Rep. Creagan, Councilman Kanuha to Run for Senate Seat State Rep. Richard Creagan and Rep. Richard Creagan Councilman Deu Kanuha

County Councilman Dru Kanuha are running for the state Senate seat for west Ka'ū and Kona in the 2018 election.

Both Creagan and Kanuha declared their candidacies in September, following the announcement earlier in month by incumbent Sen. Josh Green who joined the race for Lieutenant Governor, leaving the District 3 Senate seat open from Honu'apo into Kona. (See Green story below)



Rep. Richard state Senate

Running for state Senate, Dr. Richard Creagan now serves in the state House of Representatives, representing Ka'ū from Honu'apo into Kailua-Kona. He chairs the Committee on Agriculture and serves on the Public Safety, Education, Higher Education and Ocean Marine Resources and Hawaiian Affairs Committees. In order to run for the Senate he will leave his House District 3 seat open during

In a statement, Creagan said that the Senate "allows a much freer voice for its members and Richard Creagan, pg. 4



Councilman Dru Kanuha wants state Senate seat.

Running for state Senate, Hawai'i County Council member Dru Kanuha announced his candidacy in September to represent west Ka'ū and Kona. Kanuha was born and raised in Kona, and graduated from Kealakehe High School and the University of San Diego. He worked at the State Capitol and at Kamehameha Schools' Land Assets Division before being elected to the County Council in 2012. He is serving a third term on the Hawai'i County Council, representing District 7.

Kanuha said he is proud of improvements in transportation and recreation he advanced in Kona during

Dru Kanuha, pg. 7

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Ford & Whiting to Run for Open State House Seat

Former County Council Member Brenda Ford will run for the state House of Representatives representing west Ka'ū and Kona. The District 5 seat, now held by Dr. Richard Creagan, serves the citizenry from Honu'apo, through Nā'ālehu, Discovery Harbor, Green Sands, Mark Twain, South Point, Ocean View and up through Miloli'i and into Kona to Holualoa. In the 2018 election race, Creagan will run for the state Senate seat held by Dr. Josh Green, who is running for Lt. Governor.

Ford announced she eager to work again on Ka'ū issues. She served as a County Council member for four two-year terms, the maximum. During the last term, her territory included all of $Ka\ensuremath{`\bar{u}}\xspace$, after the district lines were changed with reapportionment.

Ford said that she is interested in working once again on infrastructure issues, including the construction of a second well for Ocean View. She said she would attempt to hold onto funding for the well that was approved during



Rep. Richard Creagan's tenure in the House. Should the county move forward, she said that the National Guard may be able to volunteer to build

While many water

issues are solved at the local level, Ford said the Hawai'i Legislature can often help with some of the funding.

When she served on the County Council, she

Brenda Ford, pg. 6

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Volcano Artist Launches A Perfect Day for an Albatross

Albatross in Flight is a handcolored block print, as seen in A Perfect Day for an Albatross, a new book by Volcano artist Caren Loebel-Fried, available at Volcano Art Center, Basically Books and online at at carenloebelfried.com. The book is the first in a new Cornell Lab Publishing Group children's series that focuses on "a fascinating bird species. The story uses native folk art and authentic style, evoking

the culture and habitats where the bird lives," says the publisher. The publisher describes A Perfect Day for an Albatross: "Caren Loebel-Fried, an awardwinning author and artist from Hawai'i, sweeps you into an albatross's world of wind, rolling seas, boisterous dancing, and their intense commitment to one another and their nestlings.'

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Raina Whiting

The Nā'ālehu school teacher Raina Whiting is campaigning as a Democrat for the state House of Representatives District 5 seat that covers the citizenry from Honu'apo through Nā'ālehu, Green Sands, Discovery Harbour, South Point and Ocean View through Miloli'i and up to Holualoa in Kona. District 5 is currently being represented by Richard Creagan, MD, who has announced he is running for the State Senate seat being vacated by Senator Josh Green, MD.

Whiting said she is committed to championing the issues that matter the most to the nearly 50,000 residents of District 5, including advocating for farmers, "working towards the schools our keiki deserve, infrastructure improvements particularly the state highways, clean elections and the needs of kūpuna."

She said she believes in coastal preservation and "making a sound plan for

sustainable growth and economic development of our island home. This campaign is about building capacity in our community. I am one rural school teacher with a big desire to work Raina Whiting hard for the future we



desire on our islands - together, our future is one to believe in!"

Raina Whiting, pg. 3

Sen. Green to Run for Lt. Governor, Leave Senate Seat Open

Sen. Joshua Booth Green is running for Lieutenant Governor in the 2018 election. The race leaves him unable to run for re-election for his post as state Senator for west Ka'ū and Kona. Wanting Green's vacant Senate seat are state Rep. Richard Creagan, of Ka'ū, and County Councilman Dru Kanuha, of Kona. See stories above.

Announcing his candidacy for Lieurenant Governor, Green said, "Every day, families across our state tell me we need fresh leadership, not politics as usual. Hawai'i families want government to work for them, to get results that make their lives better, and to reflect our shared values. That's what I believe government should do, and that's why I'm running to serve as Lieutenant Governor.'

"As a local doctor, I've spent my life caring for Hawai'i families. I've had the privilege of taking care of our moms and dads, our keiki and kupuna: delivering babies, stitching up wounds, or just being there to hold the hand of a sick child or an elderly grandmother in the hospital."Serving in the State Senate, I've worked to pass legislation that strengthens and sup-

Josh Green, pg. 4



Running for Lt. Governor, Sen. Josh Green and family.

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Agricultural Resources for Ka'ū and Local Produce Suppliers Sought

New agricultural resources are available to farmers, ranchers and value-added food producers, from beginners to those more experienced. See them listed below.

For all farmers, ranchers and valueadded food producers:

Hawai'i Department of Agriculture has recently launched a new product database, according to The Kohala Center's Rural and Cooperative Business Development Services. It connects local, national, and international buyers with agricultural products grown and made in Hawai'i. The only active Ka'ū area entities on the database are the Ka'ū Coffee Farmers Cooperative and Mac Farms of Hawai'i. For more information or to register as a vendor and list local products for sale, visit hawaiiagrproducts. hawaii.gov. Contact Sharon Hurd at 808-973-9465 or Sharon.K.Hurd@hawaii.gov with questions.

Additional resources to help farmers get started and more seasoned producers succeed can be found at a newly launched website, farmanswers.org, which is USDA-NIFA's beginning farmer and rancher clearinghouse, according to The Kohala Center.

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operative Business Development Services reports that local food distributer, Suisan Company, is looking to connect with suppliers of: eggplant, soft and hard squash, peppers, onions, potatoes, tomatoes, broccoli, cauliflower, celery, corn, beets, carrots, daikon, radish, carrots, avocados, 'ulu, taro, beans, mustard cabbage, arugula, pineapple,

melons, citrus, liliko'i, mango, banana, and dragonfruit. Those interested can contact Suisan Produce at 808-329-3746 or producegroup@suisan.com.

The Kohala Center's Rural and Cooperative Business Development Services also reports that the Hawai'i 'Ulu Cooperative's west side aggregation and processing facility is now open for business in Honalo. Members and non-member farmers are welcome to drop off fruit. Co-op members receive \$1/lb and non-members \$0.75/lb. The

co-op only accepts semi-ripe or fully mature fruit at this time. Fruit must be unbruised and not visibly lacerated. View the Harvesting Guide at eatbreadfruit.com, email info@ eatbreadfruit.com, or call 808-238-8869 for more information about membership, quality standards, and drop-off locations.

Hawai'i Public Radio's story called Productive, Protein-Rich Breadfruit Could Help The World's Hungry Tropics talks about breadfruit being edible at any stage or its ripening, its traditional role in Hawaiian diet and its nickname, the tree potato. It is high in vitamins and minerals and requires less labor, fertilizer and pesticides than wheat and rice. Visit npr.org/sections/ thesalt/2016/08/09/487094806/productiveprotein-rich-breadfruit-could-help-theworlds-hungry-tropics for the full story.

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Raiatea Helm Headlines Hoʻokupu Hula No Kaʻū Fest Nov. 4

Raiatea Helm, the famed singer from Moloka'i, will headline Hoʻokupu Hula No Ka'ū Cultural Festival's main event at Pāhala Community Center, Raiatea Helm will be on Saturday, Nov. the headliner Satur-4, from 10 a.m. to day, Nov. 4 at Pāhala p.m. Sponsored Community Center. Uhane Pohaku

He Leo Huali

Na Moku O Hawai'i, Inc., the festival is directed by Kumu Hula Debbie Ryder, who teaches hula on Wednesday evenings to all ages at Pāhala Community Center.

Ryder said that halau from Tokyo, Okinawa, Honolulu, Mexico and West Virginia will come to Pahala for the festival.

Organizers are holding a meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 4, at 6:30 p.m. at Pāhala Community Center. Ryder said the meeting is for "all interested volunteers to come and kōkua your community. We invite all organizations to come and join us. Uhane Pohaku Na Moku O Hawai'i, Inc., needs your support to showcase our Ka'ū hospitality to all the participants who are coming from afar and here in our islands to experience the true aloha spirit of Ka'ū."

