouk, 936-7262

Summer Fun Registration, Mon – Thu, May 2 – 5, 3:30 – 6:30 p.m., Pāhala Community Center; 8 a.m. – 2 p.m., Nā'ālehu Community Center. For students who completed grades K – 6. \$40. 928-3102

Summer Sports & Strengthening Registration, Mon – Thu, May 2 – 5, 1 – 6 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Free & for students who completed grades 6 – 8. 928-3102

Volunteer Fire Department Meeting, Mon, May 2, 4 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 939-7033

Hawai'i County Council Meetings, Tue/Wed, May 3/4 & Mon/Tue, May 16/17. Ka'ū residents can participate via videoconferencing at Nā'ālehu State Office Building. See hawaiiicounty.gov for agendas & live-streamed & archived meetings.

A Walk into the Past, Tue, May 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31, 10 a.m., 12 p.m. & 2 p.m., Kīlauea 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.

Ka'ū Coffee Growers Meeting, Tue, May 3, 6 – 8 p.m., Pāhala Community Center.

Mother's Day Craft, Wed, May 4, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Grades K – 8 register through May 3. 928-3102

Twain Meets Tita! Wed, May 4, 7 p.m., Kīlauea Military Camp Theater in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. KDEN presents the Sesquicentennial Sandwich Isles Tour. \$15. 982-7344 or kden73@aol.com.

Boys Day Craft, Thu, May 5, 4 – 5 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register May 2 – 4. 929-9113

Cinco de Mayo Buffet, Thu, May 5, 5 – 8 p.m., Kīlauea Military Camp's Crater Rim Cafe in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Short rib fajitas, Mexican chicken casserole, Stuff-Your-Own-Burrito-Bar and more. Adults \$18; Children 6-11 \$9. Open to authorized patrons and sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply. 967-8356

Middle School Theater Night, Thu, May 5, 6 p.m., Kīlauea Military Camp Theater in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Volcano School of Arts & Sciences students present three one-act comedies. Free; donations accepted. Park entrance fees may apply.

Ocean View Neighborhood Watch meeting, Thu, May 5, 7 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 939-2442 & 928-2015

Mother's Day Card, Fri, May 6, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register May 2 – 4. 929-9113

Hii'iaka & Pele, Sat, May 7 & Sun, May 29, 9:30 – 11 a.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Participants discover the Hawaiian goddesses and the natural phenomena they represent on this free, moderate, one-mile walk. nps.gov/havo

Palm Trail Hike, Sun, May 8, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park's Kahuku Unit. This free, moderately difficult, 2.6-mile, loop-trail hike provides one of the best panoramic views Kahuku has to offer. nps.gov/havo

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

Mother's Day Buffet, Sun, May 8, 4 – 7 p.m., Kīlauea Military Camp's Crater Rim Cafe in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Prime rib au jus, shrimp Alfredo with mushrooms & spinach, Asian-infused Hawaiian ono and more. Open to authorized patrons and sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply. Call 967-8356 for seating times and more information.

Senior IDs, Mon, May 9, 9 – 10 a.m., Pāhala Housing Center & 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Nā'ālehu Community Center. For ages 60 and over. 928-3100

After Dark in the Park: Inspired by the Island of Fire, Tue, May 10, 7 p.m.,

Kīlauea Visitor Center Auditorium in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Hawai'i Island author Tom Peek, a former eruption ranger at the park, presents the story behind the story of his award-winning novel, *Daughters of Fire*. Free; park entrance fees apply.



Karlee Camba



Lyric Oliveiros



Khloe Moses



Chazlynn Pua Queja

Ka'ū Coffee Pageant, cont. from pg. 1

Keala and Justine Camba, of Pāhala; 11-year-old Ka'ū Middle School student Calaysa Koi, daughter of Corey and Connie Koi, of Pāhala; 15-year-old Ka'ū Middle School student Lyric Oliveiros, daughter of Junior and Saydi Llanes; and 14-year-old Ka'ū High School student Helena Nihipali-Sesson, daughter of Guy Sesson and Sher-raine Nihipali-Sesson, of Pāhala, and Bradford and Jadelyn Moses, of Pāhala.

Miss Peaberry candidates are six-year-old Pāhala Elementary School Kindergartener Khloe Moses, daughter of Jack and Brenda Moses, of Pāhala; eight-year-old Pāhala Elementary School student Jazmyn Navarro, daughter of Jonathan and Jennifer Navarro, of Pāhala; and nine-year-old Pāhala Elementary School student Chazlynn Pua Queja, daughter of Chad Queja and Jerilyn Pua, of Pāhala.

Pageant Director Trini Marques said that “the opening number will be a sizzling dance routine to the Bruno Mars hit song Uptown Funk.” It features 2015 Miss Ka'ū Coffee Maria Miranda with all of the girls.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for keiki, and are available from the candidates and at Punalu'u Bake Shop and Shaka's Restaurant.



Helena Nihipali-Sesson



Calaysa Koi



Jazmyn Navarro

Union United and Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce. Meet the Miss Ka'ū Coffee candidates and Ka'ū Coffee farmers. Enjoy fresh farm foods, Puerto Rican Music by El Leo; the music of Bolo and Friends. 928-9811

Pancake Breakfast, Sat, May 14, 8 – 11 a.m., Ocean View Community Center. Vision Van will screen residents until 12 p.m. 939-7033

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

Saturday Walk in the Park, May 14, 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m., Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Volcanologist Cheryl Gansecki leads this month's four-mile hike exploring Kīlauea Iki Crater. Free for Friends members; non-members can join in order to attend. Registration required at admin@thnvp.org or 985-7373.

