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1960s WCA General Membership Dinner Meeting Photo: WCA

# Waialua Community Association Celebrates 90th Anniversary

Many people driving through Haleiwa wonder about the historic gym across from the Haleiwa Post Office and may not realize it is the home of the Waialua Community Association (WCA). The WCA, founded in 1934, is the first and oldest community association in Hawaii. More than sixty community associations on Oahu and the neighbor islands were modeled after the WCA.

brothers Frank and John Midkiff, Frank coming up with the idea and John, being the manager of the Waialua Agricultural Co., Ltd., helping to make it happen. The Midkiff brothers, the trustees of the Juliette M. Atherton trust, along with the residents and existing organizations in the Waialua district, set out to make rural life more attractive and to increase the population of Waialua. The Mid-The WCA was the vision of kiffs' vision included addressing health, recreation, entertainment, education, and all phases of social life. Although John Midkiff managed the Waialua Sugar Plantation, he wanted the WCA to be managed by the 4,400 non-plantation people of the community and refused to be an officer, instead staying in the background and allowing his brother to be the WCA's first president.

#### OFF da Island in Machu Picchu, Peru



Haleiwa residents Scott and Susan Valle decided to celebrate Scott's birthday abroad. It was a long journey from Hawaii to Machu Picchu, Peru. Scott and Susan are pictured here at the Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu founded c.1450, 574 years ago. An Incan citadel set high in the Andes Mountains above the Urubamba River and is amongst the greatest artistic, architectural and land use achievements anywhere. Susan packed a copy of the NSN to remind her of the good times back on Oahu's beautiful North Shore. For information on the OFF da Island campaign turn to page 23.









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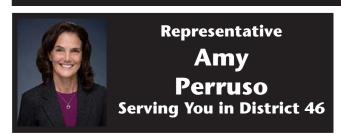


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Aloha kākou,

After watching more than fifteen hours of testimony provided at three powerful community hearings in Kahuku, Wai'anae and Wahiawā in late July, I sat down to write my testimony regarding the renewal of the current military leases of state land. As a state representative, I am acutely aware not only that the current governor will be providing the political guidance on this issue that will take us through this lease negotiation process, but also that the legislature will also be engaged in providing oversight and making sure that our communities' voices are included in decision-making. In my written testimony, I addressed the findings of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) concerning these three critical parcels of land currently under military control, emphasizing the need for significant changes in how these lands are managed and the importance of returning them to the state for the benefit of the Hawaiian people.

Cultural and Environmental Significance The three parcels in question are steeped in cultural significance and ecological value. Each of these areas includes fenced conservation zones vital for protecting endangered species and natural communities. However, military activities, such as low-altitude helicopter training and other exercises, disrupt the sanctity and ecological balance of these lands. The presence of military operations, despite restrictions on more invasive practices like digging or pyrotechnics, continues to undermine the spiritual and environmental integrity of these culturally significant areas.

Inadequacy of Current Use The EIS underscores the importance of these lands for specific military training purposes due to their rugged terrain and dense vegetation. However, the limited scope of training activities—restricted to aerial maneuvers without ground exercises for over a decade—calls into question the necessity of ongoing military retention of these parcels. The state has maintained critical infrastructure, such as hiking trails and conservation areas, which remain underutilized due to the restrictions imposed by military control.

Socioeconomic and Legal Considerations The continued military presence on these state-owned lands, governed by outdated leases from 1964, perpetuates historical injustices against Native Hawaiians. The primary value of these lands lies in their natural and cultural resources, not in their military utility. Returning these lands to state control and placing them in trust for the Hawaiian people would allow for more equitable and beneficial use, fostering community-led conservation and cultural preservation efforts.

Concerns with Proposed Alternatives The EIS presents two main alternatives: full retention and modified retention. Full retention would keep all the land under military control, risking further degradation of cultural and

environmental resources. Modified retention would reduce the area under military control but would still permit significant ongoing military activities. While the state's partial assumption of management responsibilities is a positive step, it does not fully address the broader issue of military occupation of these culturally significant lands.

Environmental Consequences These lands are part of larger, largely undeveloped conservation areas, emphasizing their importance for ecological and cultural preservation. The Draft EIS acknowledges the potential for long-term adverse impacts from continued military use, which conflicts with state objectives and public trust purposes. Additionally, these areas offer scenic views and recreational opportunities that are currently restricted by military control, further highlighting the need for change.

Analysis of Cumulative Impacts The DEIS's cumulative impact analysis is inadequate due to its limited scope, failing to fully integrate the impacts of both state and federal land use. This segmentation prevents a comprehensive understanding of the broader environmental and cultural effects. Moreover, the DEIS does not adequately address the cleanup and contamination issues that could arise post-lease, nor does it sufficiently assess the cultural impacts on Native Hawaiians, particularly the long-term loss of land and cultural disconnection.