Community members interested in becoming vendors for Ho'okupu Hula No Ka'ū can also call 649-9334 for an applica-



The late Bobby Gomes and his granddaughter dancing at a Hoʻokupu Hula No Kaʻū Cultural Festival in Pāhala.

The sunrise ceremony at dawn at Punaluʻu, which opens the Hoʻokupu Hula No Kaʻū Cultural Festival. This year the main festival day will by Saturday, Nov. 4, at Pāhala Community Cen-Photo by Julia Neal

tion. There are openings for craft vendors, food vendors, informational booths, and game vendors for children. Craft vendors fee is \$50.00. Food vendors fee is \$75.00. Game Vendors fee is \$50.00. Informational booths are free. Deadline to apply is Oct. 27.

The festival started in 2009 on the island of Lana'i and resulted in a cultural exchange between Pāhala and Lana'i residents.

Volunteers from Pāhala, including Dane

Galiza, the late Bull, and Jamie Kailiawa, Jarrett Pestana, Harry Evengelista and Robert Ahia, along with the late Bobby Tucker, Pāhala Plantation Cottages and Olson Trust, helped with the event.

The Pāhala based Hālau Hula O Leionalani, under the direction of Ryder, traveled to Lana'i for the 2013 festival. Ryder and her family soon moved to Pāhala and brought the festival with them.

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Photo by Julia Neal Raina Whiting, cont. from pg. 1

Whiting is a kindergarten teacher at Nā'ālehu Elementary School. She earned her B.A. in Literature with a Certificate in Latin American and Iberian Studies from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and her MS in Education from The Johns Hopkins University.

A statement from her campaign says, Whiting "is focused on community advocacy, hosting events to feed the community and providing free school supplies; and leading events that engage children in crafting and agriculture. As a school teacher she received over \$5,000 in grant funding for the 2017-18 school year. The grant funding will go towards environmental place-based education, musical instruments, new furniture and gardening resources for

> Whiting is the co-founder of the Ka'ū Farm School and is involved in supporting family farms. Whiting is also an active member of the Hawai'i Farmers Union United's Hawai'i Island Chapter and a member of the Hawai'i State Teacher's Association's Speakers Bureau, having contributed to its recent publication Schools Our Keiki Deserve: a blueprint for public education (hsta.org/index.php/news/

> Whiting was previously a legal advocate for victims of domestic abuse at the Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i. She's served as an AmeriCorps volunteer in legal services and in education as a Teach for America corps member. She has also been active at the state capitol lobbying the legislature on behalf of organizations that advocate for social justice issues such as education, human rights, death with dignity, labor rights, environment, coastal preservation, homelessness, child advocacy and public land access and open space issues.

Whiting was the elected Democratic Party National Delegate for Bernie Sanders in 2016. She is the Democratic Party of Hawai'i's Hawai'i County Secretary and is





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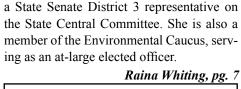
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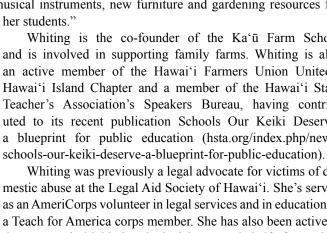
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Friends of the Kaʻū Library, former President DD Davis, Secretary Linda Morgan, Treasurer Ann Fontes, Director Kirsi Klein, President Sandra Demoruelle. Back row Nāʻālehu Librarian Sara Kamibayashi, Directors Joe DeMoruelle and Deborah Lynn Dickerson. *Photo by Julia Neal*

Friends of the Ka'ū Libraries Promotes Reading, Recording Ka'ū History

Friends of the Ka'ū Libraries held its annual meeting in September at Pāhala Plantation House. Officers for 2017 - 2018 are President Sandra Demoruelle, Vice President Linda Morgan, Secretary Debbie Wong Yuen and Treasurer Ann Fontes. Directors are Kirsi Klein, Deborah Lynn Dickerson and Joe Demoruelle. DD Davis was thanked for her years of service and allowed to step down to concentrate on her art and design work.

Demoruelle said that since Friends of the Ka'ū Libraries formed in 1995, volunteer members "have continuously worked hard raising funding which has been used to improve library services and resources for the Ka'ū community." This year, the organization supported programming at both Pāhala Public and School Library and Nā'ālehu Library such as the Summer Reading Program. The Summer Reading Program is for every age group – children to senior citizens – encouraging family members to participate together.

Demoruelle said she enjoyed challenging her great-grandson Daniel to keep reading during summer vacation to have a headstart on kindergarten. Friends of the Ka'ū Libraries volunteer readers also participated in the Ka'ū Health Fair in April.

Along with the regular resources provided to the libraries, Friends of the Kaʻū Libraries has funded the Kaʻū History Proj-

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Specifically for beginning farmers and ranchers:

- The Kohala Center's Rural and Cooperative Business Development Services is encouraging beginners to apply for USDA Farm Service Agency micro-loans to "cultivate big dreams on a small scale." The Kohala Center says that micro-loans have "reduced requirements and a simpler loan application [to help] small, niche, and be-

Friends of the Ka'ū Libraries held its all meeting in September at Pāhala the historic record through oral histories of tation House. Officers for 2017 - 2018 Ka'ū's seniors and records of events like the President Sandra Demoruelle, Vice Keiki Fishing Tournament.

Each year, volunteers work to sponsor fundraising book sales, with the most successful, said Demoruelle, being the annual Hoʻolauleʻa for the Kaʻū Coffee Festival in Pāhala.

To join or learn more about Friends of the Ka'ū Libraries, email at friendskaul@gmail.com.

Local Libraries Offer Story Time Two Story Time events are offered at

Two *Story Time* events are offered at local libraries the first week of October. Tūtū and Me Traveling Preschool staff will read a book aloud to keiki of all ages, with "a fun activity and snack provided following the story," according to the event flier issued by Hawai'i State Public Library System.

Story Time is free to attend and will take place from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Nā'ālehu Public Library on Monday, Oct. 2, and from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Pāhala Public Library on Thursday, Oct. 5.

For more information call Nā'ālehu Public Library at 939-2442 or Pāhala Public Library at 928-2015. For more library events, visit librarieshawaii.org/events.

ginning farmers and ranchers meet their goals. Apply for up to \$50,000 to fund your farm or ranch operation." For more information, visit fsa.usda.gov/farmloans or the local FSA office.

- Additional resources targeting new farmers, women, veterans, and young people engaged in agriculture can be found at United States Department of Agriculture website newfarmers.usda.gov, according to The Kohala Center.



Local avocados are in demand as in the mainland market. Page 4 October. 2017

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Braddah Ben Seeks to Return to Ka'ū

Ka'ū native and Ka'ū High School grad Ben Mejia, who lives and performs on O'ahu, wants to bring home his band, Braddah Ben and Kaniu, with its first album, *Hawai'i Is My Home*.

The trio seeks sponsors to allow them to make their way back to the Big Island to perform, says Mejia.

Braddah Ben and Kaniu play Contemporary Hawaiian island music. Mejia is lead guitarist, with Al Rowland on rhythm guitar and Herman Coiser on bass.

Honolulu Star-Advertiser columnist John Berger gave the album an "excellent review in the newspaper welcoming us to the Hawaiian Contemporary music scene. We are so excited to see our music spread around the island and expand throughout the world," says the bands official website, mejiamusic123.com.



Ben Mejia, who grew up in Ka'ū, seeks to come home with his band. *Image from Braddah Ben and Kaniu*

In Ka'ū, find the Braddah Ben and Kanio *Hawai'i Is My Home* album at Punalu'u Bake Shop in Nā'ālehu and Hawai'i's Local Buzz on South Point Road. It is also available at Bishop Museum on O'ahu and on iTunes, and over 150 online music retailers. Braddah Ben and Kaniu can also be heard on YouTube.

Richard Creagan, cont. from pg. 1

the possibility of being a stronger advocate for you, my constituents." He said he decided to run "when Senator Green officially announced he was running for Lieutenant Governor."

Creagan said that as a state Senator, he would continue to advocate for a new medical center for Kona next to the college campus. In coordination with University of Hawai'i Medical School, it would be a teaching hospital for physician training and also would create more health careers for local residents. Near the Kona Airport, it could be a hub to develop a coordinated medical system for islandwide services. Funding for a \$500,000 feasibility study won approval last session with Creagan's push in the state legislature. In 2015, Creagan was named *Legislator of the Year* by the Hawai'i Medical Association.

A graduate of Yale University and a former Peace Corps volunteer in the Marshall Islands, Creagan is a physician who has worked at Kona Hospital. He also worked for hospitals on the mainland and for a biotech company.

He and his wife have lived on their Ka'ū

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ports Hawai'i families, including universal healthcare for our keiki, guaranteed insurance coverage for Hawai'i's autistic children, stronger protections for victims of sexual assault, and new programs to reduce maternal mortality.

