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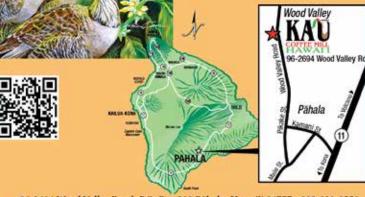


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Sat, May 14, Ka'ū Coffee Recipe Contest, Ka'ū Coffee Mill, 928-0550

Sat, May 14, Miss Ka'ū Coffee Pageant, Ka'ū Coffee Mill, 928-0606

Sun, May 15, Lobster Palooza, Punalu'u, 929-9550

Wed & Thu, May 18 & 19, Ka'ū Mountain Water Systems Hike, Olson Trust, 928-0550

Fri, May 20 Coffee & Cattle Day, Aikane Plantation Coffee Farm, 808-927-2252

Fri, May 20 Ka'ū Star Gazing, Olson Trust 928-0550

Sat, May 21 Hoʻolaulea, Pāhala Community Center, 929-9550

Sat, May 21, Farm & Mill Tours, from Pāhala Community Center, 929-9550

Sat, May 21, Ka'ū Coffee Experience, Pāhala Community Center, 929-9550

Sun, May 22, Ka'ū Coffee College, Pāhala Community Center, 929-9550

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The Directory 2016

Business & Community Resource Guide from the Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce

The Directory is published annually by the Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce to promote progress and business development in all of Ka'ū.

P.O. Box 6710, Ocean View, HI 96737, Voice Mail: 939-8449, www.kauchamber.org

From the President

Dear Community of Ka'ū,

Welcome to The Directory 2016 for Ka'ū.

For more than a decade, the Chamber of Commerce has produced *The Directory* as our business and community resource guide. *The Directory* is the engine that raises funding for the annual Ken Wicks scholarships for higher education in our community. The board of Kaʿū Chamber of Commerce sees this as one of our most important, sustaining accomplishments.

Toward this effort we encourage thought about the economic future of District of Kaʿū, soliciting essays about our community and students' dreams for its future. This year's winning piece by Gregory Javar looks at the intersection of science and Hawaiian tradition and his quest to become an engineer. You can learn about our scholars and read Javar's winning *Local Lands in Local Hands* essay on pages 12 and 80.

As another year begins, we encourage our community to continue to support the scholarship program through direct donations to Kaʿū Chamber of Commerce and through participation in *The Directory*.

Kaʻū Scenic Byways, a Kaʻū Chamber committee, is also making great strides. It was initiated by the late Marge Elwell, a former Kaʻū Chamber president, and Dennis Elwell, of Discovery Harbour. To carry on her legacy, the committee looks forward to installing more signage along Hwy 11. An ongoing project is an educational kiosk at Nāʿālehu Park, which includes displays on the history of the area. A new project is to complete signs along the 51 miles of scenic highway in Kaʿū, identifying the dates of lava flows. See pages 74 and 75.

In the meantime, Ocean View Scenic Overlook continues to educate visitors and residents with interpretive displays, describing the volcanic flows with their differing lava types, and growth of new life - the ohia, ferns and many other species.

Looking forward to our Fall event, the Chamber encourages our community to start creating for the annual art show, Oct.31- Nov. 3, themed the Beauty of Kaʻū. In 2015, this beauty was shown in many media, from the Peter Anderson photograph gracing this cover, to quilts, fiber art, paintings and much more. See pages 8 and 9.

As we enjoy life here during 2016, we need to be thankful for all that Kaʿū gives us and the diverse population who live here. Please share *The Directory* with everyone and ask others to join.



Donna Masaniai President Kaʻū Chamber of Commerce

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COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Aha Moku Council

The council promotes the 10 centuriesold Hawaiian system of natural resource management that has been handed down in oral tradition and practice. It is based on the concept of 'ahupua'a, the traditional land and ocean tenure system of Hawai'i. For the Ka'ū council, contact Darlyne Vierra at 640-8740, dpvierra@ yahoo.com. See www.ahamoku.org

Arc of Kona

Provides services to persons with disabilities, their advocates and families. Yvonne, 323-2626 ext.106 www.arcofkona.org

Big Island Community Coalition

The organization's mission is to work "for the greater good of Hawai'i Island and its people." Its priority is "to make Big Island electric rates the lowest in the state by emphasizing use of local resources. Rising electric and food prices threaten the health of our community." The organization testified against the recent 'Aina Koa Pono project which was turned down by the state Public Utilities Commission. AKP would have built a biofuel microwave refinery on the edge of Wood Valley and harvested trees, brush and grasses between Pāhala and Nā'ālehu. See www.bigislandcommunitycoalition.com

Boys and Girls Club

Inspires and enables young people to realize their full potential. Nā'ālehu & Pāhala www.bgcbi.com

Center for Hawaiian Music Studies

Founded by Keoki Kahumoku, has sponsored and contributed to music education throughout Ka'u with classes, workshops, youth performances, supporting local events and bringing masters of Hawaiian music to the community. Keoki Kahumoku and Tiffany Crosson, tiffanyfreedom@gmail.com.



Nohea Kaʻawa follows a keiki carrying Lono in the Makahiki Pule 'Āina Holo, traditional run through Ka'ū in November.

Coalition for Tobacco Free Hawaii

Non-profit dedicated to reducing tobacco use through education, policy and advocacy. 320 Ward Ave. Ste. 212. Honolulu, HI 96814 Tami MacAller, 238-0930 tmacaller@tobaccofreehawaii.org tobaccofreehawaii.org



U.S. Rep. Tulsi Gabbard met with Ka'ū Coffee Growers Cooperative Pres. Gloria Camba and Land Security Chair Trini Marques late last year as they approached 20 years of farming and marketing to develop the famed Ka'ū Coffee economy. Photo by Maria Miranda

Conservation Council for Hawai'i

The Conservation Council for Hawai'i is dedicated to protecting native Hawaiian plants, animals, and ecosystems for future generations. The organization chose the monk seal image by Volcano artist Carol Loebel-Freed for its poster distributed to schools. See www. conservehi.org

Cooper Center Council

Community Center PO Box 1000, Volcano 96785 Phone 967-7800 kilaueatutu@gamil.com www.thecoopercenter.org

Discovery Harbour Community

P.O. Box 651, Nā'ālehu, HI 96772 929-9576, dhca@discoveryharbour.net

Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park

Offers seminars, talks, hikes, and volunteer opportunities that complement the Park's educational mission. 985-7373 or friendskaul@gmail.com www.fhvnp.org

Friends of Kahuku Park

Improves the county park in Ocean View for keiki and their families, 929-9113

Friends of Ka'ū Libraries

Supports Pāhala Public & School Library and Nā'ālehu Public Library P.O. Box 400, Pāhala, HI 96777 President Ann Fontes, 987-7748 afontes@hawaiiantel.net

Green Sands Community Association

Serving the Green Sands Community with creation of a park, services and activities

Habitat for Humanity West Hawai'i

Partners with families and veterans to build homes in Ocean View and elsewhere to achieve home ownership. 75-5576 Kauhola St., Kailua-Kona, HI 96740 331-8010, info@habitatwesthawaii.org

Handijam

A nonprofit, music-based fundraising organization headquartered in Ocean View.Sponsors indoor and outdoor concerts to raise money for other community groups, with emphasis on the handicapped, veterans and youth. Call Charlene Raco at 917-561-4800.

Hawai'i Farmers Union United

Advocates for family farmers and ranchers; asserts that a multitude of small diversified farms who implement regenerative techniques in growing and raising of food will create a resilient, vital and productive agricultural system to feed Hawai'i's people. A chapter of National Farmers Union founded in Point, Texas in 1902, Contact copresident Greg Smith at 443-3300, gailandgreg@mac.com

Hawai'i Island Chamber of Commerce

Helps businesses and promotes the Big Island. 117 Keawe St., Hilo, HI 96720 935-7178, www.hicc.biz

Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association

A nonprofit cooperating association working in partnership with the National Park Service. Proceeds from the store in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park and other locations support interpretation, educational programs, research projects, publications, and cultural activities. See www.hawaiipacificparks.org. P.O. Box 74, Hawai'i National Park, HI 9671, Call 985-6051.

Hawai'i Public Radio

Hawai'i Public Radio is operating KAHU FM 91.7 in Pāhala and has promised to extend coverage throughout south and east Hawai'i for HPR2. HPR also

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Community Organizations, cont. from pg. 6 promises to look into live broadcasts from such remote locations as Ka'ū and Hana, Maui. Ka'ū was the last part of the inhabited Hawaiian Islands for HPR to extend its reach. It purchased the license from the KAHU community radio operator in 2013. For programming, see www.hawaiipublicradio.org and www.hpr2.org. Also see http://www. hawaiipublicradio.org/streaming.

Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park

With much of the park located in Ka'ū, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park displays the results of 70 million years of volcanism, migration and evolution. Offers many cultural and environmental interpretive outdoor and indoor programs at both the Kahuku unit and the Volcano unit. 985-6000, www.nps.gov/havo

Hawai'i Wildlife Fund

Conserving the native wildlife of Hawai'i through research, education and restoration along the Ka'ū coast. P.O. Box 70, Volcano, HI 96785 Megan Lamson 769-7629 or kahakai.cleanups@gmail.com www.wildhawaii.org

Hawaiian Civic Club of Ka'ū

Provides scholarships and cultural programs. Meets third Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Nā'ālehu Methodist Church. P.O. Box 7021, Ocean View, HI 96737 President Blossom DeSilva, 929-9731



Hawai'i Wildlife Fund hosts regular volunteer cleanup days along the Ka'ū Coast. Most of the trash, including fishing lines, and many kinds of plastic waste comes from far away. Contact Megan Lamson at kahakai.cleanups@gmail.com.

