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Rep.Lauren Matsumoto standing with community parents and children who are strong supporters for the bike path in Waialua. Photo: S. Matsumoto

Waialua Bike Path Project

common here in Hawai'i - it's an excellent way for people of all ages to stay active while on their beach cruisers, road bikes, or mountain bikes. Hawai'i, especially Waialua, is a great place to ride a bicycle; beautiful weather and scenery makes it easy to experience Hawai'i and easily access beaches and stores. Hawai'i is also home

Hopping on a bicycle is very to many competitions that fill the islands with bicyclists, for example, the Ironman Triathlon in Kona, the Century Bike Ride in Honolulu and the Haleiwa Triathlon. I've always been a huge supporter of any activity that promotes the health of the community, but honestly, even I get scared to ride my bike on high traffic roads.

A few of the more prominent

dangers of riding a bicycle on any of the islands is the traffic and subsequently collisions with motorists, as well as debris and potholes on the road. According to the Hawai'i Department of Health, between 2008 and 2012 there were at least 1300 nonfatal injuries to bicyclists each year on all the islands combined.

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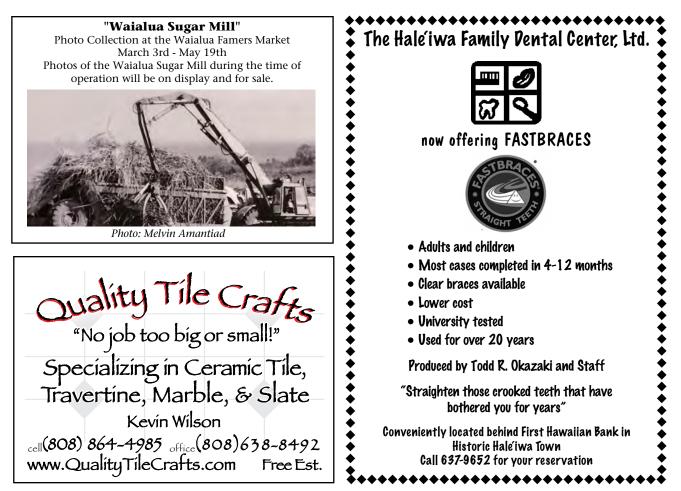
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OFF da Island in South Africa

rie took a trip to southern Africa and visited South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe and Zambia. Arleen is pictured here at the majestic Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe side) which is considered to be the worlds

Waialua residents Arleen Ronquillo and Evan Fou- largest sheet of falling water. Arleen and Evan bought along a copy of the North Shore News to remind them of the good times back on Oahu's beautiful North Shore. For more information on the OFF da Island campaign turn to page 23.







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My staff and I recently drove through our district to identify the abandoned vehicles along Kamehameha Highway. I was very disappointed at what I saw and the unresponsiveness from the City on this matter. We found more than thirty vehicles abandoned along Kamehameha Highway from Haiku Road to Schofield Barracks. This count does not include the vehicles abandoned on private roads in Laie and on Puhuli Road where the City refuses to provide removal services.

In a recent response to KHON2, Randy Leong from the Department of Customer Services responded, "We have specifically asked the contractor to concentrate on the Leeward Coast due to increased complaints in that area relating to abandoned vehicles." Focusing on one area on Oahu is unacceptable as abandoned vehicles are a problem in our district as well.

We have contacted the City Administration with various requests to resolve the situation and have suggested solutions such as partnering with big landowners in the Koolauloa area to provide a temporary holding area to give the tow company time to remove them and store the vehicles on their lots. With the fiscal year 2019 budget soon to be deliberated, I hope the Administration makes it a priority to include sufficient funding to address abandoned vehicles, which create potential health and safety risks and is also a visual blight.