"And as a husband and father of two young children, I have the same hopes and concerns as every parent in Hawai'i.

"My wife Jaime and I want our kids, Maia and Sam, to grow up in a Hawai'i where no family has to live in poverty, or has to choose between buying food or buying medicine for a sick child."

Instead of hosting a campaign kick off celebration, when he announced last month, Green invited "anyone who wants to help

farm for more than 25 years and Creagan is an officer of Hawai'i Farmers Union United's Ka'ū chapter. Creagan studied agriculture at University of Hawai'i-Hilo. Creagan said he supports the goal of Gov. David Ige to double food production, and advocates for more training and developing resources for new farmers as well as more effort by government in controlling and eradicating invasive species, such as the coffee berry borer.

He said he is disturbed that funding to fight rat lungworm disease, which has affected sales of local produce, failed in the legislature and would like to take it up again in the Senate.

In his statement, Creagan said, "We need to fight for a living wage. A living wage would be the foundation for improved housing opportunities which we so desperately need and partially address homelessness." He also called for diversification of the economy. "As a medical director for a Bay Area biotech company, ACROGEN, I saw the power of biotechnology to provide excellent jobs and I would champion further expansion of those opportunities at NELHA and throughout our island."

build a better Hawai'i to join me in A Day of Service. Volunteer your time, attention, and care to someone in the community who really needs it. Choose a homeless shelter, a women's shelter, retirement home, long-term care ward, hospice, or other charitable organization that helps Hawai'i families in need, and offer your service."

On Labor Day, Green volunteered as a doctor for homeless in Honolulu. The next day, he volunteered at a local clinic in Kona, providing medical care to families in the Filipino community.

He offered his cell phone number for anyone to contact him regarding serving as a volunteer. It is 937-0991. His email is joshuaboothgreen@yahoo.com and his website is joshgreen.org.

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Pāhala Plantation Cot-

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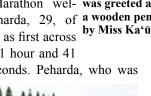
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Peharda wins Fourth Ka'ū Coffee Trail Run Half-Marathon

The fourth annual Ka'ū Coffee Trail Run saw a sunny day and good trail conditions. Sponsored by 'O Ka'ū Kākou and the Edmund C. Olson Trust, the venue was Ka'ū Coffee Mill and its trails through coffee fields and macadamia orchards into the rainforest above Wood Valley on Saturday, Sept. 23. Taiko drummers sounded the applause and community groups offered entertainment, food and information

comed Matt Peharda, 29, of a wooden pendant lei presented Portland, Oregon, as first across by Miss Ka'ū Coffee Jamie Beck. the finish line in 1 hour and 41 minutes, 40.9 seconds. Peharda, who was





Taiko Drummers sounded off to celebrate the fourth annual Ka'ū Coffee Trail Run, sponsored by 'O Ka'ū Kākou.

Photo by Peter Anderson

hosted overnight by emcee." Peharda is a Matt Peharda won the Ka'ū Cofat Adidas and has writ-

fee Trail Run half-marathon and The Half Marathon wel- was greeted at the finish line with ten a book on running.

Photo by Trevor Goff entitled Running with a Second in the Mens Half Marathon was Alec Richardson. 27, in 1:48:34.4. Third was Lyman Perry, 50, in 1:48:51.0. Fourth was Joe Barica, 47, in 1:50:13:3. Fifth was Justin Young, 39, in 1:56:29:4.

Dylan Saragosa, 19, took first in the 19 and under group, in 2:09:57.4. Kyle Ignacio, 10, came in second in 2:21:29.5. He was the youngest runner in the race.

Some of the older runners did well, with 52-year old Shawn Mishler taking seventh overall, and 52 year-old Kai McBride taking tenth overall.

The eldest runner in the Half Marathon was Don Zimbeck, 76, who came in ahead of six younger runners.

First in the Women's Half Marathon was Bree Wee, 37, of Kona, in 1:51:37. Second was Harmony Wayner, 20, in 2:12:06.8 . Third was Sally Marrack, 46, in 2:19:00.9. Fourth was Christina Lundgren, 23, in 2:19:26.3. Fifth was Elda Carreon, 37, in 2:20:54.3. The eldest in the race was 63 yearold Lee Otani. The youngest was the second place finisher.

The Mens 10K saw Kip Niewlse, 22, coming first across the finish line in 45.51.8, Zachary Hines, 35,

second in 46.03.1 and Brian Shiro, 39, in third at 46.24.8. The eldest in the race was 74 year-old Donald Choquette, who beat three younger men. The youngest was the overall winner.

The Womens 10K saw Megan Lamson, 34, take first in 1:01:04:7, Melissa Kunz, 31, in 1:04:20.9, and Michelle Young, 39, in 1:05:52.5. The eldest in the race was

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People of all ages ran the trails, the half marathoners through the coffee and macadamia high into the rainforest where they passed the old wooden flumes of sugar plantation days.

71 year-old Linda Gross. The youngest was 22 year-old Sarah Bermingham, who finished

The Mens 5K saw Troy Aukai, 17, coming in first in 22.08.7, followed by Sumuo Engichy, 17, in 32.25.2 and Alexander Keely, 16, in 23.43.7. The youngest competitor to finish, was Takami Munnerlyn, 4 years of age, who beat four other competitors, 12 to 16 times his age. The eldest in the race was Jay Cable, 74, who finished 20th.

The 5K women's competition saw 16 year-old Keely Alexander come in first in a time of Photo by Peter Anderson 23:43:47, followed by 46 yearold Kendra Ignacio in 25:56:4,

> and 65 year-old Janet Schleifer in 27:43.5. The eldest to finish the race was Madalyn McWhite-Lamson, 73, who beat eight younger women. The youngest was eightyear old Anabella Anthony who placed 17th.

> See all the results at webscorer.com and look for the Sept. 23 race date and Ka'ū Coffee Trail Run.

Ride So They Can Walk Fights Polio

Ride So They Can Walk invites the community to help end polio worldwide with a Rotary Club biking event Saturday, Nov. 11, through Saturday, Nov. 18. Organized statewide by Volcano resident Charlene Meyers, Ride So They Can Walk invites everyone to ride on their own schedule, desired distance and place.

Meyers, a Rotarian and Polio Plus Chair for the state, said, "Rotarians, individual community members, biking groups and clubs riding bikes, and those on stationary

bikes in health clubs and gyms will ride in support of eradicating polio. This ride is different in that no roads need be closed as everyone will ride on their own schedule and desired distance."

Each rider will pay a \$20 registra- Charlene Meyers Rides So They Can Walk tion fee and "will also have friends and fam-

ily sponsor their ride with all those donations going to Rotary's Polio Plus program."

When Rotary Club International started the campaign to eradicate polio in 1988 there were 350,000 cases a year in the world.

"As of the date of writing this there are ten cases worldwide – six in Afghanistan and The Ka'ū Calendar

four in Pakistan," said Meyers. "This isn't good enough - Zero is the magic number." Even with the few cases worldwide each year, vaccinations are needed to keep the disease from spreading again through vast populations of people, Meyers explained.

Each Ride So They Can Walk participant will receive a commemorative towel with the specially designed logo once they complete the ride and bring in a minimum of \$100 in sponsor donations. Suggested Meyers, "Do even more by challenging another rider to

> see how many sponsor dollars you can bring in."

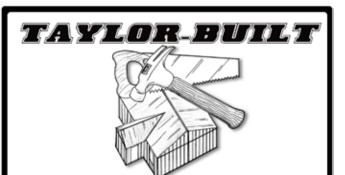
To sign up for Ride So They Can Walk, make the \$20 registration check to Charlene Meyers, with Polio Plus Chair on the notation line. Make out contribu-Photo by Amos Meyers tion checks of \$100 or more to Rotary D5000

- Polio Ride. Send both to: Charlene Meyers, Polio Plus Chair, P.O. Box 59, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park, HI 96718.

Meyers is former President of Volcano Rotary Club and current member of Hilo Rotary Club. She also owns the company Images of Hawai'i.



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Ka'ū Trojan Cheerleaders represented maroon and white at the cheer competition at Hilo High in September. Front l-r:

Sheena Flores, Zyrae Kailiawa; Back l-r: Isabella Dawson, Stephanie Mauricio, Malie Ibarra, Dacy Davis-Andrade, Maliah Ababa, Emma Dawson, Trinity, Pammy Waiwaiole, Kanani Petril, Desal Dacalio

Ka'ū Trojan Cheer Prepares for Season

With the start of the school year, the Ka'ū Cheer Team has been working hard to prepare for the first competition of the season on October 4 at Konawaena High School.

In September, the team participated in a pre-season competition at Hilo High School where they placed 6th. Team co-captain Malie Ibarra said, "Even through Ka'ū Trojan Cheerleaders. the obstacles and the short time we had to get the routine together, it was amazing to see all of the girls work so hard and do their best. I'm very proud of the team."

The team is coached by Jessica Carroll. The team co-



Photo by Kaweni Ibarra

captains are Malie Ibarra and Kanani Petril.