Hawaiian Ranchos Community

Association

Serving Ranchos Community Secretary Sandra Shelton 929-8242 Change email to ranchos96737@gmail.com P.O. Box 6062, Ocean View, HI 96737

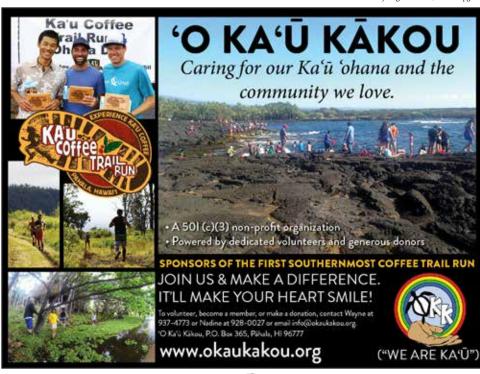
Hawaiian Ranchos Road Maintenance Corp.

Maintaining roads in Ranchos Subdivision. 92-1347 Kohala Blvd P.O. Box 7007, Ocean View, HI 96737 Phone 929-9608: Fax 929-9622 office@ranchos-roads.org www.ranchos-roads.org

Hawaiian Volcano Observatory

HVO is operated by the U.S. Geological Survey for scientific research, education and to warn the public about lava flows and earthquakes, as well as to record them. For daily updates, see http:// hvo.wr.usgs.gov/activity/kilaueastatus. php. For weekly essays, see http:// hvo.wr.usgs.gov/volcanowatch. To see reports on time, size and depth of earthquakes, see http://hvo.wr.usgs. gov/seismic/volcweb/earthquakes. HVO also offers many volunteer opportunities. See http://hvo.wr.usgs.gov/volunteer/ how.html

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Peter Anderson won the cover contest for The Directory 2016 with his Red Caldera photo taken from The Jaggar Museum at Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. More than half of the park, including the caldera, is located in Ka'ū.

Red Caldera Takes People's Choice Award

Ka'ū artists displayed their talents at the annual Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce Art Show last November. Peter Anderson's Red Caldera won People's Choice and graces the cover of *The Directory 2016*. The photographic image comes from a site in Ka'ū with a spectacular view of the Kīlauea caldera from the Jaggar Museum area in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Anderson, himself a Ka'ū resident, donated his \$100 winnings to the Chamber's scholarship program. Next show is Oct. 31 - Nov. 3.

A panel of judges chose Best of Show and first through third and honorable mention winners. They are:

Best of Show: Suzanne Dix Kaliko, Aunty Shows Her Quilt.

Photography: First Place Peter Anderson, Red Caldera; Second Place Ed Bruneau, Throw Net Fishing; Third Place Lee McIntosh, Pink Petaled Path.

Sculpture: First Place Susan Condie Jennings, Ka'ū Landing, Ni'ihau-technique gourd; Second

Place Scott Manley, Navigational Fishhook, handengraved slate; Third Place Dave Golston, Honus and Manta, Koa wood.

Woodworking: First Place Thomas King, Milo Loveseat; Second Place Dave Golston, Whales on Koa.

Quilting: First Place Teri Jensen Phillips, The Reef; Second Place Nadine Ebert, Ron's Seascape; Third Place Alice Hosticka, Proof of Concept.

Jewelry: First Place Ann Snow, Jewels of the Thomas King's Milo Love Seat won Beach; Second Place Toni first place in Woodworking. Santana, Nene and Shells;



Suzanne Dix Kaliko's Aunty Shows Her Quilt won Best in Show and first place in Painting.









Susan Condie Jennings' Kaʻū Landing won first in Sculpture. The dye for the pattern is made of Ka'ū Coffee.

Photo by Peter Anderson



Ānela Angel, by Jeannette Howard, placed first in Weaving.

Third Place Kathie Griffeth, Beauty and the Beans.

Lei: First Place Elizabeth Kuluwaimaka, Liko Lehua.

Graphics: First Place Dave Golston, Honu with Honu, image on wood; Second Place Nancy Lake, untitled block print; Third Place Marla McCasland, untitled block print.

Painting: First Place Suzanne Dix Kaliko, Aunty Shows Her Quilt; Second Place Grace Smith won first place in Lynn Van Leeuwen, Punalu'u Palms; Third Youth Division with Ku Kae Place Tanya Ibarra, Girls of Kawa.

Weaving: Jeannette Howard, Anela Angel.

Youth: First Place Grace Smith, Ku. Kae Kolea, lei: Second Place Lorilee Lorenzo, Ka'ū Kountry Keiki, photograph.

Keiki: First Place Audrey Meyer, Fin the Gecko, drawing; Second Place Kamali Compehos, untitled drawing; Third Place

Nalu Compehos, untitled drawing.





The Reef, by Teri Jensen Phillips, won first in Quilting.



Audrey Meyer placed first in Keiki division with Fin the Gecko.



Jewels of the Beach, by Ann Snow, placed first in the Jewelry Division.



EMERGENCY? CALL 911

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Nā'ālehu	939-2520
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Kaʻū Central Dispatch, Hilo	935-3311
Crime Stoppers329-8181,	961-8300
Ice Hotline	329-0423
Ambulances - Located in Ocean View, Nā'ālehu	
and Volcano	Call 911
Fire Departments - Located in Ocean View, Nā'ālehu,	Pāhala and

Volunteer Fire Departments

In case of fire, call 911. To volunteer, call your neighborhood volunteer fire captain:

Discovery Harbour, Capt. Ken Shisler4	10-299-5359
Nāʻālehu, Capt. Wade Baji	929-9923
Ocean View, Capt. Mack Goddard	939-7602
Pāhala, Capt. Ron Ebert	928-0027
Volcano, Capt. Paul Lakin	985-9438

SO2 & Vog Advisories

The state Department of Health operates air quality monitors in Volcano, Pāhala and Ocean View, reporting conditions every 15 minutes, along with warnings and recommendations for healthy and health-impaired people regarding the amount of sulphur dioxide emitted from Kīlauea Volcano that is blown by breezes and wind to each community. See http://biso2index.info/.

The American Red Cross

The Red Cross mans shelters during disasters and also helps take care of families when their houses are lost to floods and fires. The Red Cross is in need of volunteers. 55 Ululani, Hilo HI 96720; Phone 935-8305 Disaster Hotline, call 987-8595

Emergency Water Supply

The nearest public water spigots can be found at Ocean View Water Station, Wai'öhinu Transfer Station, Wai'öhinu Park, Mountain View Gym, Kurtistown Park.

Ka'ū Emergency Preparedness

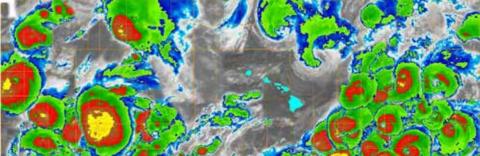
To prepare for a major natural disaster, such as an earthquake, hurricane, flood or lava flow, the very isolated community of Ka'ū prepares for self reliance.

During a disaster, major roads could be blocked by fallen trees and landslides making it necessary for communities to "Rescue in Place." Phones, power and water could be cut off. Shelters may be limited and people may be moved from one community to another. It could be days before medical supplies, food and clean water reach Ka'ū communities.

To prepare for such a disaster, families can put together disaster kits with the following on hand in their homes and businesses:

- Disaster First Aid Kit
- A family sized First Aid kit with manual.
- Water (one gallon per person per day) and food for a minimum of 15 days.
- A 30 day supply of prescription medications.
- · Flashlight, extra batteries, cell phone, scanner.
- A battery-powered AM-FM radio: NOAA Weather Radio.
- Whistle, dust masks, towelettes, garbage bags, non-electric can opener, picnic supplies.
- · Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities.
- Local maps, important documents, ID, cash and traveler's checks.
- A 15 to 30 day supply of food and water for pets and livestock.
- Regular, household liquid chlorine bleach.
- Clothing, shoes and blankets. Camping equipment and supplies. A fire extinguisher. Books and games.

See more at www.hawaiicounty.gov/civil-defense



A record number of tropical storms and hurricanes swirled around the islands in 2015, sending much rain and hot, tropical weather to Kaʿū, but never coming ashore with hurricane winds.





Police Commissioner Bobby Gomes, of Pāhala, received a commendation from the County Council in 2015 for Photo by William Neal 53 years of police service.

PARKS & COMMUNITY CENTERS

Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park9	85-6000
Honuʻapo/Whittington Beach Park9	61-8311
Kahuku Park in Ocean View9	29-9113
Nāʿālehu Community Center and Park9	39-2510
Ocean View Community Center9	39-7033
Pāhala Community Center & Park9	28-3102
Pāhala Community Swimming Pool9	28-8177
Punalu'u Beach Park9	61-8311
Volcano Cooper Center9	67-7800

Mauna Loa Rumbles, Volcano Alert Elevated

Volcano Hawaiian Observatory scientists elevated Mauna Loa's Volcano Alert Level from NORMAL to ADVISORY in 2015. This indicates Mauna Loa is showing signs of unrest above known background levels. "It's possible that the increased level of activity at Mauna Loa could continue for many months, or years, without leading to an eruption," said Tina Neal, HVO's Scientist-in-Charge. "It is also possible that the current unrest could be a precursor to the next eruption of Mauna Loa. But at this early stage, we cannot determine precisely which possibility is more likely."

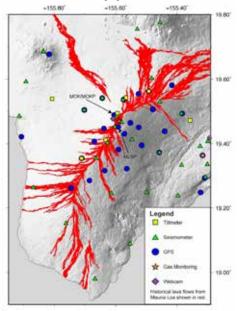
Frank Trusdell, an HVO geologist who has extensively studied and mapped Mauna Loa, said, "The alert level change at Mauna Loa reminds us that it is an active volcano that will erupt again someday, so we should be prepared."