People & Lands of Kahuku, Sat, May 14 & Sun, May 22, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park's Kahuku Unit. This free, guided, 2.5-mile, moderately difficult hike over rugged terrain focuses on the area's human history. nps.gov/havo

Hula Kahiko, Sat, May 14, 10:30 a.m., hula platform near Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Kumu Hula Ha'amauliola Aiona with haumana from Nawahi'okalaniopu'u Public Charter School perform. Loke Kamanu and 'ohana present Nā Mea Hula 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. on the gallery's front porch. 967-8222

Ka'ū Coffee Recipe Contest, Sat, May 14, 11 a.m., Ka'ū Coffee Mill. Includes live entertainment, tours, free coffee and recipe tastings. lisa@kaucoffeemill.com, 928-0550

Plein Air Painting Workshops, Sat, May 14 & 21, 11 a.m., 1932 Administration Building ('Ōhi'a Wing) between Kīlauea Visitor Center and Volcano House on Crater Rim Drive. Artist-in-Residence Emma Stibbon shares her knowledge. Free; park entrance fees apply. 985-6130, laura_c_schuster@nps.gov

Music Festival, Sat, May 14, 1 – 5 p.m., Cooper Center. This benefit for Volcano School of Arts & Sciences features music, food, games & family fun. \$15 per person, \$25 for two adults, \$25 for one VIP ticket. Tickets available at VSAS office 985-9800, Punalu'u Bake Shop and Ka'ū Business Center.

Mongolian BBQ, Sat, May 14, 5 – 8 p.m., Kīlauea Military Camp's Crater Rim Café in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. 967-8356. Open to authorized patrons & sponsored guests; 967-8371. Park entrance fees apply.

Miss Ka'ū Coffee Pageant, Sat, May 14, 6 p.m., Ka'ū Coffee Mill. Candidates also vie for Junior Miss Ka'ū Coffee and Miss Peaberry. Trinidad Marques, 936-0015 or aliihhcoffee@yahoo.com. Donate to the pageant scholarship fund with Julia Neal, 928-6471 or mahalo@aloha.net. Tickets are \$10 adults, \$5 keiki available at Punalu'u Bake Shop, Shaka's and from candidates.

'Imakakōloa Heiau Site Visit, Sun, May 15, 9 – 11 a.m. Meet Edith Kanaka'ole Foundation representatives at Nā'ālehu Shopping Center parking lot or in front of Edmund C. Olson office building in Pāhala for a 9 a.m. departure. kalahoohie@gmail.com

Two Fungi Seminars, Sun, May 15, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Volcano Art Center in Volcano Village. Zach Mermel teaches mycorestoration and how to grow mushrooms. 967-8222

'Ōhi'a Lehua, Sun, May 15, 9:30 a.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Participants learn about the vital role of 'ōhi'a lehua in native Hawaiian forests, its many forms and flower on this free, easy, one-mile walk. nps.gov/havo

Ka'ū Coffee Festival Lobsterpalooza, Sun, May 15, 2 – 6 p.m., Punalu'u Beach House. Food & entertainment for \$75 in advance available at brownpapertickets.com. Chris Manfredi, 929-9550 or cmanfredi@kaufarmandranch.com.

The Music Man Auditions, Mon/Tue, May 16/17, 6:30 p.m., Kīlauea Military Camp Theater. All ages, singers and dancers must be prepared to sing, read scenes and move on stage. Presentation dates July 8 – 24. 982-7344

Locavore Benefit Dinner, Tue, May 17, 6 p.m., Pāhala Plantation House. I Ola Nā 'Āina Momona raises funds to work toward farmer land security. \$48 includes food & drink by 'Ōhelo Café, Café Pesto & Big Island Brewhaus, entertainment by Hawane Rios & Band. malian@ionam.org or 808-206-9983

After Dark in the Park: Artist-in-Residence, Tue, May 17, 7 p.m., Kīlauea Visitor Center Auditorium in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Emma Stibbon, noted for her dramatic and extreme monochrome landscape drawings, displays and discusses her work. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Ka'ū Forest & Water System Hikes, Wed/Thu, May 18/19, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., Ka'ū Coffee Mill. \$40 per person includes lunch. lisa@kaucoffeemill.com, 928-0550.

Foam Coasters, Wed, May 18, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Grades K – 8 register May 12 – 17. 928-3102

Richard "Likeke" Teanio in Concert, Wed, May 18, 6:30 p.m., Kīlauea Visitor Center Auditorium in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Teanio has been featured on multiple recording projects for Kekuhi Kanahele, Diana Aki, Russell Mauga and Walter Aipolani. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Family Reading Night, Thu, May 19, 5 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 939-7033

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

OVCA Board Meeting, Thu, May 19, 6 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 939-7033

Coffee & Cattle Day, Fri, May 20, 10 a.m., Aikane Plantation. \$25 per person, \$20 forseniors includes buffet lunch. 808-927-2252, aikaneplantation@hawaii.rr.com.

Stargazing Atop Makaanau, Fri, May 20, 5:30 p.m. \$35 includes refreshments and shuttle rides from Ka'ū Coffee Mill. lisa@kaucoffeemill.com, 928-0550

Find Your Park on the Big Screen, Fri, May 20, 7 p.m., Kīlauea Visitor Center Auditorium in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Learn the significance of the War in the Pacific National Historical Park in Guam, established as a tribute to those who fought and died during

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the Pacific Theater of World War II. Due to a film's graphic nature, program may not be suitable for younger audiences. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Ka'ū Coffee Festival Ho'olaule'a, Sat, May 21, 9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Entertainment, displays,



Volcano Art Center Gallery exhibits *Up Close*, a collection of bird portraits by Marian Berger, including 'Iwi.

Ka'ū Coffee tasting, farm tours, Ka'ū Coffee Experience and food. Meet farmers and Miss Ka'ū Coffee and her court.

Edible Wild Plants, Sat, May 21, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., Volcano Art Center in Volcano Village. Participants prepare wild food dishes. \$40/\$30 VAC members. 967-8222

Recycling at Nā'ālehu School, Sat, May 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

Pu'u o Lokuana, Sat, May 21, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Participants learn about formation and various uses of this grassy cinder cone and enjoy a breathtaking view of lower Ka'ū on this free, moderately difficult 0.4-mile hike to the top. nps.gov/havo

Ka'ū Coffee College, Sun, May 22, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Participants learn about the growing business of Ka'ū Coffee.