The cheerleaders were able to cheer on the Trojan football team as the won their September 21st game against

Hoops Tourney Raises Funds for VSAS

Ka'ū basketball players are invited to participate in a tournament on Saturday, Oct. 7, at Ka'ū District Gym. Play begins at 9 a.m. and continues until 3 p.m. Teams of three to five players battle in several categories for children and adults.

Organizer Will Holland said the event will give Vol-

Brenda Ford, cont. from pg. 1

lobbied for additional water infrastructure for homes, farms and to fight fires. She advocated for more firefighting equipment and water stations for range fires at South Point and for water lines to extend from Hwy. 11 down to beach and residential communities. She lobbied for a waterline extension from Ho'okena to Miloli'i and for a new well around Miloli'i and Papa Bay Road.

cano School of Arts & Sciences students "a chance to see what organized sports look like. We have no blacktop or even jungle gym for kids to play organized sports." Proceeds will go toward future development.

See friendsofvolcanoschool.org for rules and fees. Register at gotwill@gmail.com or text 808-626-5130.

She mentioned needed improvements to situations where spaghetti lines are running alongside roads to housing areas. She said water hydrants are needed. A million gallon water tank on the makai side of Hwy. 11 near the Ka'alu'alu Road intersection was one of her ideas when she served on the council.

Ford also advocated for the new permanent transfer, reuse, recycling and mulch center for Ocean View. As a coun-

> cilwoman she aimed to improve the Ocean View Police Station and to keep in place the Ka'ū interactive communication site for giving testimony and witnessing County Council and other public

In terms of state legislation, she said she supports allowing one extra dwelling on each farm, for long-term rental income, workers or family, but opposes using farms for vacation rentals. She said the extra housing on farms could be under the same roof as the house, or a separate 'ohana dwelling. She said that elder farmers often need workers and extra income.

Ford said she also advocates for truth in labeling for Ka'ū and Kona Coffee and other local produce. She and her husband Larry live on a small farm in South Kona where they are retired from growing coffee but still manage their fruit trees, she said.

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EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Trojans Trounce Kohala, Travel to Island of Lāna'i

Kaʻū Trojans stunned Kohala in eight-man football, beating the Cowboys 48-0 on their home grounds in Kapaʻau. The Saturday game on Sept.16 sent the Trojans traveling to Kapaʻau on the north end of the island. The Trojans put 40 points on the board by halftime: J. Badua ran for an 18-yard touchdown, with extra point by B. Echalas. Z. Kai made a one yard touchdown, with extra point by I. Pilanca-Emmsley.

Pilanca-Emmsley intercepted and ran 73 yards for a touchdown, with an extra point by Kai. Kai ran a 32-yard touchdown with an extra point by Badua. Pilanca-Emmsley ran for a 28-yard touchdown. The extra point was good.

The final touchdown for Ka'ū came in the fourth quarter when Kai ran 83 yards, Naboa made the extra point.

Ka'ū also beat Pāhoa, 18-12 on Thursday, Sept. 21, on the Daggers' home turf. The wining touchdowns came in the fourth quarter. Kai ran a 31-yard touchdown to tie the game at 12-1. The final score came when Pilanca-Emmsley intercepted the ball and ran for a 95-yard touchdown.

The second and third quarters were scoreless and halftime saw Pāhoa ahead 12-6, after scoring two touchdowns in the first quarter. Ka'ū also scored in the first quarter when Pilanca-Emmsley passed to Badua.

Ka'ū suffered several losses. The Trojans traveled to Lana'i to play the Pine Lads and lost in what was report-



Ka'ū Trojans flew to Lana'i and Isaiah Pilanca-Emmsley was named Player of the Week. *Photo by Kalei Namohala* ed to be the highest scoring game in high school history in Hawai'i. The score was Lana'i 90, Ka'ū 58. However, Pilanca-Emmsley was honored by the *Hawai'i Tribune Herald* as Hawai'i Island *player of the week*, with his five touchdowns. Ka'ū also lost to Pāhoa on Aug. 27 with Pāhoa 32, Ka'ū 8.

October Eight-Man Football is scheduled for Saturday, Oct 7, at 1 p.m. against Kohala and Saturday, Oct. 21, against Pāhoa. Both are home games.

Trojan Girls Earn their Wins in Volleyball

Ka'ū Trojan girls volleyball players earned their share of wins so far this season. The next home game is against Kealakehe on Friday, Oct. 6, followed by an away game at Kohala on Wednesday, Oct. 11, a home game with Honoka'a on Friday, Oct. 13, and the playoffs.

Here are the results reported to *The Ka'ū Calendar*.

Trojans beat Christian Liberty at home on Sept. 23. With only Varsity in contention, the Trojans won with scores of 25-21, 25-15, 20-25 and 25-17, under Coach Joshua Ortega

Trojans lost to Konawaena during an away game Sept. 20. In the JV game, Kona won two sets to zero. In Varsity, Kaʻū lost 11-25, 15-25 and 23-24.

Trojans outplayed Makualani during a Varsity away matchup on Sept. 18 with scores of 25-10, 23-25,25-18, and 25-10.

Trojans lost to Kamehameha during a home game on Sept. 13. The JV scores were 9-25 and 19-25. The varsity scores were 12-25, 4-25 and 19-25.

Trojans slammed St. Joseph on the road on Sept. 8, with Varsity scored of 25-13, 25-18 and 25-23.

Trojans were killed by Hawai'i Prep on the road, Aug. 25. Varsity scores were 25-3, 25-15 and 25-4.

Trojans pummeled Parker at home, Aug. 23. JV scores were 25-14 and 25-8. Varsity scores were 22-25, 25-18, 25-13 and 26-16.

Raina Whiting, cont. from pg. 3

She was recently selected to participate in the Rural School Leadership Academy. Participants in the program learn early school leadership skills and deepen their exposure to the power of the role of the school leader, while building a powerful national network of aspiring school leaders in rural communities. The 2017-18 program is a cohort of 39 teachers from Alabama, Appalachia, Arkansas, Delaware, Eastern North Carolina, Greater New Orleans—Louisiana Delta, Hawaiʻi, Idaho, Mississippi, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Rio Grande Valley, South Carolina, South Dakota, South Louisiana, and Washington.

Dru Kanuha, cont. from pg. 1

three terms: building La'aloa Avenue as a mauka-makai connector to relieve traffic congestion on both Kuakini Highway above and Ali'i Drive below, completing the Māmalahoa Bypass Extension from Keauhou to Nāpo'opo'o to alleviate congestion in South Kona, and opening the new playground at Kailua Park to families. He said he is especially proud of "welcoming the community to Ali'i Kai Park – delivering on a promise made by the county over four decades ago."

While on the Council, Kanuha's colleagues elected him Chair from 2014 to 2016, and he currently serves as chair of the Governmental Relations and Economic Development

Committee. He was also chosen by his colleagues as president of the Hawai'i State Association of Counties, a body that advocates for the counties at the Legislature, and is on the board of directors of the National Association of Counties and its Western Interstate Region.

"I believe my experience working for my constituents at the state and federal levels will make me a

Dru Kanuha, pg. 15

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Trojan Fall Sports Schedule

EIGHT-MAN FOOTBALL

with Coach Dwayne Ke

- Sat, Oct. 7, Kohala @ Ka'ū
- Sat, Oct. 21, Pāhoa @ Ka'ū

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

with Coach Joshua Ortega

- Fri, Oct. 6, Kealakehe @ Ka'ū
- Wed, Oct. 11, Ka'ū @ Kohala
- Fri, Oct. 13, Honoka'a @ Ka'ū

CROSS COUNTRY

- Sat, Oct. 7, Ka'ū @ Kea'au
- Sat, Oct. 14, BIIF @ Kamehamea

CHEERLEADING COMPETITION

with Coach Jessica Carroll

- Wed, Oct. 4 @ Konawaena
- Wed, Oct. 18 @ Kamehameha

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Ham Radio Operators Potluck Picnic, Sun, Oct 1, Manukā 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

Story Time, Mon, Oct 2, 10 – 11:30 a.m., Nāʿālehu Public Library; Thu, Oct 5, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Pāhala Public & School Library. Tūtū and Me Traveling Preschool staff read aloud to keiki of all ages, with a fun activity and snack provided following the story. 939-2442, 928-2015

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

Dance Imagined, Tuesdays, Oct 3 – 31, 10 – 11:30 a.m., Volcano Art Center. Karen Masaki encourages exploration and builds strength and fluidity for pure exhilaration of movement. \$20/\$15 VAC members or \$50 for the entire series. 967-8222

Hawai'i County Council Meetings, Tue/Thu, Oct 3/4 & 17/18. Ka'ū residents can participate via videoconferencing at Nā'ālehu State Office Building. Agendas at hawaiicounty.gov.