In response to the status change, HVO posts weekly Mauna Loa updates on the HVO website (http://hvo.wr.usgs.gov/activity/maunaloastatus. php). Updates are available through signing up for the free USGS Volcano Notification Service (http://volcanoes.usgs.gov/vns/).

facilitate public awareness preparedness, HVO posted "Frequently Asked Questions about Mauna Loa" (http://hvo.wr.usgs. gov/maunaloa/FAQ_Maunaloa/).

Current monitoring data for Mauna Loa is also posted on the HVO website at http://hvo.wr.usgs. gov/maunaloa/current/currentmonitoring.php.

For more information about Mauna Loa, other active Hawaiian volcanoes and recent earthquakes in Hawai'i, see http://hvo.wr.usgs.gov or email askHVO@usgs.gov.





Scholarship Winner Javar: Local Lands in Local Hands

Gregory K. Javar, Jr. wrote the winning essay for 2015 Ken Wicks Kaʻū Chamber of Commerce Scholarship. Javar graduated from Kaʻū High School and attended University of Hawaiʻi as a freshman. He was an exchange student at University of Alaska during his sophomore year and returned to UH-Manoa last fall.

Entitled *Local Lands in Local Hands*, Javar's essay considers the current controversy regarding stewardship of Mauna Kea and construction of the Thirty Meter Telescope there.

Here is the essay:

"A'ole TMT! A'ole TMT!" These are the chants of Native Hawaiians speaking from their hearts to stop production on our sacred Mauna Kea. The preservation of our Hawaiian lands plays such an important role in the Hawaiian culture, while advancing technology plays an important role in the science world. There seems to be no peaceful solution to these rising conflicts. Why can't the native people and the scientists find peace? Different mindsets. In the Hawaiian culture, the people know the significance in the Mauna and see it as a sacred and holy place. While on the scientific end, the Mauna is just as equally significant, only for a different reason, scientific discovery. The mountain reveals



Gregory Javar, Jr. accepts Ken Wicks scholarship from chair Lee McIntosh.

Photo by Julia Neal

that there are two different sides, the cultural and the scientific. Although there are many scientists who try to preserve the Hawaiian culture, I believe there is not enough. This is part of the reason why I am pursuing my goal in becoming a civil engineer.

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OCEAN VIEW COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC 501(c)3

OVCA Mission Statement:

Ocean View Community Association provides a place at reasonable cost, to the community for meetings, seminars, community forums, political events, informational awareness, parties, weddings, etc.and maintains its facilities by soliciting memberships, building use fees,donations, grants, and volunteers. OVCA receives no county or state funding.

OVCA Partners:

Na'alehu Schools, Veterans Administration, Chamber of Commerce, C.E.R.T., Volunteer Fire, South Point U-Cart, Alii Veterinary Hospital, Ka'u Water. Ka'u Rubbish, Oven Treats & South Point Salsa. Ron Hawkes CPA, County of Hawai'i.

OVCA Services:

Official Voting Place, Karate, Fitness, Advocats Clinics, Community Lending Library, Computer Lab, DVD usage, Church Services, FREE Thanksgiving Dinner, Keiki Christmas Party. Reader Board on weekly events, bi-monthly Newsletter.



Office Hours 8am—Noon Monday-Friday

Board of Directors Meetings: 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.





Pāhala Hongwanji will host its first Bon Dance in many years on Aug. 23, with music, dance and food, celebrating the harvest and honoring ancestors.

Photo by Julia Neal

Churches of Ka'ū

Amazing Grace Baptist Church	
of South Point	313-0344
Assembly of God, Nāʻālehu	929-7278
Assembly of God, Volcano	967-8191
Church of Christ, Ocean View	928-0027
Evangelical Church, Ocean View	939-9089
Hokuloa Church	
(Henry Opukahaia Chapel), Punaluʻu	
Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Pāhala	928-8208



Ka'ū Rural Health Community Association will host its sixth annual Floating Lantern Celebration on Saturday, Nov. 26 at Punalu'u Medicine Pond. The event remembers those who have passed and draws music and food for all to this spiritual gathering. Photo from KRHCAI.

Hongwanji Buddhist Mission, Nāʻālehu	. 936-7161
Hongwanji Buddhist Mission, Pāhala	. 928-8254
Iglesia Ni Cristo, Nāʻālehu	. 929-9173
Jehovah's Witnesses, Nāʻālehu	. 929-7602
Kauahaʻao Church, Waiʻōhinu	. 929-9997
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saint	S,
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Nāʻālehu	. 929-7123
Naʿālehu New Hope Christian Fellowship, Volcano	
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St. Jude's Episcopal Church Senior Warden Tom White, 929-9309

92-8606 Paradise Circle P.O. Box 6026 Ocean View, HI 96737 Phone 939-7000, Senior Nutrition Program

Tibetan Buddhist Temple, Wood Valley 928-8539 Thy Word Ministries - Kaʻū, Nāʻālehu 936-9114 United Methodist Church, Nāʻālehu 929-9949



CALENDAR 2016

subject to change. Please check The Ka'ū Calendar, www.kaunewsbriefs.blogspot.com, www.kaucalendar.com for updates.

Exercise and Meditation

- Pāhala Pool Schedule: Rec Swim Daily 1:15 -4 p.m., 10 a.m. 11 a.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. 11 a.m. weekends. Adult lap swim 11 a.m. 12 p.m. daily; Water exercise 8:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m, Mon, Wed, Fri, 928-8177
- Age Group Volleyball, Mon 5 7 p.m., adult volleyball, Wed 5 7 p.m., Nā'ālehu Community Center.
 Richard, 939-2510
- Gentle Senior Yoga, Mon/Wed, 2:30 4 p.m., Nā'ālehu Hongwanji. Senior price \$10 for 10 sessions.
 Stephanie Pepper, 937-7940
- Free Play Sports & Games, Mon Fri, 1 4:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. For ages 6 12. Teresa, 929-9113
- Instructional Tennis, Mon Thu, 3 p.m. until dark, Nā'ālehu Community Center. Richard, 939-2510
- Track & Field Practice, Mon Fri, 4 5 p.m., Kahuku Park. For ages 6 14. Teresa, 929-9113
- Basketball Instruction, Tue Thu, 5 7 p.m., Nā'ālehu Community Center. For ages 14 and above. Richard, 939-2510
- Afternoon Sports & Games, Mon Fri, 1 5 p.m., Kahuku Park. Teresa, 929-9113
- Adult Walk for Fitness, Mon Fri, 1:30 2:30 p.m., Kahuku Park. Teresa, 929-9113
- Zumba Fitness, Mon, Tue, 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
- Kenpo Karate, Tue, Thu, Ocean View Community Center, children 5p.m. 6 p.m.; adults 6:30 8 p.m. Gordon Buck. 285-6294.
- Karate, Tue/Fri, 5:30 p.m., Pāhala Community Center, Pāhala Karate Dojo, 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's Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. \$5. Rob Kennedy, 985-9151
- Hula Kahiko, Thu, 4 6 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Hall. Ka'ū School of the Arts, 854-1540,



Ka'ū 'Ohana Band plays at many activities throughout the year.





896-8472 or info@kauarts.org

 Country Line Dance Classes, Thu, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Hall. Suzanne, 930-4678

Weekly & Daily Activities

- Volcano Farmers Market, Sun, 6 10 a.m., Cooper Center. Fruits and veggies, swap meet and more. EBT welcome. Contact Linda Ugalde, 936-9705
- Beginning Hawaiian Language Classes, taught by Kupuna Jeanette Howard, are held the first and third Sundays at 2:30 p.m. at the Ka'ū Youth Center next to the Nā'ālehu Community Center. Classes are followed by an informal kanikapila with singing Hawaiian songs and participants are encouraged to bring 'ukulele and other instruments. Both are free and open to the public. Sponsored by Hawaiian Civic Club of Ka'ū. Call Bev Byouk at 936-7262.
- Health Insurance Sign-ups, Mon, 9 a.m. 12 p.m., OceanView Community Center. 939-7033
- Tūtū and Me Traveling Preschool, free classes Mon/Wed, Nā'ālehu Community Center; Tue/Thu, 8:30 -10:30 a.m., Pāhala Community Center. 929-8571
- Niaulani Nature Walks, Mon, 9:30 a.m., Volcano Art Center's Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village. These
 one-hour nature walks travel 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 everyone aged 60+. Julie, 928-3101
- Pāhala Senior Center Activities & Social Events. Contact Julie for more information, 928-3101.
- Nā'ālehu Senior Nutrition Center (Hawai'i County Nutrition Program), Lunch served Mon Fri, 10:45
 a.m. for residents aged 60+, greater Nā'ālehu area. 939-2505
- Ocean View Nutrition Site and Senior Club hosts activities at St. Jude's Church on Mon/Wed/Fri from 8:30 a.m. and provides lunches 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. for seniors 60+. Donations requested. On Thu, the program takes seniors to Kailua-Kona for doctors appointments, grocery shopping and to pick up prescriptions. Program closed Tue. Dick Hershberger, 989-4140



Tütü & Me Traveling Preschool

There is life-giving substance from the elders.

Tūtū and Me is a no-cost early educational program for keiki ages birth to five and their caregivers. Tūtū and Me provides quality tools, resources, materials and activities to encourage social, emotional, physical and cognitive development. Parents, tūtū, aunties and uncles are welcome to enroll up to three children. We encourage families to stop in to experience Tūtū and Me on any Tuesday or Thursday at Pāhala Community Center or at Nā'alehu Community Center on Monday or Wednesday from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Please call 929-8571 for more information.

If you are interested in a home-based program, Tütü and Me offers a Home Visiting Program

for caregivers with keiki ages birth to five. The program is Free, FUN and offers families caregiver support and educational resources from Tūtū and Me. Please call our Home Visitor, Linda Bong, for more information at 464-9634. Mahalo nui loa and we look forward to talking to you soon!