#### Recommendations

**Terminate Military Leases:** End all military leases at the three parcels upon expiration, with no extensions or renewals. This action is essential to restoring the land to its rightful custodians and aligning with the public trust doctrine.

**Transfer to State Trust:** Return these lands to state control, managing them in trust for the benefit of Native Hawaiians. This transfer would honor historical and cultural commitments and facilitate community-led stewardship.

**Environmental Restoration:** Hold the military accountable for environmental remediation, including restoring native habitats and ensuring clean water resources.

**Cultural and Community Engagement:** Involve Native Hawaiian communities in the planning and management of these lands, ensuring that traditional practices and cultural heritage are preserved and promoted.

Conclusion The Draft EIS highlights the urgent need for a paradigm shift in land management that prioritizes cultural preservation, environmental protection, and socioeconomic equity across these three parcels. Ending military leases and returning these lands to state trust will honor their true value and foster a sustainable future for Hawai'i and its people. The recommendations I provided in my testimony arose from analysis of the Draft EIS and community response to the document in community hearings. We need to provide a path forward that respects the cultural, environmental, and economic needs of the Hawaiian community, ensuring that these lands remain cherished and protected for generations to come.

As always, if you have questions, issues or concerns, or feedback on my written testimony, please do not hesitate to reach out to our office at (808) 586-6700 or my cell at (808) 351-0980.

Mahalo,

Representative Amy Perruso, HD 46





T.J. Cuaresma, Rep. Amy Perruso, Tom Lenchanko, and Col. Steven McGunegle







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MAHI: #35 O Ke Kai 28lbs Capt. Harlan Kalawaii

ONO: #22 Maddie May 37lbs Capt. Robert Henriques

#### DAY 2:

MARLIN: #48 Taylin Y 134lbs. Capt. Gavin Yuin AHI: #47 Hook It Up 122lbs Capt. Lance Mizusawa MAHI: #35 O Ke Kai 36.5lbs Capt. Harlan Kalawaii ONO: #33 Mercy S. 35.5lbs Capt. Josh Schade

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#### **CLEAN SWEEP:**

#8 Pamela Pearl



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# Councilmember Matt Weyer Serving You in District 2

Aloha Neighbors,

Mahalo to everyone who attended the recent community meeting about the North Shore First Responders Hub. I appreciate Directors Ireland and Lager from Emergency Services and Ocean Safety for joining us and sharing their commitment to enhancing first responder services on the North Shore. We are currently working with the administration to determine how to best utilize the funding allocated in this year's budget and will continue to keep you updated as we make progress.

In legislative news, I have co-introduced Bill 45 (2024) with Councilmember Cordero to raise the low-income tax credit threshold to \$100,000. This credit caps the property tax for eligible recipients at 3% of property titleholders' income. Please note that we raised the threshold from \$60,000 to \$80,000 last year, so if you are newly eligible, don't forget to file by the September 30 deadline (the same deadline for filing your homeowner occupant and other exemptions). For more information, you can visit https://www.realpropertyhonolulu.com.

Additionally, for our kupuna on fixed incomes, I've introduced Bill 43 (2024) with Councilmember Okimoto. This bill would allow qualifying homeowners to pay their property taxes in four smaller installments instead of two larger ones, easing the burden of these payments. Chair Waters and I have also co-introduced Bill 47 (2024), modeled after Maui's 'āina kupuna bill, which would provide tax relief for generational properties.

Councilmember Val Okimoto and I have also introduced Resolution 24-198 to establish a Homeless Solutions Advisory Committee. This task force will bring together experts from various fields, including housing, healthcare, and criminal justice, to propose innovative policies and promote public awareness. We must work together to tackle homelessness and preserve the quality of life our communities deserve.

I also wanted to note that Bill 46 (2024) was recently introduced by Chair Waters and Councilmember Cordero. The bill proposes an empty homes tax on housing units that are not utilized for at least six months out of the year. The goal of the bill is to reduce real estate speculation and encourage the use of Oʻahu's 30,000+ empty homes for housing. The original bill includes several exemptions to protect our resident families, and we will continue to gather feedback on the language to avoid any unintended consequences.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to my office at (808) 768-5002 or email me at <a href="mailto:mweyer@honolulu.gov">mweyer@honolulu.gov</a>.