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

Cupcake Liner Owl, Wed, Oct 4, 3-5 p.m. Pāhala Community Center. Grades K-8 register through Oct. 3.928-3102

Open Mic Night, Wed, Oct 4, 6 – 10 p.m., Kīlauea Military Camp's Lava Lounge in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Call 967-8365 after 4 p.m. to sign up. Open to authorized patrons and sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply. 967-8371

Ho'okupa Hula No Ka'ū, organizing meeting will be held Wednesday, Oct. 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Pāhala Community Center for the event scheduled for Nov. 4. See page 3. Call 649-9334.

Hula Voices, Thu, Oct 5, 7 – 8 p.m., Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Desiree Moana Cruz moderates the event, with Kumu hula Iwalani Kalima of Hula Hālau O Kou Lima Nani E presenting her hula experiences. Free; park entrance fees apply.

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

Tropical Flower Arranging, Fri, Oct 6, 1 – 3 p.m., Volcano Art Center. Kaipo Ah Chong provides cleaned tropical flowers. \$45 plus \$20 supply fee.

Park Cleanup, Fri, Oct 6, 2 – 4 p.m., Kahuku Park. Register through Oct 5. 929-9113

Pancake Breakfast, Sat, Oct 7 (moved from Oct 14), 8 – 11 a.m., Ocean View Community Center. 939-7033

Stewardship at the Summit, Oct 7, 13, 21 & 27, 8:45 a.m., meet at Kīlauea Visitor Center in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Volunteers help remove invasive, non-native plant species that prevent native plants from growing. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Buckets for Books VSAS Basketball Tournament, Sat, Oct 7, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Ka'ū District Gym. Volcano School of Arts & Sciences raises funds.

Games for all ages. See friendsofvolcanoschool. org for rules & fees. gotwill@gmail.com, 626-5130

Community Cup Fundraiser, Sun, Oct 8, 2-5 p.m., Volcano Art Center. Featuring hand-thrown teacups and bowls by local Big Island potters, as well as samples of fine Hawai'i-grown teas, demonstrations, exhibits and more. \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door includes choice of one tea bowl, plus tea samples. 967-8222

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

Relay Races, Mon, Oct 9, 2:45 – 3:45 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register Oct 2 – 6. 929-9113

Lomi, Wed, Oct 11, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Kīlauea

Visitor Center lānai in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Lomi practitioner Annie Erbe demonstrates this popular healing art. Free; park entrance fees apply.

A History of the Kahua Hula, Thu, Oct 12, 7 p.m., Volcano Art Center. Architect, photographer and VAC founder Boone Morrison discusses the construction, history, and dedication of the hula platform near VAC Gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. \$5 donations appreciated. 967-8222

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

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

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

Kanikapila, Sat, Oct 14/28, 6 – 9 p.m., Nāʻālehu Methodist Church Hall. Acoustic instruments, drums, singers & dancers welcome. Desmond, 937-6305

Comedy Night, Sat, Oct 14, 8 p.m., Kīlauea Military Camp's Lava Lounge in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. A night of laughter with comedian Tom Clark. Open to authorized patrons and sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply.

Mold Ceramics, Mon, Oct 16 – Dec 4, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Adults register Oct 2 – 13. 928-3102

Footprints in the Ash, Tue, Oct 17, 7 p.m., Kīlauea Visitor Auditorium in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Ranger Jay Robinson discusses new interpretive displays in the Ka'ū Desert and explains what we know today about the impact of explosive eruptions on native society. Free; park entrance fees apply.

OVCA Board Meeting, Wed, Oct 18, 12 p.m., Ocean View Community Center, 939-7033

Paper Plate Silhouette Craft, Wed, Oct 18, 3-5 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Grades K-8 register Oct 9-17. 928-3102

Mark Yamanaka in Concert, Wed, Oct 18, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Kīlauea Visitor Center Auditorium in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Yamanaka has been awarded multiple Nā Hōkū Hanohano awards since the debut of his first album, *Lei Puakenikeni*. His next album, *Lei Maile*, has also received critical acclaim. Free; park entrance fees apply.

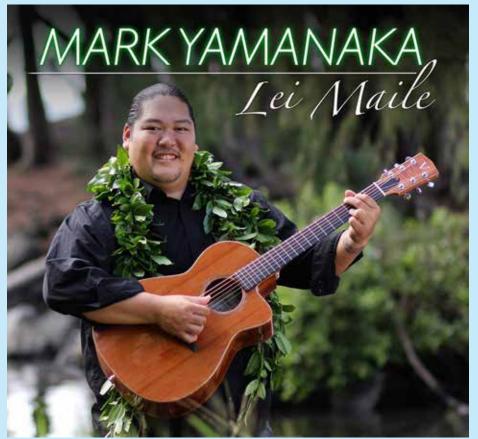
Hawaiian Civic Club of Ka'ū, Thu, Oct 19, 5:30 p.m. 929-9731 or 936-7262

KDEN Auditions, Thu, Oct 19, 6:30 p.m. & Sat, Oct 21, 10 a.m., Kīlauea Military Camp Theater in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Auditioners of all ages should prepare a song that best features their vocal ability. Kīlauea Drama & Entertainment Network presents *A Gilbert & Sullivan Christmas Carol* Dec 14 – 17. 982-7344

Recycling at Nā'ālehu School, Sat, Oct 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

Writing on the Wild Side, Sat, Oct 21, 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., Volcano Art Center. Tom Peek's techniques and exercises help students explore their creative minds and unique voices. \$75; \$65 VAC members. 967-8222

Kahuku 'Ohana Day, Sat, Oct 21, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Participants learn about the powers that plants have to keep us healthy through the teachings of Ka'ohu Monfort, a practitioner of lā'au lapa'au



Mark Yamanka Performs in Volcano

Recording artist Mark Yamanaka will perform at Kīlauea Visitor Center Auditorium of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park on Wednesday, Oct. 18, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Yamanaka has earned multiple Nā Hōkū Hanohano awards since the debut of his first album, *Lei Puakenikeni*. His next album, *Lei Maile*, also received critical acclaim. A statement from Hawai'i Volcanoes says "Mark's crisp, clear falsetto and rich baritone voice will mesmerize you."

This event is one of Hawai'i Volcanoes' ongoing Nā Leo Manu Heavenly Voices presentations. It is free, donations appreciated. Park entrance fees may apply.

(Hawaiian herbal medicine). Kids 17 and under and their families sign up by Oct. 13 at 985-6019.

Hula Kahiko, Sat, Oct 21, 10:30 a.m., hula platform near Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. With Nā Kumu hula Micah Kamohoali'i and Hālau Na Kipu'upu'u. Nā Mea Hula with Halauolaokalani. 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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

Lau Hala, Wed, Oct 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Kīlauea Visitor Center lānai in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Learn to weave lau hala and take home a piece of lau hala art. Free; park entrance fees apply.

Edible Halloween Craft, Wed, Oct 25, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Grades K – 8 register Oct 16 – 24. 928-3102

Halloween Mask Making, Wed, Oct 25, 4-5 p.m., Nā'ālehu Community Center. Ages 5-12 register Oct 9-20. 939-2510

Coffee Talk, Fri, Oct 27, 9:30 – 11 a.m., Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. An informal conversation on a wide variety of topics. Ka'ū coffee, tea and pastries available for purchase. Free.

Bat Finger Puppet, Fri, Oct 27, 1:45 – 2:45 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register Oct 16 – 25. 929-9113

Ocean View Community Development Corp. meeting, Fri, Oct 27, 5 p.m., Hawaiian Ranchos office.

Halloween Party, Fri, Oct 27, 8 – 11 p.m. Kīlauea Military Camp's Lava Lounge in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. \$5 cover charge; for ages 21 and above. Open to authorized patrons and

sponsored guests. Park entrance fees apply. 967-8365 after 4 p.m. $\,$

Ka'ū Food Pantry, Tue, Oct 31, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., St. Jude's Episcopal Church in Ocean View.

EXERCISE & MEDITATION

Pāhala Pool Schedule: Water Exercise Mon/Wed/Fri 9 – 10 a.m.; Adult Lap Swim Mon – Fri 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.; Sat/Sun 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.; Public Recreational Swim Mon – Fri 1 – 3:15 p.m., Sat/Sun 1 – 4 p.m. 928-8177 or hawaiicounty.gov/pr-aquatics

Qigong, Mon, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m., Na'alehu Hongwangi, \$5; Wed, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., Discovery Harbour, donation; Thu, 9:30 – 11a.m., Mark Twain, \$7. Beginners welcome. Shary, 929-7647

Open Court Basketball, Kickball & Dodgeball, Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri, 1 – 4 p.m., Kahuku Park. For all ages. 929-9113

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

Youth Basketball, Mon/Wed, 3 – 6:30 p.m., Nā'ālehu Community Center. For ages 10 – 14.