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Lorilee Lorenzo was 2015 Pā'ū Queen at Ka'ū Plantation Days, Independence Day and Rodeo Queen at the 2016 Pana'ewa Stampede.

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

Family History/Geneology Workshops, Tue, 4 – 6



- p.m., Nā'ālehu Mormon Church. Theresa Ducret presents free, online workshops. Appointments, 238-6221
- Kanikapila Jam Sessions, Tue, 5:30 7 p.m., Volcano Art Center's Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village, 967-8222
- Ka'ū Community Chorus Rehearsals, Mon, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Discovery Harbour Community Hall; Ka'ū School of the Arts, 854-1540 or info@ kauarts.org
- · Ka'ū Driver License Office, Tue/Wed by appointment. 854-7214
- Movie Matinee, Tue, 2:30 p.m., Nā'ālehu Public Library. Free, family-friendly movies for all ages plus free popcorn. 939-2442
- Kenoi Karati, Tue and Thur, 5 p.m. 8 p.m.
- 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
- Free Dinner, Wed, 4 6 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. Bring a can; have a meal. Everyone welcome; volunteers needed. Donations





Veteran Hawaiian Civic Club of Kaʻū Kupuna Jeanette Howard teaches Hawaiian language classes. Photo by Julia Nea

- 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. 2 p.m.,
 Ocean View Community Center. Call David, 3290574.
- Color Me Happy, Thu, 3 6 p.m Nā'ālehu Library.
 Coloring club for all ages. 939-2442
- Desperately Seeking Serenity AFG meeting, Thu, 5 p.m., St. Jude's Episcopal Church in Ocean View. Carolyn, 747-2624
- Women, Infant, Children Services, Fri (except holidays) at various locations. 965-3030 or 934-3209

- accepted c/o OVCC. 939-7033
- Ka Lena Na Keiki O Ka'ū, Wed, 4 6 p.m., Ocean View Community Center. Nonprofit 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.;



Friends of Kaʻū Libraries march in Kaʻū parades.

Photo from The Ka'u Calendar

- 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.
- Ka'ū 'Ohana Band Rehearsals, Fri, 4 p.m. 6 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, 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'öhinu (929 -7674); Happy, Joyous and Free Group, Mon/Thu, 7 p.m. and Sat, 5 p.m., St. Jude's in Ocean View. West Hawai'i Intergroup, 329-1212 or the Hilo office, 961-6133



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Keiki Fishing Tournament, Sat, Jan 23, Punalu'u Beach Park. 937-4773

Mardi Gras, Fri, Feb 12, St. Jude's Church in Ocean View with 6 p.m. dinner. 939-7000



Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalanianaʻole

Prince Kuhio Day, will be celebrated on Saturday, March 26 at Nā'ālehu Community Center with a court, entertainment, games and food. Sponsored by Hawaiian Civic Club of Ka'ū. Call Darlyne Vierra at 640-8740. Easter Services, Sun, March 27 throughout Ka'ū.

Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce

Scholarship Essay, Deadline - April 1. The application is on line at www.kauchamber.org. Students, of all ages from Ka'ū, or who live in Ka'ū, who are college bound this year, already going to college or other secondary education, are eligible.

Mongolian Barbecues, Sat, Apr 9, 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. and Oct 8, 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m, Cooper Center in Volcano Village. Chefs wok up your choice of ingredients over an open flame. Linda Ugalde 936-9705.

Cinco de Mayo Dinner, Fri, May 6, St. Jude's Church in Ocean View with 6 p.m. dinner, 939-7000



Fibers from nature are the makings of local art.

Photo from Volcano Art Center



Kaʻū Libraries offer safe ways to celebrate many occasions. Nāʻālehu Library staff members Jennifer Losalio and Sara Kamibayashi invite the public to participate in many activities.

Mother's Day, Sun, May 8. Special dinners throughout Ka'ū.

Pa'ina Open House Kickoff Celebration For Ka'u Coffee Festival, Fri, May 13, Pāhala Plantation House 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Co-sponsored by Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce.

Miss Ka'ū Coffee Pageant, Junior Miss Ka'ū Coffee and Miss Ka'ū Peaberry, Saturday, May 14 at 5 p.m. at Ka'ū Coffee Mill. Call Pageant Chair Gloria Camba at 928-8558.

Ka'ū Coffee Recipe Contest, Sunday, May 14 at Ka'ū Coffee Mill at 2 p.m. Enjoy culinary treats using Ka'ū Coffee as an ingredient. Free entry and tasting for the public. Live entertainment. See kaucoffeemill.com or call 928-0550.

Ka'ū Mountain Water System Hike, Wed/Thu May 18/19 at 9 a.m. starting at Ka'ū Coffee Mill. Reservations required. See kaucoffemill.com or call 928-0550.

Coffee & Cattle Day, Friday, May 20 at 10 a.m. on the 'Aikane Plantation Coffee Co. Call 808-927-2252 for reservations.

Ka'ū Star Gazing at Makanau Mountain, Friday, May 20, 5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. See kaucoffeemill. com or call 928-0550.

Ka'ū Coffee Festival Ho'olaule'a, Saturday, May 21, 9 a.m. 5 p.m. at Pāhala Community Center. Enjoy a free, full day of music, hula, Ka'ū Coffee Tasting, educational displays and demonstrations, food, arts, crafts, vendors and a keiki corner. Enjoy live entertainment. For more information, call Chris Manfredi at 929-9550

Ka'ū Coffee Experience, Saturday, May 21, 9:30 a.m - noon, 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Sample Ka'ū Coffees prepared using a wide variety of techniques, served by expert baristas.

Farm & Mill Tours, Saturday, May 21, Various times, \$20. See kaucoffeefest.com for more information.

Ka'ū Coffee College, Sunday May 22, 9 a.m. at Pāhala Community Center. Educational series







Ka'ū High's cheerleading squad is going strong after a near 10-year hiatus.

Photos from cheerleading Coach Jessica Carroll

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Ka'ū High School	928-2081
Ka'ū Learning Academy	
Nā'ālehu Elementary	
Pāhala Elementary	
Pāhala Preschool	

Libraries		
Nāʻālehu Public Library	939-2442	
Nāʻālehu School Library	939-2413	
Pāhala Public/School Library		
Library at Ocean View Community Center		
Once Upon a Story for Literacy	938-0411	
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Ka'ū Public Schools' 2016 Calendar

Second Semester 2015-2016 School Year:

Jan. 1, New Year's Day

Volcano School of Arts & Sciences ..

- Jan. 4, Teachers Workday
- Jan. 6, Students return from Winter Break
- · Jan. 18, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Feb. 15, Presidents Day
- Mar. 16 24, Spring Break
- Mar 28 Kuhio Day, Good Friday
- May 20, Class of 2016 Graduates from Ka'ū High
- May 26, Student's last day of school

First Semester 2016 - 2017 School Year:

- Aug 1, First Day for Students
- Aug. 19, Statehood Day
- · Sept. 5, Labor Day
- Oct. 10 14, Fall Intercession
- Nov. 11, Veterans Day
- Nov. 24 & 25, Thanksgiving Holidays
- Dec. 25 Christmas Day
- Jan. 6 Winter Break Ends





Makahiki Grounds to be Preserved

Makahiki grounds and gaming fields are set to be preserved between Honu'apo and Nāʿālehu makai of Hwy 11. The purchase money for the 13-acre Kahua 'Olohū parcel will come from the county Public Access, Open Space and Natural Resources Preservation Fund, which is acquired through property tax revenues. The approval to negotiate with the owners, who are willing sellers, came from the County Council Finance Committee late last year and was supported by Ka'ū County Council member Maile David.



Maile Medeiros David won a two-year term in November of 2014, to serve South Kona, Ka'ū and Volcano on the Hawai'i County Council. Photo by Julia Neal/The Ka'ū Calendar

Your Public Officials

County Councilmember Maile Medeiros David............. 323-4277 25 Aupuni St., Hilo, HI 96720, maile.david@hawaiicounty.gov www.hawaii-county.com/directory/dir_council.htm Hawai'i County Mayor Billy Kenoi.... .961-8211

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State Sen, Russell Ruderman



State Rep. Richard Onishi

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Governor's Office for West Ka'ū	327-4953
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U.S. Senator Brian Schatz	202-224-3934
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gov, www.whitehouse.gov	

Important Government Contacts

County Building Division	961-8331
County Planning Dept	961-8288
District Court	322-8700
Drivers License in Nā'ālehu	854-7214
HeleOn Bus	.heleonbus.org, 961-8744
Ka'ū Community Development Plan	961-8137
Passports	877-487-2778





Ka'ū Community Wars Against Fire Ants

A community-based effort to eradicate Little Fire Ants continues throughout Ka'ū. The Hawai'i Ant Lab reminds residents that "Little Fire Ants are ubiquitous and well-established on the windward side of the Big Island of Hawai'i," including Nā'ālehu. They have also been found in Pāhala.

The county Department of Parks & Recreation is treating known fire ant habitats. "In order to get rid of this invasive ant species, the community needs to treat on their private properties also," warned a statement from the Ant Lab. The Hawai'i Ant Lab, Big Island Invasive Species Committee and The Nature Conservancy are teaming up to train the community on treatment methods. The project is working in collaboration with the community to implement a community action plan for treatment, monitoring and quarantine procedures; develop and deliver training, supplies and provide technical input; and monitor outcomes. For more, contact Hawai'i Ant Lab at 315-5656 or email heather.forester@littlefireants.com.

Hospitals & Clinics

Mango Medical Ocean View	939-8100
Ka'ū Hospital Rural Health Clinic in Pāhala	932-4205
Ka'ū Hospital in Pāhala More info page on page 48, 49	
Ka'ū Family Health & Dental Center in Nā'ālehu	
Kona Community Hospital	322-9311
Hilo Hospital Hilo Medical Center	





Senior Centers & Nutrition Services

Ocean View, M-W-F, St. Jude's Church, Paradise Circle	939-7000
Pāhala	928-3101
Nā'ālehu	939-2505

H.O.V.E. Road Maintenance Corp.