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

Hand Building with Clay: Six-Week Courses, Tue starting May 24, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.; Thu starting May 26, 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. Preschoolers & parents can have "Fun with Clay" Wed starting May 25, 9 – 10 a.m. 967-8222

After Dark in the Park: Honu'ea, Tue, May 24, 7 p.m., Kīlauea Visitor Center Auditorium in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Lauren Kurpita, coordinator of the Hawai'i Island Hawksbill Turtle Recovery Project, reveals differences between hawksbill and green sea turtles (honu), threats to hawksbills and the latest conservation efforts to protect the species from extinction. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Learn to Plait Lau Hala, Wed, May 25, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Kīlauea Visitor Center lānai in Hawai'i

Volcanoes National Park. Many Pacific cultures weave leaves of pandanus (called lau hala in Hawai'i) into useful and decorative items. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Memorial Day Flowers, Wed, May 25, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Grades K – 8 register May 12 – 17. 928-3102

Legal Aid, Thu, May 26, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Ocean View Community Center.

Memorial Day Lei, Fri, May 27, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register May 23 – 26. 929-9113

Ocean View Community Development Corp. meeting, Fri, May 27, 5 p.m., Hawaiian Ranches office.

Centennial Hike: Honu'ea, Sat, May 28, 9 a.m., Pu'u Loa Petroglyph Parking Lot.

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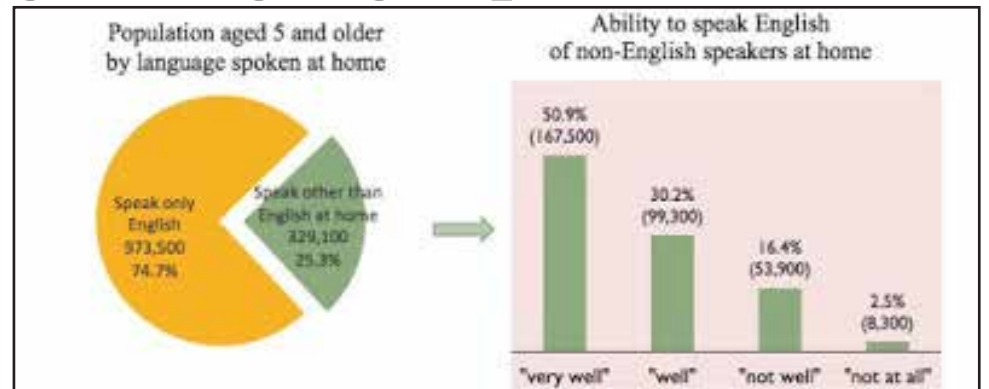
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Nā'ālehu Top in State for Foreign Language Spoken at Home

Nā'ālehu has the largest percentage of people in the state who speak a language other than English at home. At 56 percent, Nā'ālehu tied with Kaumakani in Kaua'i County. Pāhala stands at 33.6 percent, Ocean View 27.2 percent, Discovery Harbour 15.2 percent and Volcano 6.4 percent, according to a report from Hawai'i's Department of

Business, Economic Development & Tourism that examines non-English speaking populations in the state based on data collected by the U.S. Census Bureau from 2010 to 2014. The report looks at residents aged five and older in various census-designated places who can speak a language other than English.

Statewide, about one in four Hawai'i residents speak a language other than English at home, which is higher than the U.S. average of 21 percent. Nā'ālehu and Pāhala also have large percentages of people who speak English less than "very well," with 26.6 and 21.2, respectively. Discovery Harbour's percentage is 5.2. Statistics aren't provided for Ocean View and Volcano. Statewide, the percentage is 12.4, much higher than the U.S. average of 8.6 percent. Also, Hawai'i



Nā'ālehu has more than twice the percentage of residents in Hawai'i who speak a language other than English.

County has the lowest proportion of non-English speakers in the state, at 19 percent.

Ilocano, Tagalog and Japanese were the top three most common non-English languages spoken at home in Hawai'i. Speakers of these three languages made up about half of non-English speakers at home in Hawai'i. Compared with the adult population, the proportion of non-English speakers was lower, and English proficiency was better, in the five to 17 school-age children group. The popular languages spoken by the school-age children were also different. The share of Hawaiian speakers was noticeably larger in the school-

age children group than in the adult group. English proficiency had strong impacts on an individual's economic activities. Labor force participation rate of the non-English speakers who could not speak English well was about 15 percentage points lower than rates for the English-only speakers and the non-English speakers who could speak English well. The rate difference with these groups was larger at 33 percentage points for the non-English speakers who could not speak English at all. English proficiency also played an important role in selection of occupation. The occupational composition of the non-English speakers who could not speak English well showed a high concentration in two occupation groups: "food preparation and serving" and "building/grounds cleaning and maintenance." About one in two non-English speakers worked in one of these two occupations if they could not speak English well. Earning disparities among various English proficiency groups were evident. The median earnings of the non-English speakers were lower than that of the English-only speaking population for all English proficiency levels, and the earnings gap amplified as English proficiency decreased.

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Lauren Kurpita and Supervisory Park Ranger Andrea Kaawaloa-Okita lead a three-mile, 2.5-hour roundtrip hike to Ka'ena Point to learn more about nesting and monitoring activities of hawksbill sea turtles, the human and cultural history of the area and how eruptions have impacted both. Sturdy footwear, water, light raingear, sun protection and a snack are recommended. Be prepared for hot, windy weather. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Dollarama, Sat, May 28, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. All items at the fundraising sale are \$1 or less, including food and drinks. 939-7033

Realms & Divisions of Kahuku, Sat, May 28, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Pu'u Kahuku Trail explores realms and divisions of the traditional Hawaiian classification system at Kahuku. Free. nps.gov/havo

Memorial Day Ceremony, Mon, May 30, 3 p.m. Kilauea Military Camp's front lawn in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Public invited. Open to authorized patrons and sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply. 967-8371

Memorial Day Buffet, Mon, May 30, 4 – 7 p.m. Crater Rim Café, Kilauea Military Camp's Crater Rim Café in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Hawaiian kalua pork sandwich, local-style fried chicken, chili con carne and more. \$18 adults; \$9 children 6 – 11. Open to authorized patrons and sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply. 967-8356

Jazz in the Forest, Mon, May 30, 4:30 & 7:30 p.m., Volcano Art Center in Volcano Village. volcanoartcenter.org

Ka'ū Food Pantry, Tue, May 31, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., St. Jude's Episcopal Church in Ocean View.