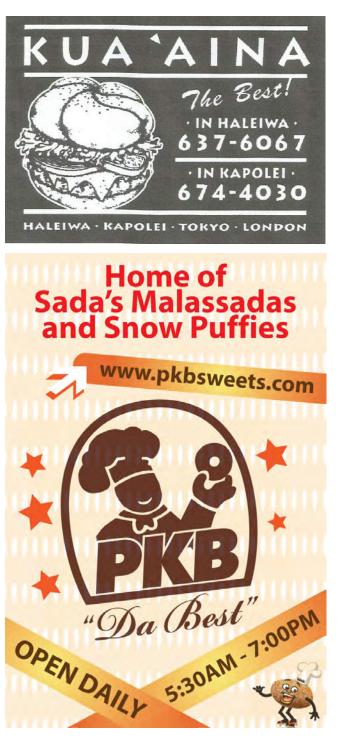
Under Hawaii Revised Statutes 290, a vehicle left on a public roadway for more than 24-hours, by law, is considered abandoned. Officers can investigate, and if the vehicle poses a safety risk, or it has an expired safety check decal or expired tax decal, the vehicle may be towed. The Honolulu Police Department has informed my office that the abandoned vehicles in our district have already been tagged and are awaiting removal. We were also informed that the City has identified additional properties that could be used as additional space for storing towed vehicles. I have requested that the City Administration remove the majority of the abandoned vehicles in our district by the end of February.

I will continue to pursue a resolution to the abandoned vehicle situation plaguing our district. You can help by reporting an abandoned or derelict vehicle to the Department of Customer Services (CSD). Please provide the street name, the make and model of the vehicle, and any identifying informa-

tion that may assist CSD and HPD. Here is the contact information for CSD. Phone: 768-2530 Email: complaints@honolulu.gov Online: www11.honolulu.gov/csdavcomplaints

North Shore Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Thursday, March 1, 8am - 10am Haleiwa Joe's For info call 637-4558







Hints of Progress at Laniakea

complete or cancel the Laniakea Traffic Alternatives Study a few weeks ago, the Acting Director of Highways to home, maybe the next time we pass in the street. said the Department of Transportation (DOT) would do neither. He claims that if the alternatives study were completed, the department would not have funds to proceed with any improvement; and, if the project were canceled, it would be too hard to restart later. He emphasized the priority is to focus on system preservation and to not consider any new capacity projects over the foreseeable horizon.

Two days later, I got a message from a property owner near Laniakea who received an invitation to a meeting with DOT planners about possible Laniakea realignment options. He wanted to know if I would like to attend the meeting as his guest. Would I? I was only too happy to accept, and I appreciate his courtesy to invite me.

The Laniakea Realignment Task Force was last convened in 2014 and there had been no information forthcoming, except that a new shoreline certification is being processed and that DOT hoped to re-install The department hopes the parking barriers soon. that by declaring the highway and parking area to be makai of the official shoreline, they might be able to skip some permitting requirements. This seems illogical and misguided to me, but that is the plan.

Two meetings were held for property owners on each side of Laniakea and Chuns. I attended both and was pleased to see the project planners are closing in on a preferred route and concept for a realigned highway. They are hoping to finish the study – you guessed it - within the next several months. I am cautiously hopeful they may truly be getting towards the end. Experience, unfortunately, does not support this hope, so we must temper any enthusiasm these meetings may have kindled.

So, how does one reconcile the seeming disconnect between comments of the Acting Director and actions of the planners? The Laniakea realignment study is officially a safety and highway protection action, not a capacity enhancement. The director's comments were not inaccurate, but he clearly failed to provide context to the status of the project study.

The police have begun ticketing cars parked at Laniakea. I would greatly appreciate observations and feedback from residents who regularly drive through the area as to whether or not the police efforts are having positive, negative, or neutral impact.

Please email a message to SenRiviere@capitol.

hawaii.gov and let me know if you think pedestrian safety is improved, if your drive time has been improved or altered in any way, if the increased parallel parking along the highway has impacted drive time or pedestrian safety, if your personal access to the beach has been impacted, or any other comments you have about the new police enforcement. I look forward to reading your comments.