92-8979 Lehua Lane PO Box 6227, Ocean View HI 96737 Phone 929-9910; Fax 929-9623 office@hoveroad.com, www.hoveroad.com



Coqui Frog Eradication Task Force

Recycling Stations

Recycle Hawaii, www.recyclehawaii.org	
HI-5 Recycling Wai'öhinu Transfer Station.	Sat & Sun 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.,
	1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Nā'ālehu School	Third Saturday of each month 9 a.m 1 p.m.
South Point ILCart	Second Saturday of each month 9 a.m 1 n.m.

Transfer Stations

Volcano:	6 a.m 6 p.m. (Mon, Thu, Sat),
Pāhala:	
Wai'ōhinu:	6 a.m 6 p.m. (Daily)
Ocean View:	9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturdays

Animal Shelters

Kea'au Humane Society	966-5458
Kona Humane Society	
Rainhow Friends Animal Sanctuary Kurtistown	982-5110

Volcanoes National Park, 96718 Kilauea Military Camp, 96718, 967-7471

Post Offices

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Nā'ālehu, 96772	95-5663 Mamalahoa Hwy, 96772, 929-7141
Ocean View, 96737	92-8676 Lotus Blossom Lane, Suite 4, 96737, 929-7593
Pāhala, 96777	
Volcano, 96785	19-4030 Old Volcano Hwy, 96785, 967-7611

800-275-8777, 800-ASK-USPS



Old fishing nets from Ka'ū beaches are recycled at Wai'ōhinu transfer Photo from Hawai'i Wildlife Fund



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Kaʻū Auto Repair brings a shocking reminder to drive safely each July 4 weekend.

Photo by Julia Neal





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Auto Repair 81-981 Haleki'i St., Kealakekua, HI 96750 Phone 322-8881; Fax 322-8818 Carla Perea, rcperea@msn.com www.autotechhi.com (ad page 24)

Ka'ū Auto Repair

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Ocean View Auto Parts

92-8674 Lotus Blossom Lane, Ocean View, HI 96737 Phone 939-8500, Fax 939-8511 Dorothy Antolin (ad page 24)

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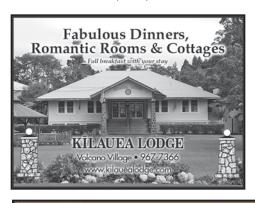
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Keiki enjoy close encounters with honu 'ea before Hawksbill Turtle Recovery Project personnel released the hatchlings. Photo by Geneveve Fyvie

before setting them off on their journey to the Pacific, where they will live out the rest of their lives



Honu 'ea hatchlings head to the ocean as Ka'ū residents and visitors watch them leave the nest at Punalu'u Black Sand Beach. Photo by Geneveve Fyvie

munching on sponges and other treats.

Honu 'ea come ashore only to nest, with confirmed sites from Ka'ū into Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park at Awili Point, Pohue Bay, Kāwā, Punalu'u, Kamehame, Halape and 'Apua Point. More than 90 percent of the nests statewide are found on this island.

Volunteers who would like to help monitor and protect nests can contact Hawksbill Turtle Recovery Project at Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park at 985-6090or email HAVO_Turtle_Project@nps.gov. Report people harming sea turtles to 974-6208 and dead, sick or injured sea turtles to 327-7780.

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Ka'ū Plantation Days parade moves to Nāʿālehu this year on Sept. 2, as the community celebrates 20 years since sugar shut down and the Ka'ū Coffee industry began. Photo by Julia Neal





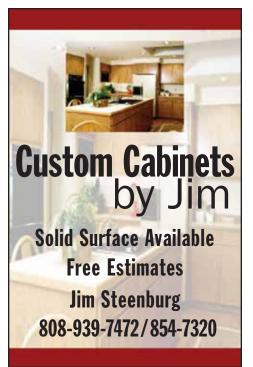
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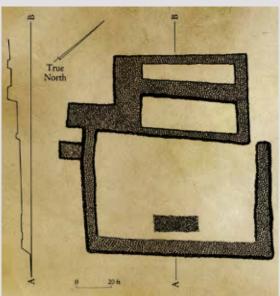
Kaʻū's ʻImakakōloa Heiau, dedicated to hula, is under the guardianship of The Edith Kanakaʻole Foundation. The foundation describes ʻImakakōloa as the only known hula heiau on this island.

According to Olson Trust land manager John Cross, John Replogle, of The Nature Conservancy, asked about the location of the heiau years ago after Olson purchased the property and as ranchers planned to use more land around it for cattle. The presence of the heiau was familiar to Cross through the archaeological survey Heiau of the Island of Hawai'i by John F.G. Stokes.

In his book, Stokes described the heiau as "a series of enclosures with walls sometimes broadened into platforms. The ground declines to the southeast, but the earth floors of the enclosure have been approximately leveled as though by cutting and filling. The large enclosure on the southeast is said to have been for the chiefs and kahuna, the stone pavement

shown being the kuahu. Outside and adjoining the wall of this enclosure on the west is a platform one foot high. To the north of the latter is another platform 4.5 feet high, an extension of the walls. This last is said to have been the hale o Papa. The second largest enclosure is said to have been for the hale hula. There was no information regarding the smallest enclosure."

Pele Hanoa, long involved in historic, cultural and land preservation efforts in Kaʻū, also informed Olson Trust about the general location of the heiau, and several crews tried unsuccessfully to find it. It was cattleman Al Galimba who

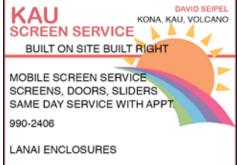


Drawing of 'Imakakōloa Heiau for hula from Heiau of the Island of Hawai'i by John F.G.

bumped into a heiau rock wall as he was clearing land for pastures and paddocks. He contacted Cross, and they identified the heiau, buried deep in a tangle of Christmasberry, cat's claw and a large monkeypod tree makai of Ka'alaiki Road between Pāhala and Nā'ālehu. Galimba withdrew cattle from the area and helped clear brush away from the heiau, followed by an Olson Trust team using small equipment to clear and protect it, fencing off about 1.5 acres around the site.

Olson Trust established an agreement with the Edith Kanaka'ole Foundation to steward the heiau.









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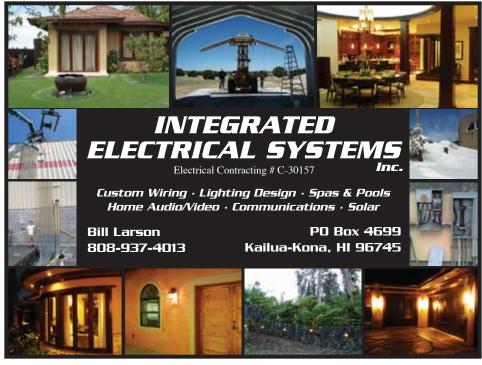
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Rainbow over Kaʻū

Photo by Richard Taylor



Traditional fisherman's landing at South Point has become a jumping place, considered dangerous as there are rocks in the waters below. Photo by Peter Anderson





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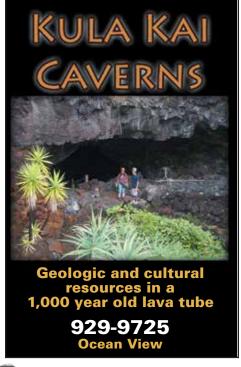
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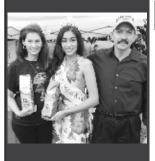
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Lani Cran Petrie became a Paniolo Hall of Fame inductee in 2015. The second child of Gordon and Genevieve Cran, Lani gained a wide per-



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Lani Cran Petrie

spective on raising livestock while growing up on ranches managed by her father and by the time she reached high school, she had decided to pursue a career in animal husbandry.

When Gordon Cran bought out Parker Ranch's interest at Kapāpala, Lani rode the ranch and helped her dad take inventory of the cattle to be purchased. This gave her time to make lifelong friends with Parker Ranch cowboys and their families.

During her years studying and working at Washington State University, Lani competed on the school's rodeo team and traveled the Pacific Northwest with team members competing in ro-

After returning to Kapāpala, Lani organized the Hawai'i Cattle Producer's Cooperative transportation division to assist ranchers transporting cattle to West Coast ports.

Lani's father handed the ranch management reins over to her in 2004. She lives there with her husband, Bill Petrie, and her mother. Her late father Gordon is also in the Paniolo Hall of Fame.

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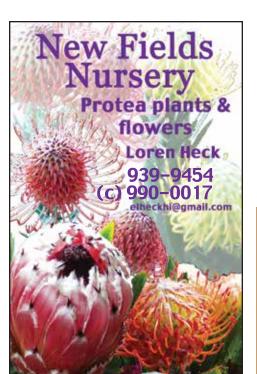
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Ka'ū Residents Fight the Dengue Bite

After some Kaʻū areas were tagged high risk for dengue fever in November 2015, all of Kaʻū was declared risk free in early February. Miloliʻis status was lowered from high risk to some risk, but health officials are asking everyone to remain diligent in eliminating habitats for mosquitoes that carry dengue.

In early February, Mayor Billy Kenoi declared a state of emergency islandwide as the number of confirmed cases surpassed 250 since October 2015 when state Department of Health reported the first two confirmed cases. The declaration helps the county undertake more mosquito control and public education and outreach.

Dengue fever is hitting many places much harder than Hawai'i, according to the international Break Dengue organization, which attributes increases to higher temperatures and international travel. It is found in more than 100 countries, from Malaysia to the Philippines, Thailand, Taiwan, Vietnam, Singapore, Taiwan and India, to Latin America and Africa. Cases have risen from 15,000 per year in the 1960s to 390 million today. Over 40 per cent of the world's population is at risk from dengue.