Tropic Care 2016, Tue, May 31 – Sat, June 4, 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. (closing 12 p.m. Sat), Ka'ū High School & Ocean View

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The Good News of Ka'ū, Hawai'i

May 2016

David Discusses Local Issues with Ocean View Residents

Ka'ū's Hawai'i County Council member Maile David met with Ka'ū constituents on March 28 at Ocean View Community Center. About 22 residents attended to provide input. She said she will work on issues of concern to the community.

Paula Donovan asked how much county money goes to other Ka'ū towns compared with Ocean View. "We have the largest population and get the least money," she said. She asked David for three things that county money went to locally. David listed \$2,000 that the County Council recently approved for each of the three Summer Fun programs in Ocean View, Nā'ālehu and Pāhala. Funding will go toward fees for about 20 keiki at each location.

County Council also approved \$5,500 for Tropic Care medical services sponsored by the U.S. Army Reserve coming to Ocean View Community Center May 31 through June 4. Funds will be used for transportation of people to get medical check-ups and for maintenance throughout the week. Tropic Care will also provide services at Ka'ū High & Pāhala Elementary School.

An additional \$2,500 is for Project Vision transportation expenses to bring a second Vision Project van to use during Tropic Care.

Another \$5,000 appropriated by County Council will help Ocean View fire station repair its 30,000-water tank on site, a generator and its roll-up doors.

A transfer station for Ocean View was another topic at the meeting. David said that plans needed to be drawn up, but Mike DuBois said plans were already done. David's announcement that the transfer sta-

tion would be permanently located where the temporary one sparked outrage. "What? Next to the park? Next to houses?" residents asked. She explained that the original location prompted the state Department of Transportation to ask the county to pay over \$1 million for a turning lane off Hwy 11.

Donovan also questioned the value of the Ka'ū Community Development Plan, saying that after eight years and three quarters of a million dollars, "all we have is a pile of paper." David said after the meeting that community members from other places where the plan is done find it helpful, looking at it as a framework for future plans. It is a guide, along with general plan, so there are two documents to go by for future planning.

"It gives you a heads up on what the community desires," David said. She also said it can help prevent legal actions down the road. "The community desires should be up front," she said. The CDP tells everyone, "This is our vision of how we want our community to be."

Donovan also talked about a grant she wrote to get the National Guard to come and work on infrastructure as training. However, the county has to supply matching funds, and this has not happened, she said. David said she would check on it and that the proposal occurred before she took office.

Conditions at Kahuku Park were more concerns discussed. David said, "I was saddened to see its condition." She said she plans to meet with Department of Parks & Recreation about possible improvements. Rod Ducosin said there is no potable water

at the park. After the meeting, David said she would check on running a line between the water tank and park.

Residents also expressed concern about Kahuku Park's alcohol policies. The park allows drinking after 6 p.m., but residents said it occurs throughout the day, to the detriment of children there. David said she would speak to the police captain and see what can be done. She advocated allowing parties and drinking on a permit basis.

Regarding lowering the speed limit on Hwy 11 in commercial areas, David said after the meeting that "it makes sense" and that she would check with the state

Department of Transportation.

Ranchos resident Ann Bosted brought up proposed solar farms and substation there, and David agreed to send a letter to the state Public Utilities Commission supporting residents' desires to have the project stopped.



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Public comments can be submitted at puc.comments@hawaii.gov, with the docket number in the subject line. Public comments can also be mailed to the commission at 465 S. King Street, 1st Floor, Honolulu HI 96813, with recipients Chair Randy Iwase and Commissioners Lorraine Akiba and Michael Champey named in the letter.

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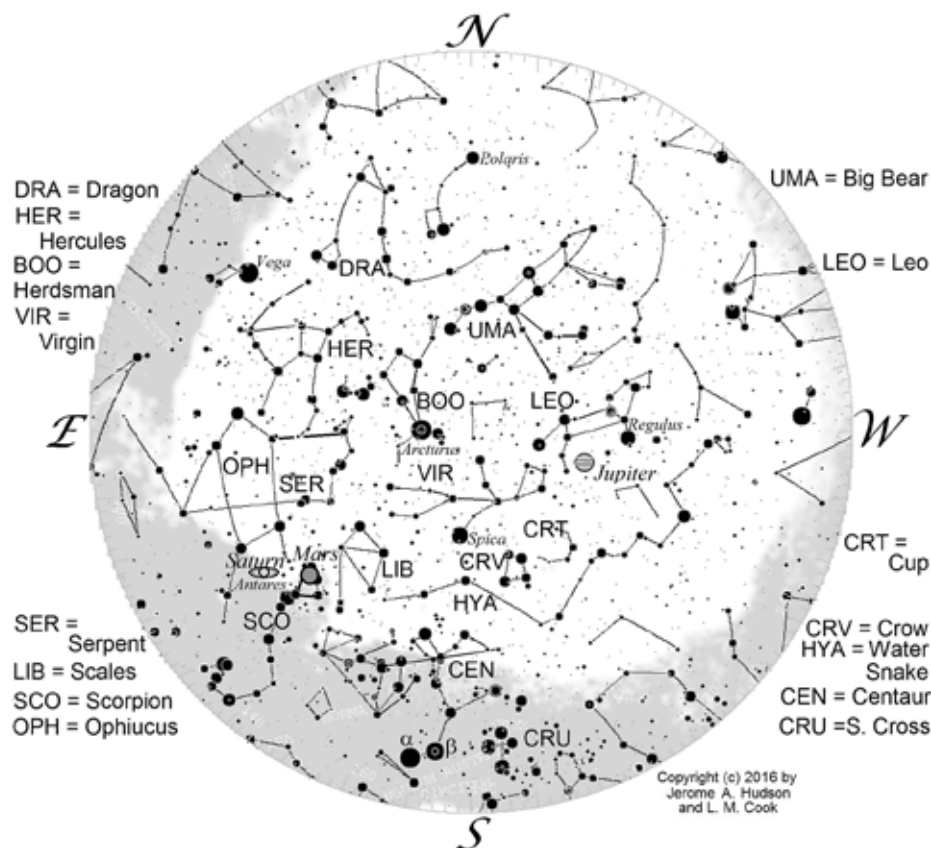
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The star chart is produced from a sky Atlas program written by Jerry Hudson, who has given us permission to publish it. Thanks, Jerry!