My phone number is 586-7330. My email address is SenRiviere@capitol.hawaii.gov. Follow us on When I again asked for a commitment to either FaceBook or online at SenatorRiviere.com. Please visit us in Room 217 at the Capitol; or let's talk closer Mahalo.

Mahalo to the volunteers and donors who supported the 2017 Haleiwa Town Christmas **Parade and Photos with Santa**

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Waialua Bike Path Project

In 2013, here in Hawai'i, 743 bicyclists died after an accident with a driver, and 31% of the Emergency Department cyclist patients were between the ages of 5 and 14 years old.

On the North Shore, we are fortunate to have a strong bicycle culture, but bike path space on the road is always a struggle to secure. A designated path is especially needed for our keiki who use it to get to school and back home. I want to see all young commuters get to where they are going in the morning and have families with kids feel safe riding to community events or out for recreation.

In Waialua, it is no secret that there needs to be more bike lanes that connect to the areas heavily traveled. Community members have been working hard with my office for the past few years to secure funding for bike path projects. In 2013, I was able to secure \$500,000 for the bike path project in Waialua, and unfortunately, the funds were not used by the Department of Transportation before the monies lapsed. While a disappointing setback, we have continued to work along with many advocates to find other avenues to receive funds. I am happy to report that due to the efforts of many dedicated residents we are finally making headway. Working together with the City & County of Honolulu's Department of Transportation Services (DTS), by use of local city funds for Waialua, there is a plan for a bike path on Goodale Avenue in Waialua District Park. I have also put in a request for \$500,000 in our Capital Improvement Project request this year in hopes that we would obtain the funds to keep this project moving forward in case the city funding falls through.

The design stage of the Goodale bike path is anticipated to be completed by the end of summer 2018. Construction of the bike path is slated to begin early in 2019, subject to availability of funding. The plans are in their final stages, and we will have more concrete information on the availability of funding in August.

I am committed to continuously promoting safe infrastructure for our keiki and community. Working with DTS, we are able to provide plans for this project. There will be future town hall meetings before the bike path is started, if you would like to be kept informed as to when these meetings will be held please contact my office.

With all the great benefits of riding a bicycle, residents and visitors should feel safe riding, but it is also essential to make sure that everyone follows all personal protective precautions as well. Here are a few useful tips that I learned growing up and that the Department of Transportation also recommends: \cdot Wear a helmet every time you ride, no matter the distance.

Obey traffic laws. Your bike is a vehicle, and just like a car, you must stop at stop signs and red traffic lights.
Be predictable. Don't do anything that would surprise drivers, such as swerving in and out of parked cars or traffic.

· Look behind you before you make a move and make sure to use hand signals.

Be visible. Wear light-colored clothes when you ride, and try to get a bright helmet. If you ride at night, you must have a white front light and a red rear reflector.
Make sure your bike is safe. Before you leave home, check to make sure that the brakes work, the seat and handlebars are tight, and the tires are properly inflated and in good shape. Also, make sure your bike is the right size. A bike that is too big is more dangerous than one that is too small.

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns about any happenings in our community. Call me at (808) 586-9490, email RepMatsumoto@capitol.Hawaii.gov, or visit RepMatsumoto.com.



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Q: Isn't stress natural?

A: As the nation reels from another school shooting, it is no wonder that people are feeling stressed. The combination of fear, some feeling of helplessness, plus everyday life's expectations is a lot to take on.

Stress is often the body's reaction to feeling overloaded or struggling to cope with new or different situations. For example relationships, work or finances. Anything that appears as a threat, real or perceived, may trigger stress. Some stress is good. Too much can hurt us both mentally and physically.

Stress triggers a chemical reaction that floods the body with cortisol and adrenaline. This leads to increased heart rate, tight muscles, rapid breathing and raised blood pressure. This may help if we are fighting for our life, however in every day situations the harm is significant. Stress also leads to trouble sleeping, stomach pain, headaches and a decreased immune system leading to more illness. Some emotional signs of stress are moodiness, being easily frustrated and overwhelmed, difficulty relaxing, feeling lonely or worthless and avoiding people. More than likely each of us has experienced many of these symptoms as we react to events in our lives. If you worry it may be too much you are probably right.