Dengue is a virus transmitted from an infected person to a mosquito, which can transmit dengue when it bites another person. Dengue cannot be spread directly from person to person through the air, bodily fluids or water. Symptoms are two or more of the following: fever, severe headaches, pain behind eyes, body and bone pain, vomiting and rash. Sometimes there are few symptoms.

Dengue apparently arrived to the Big Island through an infected person or persons who came here, perhaps around Hoʻokena Beach, which, along with Miloliʻi and Waipio Valley, have been closed to the public to prevent the spread.

There are two types of mosquitoes that carry dengue in Ka'ū. The aggressive and multiple-biting *Aedes aegypti* is found in this state only on this island. *Aedes albopictus*, which also transmits dengue, is found on all islands.

To "Fight The Bite," as the anti-dengue campaign slogan encourages, prevent mosquito bites by wearing light-colored clothing and long sleeve shirts and pants that minimize exposed skin, use mosquito repellent, and avoid activities in areas of high mosquito concentration during the early morning and late afternoon periods when mosquito activity is greatest. Those who suspect



dengue should contact health care providers and remain indoors to prevent being bitten and infecting mosquitoes, which could give it to other people.

Help reduce mosquito breeding areas by eliminating standing water in such containers as buckets and puddles, fixing leaky faucets and dripping hoses, treating covering water catchment tanks, cleaning gutters to allow water to drain freely, and repairing screens and windows to help keep mosquitoes out. In an effort to reduce mosquito breeding grounds, a county program that allows disposal of old tires at no charge at county transfer stations islandwide was in effect through February and could be extended.

Informational fliers about dengue are distributed to firehouses and other community locations in Ilocano, Tagalog, Spanish, Chuukese and Marshallese. Green Sand resident Bob Martin has taken up the cause on Facebook. See his Hawai'i Dengue Fever Awareness page. Information on dengue and regular updates are available at health. hawaii.gov.





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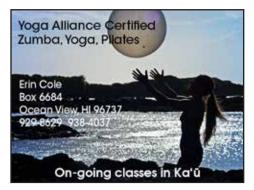
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The first ever Tea of the United States competition took place on Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2015 at Volcano Art Center's Niaulani Campus in Volcano Village and featured teas from Ka'ū, Volcano and beyond.

Hawai'i-grown teas dominated the commercial division



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at TOTUS. First and Mississippi as well as Hawai'i. third places for white tea went to Volcano Winery and grower Alex Wood. Hawai'i Rainforest Tea grown and processed by former Ka'ū County Council member Bob Jacobson won second place. For green tea, grower/processor Longo Nunally, of Onomea Tea Co., took first and third places. Chiu Leong, of Tea Hawai'i in Volcano, won sec-

ond place. Volcano Tea Garden and Mike Riley

placed first in oolong tea. Second and third places

in oolong and black categories went to Onomea Tea Co. First place in Black went to Tea Hawai'i and Chiu Leong.

In the noncommercial division, Bai-Alla Finley took first and third for white tea. Tea from University of Hawai'i College of Tropical Agriculture & Human

Resource's Volcano Experiment Station and processed by Tea Hawai'i won second place in white as well as third place for green tea. The Great Mississippi Tea Co. won first and second place, as well as first in oolong and black tea categories. Golden Feather Tea, from California, placed second in oolong, and Hawai'i's Second Alarm Farm with Jim Chestnut place third. In the black tea category, Bai-Alla Finley took second and third places.



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Ka'ū Scenic Byways Committee

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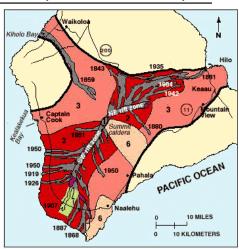
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USGS Maps Lava Zones

Lava Zones play into real estate pricing and availabilty of insurance in Kaʿū. The most risky is Lava Zone 1 at the summit of Mauna Loa. The U.S. Geological Survey divides the island into zones ranked 1 through 9 based on location and frequency of historic and prehistoric eruptions. Written records of eruptions began in the early 1800s with oral histories handed down by Hawaiians from earlier times. See hvo.wr.usgs. gov/hazards/lavazones/main.html.







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A new cookie kitchen opened at Punalu'u Bake Shop in 2015, providing more jobs for Ka'ū. Working on the project: Robert Taylor, of Taylor Built Construction Co., Inc.; Arnie Koss, Managing Partner of Punalu'u Bake Shop; General Manager Connie Koi; Architect Lloyd Sueda; and owner Duane Kurisu. Photo by Pamela Taylor

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Cinder quarries in Ocean View received new permits this year.

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Ka'ū Community Development Plan Almost Pau

The Kaʻū Community Development Plan Steering Committee wrapped up its work late last year, the document going for final decision to chief planner Ron Whitmore and to the county Planning Director for final review. Public hearings before the county Planning Commission are expected in early 2016. The document moves on to the County Council and its public hearings in mid-2016.

Following County Council approval, the Kaʿū Community Development Plan moves to the mayor for his signature, followed by appointment of a Community Development Plan Action Committee to help guide implementation.

Key elements of the CDP include guiding development to grow within and around existing towns and preservation of the Kaʿū Coast, suggesting setback of buildings far away from the shoreline. The CDP policies and actions will be adopted, some as ordinances and others as recommendations. Proposals are accompanied by documentation on pros and cons and how decisions were made. The accompanying documents also include an encyclopedia of maps, graphs, history, geogra-

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Ka'ū, based on the proposed hike in the

cost of electricity and other community concerns. Director Henry Curtis. lifeoftheland@gmail.com

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Ocean View Community Development Corporation

Helps further the work of improving the community for all citizens. Meets last Friday of the month, 5 p.m. at Ranchos Road Maintenance Office. Paula Donovan 929-7551.

Pāhala Filipino Community

Association

Promotes Filipino culture, provides scholarships. President Hilaria Panglao, 928-8261

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Sierra Club, Moku Loa Group

The Sierra Club works in Hawai'i to reduce impacts of global climate change by encouraging the development of clean renewable energy, reducing the use of fossil fuels, and ensuring that fragile native habitat is protected. The Big Island Moku Loa group also advocates for protection of Mauna Kea from development. Chair is Nelson Ho, 933-2650, ho.hoku@gmail.com. See www.hi.sierraclub.org/hawaii

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Hike to the top of Puʻo o Lokuana in Kahuku when Hawaiʻi Volcanoes National Park offers the adventure. Photo from NPS

Tūtū & Me Traveling Preschool

A no-cost early childhood education program for keiki ages birth to five and their caregivers providing tools, resources, materials and activities to encourage social, emotional, physical and cognitive development. Parents, tūtū, aunties and uncles are welcome to enroll with up to three children. We encourage families to experience Tūtū and Me on Tues. or Thurs. at Pāhala Community Center or at Nā'ālehu Community Center on Mon. or Wed. from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Please call 929-8571 for more information. www.pidfoundation.org (ad page 15)

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Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park celebrates its centennial anniversary in 2016. The park was established on August 1, 1916, the 15th National Park in a system that now numbers 408 parks nationwide. Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park's 333,086 acres extend from sea level to an elevation of 13.077 feet and encompass the summits and rift zones of two of the world's most active volcanoes, Kīlauea and Mauna Loa, Kīlauea has been in near continu-



Nose flute lessons and many other cultural experienced are available at Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park in both,the Kahuku and Volcano units.

Photo from HVNP

ous eruption since 1983; Mauna Loa last erupted in 1984. The park is a refuge for rare and endangered plant, bird, bat, and sea turtle species, and a spiritual reservoir for native Hawaiians.

Nearly two million visitors explore the park each year on more than 66 miles of paved roads and more than 155 miles of hiking trails. They backpack, bicycle, and join rangers on guided walks. For people in wheelchairs, there are accessible campsites and trails. Lace up your hiking boots and venture through tropical rain forests and sulfur venting craters. The forests are alive with the sounds of Hawaiian birds and crickets. Happyface spiders nestle in silken threads, and white-tailed tropic birds ride the updrafts in steep walled craters. The park's lunar-like landscape was a training ground for NASA astronauts in the early 1960s. The park is famous for lava viewing. The best and most easily accessible eruption activity continues to be the summit eruption of Kīlauea from Halema'uma'u Crater. This eruption is characterized by a colorful lava lake that *Volcano, cont. on pg. 67*

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phy, statistics and facts about Kaʿū, its people, and its resources, including agricultural, recreational and pristine lands and coastline.

The document can be read online at www.ha-waiicountycdp.info/kau-cdp.

The CDP Planning Process

See the project timeline for an illustration of the CDP phases and steps. A five-minute orientation video and presentation slides are also available.

Based on thousands of "talk story" and survey comments from community members, the Steering Committee first adopted a foundational Values and Vision Statement. Next, building both on available data and local knowledge documented at two Community Summits, a baseline Commu-

nity Profile was drafted. Using those two pillars, the Steering Committee then adopted Community Objectives focused on natural resources, community character and the local economy.

Using the background analysis in Appendix V4 of the draft CDP, the Planning Team explored alternative strategies to include in the initial draft of the CDP. All of the background analysis and exploration of alternative strategies was focused on achieving the objectives adopted by the Steering Committee.

During the fall of 2014, the Steering Committee reviewed the preliminary "working draft" of the CDP, made revisions before affirming that is was ready for community review, and provided guidance on how best to facilitate community review of the draft CDP.



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rises and falls within the crater vent, producing a dramatic, vivid glow on the night sky and gas plume. The park is open 24 hours a day.