The constellations are presented with their three-letter abbreviations, with (usually) the Latin names shown in the margins. Stars as faint as magnitude-six are shown. This is done to take advantage of the truly dark skies Ka'ū is blessed with when there is no bright moon and the skies are clear of fog.

Stars over Ka'ū - May 2016

by Lew Cook

The Ka'ū Calendar sends out an astronomical Mahalo to astronomer Lew Cook for encouraging Ka'ū residents to appreciate their dark night skies. This month marks ten years of his contributions.

Planets, Planets, Planets!

By chart time, 10 p.m. May 15, Jupiter has passed the Meridian, still remaining near the hind paw of Leo the Lion. Mars is caught between the claws of the Scorpion and has risen to an altitude of 30 degrees. Saturn is 10 degrees lower than Mars at chart time (and an hour later at the start of May or an hour earlier at the end of the month). Saturn is in the constellation Ophiuchus, between the legs of this snake handler.

On May 9, tiny Mercury will pass in front of the huge sun. It will be impossible to notice without special equipment. Do not look at the sun to see it! First, you won't see it, and second, you'll be blinded – permanently! The transit of Mercury across the surface of the sun will be well in progress at sunrise, and Mercury goes off the edge of the sun at 10:40 am, May 9, 2016.

Constellations

Newly up in the northeast is Lyra with the bright blue star Vega. This is the fifth brightest star in the night sky, slightly outshone by Arcturus, or Hokulea as it is known here. Virgo is quite high in the sky, just south of Boötes the Herdsman. Further south, we find a small four-sided figure of

stars representing a crow, Corvus. Apollo, according to mythology, sent the crow carrying the cup to get water. The crow, being bird-brained, got distracted eating figs. He told a lie to Apollo; he said the water snake kept him from getting the water and dropped the snake at Apollo's feet as evidence. Furious and knowing this was a lie, Apollo threw the crow, the snake and the cup up into the sky, where they still remain.

Ophiuchus is a snake handler and is usually drawn holding a snake some distance from the head. Anyone who knows snakes can tell you there is only one possible outcome from holding a snake there and that outcome isn't good. So, I have replaced his hand-hold at the back of the head, a much safer position.

Ophiuchus is not considered a constellation of the zodiac, but that is where Saturn is. The sun passes through the constellation Scorpius from the afternoon of Nov. 23 until early in the morning of Nov. 29. It actually stays longer in the boundaries of Ophiuchus than in Scorpius. The sun will be in Scorpius from the morning of Nov. 29 until lunchtime on Dec. 17. The sun then goes into Sagittarius and enters the solstice, as far to the south as the sun will get this year. Thus, we have an ill-named Tropic of Capricorn, rather than a correctly named Tropic of Sagittarius. Conversely, the Tropic of Cancer, which our group of islands is just south of,

should be renamed the Tropic of Taurus. Certainly, Tropic of Cancer has been out dated for nearly 2,000 years.

How has this happened? The cause is due to two things. First, the constellations were assigned to the zodiac before they had sharply defined boundaries. Second, the Earth wobbles on its axis as it spins, much like a child's toy top. This wobble has a period of 26,000 years. This precession has been known since at least the time of Hipparchus (around 150 BC) and probably earlier by Chinese observers. So, by the year 12500, winter will begin when the sun is in Cancer. So, what is now the Tropic of Cancer ought to be over the southern limit of the equatorial region, instead of the northern limit of the sun's apparent travels. So when were the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn the correct terms? Probably around 700 - 500 BC is the best guess that I can make. Then the sun was at its highest and lowest points in the sky and it was close enough to the stars of the respective constellations to call them the names they currently bear.

Deep Sky Items and an Unusual Star

The expected outburst of the recurrent nova in the Andromeda Galaxy that we have been awaiting still has not happened. If it hasn't erupted in the next month or so, that will make it unlikely that the recurrence time is six months, but more like twice that. The six-month recurrence time was a hoped-for cycle, but the yearly cadence was known. Our observations tend to confirm the yearly cadence so far and discount the six-month cadence. Most of our cadre of observers, like me, find that the galaxy is too low in the sky to make observations by the time it is dark enough to get pictures.

Virgo, the Virgin, is where you can find a whole host of galaxies, as mentioned last month. Western Leo also has a few, including the galaxy pictured here. This is a color image I took using photometry filters that closely match blue and green color filters, but for the red image, I used an infrared filter. This galaxy is NGC 2903, a fuzzball that Chas. Messier missed.

What is the most unusual star in our galaxy? A good argument can be made that a star in Cygnus fits that description. This star, KIC 8462852, was observed by the Kepler space telescope during its search

for planets orbiting other stars. While the Kepler spacecraft did find lots of planets, it found only one star that behaved like this one. From time to time, it will suddenly fade by as much as 20 percent. Over the four years that the Kepler telescope studied this star continually (as it did with all stars in its large field of view) it witnessed 10 fadings. These ranged from 0.2 percent to 20 percent in brightness. Of those deep enough to tell, all were different, but most faded gradually and recovered suddenly. There was one protracted fading that lasted almost 100 days and was quite irregular. The deep fadings seemed to be roughly periodic, around 48 days with additional shallow fadings about halfway between the deep fadings. None of these fits the possibilities of planets.