Community Proposal for North Shore First Responder Center at Sharks Cove, at Save Sharks Cove Alliance Community Update Meeting August 14, 2024 - (1-r): Rex Dubiel Shanahan, Denise Antolini, Kori Harvey, Dr Jim Ireland, Kurt Lager, Matt Weyer, and Kaleohano Farrant

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## Striking a Balance Between Progress and Preservation at Turtle Bay

By: Rebecca Buchan, co-founder and CEO of Areté Collective

Areté Collective was born out of the desire to create a new way of development for a new way of life. After 25 years of building the award-winning Denton House Design Studio, I co-founded Areté Collective in 2020 because I knew there was a way to think about development differently.

From residential communities to golf, our multigenerational company is dedicated to sustainable development practices that respect nature, people, community, and tradition. By prioritizing climate resilience and renewing relationships between the land and people, our projects are designed to bring well-being and happiness to residents and equally enrich, regenerate, and give back to the environment and local communities.

In 2021, we were approached by BRE, the previous landowner, to envision Turtle Bay Resort's next phase of development and I quickly fell in love with the intense beauty of the rugged coastline. Since that time, our team has been focused on studying the site's topography, spending time on the land, and getting to know the community. Together with WCIT Architecture and a team of local consultants, we presented a renewed design philosophy and plan for the 33-acre site known as RR3 (Resort Residential 3). Ultimately, when BRE decided to sell the property, they turned to us with the opportunity to bring this vision to life.

To commence our efforts, we were honored to lend a hand in the beginning phases of restoring the land to its natural glory by clearing the invasive ironwood trees and planting native trees to reestablish the primary and secondary sand dunes. Since then, we have obtained permission from BRE to share our plans and began meeting with over 60 community members who were gracious enough to offer their time and feedback on how we should proceed. We know there are more conversations to be had, and we look forward to engaging with the community in a positive and productive way.

Based on these preliminary community discussions, we have adjusted our site plan and partnered with North Shore Community Land Trust to better understand the restoration efforts underway and how we can continue their efforts from Kahuku Point throughout our property. With the guidance of conservation leaders, we are also exploring ways to guide foot traffic along the shoreline. We have received support for the use of elevated walkways to ensure the native plantings and sand dune restoration work remains intact and protects the coastline from further erosion. Finally, to keep our footprint as light as possible, we will strictly enforce homeowner

policies that prohibit cats, unleashed dogs, and short-term or vacation rentals.

To continue to support the community, we are excited to collaborate with Hawai'i Marine Animal Response and our environmental consultant AECOS to educate and empower our contractors, future residents, and employees to respect, respond, and protect the native and marine species that call this dynamic coastline home. In the next 90 days, we are rolling out a site-specific endangered species training program to accomplish this. We are also contributing to the state's renewable energy goals with the installation of solar panels on the rooftops of our buildings. As our project progresses, we will continually look for new ways to uplift the local community.

We know sea level rise, natural disaster preparedness, traffic, and safety are top priorities for the state and especially the Koʻolauloa district. We want you to know that we are preparing for this, too. Setting our residences back at least 150 feet, and in many cases 350 feet, from the certified shoreline. Receiving agency reviews regarding traffic, wastewater, stormwater quality, shoreline certification, and more. Working in concert with Hui Kū Maoli Ola to accomplish the Forestry Management Plan and the North Shore Community Land Trust who oversees the conservation lands.

We are cognizant of the responsibility that comes with new development, particularly at Turtle Bay where there's been a longstanding history of development and environmental entitlements that eventually reduced the proposed development from 3,500 to 725 remaining units on three development parcels (RR-3, H-1 and H-2) and preserved approximately 568 acres as open space in perpetuity under the historic conservation easement in 2015.

The parcels that Areté acquired as a guest developer allow for 100 units on one parcel zoned for resort residential and a second approved to build 250 units



Areté Collective team plants kou and hala trees before a workday with North Shore Community Land Trust in June.

zoned for hotel. The first phase includes four low-rise buildings totaling 20 residences that will remain well below the 90-foot height maximum and in line with the required distances between buildings to preserve view planes, resulting in approximately 60% of the parcel remaining as open space. Consistent with the Unilateral Agreement, Areté is committed to adding a new public comfort station, two convenient shoreline access points with free public parking, and an employee daycare center. In connection with the development of the first 100 units, we will develop a minimum of ten new workforce housing units with the intent to build additional affordable units in the community. We estimate that our project will also create approximately 1,000 construction jobs and 500 permanent positions across hospitality, food and beverage, and landscape maintenance.