In 2003, the park grew by 116,000 acres with the addition of Kahuku, a sprawling natural wonder of lava flows, koa / 'ōhi'a forests, and ancient archeological sites. Kahuku shelters rare and endangered bird and plant species, including 'ākepa, 'akiapōlā'au, and the spectacular Ka'ū silversword. Atop its lava flows are archeological sites-trails, ahu, and religious features—remnants of Hawaiian culture that date back 700 years.



Visitors enjoy the sunrise and watching the lava lake aglow within Halema'uma'u Crater at Kīlauea Volcano's summit.

NPS Photo by Janice Wei

Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park is the number one attraction on the island of Hawai'i. Its Kīlauea Visitor Center offers exhibits on island formation, ecosystems from sea to summit, and the sights and sounds of the rain forest. Interwoven throughout are the mana'o (wisdom) and mo'olelo (stories) of Hawai'i's first people. Throughout 2016, the park sponsors centennial activities, including a monthly ranger-guided Centennial

> Hike Series, with a complementary After Dark in the Park program. The park's annual Cultural Festival & BioBlitz, scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 27 (a fee-free day), will showcase how Hawaiian cultural practices weave science and stewardship together.

> The park's Centennial web page http://www.nps.gov/havo/ getinvolved/100th-anniversary.htm features a new multimedia video, Mary 100 Years in 100 Seconds, which highlights 100 years of volcanic eruptions in 100 seconds. In a second video, Share Your Story, Park

Ranger Andrea Kaawaloa-Okita shares her story as a fourth-generation employee of Hawai'i Volcanoes and the importance of connecting the next generation to their national park. The web page is updated with a centennial calendar of events.

For more information on Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. go to www.nps.gov/havo

Make a Difference in the Park!

The Friends of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park promotes appreciation and restoration of park resources. They provide educational opportunities and support park programs that enrich visitor experiences. Become a Friend-call 985-7373 or visit www. fhvnp.org.

Volunteers-In-Parks are Very Important People (VIPs)! Volunteers give of their time and expertise to help protect the park's natural and cultural heritage for the enjoyment of park visitors. Become a VIP. Call Kūpono McDaniel at 985-6015 or email kupono_mcdaniel@nps.gov.

The non-profit Hawai'i Pacific Parks Association, formerly Hawai'i Natural History Association, helps visitors and residents to discover, understand, and enjoy the natural and human history of the National Parks of the Pacific. Proceeds from the sale of educational items in visitor centers and on their website at www.hawaiipacificparks.org support interpretive programs, research projects, free publications, cultural demonstrations, and other activities.

Visit Hawaiʻi's Other National Parks

Pu'ukohola Heiau National Historic Site contains the stone platform of a heiau (temple) built by Kamehameha I in 1790. Laid without mortar, the structure is 224' long and 100' high.

Kaloko-Honokōhau National Historical Park

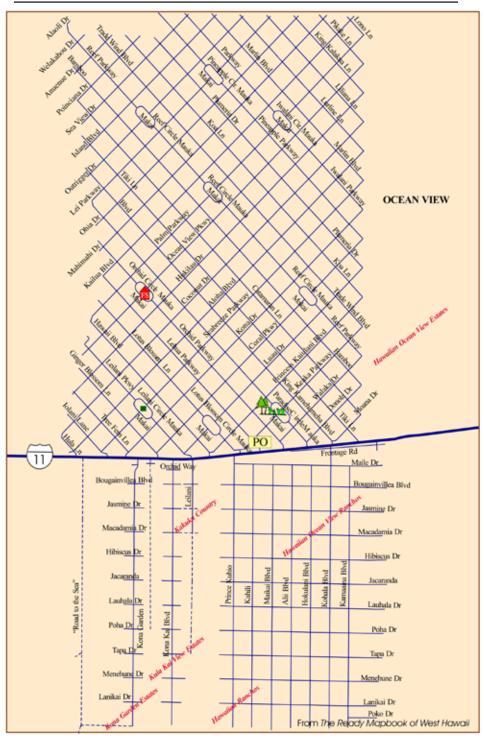
preserves fishponds, heiau, house sites, kahua hōlua (rock slide), and petroglyphs. Pu'uhonua o Hōnaunau National Historical Park features a restored heiau, royal fishponds, coconut groves, and ki'i (effigies of Hawaiian gods).







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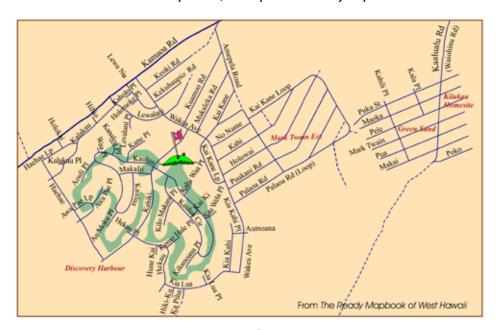




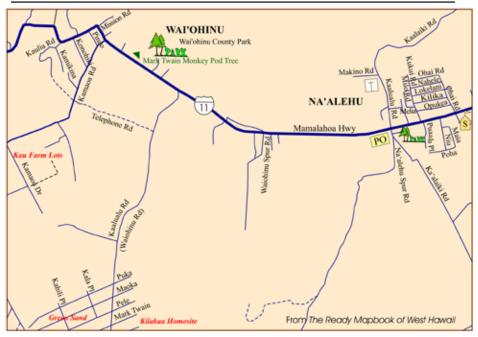
Invasive plant removal days are organized by Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park and others. Here, removal of ginger opens up space for native plants such as `ohelo. Dates for volunteer efforts at Kauku and Volcano, are announced throughout the year. Photo from NPS

MAPS OF KA'Ū

The maps on page 70-75 were provided by a Volcano design and mapmaking company called HawaiiMapSource, which produced Ready Mapbooks.



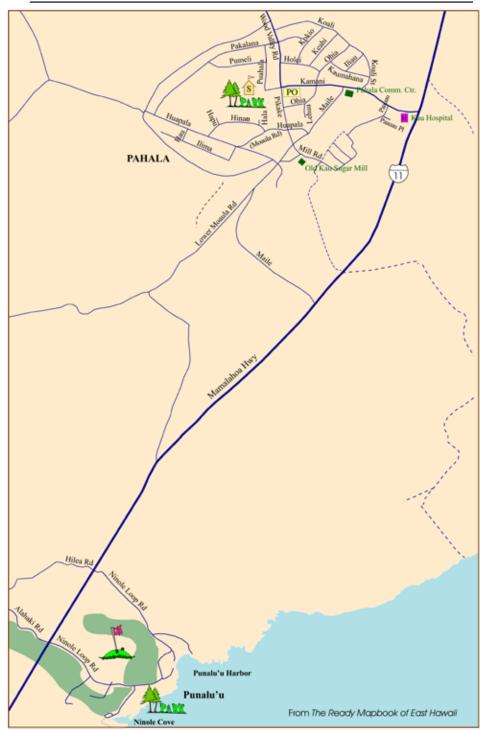




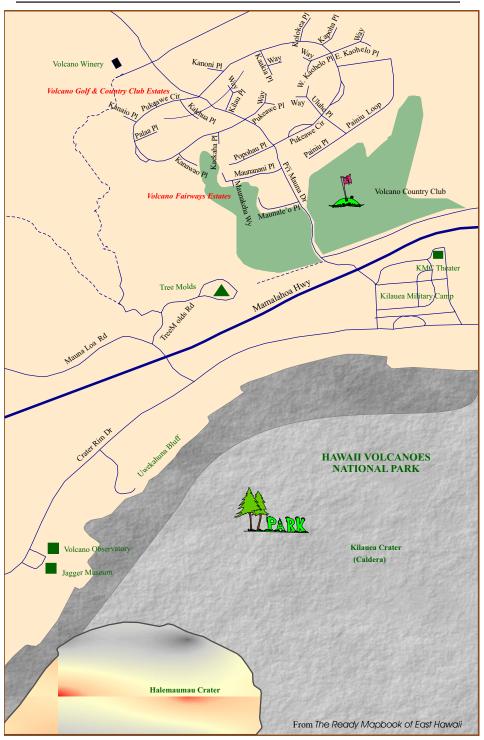


Mats Fogelvik, of Ocean View, won Best of Show at Hawai'i's Woodshow held at Honolulu Museum of Art's School Gallery in 2015. The hall table, titled Roots of Inspiration, was created to resemble an historic bridge. He used wood from about seven species of trees, including koa. The show was sponsored by Hawai'i Forest Industry Association.











Kahele Legacy Carries on, Miloli'i – Ka'ū

Sen. Gil Kahele, a son of Miloli'i and Ka'ū's state senator in 2011 and 2012, left a legacy and more work to be done from Miloli'i through Ka'ū. His son Kaiali'i Kahele has promised to carry on with Pa'a Pono Miloli'i and involvement at the Legislature.

Gil Kahele was born in Miloli'i, where his father and grandfather were fishermen. He enjoyed taking people on hikes along the coastal trail to his family's house site and canoe landing. He was a driving force in establishment of Pa'a Pono Miloli'i, a nonprofit dedicated to keeping the village's fishing practices and cultural traditions alive for future generations.

Kahele was instrumental in preservation of wildlands and the South Kona Coast. One of his major legislative achievements in his first year was establishment of the South Kona Wilderness Area, an area roughly 6,000 acres from Honomalino to Kalanamauna dedicated to nature and conservation for perpetuity. One of his last efforts, before his passing in January, was signing a bill in the state Senate for preservation of Kapua Bay, south of Miloli'i.

A longtime operative in the Democratic Party, Kahele helped to organize Gov. Neil Abercrombie's inaugural events around the islands to be in rural areas. On the Big Island, they were held at Hawaiian Homes Community Hall in Kamuela and at Pāhala Plantation House. They were also held on Lāna'i and Moloka'i.