So, what is going on? There are several theories from debris of collided planets to, most unlikely, "little green men" using solar cells to capture the star's light. The most probable theory has a disrupted large comet in orbit about the star. How it will evolve should be intriguing. If you have a large (over eight inches in diameter) telescope, you can see it, because it is too faint to see with anything smaller as it is 12th magnitude. A person with normal vision can see down to magnitude six in a dark sky. A star of 12th magnitude is only 1/250th as bright as can be seen with the unaided eye.

Fridays Sunrise and Sunset times:

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
May 6	5:51 a.m.	6:36 p.m.
May 13	5:48 a.m.	6:38 p.m.
May 20	5:45 a.m.	6:52 p.m.
May 27	5:44 a.m.	6:55 p.m.

Moon Phases

Date.....	Moon Rise	Moon Set
Last Quarter		
May 1.....	12:24 a.m.	11:58 a.m.
New Moon		
May 8.....	6:19 a.m.	6:32 p.m.
First Quarter		
May 15.....	12:14 p.m.	12:39 a.m.*
Full Moon		
May 23.....	7:04 p.m.	6:36 a.m.**
Last Quarter		
May 30.....	12:49 a.m.	12:20 p.m.

*Early in the morning of May 15

**Early that morning

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EXERCISE & MEDITATION

Pāhala Pool Schedule: Water Exercise Mon/Wed/Fri 9 – 10 a.m.; Public Recreational Swim Mon – Fri 1 – 4 p.m., Sat/Sun 9 – 10:30 a.m. & 1 – 4 p.m.; Adult Lap Swim Mon – Fri 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Sat/Sun 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Closed Mon, May 25. 928-8177 or hawaiicounty.gov/pr-recreation

Gentle Senior Yoga, Mon/Wed, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Nā'ālehu Hongwanji. Senior price \$10 for 10 sessions. Stephanie Pepper. 937-7940

Instructional Volleyball, Mon/Fri, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register by Tue, May 3 for program May 4 – 25. 929-9113

Pilates Plus, Mon/Wed, 4 – 5 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Hall. Low-impact core work for strength, balance and flexibility. Exercise by DVD. Bring your own stability ball, light hand weights and mat. Free w/donation of non-perishable food. Judy Knapp, 640-4712

Youth Volleyball, Mon – Thu, 4:30 – 7 p.m., Nā'ālehu Community Center. For ages 8 – 12. 939-2510

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

Open Gym Volleyball, Mon/Thu, 6 – 8 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. For ages 15 & up.

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

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

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

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

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

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Ka'ū Rural Health Provides Scholarships, Earns Praise

Rural Health at Work in our Communities was the theme of Ka'ū Rural Health Community Association's 19th annual general membership meeting on Friday, April 15 at Pāhala Community Center.

Newly elected Board of Directors and staff are Jessie Marques, Stacy Lopez, Shawnette Navarro, Mahealani Taganas, Donna Kekoa, Theresa Richardson, Delvin Navarro and Tracy Andrade.

Five Community Health Worker Program Scholarships of \$1,000 each went to the organization's program students Stacy Lopez, Resa Salmo, Daniel Mokiao, Nicole Moore and Sunshine Kahapea. The scholarships were funded by the Alu Like Employment & Training Program.

Hawai'i Department of Health's Office

Walgreens Pharmacy Serves Bay Clinic

Pharmacy services at Bay Clinic in Nā'ālehu began in April. The clinic has partnered with Walgreens to provide care to patients by offering various discounted medications. No paperwork or applications are necessary. "Save time, money and gas and have your medications delivered at your provider's office," said Bay Clinic Administrative Assistant Diane Kramer.



Ka'ū Rural Health Community Association's new board and staff are, in the front row: Jessie Marques, Stacy Lopez, Shawnette Navarro, Mahealani Taganas and Donna Kekoa. Back row are Theresa Richardson and Devin Navarro. Missing is Tracey Andrade.

of Program, Planning & Policy provided five more scholarships for Betty Jo Adams, Donna Kekoa, Terri Scott, Annabelle Stone and Lauren Wong Yuen.

KRHCAI founder Jessie Marques pre-

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Country Line Dancing, Thu, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Hall. For men & women; no partner required. Free & easy lessons (a new dance each week) for beginners & intermediate. Suzanne, 930-4678

Boone Morrison Architectural Tour, Sat, June 4, 9:15 a.m., Kilauea Lodge. Funds support a scholarship for a Volcano student. \$40 includes lunch. 967-7366 or volcanocommunity@gmail.com

DAILY & WEEKLY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Photo from KRHCAI
sented certificates from Hawai'i legislators and Hawai'i County Mayor Billy Kenoi to KRHCAI President Donna Kekoa.

Conference attendees heard presentations from representatives of Ka'ū Hos-

Punalu'u Bake Shop Music Lineup: Richard Zazzi Mon, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Gary Cole, aka Foggy, Wed/Sat, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Uncle Sonny Wed/Sat, 1 – 5 p.m.; Tui Masaniai Fri, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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

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

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pital & Rural Health Clinic, USDA Rural Business & Development Grant Programs, Commission on the Status of Women, Alu Like, Ka'ū Intermediate & High School Health Occupation Students of America and Hawai'i County Office of Aging/Aging & Disabilities Resource Center.

Attendees received free blood pressure and vision screenings.

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Hospital as a training mission to provide medical care to underserved communities of Hawai'i. "Working closely with the Department of Health, State of Hawai'i and private corporations, the 1984th USAH, along with other military units are proud to serve the people of the community," says a statement from Tropic Care.

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KA PEPA VOLCANO

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Get Up Close to Hawai'i's Endemic Birds at VAC Gallery

Volcano Art Center Gallery's new exhibition titled *Up Close* features Marian Berger's dramatic, close-up watercolor portraits of native birds. Born in Limerick, Ireland, the daughter of a meteorologist, Berger spent her early childhood on Wake Island and in Alaska, where she acquired her father's love of science, her mother's artistic bent and her parents' mutual love of the outdoors. She focused on abstract painting in her earliest endeavors until she took a class in representational drawing at Humboldt State University. After graduating with a degree in wildlife management, Berger moved to Hawai'i Island in 1976.