Take a breather and talk to someone if you find yourself constantly worrying, frustrated or being overly negative. Deep breathing, meditation/relation techniques, massage and talking about it with a trusted friend can really help. Exercise, eat healthy, avoid excessive caffeine, alcohol or smoking, limit your time on social media and, most importantly, make time for the things and people you enjoy. As always, ask your doctor for help if you need it. Your life and your health are worth it. Send us your pressing health question anonymously at: http://www.kmc-hi.org/atd

> Aloha, Dr. Jason Hughes, Chief Medical Officer, KMC

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North Shore Chamber of Commerce News

Chamber Spotlight – Always Needed: Good Volunteers!

Some of the most unsung heroes in a community are those people who, day after day, contribute their time and energy for no compensation at all to any one of numerous organizations that serve the community. If you're fortunate enough to have even a few hours a week to contribute, your payoff is the satisfaction that you are able to give back in a way that is uniquely you. You know that you make a difference – even in a small way. Sometimes you aren't that lucky to feel that way at the daily workplace.

If you walk into the North Shore Chamber of Commerce office and Visitor Center at 66-434B Kamehameha Highway at the entrance to Haleiwa, you'll often find a volunteer at the desk helping with your business services needs or giving information to the stream of tourists coming in every day from every part of the world. Volunteers also support other Chamber operations and special events that can be hard work, but gratifying and fun. There is never a lack of things to do and always a need for volunteers.

One volunteer who's been at the Visitor Center for the past six months is Kathi White, who works at the office four to five hours weekly. Originally from Cape Town, South Africa, she was an art major who found work in the pharmaceutical field, but, she says, "I wanted to see what the world was like without apartheid." She was in her early 20s then, and decided to do some island hopping and travel through Asia to learn new cultures and broaden her horizons. She ended up in Japan for a year where she taught English. When her visa expired, she moved on to Hawaii where within six months she met the man who became her husband shortly thereafter. That was in 1982. Now she is busy helping her husband run his business, Point Plumbing, and working as a real estate agent for List Sotheby's International Realty. In the meantime, she has raised three children, now grown, with her youngest finishing university.

You'd think she'd be busy enough, but she decided to volunteer because of her children. You need to give back, and she wanted to have them follow her example. She had learned that from her grandfather, a lawyer in South Africa who always found time to volunteer. Actions speak louder than words.

"It's important to show the children. I'm follow-

ing up on what I said," according to Kathi. "My kids inspired me and my own yearning. You make time."

Joan Crossen came to the Chamber around the same time Kathi did. In fact, Joan had just started volunteering at the Visitor Center when she was desperately needed at the last minute to help out at the Chamber's annual Christmas party at Waimea Valley immediately after her shift. Without hesitation, she agreed to help out. For her, helping at the Chamber allowed her to continue interacting with the community after working as an educational assistant for 12 years at Sunset Elementary School. "It just feels good to do it," she says.

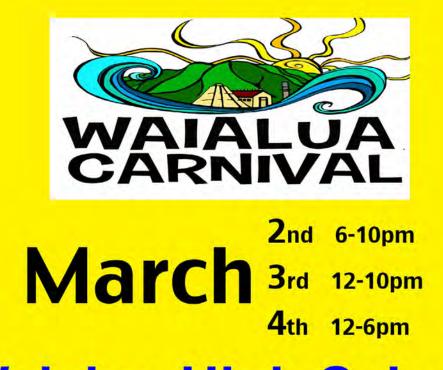
Joan was born and raised in Kahala. Her dad was a developer whose work took him and his family from the islands to Texas, then to California. She returned to Oahu in 2002 to raise her children because "I was raised here, and it's the only place to raise kids." Now she has time she can contribute to something she enjoys, and working at the Chamber has fit the bill.