Sen. Gil Kahele

Photo by Julia Neal

Kahele was a staunch supporter of Pāhala Public & School



The late Sen. Gil Kahele emceed Gov. Neil Abercrombie's inauguration gala. Photo by Julia Neal



Sen. Gil Kahele enjoyed sharing his Miloli'i coastal fishing heritage. Photo by Kaiali'i Kahele

Library when it was threatened with closure. He also worked for clean water and housing for veterans and

Following his graduation from Hilo High School in 1960, Kahele served in the U.S. Marine Corp. and graduated from Laney College in Oakland, California. He retired from Hawai'i State Department of Defense after 33 years as the Director of Public Works at Pōhakuloa Training Area.

On Jan. 11, 2011, Gov. Neil Abercrombie appointed Kahele as senator for the Second District, which encompassed Ka'ū, Puna and Hilo. In his party at Pāhala Plantation House, with Ka'ū musicians performing for the first race for public office, he was elected in 2012 to represent Hilo, now known as the First Senatorial District as a result of reapportionment. Kahele was to serve as Chair of the Senate Tourism and International Affairs Committee and Vice Chair of Higher Education and the Arts Committee. He was also to serve on Judiciary and Labor & Education Committees.

> "It is with much sadness that I learned of Sen. Kahele's passing," Gov. David Ige said. "He was a dedicated public servant who spent the last few years working for the good of his beloved community at the Hawai'i State Legislature. He was a respected and influential leader." Kahele was 73.



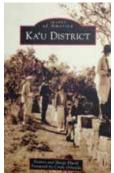
Images of America: Ka'ū District

Images of America: Ka'u District was released

last November. The book by historians Dennis and the late Marge Elwell, of Discovery Harbour, tells a story in pictures, many which have never been published.

Chapters include The Discovery of Hawai'i and Fishhooks Revelations; Sugar, Plantations and Population Change; Wai'ōhinu and Mark Twain's Monkeypod Tree; Nāʿālehu, a Plantation Town; Pāhala and the End of the Sugar Industry; Ranching and the Paniolo in Kaʻū; Ocean View and Kula Kai Caverns; Coastal Ka'ū, a Hidden Treasure; and Life on the Slopes of Mauna Loa.

"Sometimes, we forget how incredibly



fortunate we are to live here," said Ka'ū resident and Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park Superintendent Cindy Orlando in the foreword. "The remarkable convergence of culture, geology, biology, history and numerous other factors enhancing our quality of life contributes to all that is unique about Ka'ū and its rich heritage."

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The book can be purchases at bookstores, independent and online retailers or through the publisher at 888-313-2665 or arcadiapublishing.com.

Marge Ellwell was a former President of Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce and helped launch the Ka'ū Scenic

Byways program. She worked on many community initiatives on Ka'ū.

Rapid 'Ōhi'a Death Control Urged in Ka'ū

Hawai'i Department of Land & Natural Resources reported early this year that the fungal infestation of 'ōhi'a trees is much greater than earlier thought, as shown by new aerial surveys of 810,000 acres of Hawai'i Island forests. Crews from state. county and federal agencies took the survey and compared it to satellite imagery of 'ōhi'a forests in 2014 that showed about 15,000 acres infected by this newly identified disease. The latest survey, pending ground verification, estimates the infection spread

to some 34,000 acres of the Big Island's 'ōhi'a forest

"It's sad but not unexpected that we have a confirmed case of Rapid Ōhi'a Death in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park," Park Superintendent Cindy said. "We are very concerned about the impacts to our cherished 'ōhi'a that thrives throughout the park, and we will continue to implement the stringent measures developed by expected. Map from Hawai'i DLNR our interagency partners to prevent

the spread of this devastating disease. We will also continue to sample trees throughout the park."

Dr. Flint Hughes, with USDA Forest Service, said, "Unfortunately, Rapid Ohi'a Death is spreading much quicker than we had hoped. The aerial surveyors noted 'ōhi'a trees with no leaves or brown leaves, likely impacted by the disease, as well as 'ōhi'a trees which have been dead for a longer time and those that have been affected by either drought or vog. It's important that we differentiate the causes

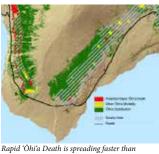
of tree deaths and continue to carefully and closely monitor the spread of Rapid Ōhi'a Death to aid in reducing its spread on Hawai'i Island and around the state."

'Ohi'a forests cover approximately 865,000 acres of land across the state and are considered the primary species providing habitat for countless plants, animals and invertebrates. These forests protect watersheds that provide significant agriculture and drinking water across the state.

Research into treatments for the particular fungus that causes Rapid Ōhi'a Death continues at the USDA Agricultural Research Service lab in Hilo. Investigation into how it spreads is also being conducted with potential culprits being insects. underground via roots, on small wood or dust particles, on clothing and shoes, and possibly on animals. Ultimately, scientists hope that by

identifying what is spreading the fungus, they will be able to mitigate its devastating impacts.

Ka'ū residents can help control the spread of the disease by not bringing 'ōhi'a material home from areas where the fungal infestation is known to exist. It is also helpful to spray tires of vehicles and brush soles of shoes after visiting such areas. Kumu hula have asked practitioners to stop gathering 'ōhi'a leaves and flowers and to find alternatives material for their adornments.







Kahuku Unit of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park offers many free programs throughout the year. Regional Annual Events, cont. from pg. 42

NPS Photo by Julia Espaniola

Labor Day, Mon, Sept 5. Motorcycle clubs ride around the island and travel through Ka'ū.

Oktoberfest, Fri, Oct 7, St. Jude's Church, Ocean View with 6 p.m. dinner. 939-7000

Ka'ū Coffee Trail Run,

sponsored by 'O Ka'ū Kākou, TBA

Annual Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce Art Show and Cover Competition,

- Oct. 31 - Nov. 3. The theme is Ka'ū. All media, from woodworking to drawings, paintings, photography, pottery and sculpture, qualify to enter. The Chamber will accept exhibits on Fri. and Sat. Oct. 28 & 29 at the CU

www.kauchamber.org.

Veterans Day Ceremony, Fri, Nov 11, Kīlauea Military Camp in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Christmas In The Country, Opens Sat, Nov 19. Daily into the New Year, Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. 967-8222



Herschberger Brings Back Jaggar

Ocean View resident Dick Herschberger presents A Walk into the Past to bring back to life Dr. Thomas A. Jaggar, founder of Hawaiian Volcano Observatory and a prominent figure in the history of the study of volcanoes. Free performances are held every other Tuesday at 10 a.m., 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. Meet at Kilauea Visitor Center. Park entrance fees apply. Sponsored by Kilauea Drama & Entertainment Network

Thanksgiving Dinner, Thu, Nov. 24, Ocean View Community Center, 939-7033

27th Annual Volcano Village Artists Hui Studio Show & Sale, Thanksgiving weekend, Fri,



Hawai'i Credit Union. See crow, not seen in the wild since 2002, have been raised at the Keauhou Bird Sanctuary near Volcano. FWS Photo by David Ledig

Nov 25 – Sun, Nov 27 at studios in the village. volcanovillageartistshui.com

14th Annual Invitational Wreath Exhibit, daily Sat, Nov 21 - Sun, Jan 1, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. volcanoartcenter.org or 967-7565

Pāhala Christmas Parade. Sun, Dec. 12, 1 p.m. starting at the old Pāhala Armory at the corner of Pikake and Pakalana Streets. Community organizations, classic cars, marching groups. Organizer Eddie Andrade invites all participants and parade-goers to enjoy refreshments after the parade at Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Parade includes Santa and his sleigh and many community groups who weave through the town and stop to wish Happy Holidays to long-term residents of Ka'ū Hospital. Call Andrade at 928-വജവജ

Hana Hou Restaurant's Annual Keiki Christmas Party, TBA, Nā'ālehu.





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The Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that the deadline for The Ken Wicks Ka'ū Chamber of Commerce Scholarship is April 1, 2016. High school seniors and adults seeking to re-enter the educational system are encouraged to apply. Applicants are asked



to write an essay about how their educational experience will benefit Ka'ū. Preference will be given to those who intend to remain in or return to Ka'ū and live here. Scholarship money can be used for all college and vocational training and will range from \$250-\$1,000. Please visit our website at http://kauchamber.org to download the application form. Call Lee McIntosh at 929-9872 with any questions.



Kaʻū Chamber of Commerce 2015 Ken Wicks scholarship winners. Scholarship Essay, cont. from pg. 12

Pursuing my engineering career would not only benefit the technological world, it would also benefit my Hawaiian culture. My future plan is to move back to Ka'ū and work as an engineer on the Big Island. If I am back on the Big Island, I'd be able to be a bridge or a mediator between conflicting sides. I would be able to tailor the projects so that they would be advanced in a modern way without interfering with Hawaiian culture. I feel like that is very important in this day and age because of the rapid growth of industry and modernization. With the current issue of Mauna Kea going on, I feel like Hawaiian engineers should work on ways to prevent future conflicts. As a native of Ka'ū, I feel like it is my Kuleana to "keep country, country" and at the same time keep us intact with the modern world.

Growing up in Ka'ū, kids learn many values that many other kids do not have the privilege to learn. I've been to a lot of places and have seen the lifestyle and can honestly say that Ka'ū is one of a kind. Our keiki learn respect, values, and learn that if you take care of the land, the land will take care of you. That's what's special about our district, we all are one with our land, and as locals we do what we can to protect it. As a future engineer, I see this as a great opportunity to make a long-lasting impression. For our people, for Ka'ū.

Other Ken Wicks Kaʻū Chamber of Commerce Scholarship recipients for 2015 are Layla Abellera, Tyler Amaral, Evan Enriques, Annie Mae Flores, Kaweni Ibarra, Nysa M. Kaniho, Kamrie Koi, Jennifer Kauʻi Losalio, Crystal McIntosh, Denisha Navarro, Siena Okimoto, Tiare-Lee Shibuya, Jennifer Flores Tabios and Jenisha Young.

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