Berger had her first one-woman show at VAC Gallery and has had several since. In 1987, she created a series of paintings of Hawai'i's endangered birds and plants for Aston Kaua'i Resort. An edition of 2,000 prints was published, and proceeds from the sales were given to Hawai'i Nature Conservancy. In 1988, she painted a number of watercolors pre-



'Alalā, one of Marian Berger's bird portraits on display at Volcano Art Center Gallery. Image from VAC

sented to U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye and U.S. Representative Daniel Akaka for their contributions in preserving Hawai'i's native wildlife. In 2009 and 2010, she won top honors for her entries in the Hawai'i Nei Art Contest celebrating native species. In 2006, she was commissioned to paint *Living Endemic Birds of Hawai'i*, a series of Audubon-style paintings which she completed in 2011. Following its success and the awareness and financial support the exhibition provided to Hawai'i's Endangered Bird Recovery Programs, discussion on a follow-up project began. Berger's stunning watercolor close-up of an 'iwi inspired this new *Up Close* collection, which then took her more than three years to complete.

Continuing in the spirit of John James

Audubon's style, the paintings featured in this collection are presented in classic double-elephant folio size measuring 26" x 39.5". "At this scale, the viewer has no choice but to be Up Close and intimate with these special birds, observing details that we would never get to see otherwise," said gallery manager Emily C. Weiss. Weiss also mentioned that this exhibit begins a series of programs and events benefiting San Diego Zoo Global's Hawai'i's Endangered Bird Recovery Program, including re-introduction of the Hawaiian 'alalā this fall.

The exhibit runs through June 5 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. It is open to the public and free of charge; park entrance fees apply.

For more information, see volcanoartcenter.org.

Comedies fill Volcano Charter Middle School Theater Night

Volcano School of Arts and Sciences Middle School classes present Theater Night Spring 2016 on Thursday, May 5. Each class performs a one-act play with a comic theme.

Sixth grade offers *Poultry in Motion* by Patrick Rainville Dorn. The fractured fable scrambles the stories of Chicken Little, who believes the sky is falling, and the Little Red Hen, who tries to get her feather-brained friends to stop loafing around and bake some bread. Meanwhile, Foxy Loxy is lurking nearby Young MacDonald's Free-Range Poultry Farm, hoping to snatch some chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys for an afternoon buffet.

Seventh grade takes on the humorous murder mystery *No Body to Murder* by Edith Weiss. Bad news, in the form of severe thunderstorms and an escaped convict, threatens the guests at the Come On Inn of Nova Scotia. By the end of the day, gung-ho aerobics instructor Billie Body is mysteriously murdered during a power outage. Was it the cook's lemonade that poisoned her, or did someone else have a hand in Body's death?

Inspector Black, on the scene in search of the escaped convict, has his job cut out for him. Suspicions range from Garth the gardener, who weeds with an axe, to an inept doctor on holiday from malpractice suits, to a hairdresser who constantly changes her appearance. Everyone has a hidden motive to want Billie Body dead.

In their final performance for VSAS, eighth-grade students perform *After Hours* by Kevin Stone. All is quiet on the storefront as the owner of a small clothing shop locks up for the night. Little does she know that when the lights go out, activity in her store really picks up. Two lively mannequins, LuAnn and Patty, have been waiting all day for a chance to loosen up. When they discover fellow mannequin Danny in a mistakenly delivered crate, the night really gets interesting. He not only gets out of his box, he thinks outside the box when a pair of bungling burglars breaks in.

To find out how these zany plots resolve, head to Kilauea Military Camp Theater in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Curtain is at 6 p.m. Admission is free; donations are gratefully accepted.

Music Festival Benefits VSAS

The public is invited to a Music Festival Benefit for Volcano School of Arts & Sciences on Saturday, May 14 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Cooper Center. Live music features the Kuahiwis with Hawaiian classics, William Kauhane and Moses Ahuna of One Rhythm with reggae, Wendell Ing & The Ing

Crowd playing funky rhythm and blues, the Over-the-Hillbillies with folk and bluegrass, and Ti Chun's Hawaiian melodies.

The event also includes food, games and fun for the whole family. Tickets are \$15, \$25 for two adults, or \$25 for a VIP ticket that includes preferred seating and a gift bag. Tickets are available at VSAS school office at 985-9800, Punalu'u Bakeshop in Nā'ālehu and the Ka'ū Business Center in Ocean View.



May Events

Gallery Events

Up Close: Marian Berger, continues through 6/5

Aloha Fridays on the Porch

Hula Arts May 14

Hula Kahiko with Kumu hula Ha'amauliola Aiona & Nawahi'okalaniopu'u Public Charter School

Nā Mea Hula with Loke Kamanu and 'ohana

Niaulani Campus

5/1: Watercolors Workshop w/Marian Berger

5/12: 'Alalā Recovery Project

5/14: VAC Annual Meeting

5/15: Teaming w/Fungi Seminar

5/21: Zentangle: Zendala

5/21: Edible Wild Plants Workshop

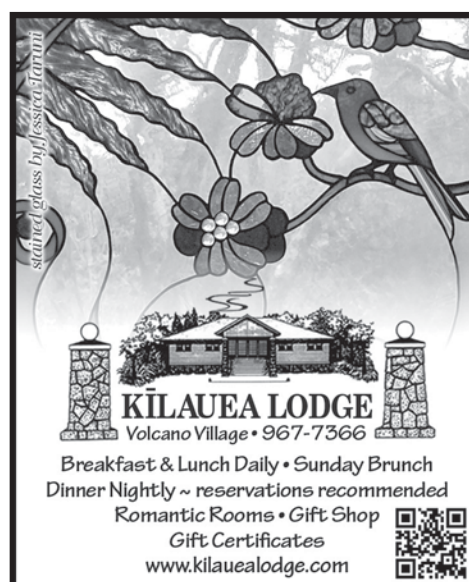
5/24- 6/ 28: Hand Building w/Clay Evenings

5/25- 6/29 Fun w/Clay (Preschoolers)

5/26- 6/30: Hand Building w/Clay Mornings

5/30: Jazz in the Forest

Call 967-8222 or visit
www.VolcanoArtCenter.org



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HAWAII VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK

FRIDAY, May 20 • 8:30am - 1pm

This month we will be doing invasive plant removal on the Mauna Loa strip in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. We will also learn about the park's native forest restoration program. Our goal is a crew of 14 people, and pre-registration is required. Volunteers should be at least 12 years old, and be able to hike over rough, uneven terrain and through brush. To register, please contact forest@fhvnp.org or call Patty Kupchak at (808) 352-1402.