Instructional Basketball, Mon/Wed, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register Oct 2 – 10. 929-9113

Instructional Tennis, Mon/Thu, 4 – 6 p.m., Kaʻū District Gym. Ages 5 – adult register Oct 2 – 6. 928-3102

Open Gym Basketball, Mon – Sun, 6 – 7:45 p.m., Ka'ū District Gym. All ages register Oct 2 – 13. 928-3102

Pilates Plus, Mon/Wed, 4 - 5 p.m., Discovery

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Harbour Community Hall. Open to all ages. Exercise by DVD; bring your own equipment, ball and mat. Free w/donation of non-perishable food. Judy Knapp, 939-8149

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., 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. Arrive 10 minutes early. \$10 a class or \$80 for 10 classes. 756-3183

Youth Volleyball, Tue/Thu, 3-6:30 p.m., $N\bar{a}$ ' \bar{a} lehu Community Center. For ages 8-12.939-2510

Instructional Volleyball, Tue/Fri beginning Oct 24, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. Ages 6 – 12 register Oct 16 – 23. 929-9113

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

Karate, Tue/Fri, beginners 5:30 p.m., advanced 6:30 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Keiki conditioning, 5 p.m. Cliff Field, 333-1567

Zumba, Tue, 6 – 7 p.m. Pāhala Community Center. Erin Cole teaches adults. 928-3102

Senior Yoga Satsang, Wed, 9:30 – 11 a.m., Cooper Center, Volcano. Calabash donations. Debra Serrao. 333-0313

Meditation, Wed, 4 – 5 p.m. Nāʻālehu Hongwanji. Velvet Replogle, 936-8989

Bruce Lee Combatives, Thu, 5 – 6 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Center. Henry Ivy's family-based classes teach self-confidence and personal development. 854-5284

Kripalu Yoga, Wed, 5:30 – 7 p.m., Volcano Art Center in Volcano Village. \$10. Jo Caron, 443-6993

Hula, Wed, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Pāhala Community Center. Debbie Ryder, 649-9334

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

DAILY & WEEKLY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

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

Buddhist Mindful Meditation, Sun, 10 – 11:30 a.m., Volcano Art Center in Volcano Village. This simple practice is useful to everyone, regardless of faith. Donations accepted. mgrace.orr@gmail.com

Tūtū & Me Traveling Preschool, Mon/Wed, 8:45 – 10:45 a.m., Nā'ālehu Community Center & Tue/ Thu, 8:30 – 10:30 a.m., Pāhala Community Center. Tuition-free for keiki 0 – 5 & their caregivers. 929-8571

Lending Library, Mon – Fri, 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. 939-7033

Punaluʻu 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.

Niaulani Nature Walks, Mon, 9:30 a.m., Volcano Art Center 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 60 and older. Julie, 928-3101

Nā'ālehu Senior Nutrition Center (Hawai'i County Nutrition Program), Lunch served Mon – Fri, 10:45 a.m. for residents 60 and older, greater

Nā'ālehu area 939-250

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 and older. Donations requested.

A Walk into the Past, Tue, 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 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/Geneology 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

Kaʻū Farmers Market, Wed, 8 a.m. – noon, Shaka's Restaurant in Nāʻālehu. Produce, Hawaiiana, arts and crafts, fresh baked goods.

Nāʻālehu 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

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

Paneurthmy, Thu, 9 a.m., Kahuku Park. Free walking circle dance that improves health, balance & spiritual development. Lisa Shock, 990-7729

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

VA Center for Veterans, Thu, 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. No appointment needed to visit with a VA counselor & benefit specialist. David, 329-0574

Crafts & Coloring, Thu, 3-6 p.m., $N\bar{a}$ alehu Library. For all ages. 939-2442

Free Dinner, Thu, 4 – 5:30 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.

Kaʻū 'Ohana Band Rehearsals, Fri, 4 p.m., St. Jude's Church in Ocean View. Instruments provided; no experience necessary. Kaʻū School of the Arts, 854-1540 or info@kauarts.org

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

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

Ocean View Farmers Market, Sat, 7 a.m. – noon, Põhue 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)

Bahá'í's of Ka'ū Share History & a Feast

In the spirit of celebrating the upcoming 200th anniversary of the birth of the founder of the Bahá'í Faith, the Bahá'í's of Ka'ū have issued a statement about the history of their faith. They also invite the public to a dinner and open house on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Pāhala Community Center.

The Bahá'í faith "originated in Iran in the mid-19th century. In less than 200 years it became a universal faith "present in every

country in the world with adherents from virtually every national, ethnic, religious and tribal background," says the statement from Bahá'í's of Ka'ū.

The name of Bahá'u'lláh who lived from 1817 – 1892, means 'The Glory of God." He is considered by millions of Bahá'í around the world as "the Divine Educator for this age whose coming was foretold by all of the Divine Messengers of the Past."

In his writings, Bahá'u'lláh outlines a framework for the development of a global civilization which takes into account both the spiritual and material dimensions of human life. His teachings center around the recognition of the oneness of humanity and "offer a compelling vision of a future world united in justice, peace and prosperity."

Bahá'u'lláh's coming was heralded by the Báb who lived from 1819 – 1850. He



Bahá'í's of Ka'ū adopted a two-mile stretch of highway and volunteer to keep it clean. Photo from Bahá'í's of Ka'ū

was a prophet with the name Báb meaning "the Gate. The Báb declared His Divine Mission in 1844, which is considered the beginning of the Bahá'í Era – a new cycle of human history and social evolution."

To read more about the Bahá'í faith, see bahai.us/bicentenary-resources. To contact the Bahá'í's of Ka'ū and to R.S.V.P. for the Oct. 21 gathering, contact Sandra Demoruelle. Email naalehutheatre@yahoo.com or phone 929-9244.



DÜPEPA DĀ'ĀLEHU

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Ka'ū Thanks its Police Officers

Thank a Police Officer Day, the national celebration, brought appreciation to Kaʻū police, with a gathering organized by Lizzy Stabo and volunteer fire fighters from Engine 11 Alpha in Nāʻālehu. Stabo said that having law enforcement in her family made it even more important to organize the event. She thanked Flyin' Hawaiian Coffee, J&J Coffee farms, Wiki Wiki Mart, Ace Hardware of Nāʻālehu, Punaluʻu Bake Shop, Hana Hou Restaurant, The Bee Boyz, Crooked C Ranch, Engine 11 A and Engine 11 D. She also thanked many individuals, including photographer Peter Anderson, Renee Vetter, Sherri McDaniels and Taylor and Alton Spurgeon, "who all donated amazing items to complete our Big Blue bucket full of Aloha and thank you's!"

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FriendRaiser Seeks Community Support at Nā'ālehu School

The Nā'ālehu Elementary Student Council is planning its second annual *FriendRaiser*. The Council is seeking raffle prize donations for the *FriendRaiser* to be held on Saturday, Nov. 18, on the school grounds.

The event, which will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., will include games, food, booths, fun and, most importantly, opportunities to build and strengthen friendships. Community organizations are also invited to host information booths.

For more information, contact Amber Keohuloa at ajavar@naalehu.org or 345-9283.



The Nā'ālehu School FriendRaiser hosts games for keiki. *Photo from Nā'ālehu School*







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> Photo from Nāʻālehu School

KAHUKU MILOLII

The Good News of Ka'ū, Hawai'i

Veterans TeleHealth Opens at Ocean View Community Center The new Veterans Administration Tele- medicine. The Ocean View Community

health Kiosk System is set to open Nov. 1 in Association newsletter says, "The state-ofthe Ocean View Community Center.

An open house was held Sept. 28. The Kona Veterans Administration Community Based Outreach Center helped to bring in the new method of health care. VA staff shared innovations in technology that will increase care for veterans. The public viewed the telehealth equipment, observed demonstrations and spoke with VA providers.

The system was donated by Iron Bow Healthcare Solutions and Global Med Tele-

the-art system is expected to give veterans in rural communities access to VA medical services. This pilot clinic is designed to reach the Veterans in the Ocean View Community and surrounding area. The capabilities of the Telehealth system are extensive,

enabling medical testing, diagnosis and treatment services remotely. A VA doctor will be able to help veterans in Ocean View using this kiosk."

Ocean View Community Association



Ocean View Community Center is the new home of a TeleHealth service center for veterans.

President Ron Gall said: "The Telehealth equipment was installed and tested and volunteers trained on the equipment. Veterans will be able to have real time visits with a

Kona VA doctor without traveling to Kona." For more information, Call David Willard at 329-0574 or Ron Gall at 939-7033

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Ocean View Pickleball Club Invites N

The Ocean View Pickleball Club is reaching out to the community, offering to teach and welcome more players. Secretary Jacquelynn Lee Woodmansee said the hui has been "playing Pickleball for a little over five years. We have players of all ages. We welcome new comers and beginners. Equipment is available for all."

Stephanie Hensley is President, Roberta Barger is Treasurer.

Ocean View Pickleball meets Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Kahuku Park on Paradise Parkway Circle. Bring water and a chair.

See facebook.com/oceanviewpickleball/ For more information, call 929-7092.

Matson Partners with OV for Deep Clean

Ocean View Community Association is partnering with Matson Navigation Co. for an Ocean View Deep Clean Project to remove and haul away "the big stuff" (mat-

tresses. appliances, furniture, etc.) at unofficial dumpsites in Ocean View. The OVCA Newsletter, Ocean Views And News!. states, the Matshipping company "will bring a dumpster to a location in Ocean View; volunteers will load the big stuff in the dumpster; then follow it to the Hilo Land Fill to empty it. Volunteers who have

pickups and will haul the trash will be paid for their gas." Volunteers are needed. A date and time for the event are yet to be announced. For more, call 939-7033.