In fact, Kathi sums it up this way. "Charity begins at home, so why not start right here!"

Anyone who is interested in volunteering for the Chamber may call (808) 637-4558, email info@ gonorthshore.org and/or stop by the office and talk to Director Roxana Jimenez.



North Shore Chamber of Commerce volunteers Kathi White (left) and Joan Crossen help visitors and community members who stop by.



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North Shore Shows Passion on Valentines Day 'No' to Dillingham Ranch Subdivision

Despite pouring rain, over 350 of the North Shore community raised a collective voice against Kennedy Wilson's proposed subdivision of Mokule'ia Ahupua'a, the North Shore's largest (2780 acres). On February 14, 2018, the North Shore Neighborhood Board held a Special Meeting at the Waialua Community Center where Beverly Hills developer of exclusive luxury properties, Kennedy Wilson presented their Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

The Ag 2 farm-zoned Dillingham Ranch has long been a cherished and virtually untouched landmark important to both ancient and modern Hawaiian culture. Not one of the more than 40 members of the community spoke in favor of the proposed Kennedy Wilson subdivision proposal. There were contentions that Iwi K puna (bones of Hawaiian ancestors) still exist on the site and that known heiau must remain undisturbed and accessible. Many passionately voiced opposition to the underlying "fake farm" flagrant abuse of the Ag 2 zoning spreading across the North Shore, where Ag 2 large houses end up being vacation rentals. Concerns about the rapid disappearance of our precious and accessible open spaces and places to house horses were numerous. There were also calls to demand that our legislature and City Council enact new, more restrictive laws for subdivisions.

Key concerns expressed were:

 The Risk to Hawaiian Endangered Species; destroying the unique habitat the Ranch provides as home to Hawaii's most endangered species, including the Hoary Bat, (trees that house them are to be cut down) the Hawaiian Snail, Coots, the Iwi bird and the Albatross.

2) Wastewater Runoff; People were not clear how wastewater runoff was addressed, which would pollute the surrounding rivers, streams, and ultimately our coral reefs as well as the risk of polluting the largest aquifer on the North Shore which lies beneath the Ranch. This aquifer provides fresh drinking water to more than 120 households currently, and would also have to serve the 70 new lots/residences proposed as part of phase one for this subdivision. The developer estimates that once the development is complete, water use will increase by more than nine times above current levels, further risking dangerous aquifer depletion.

3) Increased Traffic; An outdated Traffic Assessment was used by Kennedy Wilson in their proposal. Existing roads serving this part of the North Shore were never designed to handle the increase in traffic already seen in recent years (for the last two years more than one million more tourists come to O'ahu than the year before). Construction of the subdivision and the nearly doubling of households using these roads will over-burden and potentially destroy this already inadequate system.

4) Kennedy Wilson currently provides the residents of Mokuleia their water through an antiquated, substandard delivery system. This system is unable to run any fire hydrants, leaving the residents exposed to fire hazard. Kennedy Wilson stated they have no intention to fix this.

After the community voiced their concerns, every one of the 13 members of the North Shore Board present expressed an opinion, all strongly against the Development. A motion was made and seconded to OPPOSE the Kennedy Wilson Subdivision. A roll call vote resulted in a unanimous rejection the Subdivision Project. The impassioned crowd cheered and applauded the unanimous decision of the Board. On Valentines Day, the North Shore came together as one!

Not one of the speakers spoke in favor of the development.