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The Good News of Ka'ū, Hawai'i

May 2016

Ka'ū Satellite Launch Facility May Be Reignited

A bill regarding launching of satellites from Hawai'i Island is advancing at the state Legislature. The Senate approved House Bill 2263, calling for funding of a study on development and economic viability of a small satellite launch and processing facility. Although the bill does not specify Ka'ū as a site for the facility, Ka'ū's state Sen. Russell Ruderman spoke in opposition to the bill. "I just want to express my token opposition, which I'll express anytime someone proposes a development for my neighborhood without

talking to my neighborhood about it," Ruderman said during the bill's third reading before the Senate. His was the only vote in opposition to it. Video of Ruderman's comment before the Senate is available at bigislandvideonews.com.

"Hawai'i has long been recognized as an ideal location for the launching of spacecraft due to its geographic location," HB2263 says. "This is especially true of Hawai'i island, which is unrivaled in the United States for equatorial launches of spacecraft, particular-

ly small satellites, due to its global position. The development of a small satellite launch and processing facility on Hawai'i Island has tremendous economic potential for both Hawai'i Island and the state of Hawai'i."

In its testimony, the Aha Moku Advisory Committee of the state Department of Land & Natural Resources said, "In the past twenty years, there have been attempts and plans to establish satellite and launching facilities in the Moku of Ka'ū where it was deemed to be the best place for such a facility. The

area identified in Ka'ū is the site of the most sacred wahi pana. It is the site where the first Tahitians landed in Hawai'i prior to the ninth century. It is as sacred to Hawaiians as Mauna Kea."

The bill now goes to a House/Senate conference committee. Ka'ū's state Rep. Richard Onishi is one of the House conferees.

Track this and other bills at capitol.hawaii.gov.

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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.

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

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

Family Movie Matinee, Tue, 3 p.m., Nā'ālehu Public Library. Free movies plus free popcorn. 939-2442

Family History/Genecology Workshops, Tue, 4 – 6 p.m., Nā'ālehu Mormon Church. Theresa Ducret presents free, online workshops. Appointments at 238-6221.

Basic Computer & Internet Classes, Tue, 5:30 & 6 p.m., Pāhala Public & School Library. Debbie, 928-2015

Kanikapila Jam Sessions, Tue, 5:30 – 7 p.m., Volcano Art Center in Volcano Village. 967-8222

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

Ka Lena Na Keiki O Ka'ū, Wed, 4 – 6 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. Family Support Hawai'i sponsors this free talent group, with Chassie Cantiberos teaching song and dance. 430-7886

Baptist Church Choir Practice, Wed, 6 – 8 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 939-7033

Game Night, Wed, 6:30 – 9 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Hall. Fun games & great conversation. Open to the public. Potluck first Wednesday of each month begins at 5:30 p.m.; bring a favorite dish for six. Sheri, 929-9258

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

VA Center for Veterans, Thu, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. David, 329-0574

Color Me Happy, Thu, 3 – 6 p.m., Nā'ālehu Library. Coloring club for all ages. 939-2442

Free Dinner, Thu, 4 – 6 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. Bring a can; have a meal. Everyone welcome; volunteers needed. Donations accepted c/o OVCC. 939-7033

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

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.

Art Fridays, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. For ages 5 – 12. 929-9113

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

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

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

Ocean View Farmers Market, Sat, 7 a.m. – noon, Pohue 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); Pāhala Meeting, Sun, 6:30 p.m., Edmund C. Olson Trust Bldg (928-8525)

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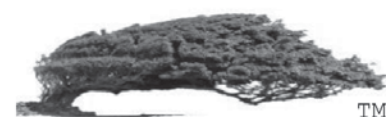
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- **Ka'ū Coffee Recipe Contest, Ka'ū Coffee Mill** - Saturday, May 14, 11 a.m. \$2,000 in prizes, Emcee Miss Holly K. Contact lisa@kaucoffeemill.com, 928-0550
- **Miss Ka'ū Coffee Pageant, Jr. Miss Ka'ū Coffee & Miss Peaberry Pageants** - Saturday, May 14, 6 p.m. at Ka'ū Coffee Mill. Contact Trinidad Marques, 936-0015, aliihhcoffee@yahoo.com
- **Ka'ū Coffee Festival Lobsterpalooza, Punalu'u Black Sand Beach** - Sunday, May 15, 2 p.m. - 6 p.m. at Punalu'u beach house, Tickets \$75 in advance. Live entertainment with Larry Dupio Band and special guest Full Tilt Band. Sponsors welcome. Tickets available at brownpapertickets.com, Hana Hou restaurant in Nā'ālehu and Lorie Obra in Pāhala at 937-3412. Visit www.kaucoffeefestival.com/events for menu and ticketing information. Contact Chris Manfredi, 929-9550
- **Ka'ū Mountain Water System Hike, Olson Trust** - Wednesday & Thursday, May 18 & 19, 9 a.m. Contact Lisa Wright at lisa@kaucoffeemill.com, 928-0550
- **Coffee & Cattle Day, Aikane Plantation Coffee Farm** - Friday, May 20, 10 a.m., \$25 per person, \$20 seniors. Tour ranch and coffee orchards. Enjoy a paniolo lunch - Contact Phil and Merle Becker at aikaneplantation@hawaii.rr.com, 808-927-2252
- **Ka'ū Star Gazing at Mekanau Mountain, Olson Trust** - Friday, May 20, 5:30 p.m. Contact Lisa Wright at lisa@kaucoffeemill.com, 928-0550
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