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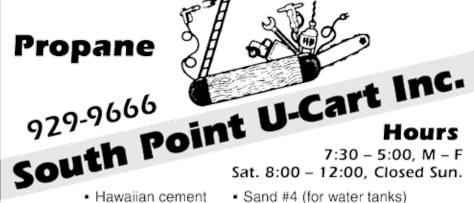
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Ocean View Pickleball Club, including Dakota and Stephanie Hensley, invites new players. Photo by Jacquie Lee Woodmansee



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Planets: Saturn

For the last 13 years, Saturn has been circled by an active satellite, Cassini. The spacecraft is named after the famous Italian (later French) astronomer Giovanni Domenico Cassini (1625 - 1712). He discovered a gap in Saturn's rings which is now called the Cassini Division. This spacecraft was launched in 1997 and ended its spectacular 20-year mission with a planned dive into Saturn's atmosphere where it burned up. Much of this issue deals with the amazing pictures taken by Cassini. It had another spacecraft on it that landed on the largest moon Saturn has, Titan. Titan is the only moon in our Solar System that has an atmosphere. It is thick and orange-brown. It is also the only other object that has liquid lakes. The problem? The lakes don't contain water. They are methane, ethane and ammonia! Titan is one of 62 known moons

Perhaps the most stunning image ever



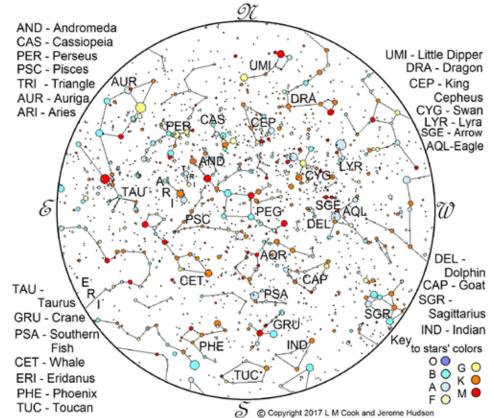
After almost seven years of travel, Saturn finally appears!

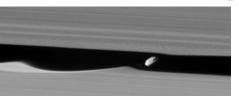
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Saturn from the shady side.

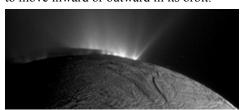
taken was in Saturn's shadow, showing how sunlight is scattered by the gas and dust that is everywhere near Saturn. Note how thin the rings are. Also, you can see the "E" ring, caused by snow from Enceladus.





The 5 mile long moon Daphnis causes ripples to appear in the gap of the rings.

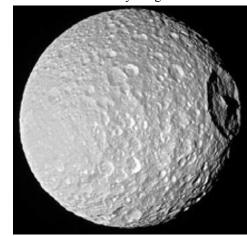
All of the gaps are caused by the presence of moons or a resonance with the periods of other moons. A ring particle with a period of exactly one-half that of a moon orbiting further out will feel a strong "tug" to move inward or outward in its orbit.



A surprise, in a mission full of surprises, were the "snow fountains" coming from cracks in the crust of Enceladus. Where were the snowflakes coming from?

One of the huge surprises was the result that Enceladus has a crust of ice, yes, water ice, floating on a huge salt water ocean. There were cracks that allow some of the water to spurt out as fountains which rapidly freeze as snow.

Finally, a bit of humor: Saturn's moon Mimas bears a striking resemblance to *Star Wars* Death Star. Do you agree?



Saturn's Moon Mimas looks like it came from the set of "Star Wars."

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Constellations

temperatures. Just as an incandescent light

bulb gets redder the dimmer it gets (when in

a dimming circuit), or a heated piece of steel

emerges yellow-orange from a furnace and gets redder as it cools (just like lava does

on the Big Island), the same thing happens

on a star's surface. This tells us a lot about

Sunset

6:05 p.m.

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KEPING HEALTHY IN KAU Volume 15, Number 10 A Journal of Good Health, Food and Fitness October, 207 Ka'ū's Congressional Delegation Supports Medicare for All Bil October, 207 We with preexisting the property of the property of the precision of the preexisting the pr

Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives testified and lobbied against the effort to repeal the Affordable Care Act this summer into fall. They also advocated for Medicare for All proposals, a single payer type health care for the whole country.

Sen. Mazie Hirono took to national television to tell her story of being an immigrant child worried about health care who rose to become a U.S. Senator with the fortune to have health care insurance to fight her own stage-four cancer.

"We are all one diagnosis away from a major illness. When that time comes, no one should have to worry about whether they can afford the care that might save their life," said Hirono. "I support universal, affordable, accessible, quality health care as a right, not a privilege. A single payer, Medicare for All system is a strong articulation of this principle, which is why I support this bill," she said regarding the proposal from Sen. Bernie Sanders.

"There are other strong proposals that will put us on a path to a single payer system. I will support proposals that reaffirm the principle that universal health care is a right, not a privilege," said Hirono.

Sen. Brian Schatz praised Republi-

September that he "cannot in good conscious" vote for the latest legislation to do away with the Affordable Care Act. In opposing the Graham-Cassidy Obama Care Repeal, McCain's "courage, dignity, compassion, and commitment to a functioning Senate is the way all of my colleagues should approach this job," said

Rep. Tulsi Gabbard said, "We need real healthcare reform that brings down

and ensures basic health services to all Americans. The (Graham-Cassidy) bill that the Senate is considering does none of those things, but instead throws an estimated 32 million people off of their current plans. Veterans and people living on low income or with disabilities who rely on Medicaid would see their services drastically cut or eliminated. Maternity care, substance abuse treatment, and mental health services would be slashed, conditions charged far more. Healthcare should not be rationed.

"Other industrialized countries have systems that provide universal care at a lower cost per capita. I am working towards a Medicare for All system that will provide universal healthcare to all Americans, but before that work can resume, we must stop this bill before it inflicts any damage on the essential health care services that we need to protect."

Ka'ū Hospital Lānai and Raised Garden Beds Projects Progressing

Ka'ū Hospital Charitable Foundation is making great progress on its lānai and garden area for long term residents and patients who are enjoying the outdoors, says a news release from the organization.

The Foundation gives an example: "Richard is a resident at Ka'ū Hospital Hospital Administrator Merilyn progress being made on the Rose plants. garden/ lānai project. He

likes being outdoors with the guys when outdoors for residents in wheelchairs, using they are working on the project because he walkers and other assistive devices that help



and he is thrilled to see the Sherrie Brazin with new Desert

provide more access to the

said they are thrilled to see the forms in place for the concrete work, which will be accomplished soon to

enjoys socializing! He says

being in the garden in the

soft air and breezes is very

healing for him and he is so

happy to have this space to

Merilyn Harris and Direc-

tor of Nursing Sherrie Bazin

Hospital Administrator

Swift donated Desert plants. The Swifts said they

John and Vicki

Last month

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look forward residents being able to see beautiful Resident Richard at Ka'ū views, colorful flowers and feel an garden area. es on a regular



Hospital enjoys the outdoors and The new lanai

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A Man Named Parker Visits all 59 National Parks

to visit all 59 national parks in the U.S., Dave Parker entered Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park on Tuesday night, Sept. 19. He accomplished his lifelong dream and said, "To see Kīlauea erupt is indescribable, and it's just spectacular to see. It's the reason we came here."

The next day, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park surprised Parker with a 59ers Certificate of Achievement signed by National Park Service Acting Director, Mike Reynolds. Actpresentation and congratulated cate of Achievement. Parker in front of visitors and staff at Kīlauea Visitor Center.

"It's uplifting that Mr. Parker made it a priority to see all 59 of the iconic national parks," Broward said. "Park visitors help steward our public lands, and by appreciating them, they protect them. And Dave Parker, you couldn't have a better last name."

Parker's love for national parks blos-

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A unique collection of paintings and illustrations by John D. Dawson,

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10/12 ~ Thursday Night at the Center: "A History of the Pa

10/14 ~ Jazz in the Forest feat. Jeannine Guillory-Kane

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ing Superintendent and Chief Dave Parker wound up at Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park to complete his Ranger John Broward made the goal of visiting all 59 National Parks in the U.S. He received a 59ers Certifi-Photo by Janice Wei/ NPS

The Friends and another nonprofit supporting partner, Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association, presented the Parkers and their friends with commemorative items including ball caps, T-shirts, pins, a gift certificate for The Rim restaurant, mementos and educational items to help them enjoy and discover the park.

"There are many ways to support your parks," Parker said. "All parks have organizations that support them that you can donate to. You can volunteer and give back with your time. It's an important investment to make for the survival

of public lands and our future generations."

The auspicious visit was Parker's fifth time to Hawai'i and his first to Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. During his early career working for the Department of Commerce in Washington, D.C., he helped promote travel to the U.S. and had close ties to the Hawai'i visitor industry. He and his wife live in McLean, VA.