Sincerely,

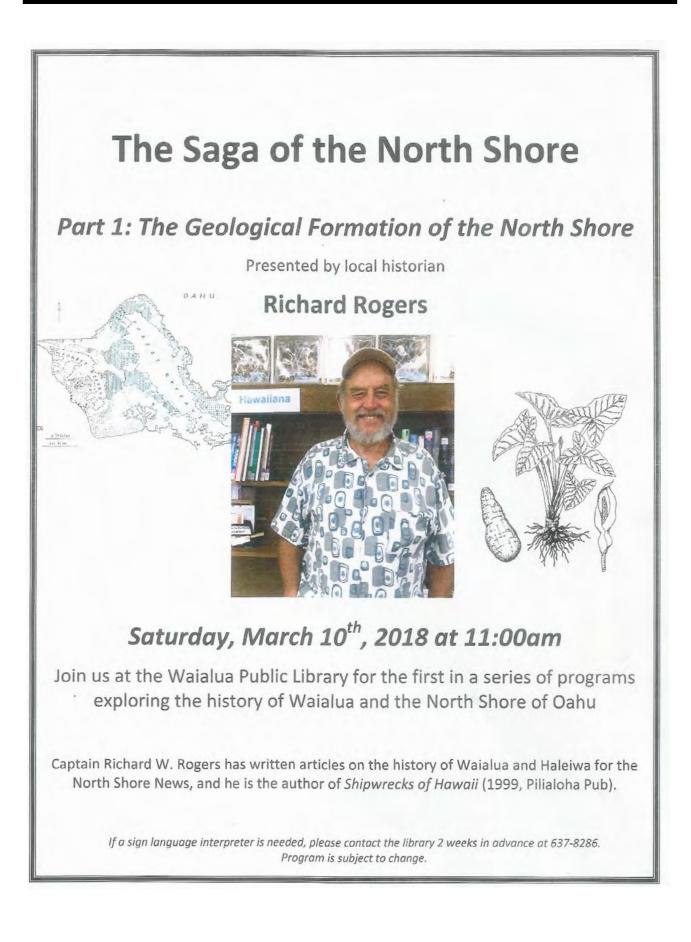
Concerned Citizens of the North Shore



February 14, 2018 - Special North Shore Neighborhood Board Meeting to discuss the plan for subdividing Dillingham Ranch Photo: Ben Sykes









MOONA WHYTE WINS FIRST KITE SURFING 2018 EVENT

Three time World Kite Surfing Champion Moona Whyte won the first event of the season in Ponta Preta, Cape Verde, an island off of the continent of Africa. Whyte is also the defending champion of that event. Whyte was very consistent through the heats and in no way felt the pressure of defending her title according to the GKA, Gobal Kitesports Association, Kite Surf World Tour media team. Whyte went up against Jalou Langeree of the Netherlands in challenging conditions. The battle for the third place on the podium was fought between Inês Correira (POR) and Marie Gautron (FRA). Inês Correia moved to Sal a few months ago and managed to put her wave knowledge to good use. She won against Marie Gautron and secured the third rank. The athletes perform their tricks and maneuvers without straps and use regular surfboards without bindings in a woman on woman system. This event was the first stop on the tour, go Moona!

Visit her artsy web site at moonawhyte.com! **Results Women:**

- 1) Moona Whyte (HAW)
- 2) Jalou Langeree (NED)
- 3) Inês Correia (POR)
- 4) Marie Gautron (FRA)

PERMIT RULES OVERHAULED AGAIN?

WORLD SURF LEAGUE PRESS RELEASE:

"The City and County of Honolulu Dept of Parks & Recreation announced preliminary permit approval for the 2018/2019 winter events calendar. While all of WSL's historic permits for the winter 2018/2019 have been granted, including the 2018 Billabong Pipe Masters, the WSL remains disappointed that the 2019 Billabong Pipe Masters has not been granted. The WSL will pursue alternative options to open the season next year. WSL remains committed to a full-tiered scope of events ranging from Junior to QS and CT this-coming winter. We are also committed to trying to foster opportunity for local Hawaiian surfers and Hawaii through events as well as our Junior Development and Careers programs. In the best interests of surfing, the community and all stakeholders, the WSL requires fundamental changes to the permit process in order to determine what its future plans will be from winter 2019/2020 onwards. Mayor Kirk

Caldwell met yesterday with WSL at his offices, where positive discussions were held on the future of the permit process, as well as medium and long-term objectives for surfing in Hawaii. In his press conference yesterday, the Mayor acknowledged the need to overhaul the permit rules, to support competitive opportunities and nurture young, aspiring surfers to uphold surfing's place as the lifeblood of Hawaiian culture and community. " There are definitely some changes to be made but we all have to understand that the process is about equal opportunity for our community not about the objectives of any professional organization that wants to have an event. The permit process includes amateur organizations as well and that is our building block for opportunity to our surfers. If you are interested in the rules they are posted on the City Parks web site.

HAWAII'S WSL TOUR HEADS TO TAHITI

The Hawaii/Tahiti Nui region shifts from the North Shore of Oahu to the French Polynesian islands of Tahiti and Rangiroa for the next leg of competitive events on the regional Qualifying Series (QS). The first event of five in the region this year, the Air Tahiti Rangiroa Pro, a Men's QS1,000, has a holding window from March 5 - 9 at the Hotu a Ura pass on the ring of islets known as Rangiroa. Following the Air Tahiti Rangiroa Pro, the juniors and women will mix up the divisions for the Papara Pro Open, which features a Men's and Women's QS1,000 and a Men's and Women's Pro Junior competition. The events will take place at Tahiti's famous black sand beach of Papara.

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On February 11 2018 seven students from the International Karate Federation Waialua Dojo, crossed the island to Hawaii Kai to compete in the 2018 Winter Open Karate Tournament. After a long day of competition they brought back with them 11 medals, 3 gold, 4 silver and 4 bronze. Seven other traditional karate schools competed in the tournment bringing in over 200 competitors for this first tournament of the year. Pictured are students Peter Shono, Prestyn Amper, Paetyn Amper, Karyssa Redira and Brennan Eason with Sensei Billy Binz and Sensei Derrick Yim. Not shown but preformed very well at the tournament are Hailey Baccay and Noan Bull. You can find these students and other students training hard at the Waialua Dojo every week on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm beginners class and 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm intermediate class. Come join us and enjoy all the benefits of karate for both young and old, male and female, best thing is no experience needed.



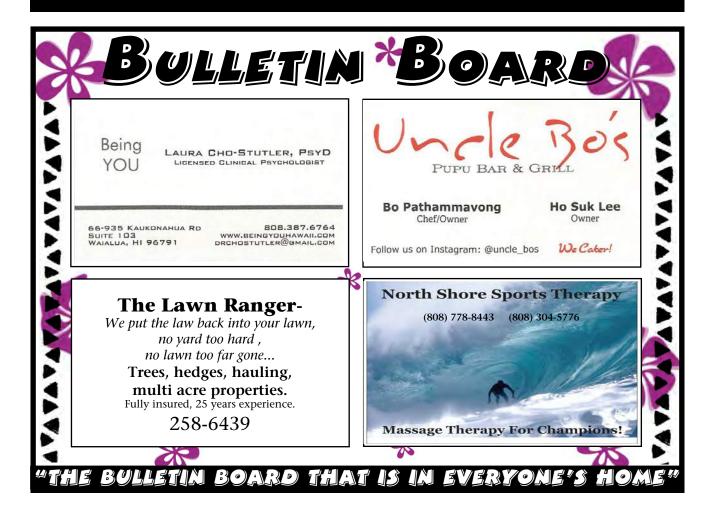
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OFF da Island in Prague T. Dilcher and companion Johanna Bovino took a trip to Prague, Budapest, Dubrovnik and the Croatian/Dalmatian Coast...an unbelievably inspirational place to visit.

Waialua Public Library UPCOMING EVENTS

Used Book Sale Saturday, March 17, 9am-2pm *Weather Permitting*

Readers' Group Thursday, March 22, 9:30-11am *Run* by Ann Patchett

Writers' Group Saturday, March 3, 11am

Topic: "A Star Is Born"

Special Event

Local historian Richard Rogers will describe the geographical formation of the North Shore Saturday, March 10, 11am

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