According to Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park staff, the National Park Service

somed at the tender age of 14, when his parents took him to his first parks, Yellowstone and Grand Teton. His family camped, rode horses, hiked the trails and watched Yellowstone's famous geyser Old Faithful erupt. Now 77, Parker, his wife Carol, and friends Red and Sheri Cavaney, will spend a few nights at Volcano House and explore the eruptions of Kīlauea and Mauna Loa. They enjoyed a ranger talk about the volcanic origins of the Hawaiian Islands and a guided

tour with the Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes

A Gilbert & Sullivan Christmas Carol will be the December play by Kīlauea Drama & Entertainment Network. Auditions will be held on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 21, at 10 a.m. at Kīlauea Military Camp's Kīlauea Theater. Auditioners should prepare a song that best features their vocal ability. There are parts for all ages, from Scrooge to Tiny Tim.

A Gilbert & Sullivan Christmas Carol, with story by Charles Dickens, music by Arthur Sullivan, and words by Gavden Wren (inspired by W.S. Gilbert), is another of Gilbert & Sullivan music. The show uses songs from many of the Gilbert & Sullivan operettas. An example is the three ghosts sing Three Little Maids from School from The Mikado but with lyrics that suit the show. Suzi Bond is directing the show, with musical direction by Walter Greenwood.

A Gilbert & Sullivan Christmas Carol will play for one weekend only, Dec. 14 to 17; Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

For more information, call 982-7344 or email kden73@aol.com.



Elizabeth Fien, Executive Director of Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park: 59er Dave Parker; Margot Griffith, Executive Director of Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association; and Hawai'i Volcanoes' Acting Superintendent and Chief Ranger John Broward at Kīlauea Visitor Center.

Photo by Janice Wei/NPS has more than 20,000 National Park Service employees who care for 417 sites in the National Park System and work with communities across the nation to help preserve local history and create close-to-home recreational opportunities. Learn more at nps.gov.



Caren Loebel-Fried on Midway Atoll. Photo by Dan Clark Albatross, cont. from pg. 1

of the albatross, Loebel-Fried spent time on Midway Atoll. She presented her new book in September at Volcano Art Center, along-

side Cynthia Vanderlip, who has researched albatross in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands since 1989 for National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, the state Department of Land & Natural Resources and Oceanic Society as a biologist, technician, naturalist and U.S. Coast Guardlicensed boat captain.

School Library Journal describes the book as "A wonderful introduction to a magnificent sea bird, this vibrantly illustrated story belongs on every shelf."

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Hula" with Boone Morrison

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10/21 ~ Writing on the Wild Side

ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY IN KA'Ú

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Financial Support for Student Green Projects in Ka'ū

The Nature Conservancy has announced a call for applications through Nov. 3 for student projects that develop nature-based, green infrastructure solutions to an environmental challenge in their community.

Applications are open for public and charter schools to build or maintain a Nature Works Everywhere school garden, green-space or green infrastructure project. Up to sixty grants will be given in the amount of \$2,000 during the 2017 - 2018 school year.

"A Nature Works Everywhere project empowers students and teachers to work together to create and implement their

own solutions to environmental challenges in their communities," says a statement from The Nature Conservancy. "Whether addressing issues surrounding access to healthy food, air quality, heat island effect, or storm water collection, youth are empowered as social innovators to model solutions in their school communities through design and implementation. Nature Works Everywhere projects connect students to a global challenge - to protect the natural systems that produce our food, water, clean air and energy."

For full details on requirements, eligibility, and how to apply go to NatureWorksEverywhere.org/#grants.



Kaʻū High School Service Club volunteers at The Nature Conservancy's Kaiholena Preserve Photo from The Nature Conservancy

Dru Kanuha, cont. from pg. 7

more effective state senator, fighting for access to quality education and health care, building a stronger economy, and making more affordable housing available to local families," Kanuha said.

"Having been blessed to grow up in West Hawai'i and raised with the values of compassion, respect, and aloha for the land, water, and people, it would be an honor to bring those

> values with me to the Hawai'i State Senate and work hard to address the needs of our people from Nā'ālehu to Ocean View, South Kona to Kealakekua.

Kainaliu to Keauhou, Kailua to Kalaoa," said Kanuha.

Waikapuna Fire, cont. from pg. 16

we are infinitely thankful for the hard work of all the County and volunteer firefighters. They are our heroes. But, the County could have at least updated their message to reassure us that we did not, in fact, need to start planning to evacuate. Am I wrong?"

From Leah Silver Kotuby: "Stay safe Rick Ward,

are you fighting the fire my friend. How tragic. Hope no animals or people have been injured."

From Sherrie LaRue Bazin: "Thank you for all who have served to keep our community safe... you are appreciated!!!"

From Candy Casper: "Love to all of our firefighters, volunteer and paid. Lizzy Stabo, you are really something! Thanks!!!"

From Alikka Tag: "Be safe out there, we see & appreciate your efforts."

Some Ka'ū community members also voiced concerns on other public Facebook pages about the preservation of cultural sites while bulldozing firebreaks.



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Firefighters fought the Ka'ū Coast fire expanding from Waikapuna for more than four days.

Brushfire Consumes 1,645 acres along the Ka'ū Coast

A brushfire burned for more than three days and consumed more than 1,645 acres along the Ka'ū Coast below Nā'ālehu, sending smoke through ranches in South Point to residential neighborhoods in Discovery Harbour, Mark Twain Estates, Green Sands and Wai'ōhinu. Some residents closest to the fire said they considered evacuating their homes.

First noticed on Thursday, Sept. 21, before dawn, the range fire drew volunteer and county fire crews. The county Fire Department reported the fire fighting efforts are manpowered by a total of 26 individuals - 14 Hawai'i Fire Department personal, along with 12 volunteer firefighters - with four privately

owned bulldozers, one engine, two tankers, one medic unit, five rescue boat related volunteer apparatuses, two choppers and seven other units being used.

Initially, the fire was hard to reach and location of the fire" and "limited 4x4 access roads," when the first units were eventually able to arrive at the scene, almost two hours later. approximately five acres of grass and brush were "actively burning.'

According to the burned. Fire Department, "strong trade winds" caused the fire to spread on Thursday. "Dozers were utilized to establish fire breaks and choppers carried out water drops." Much of the area was inaccessible to ground vehicles. As of 6 p.m. Thursday, 840 acres had burned.

Civil Defense warned residents and travelers that they should be on the lookout for emergency vehicles. "Smoke from the fire may affect visibility for driving and air quality for Wai'ōhinu area including Green Sands, Mark Twain Estates and Discovery Harbour. The public is requested to stay out of the active fire area."

Through the firefighters efforts, however, the spreading fire "slowed down throughout nighttime hours," on Thursday, though "much of area [was] still actively burning" on Friday, announced the Fire Department. By midmorning Saturday, the fire had grown again, "substantially" with "about 1,400 acres" burned, the Fire Department reported.

The brushfire "is long, reaching from Waikapuna Bay to within 0.75 miles of Green Sands Subdivision, and has more than a dozen spot fires outside the main burn area," said Saturday's release. It has "continued to burn through uneven terrain with variable fuel/vegetation mixtures." The "spot fires range from 100 square feet to several acres. Air support by two helicopters using water drops assisted ground units who were extinguishing fires that had jumped firebreaks."

By nightfall on Saturday, reported the Fire Department, "the fire was contained, with no further fires outside of [4-wheel drive] roads widened by bull dozers, creating a perimeter for the approximately 1,600 acre fire." However, the crew stayed over for a third night to

> stop fire from jumping the containment lines. On Sunday, Sept. 24, the Fire Department announced a total burn of 1.645 acres.

The Fire Department described the location as "rugged plains with limited 4x4 vehicle access" over "primarily cattle pasture, with some native trees and archeology of unknown periods."

A statement from Hawai'i Fire Department at about 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, said the cause of the fire was "undetermined" at that time but "no structures

[had] burned or [were] in immediate danger."

During the fire, residents also reported. On Thursday, Sept. 21, Cheryl Cuevas said that the fire had been "burning on the coast below Mark Twain all day. It was going when we got up around 5:30 a.m. this morning and Fire Department was already working it." She said that later in the day she saw it had "spread Mauka-Kona direction." When she called the fire department she said she was told the fire was being fought and that they could evacuate if they think they should, but at their own discretion as it was not officially recommended at that point.

Thomas Pasquale posted on The Ka'ū Calendar Facebook: "Thank you for reporting on this. As we smelled smoke and watched the fire spread closer and closer to Green Sands and Mark Twain subdivisions on Saturday, we kept checking back on the Civil Defense website all day for any update. Even now, at 10 a.m. on Sunday, their latest alert is dated last Thursday at 6 p.m.. Don't get me wrong,





Smoke affected visibility for driving and Fire Department air quality for Wai'ōhinu area including reported: "Due to the Green Sands, Mark Twain Estates, and Discovery Harbor.



County Fire Department said 1,645 acres Photo by Lizzy Stabo