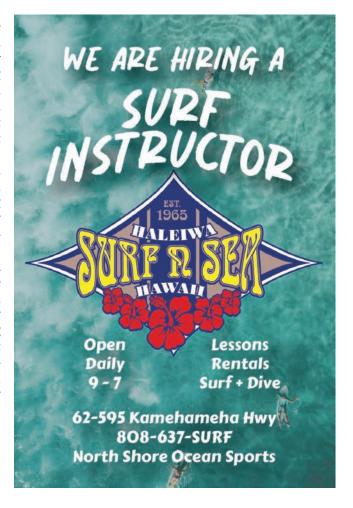
In addition to fostering the local economy, creating jobs, building public parks, and enhancing shoreline access and transportation, Areté has assumed operations of the Fazio and Palmer golf course. This effort includes retaining all employees, working to improve their compensation and benefits, and investing in new equipment. We are also proud of the fact that we will be able to dramatically reduce irrigated turf grass and water usage. And finally, our efforts with the Turtle Bay Foundation have kicked off in earnest with our commitment to provide ongoing support for their mission to foster a brighter future for Hawai'i's youth.

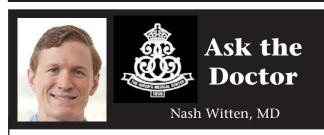
We are appreciative of the thought and care that the local community has previously dedicated to advising our plans. As we get to know each other more, I hope you can see our passion for supporting each of you in the environmental, educational, and cultural initiatives that matter most to Koʻolauloa and the North Shore. I firmly believe that our project at Turtle Bay will be an example of how development can coexist with nature, community and culture, which brings me back to the very reason I founded Areté. We are proud of the projects we've built in other communities to provide attainable housing opportunities, jobs for locals, and improve the way of life for people beyond the boundaries of our developments.

In the months and years to follow, we look forward to working with the community to balance progress and preservation. We know development on the North Shore is sensitive. Still, we believe that by working together with the community and respecting the natural environment, we can create spaces that are not only beautiful and functional but also sustainable and enriching for everyone. We hope you will join us in fulfilling the agreements the community advocated for many years ago. To share your ideas, we welcome your input online at oahu-arete.com.



Please join Areté for a Community Open House on August 29 from 6-8pm at Kahuku Village Association.





#### Mentorship and Congratulations

My "aha" moment when I knew I needed to become a physician occurred at Wahiawā General Hospital when my dad, Jay Boy, was diagnosed with cancer. I was eleven and had no idea what this entailed. Twelve years later, thanks to the village that got me through high school, undergraduate, and a post-baccalaureate program, I received my "short" white coat at the beginning of my medical school journey in 2013. Dr. Miriam Chang, from Pūpūkea, was my family's doctor through my middle school, high school, medical school, and residency years. She was the only person I knew to ask to shadow before medical school, wrote my letter of recommendation for my medical school application and scholarship applications, and is who I asked to don my white coat that day. The photo of this moment still hangs in my mom's kitchen - a proud moment for everyone who got me to that point in life.

On July 26th, I had the privilege to don the "short" white coat on another member of our community who had the calling to become a physician - Stryder Williams. Stryder, like me, had the calling to become a physician but lacked any direct family members who were physicians to guide him on the journey to becoming a doctor. Thanks to mutual connections at the University of Hawai'i, he was introduced to me to help finish his medical school application in 2022. After days of shadowing me in Hale'iwa while still working, doing research, volunteering, and completing his undergraduate degree, he was accepted into the University of Hawa'i John A. Burns School of Medicine class of 2028 this July!

If you know anyone in the community who has a calling to be a physician or is thinking about pursuing medicine, send them our way! All of the physicians and the nurse practitioners at Queen's Health Care Centers Hale'iwa are always looking for mentees, and Queen's Health System has an easy onboarding process that allows shadowing, too.

Dr. Nash Witten is a Board Certified Family Medicine physician at the Queen's Health Care Centers Haleiwa, located at 66-125 Kamehameha Hwy., Haleiwa, HI 96712. The clinic is accepting new patients, call 808-691-8501 to schedule an appointment. Submit questions to the doctors at nsnaskthedoctor@gmail.com.



Dean Shomaker, Stryder Williams, and Nash Witten at the UH JABSOM White Coat Ceremony. Photo courtesy of UH JABSOM



Dear Editor:

#### Silence in a Secular World

Amid so much turmoil in this world and the lack of belief in God by so many people, a need arises for some quiet time and reflection. In current times, some in our society see the belief in God as trivial. Yet a new movement towards religion and of seeking God and His Son Jesus is emerging, and the need for praying with Jesus is being revolutionized with the film "The Chosen." Jonathan Roumie's portrayal of Jesus the Nazorean is bringing to the front the need for God and Jesus as is the need to pray.

Praying is very important for our little church, St. Roch Parish in Kahuku. This church has its doors opened for Meditation and private prayer on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. Matthew Kelly in his book, Beautiful Eucharist, (pg. 8), encourages the reader who wants to have a life-changing experience, to spend time in church in Jesus' presence for a life changing experience where a private conversation with Jesus is made possible.

Are you ready to spend silent time with Jesus? He waits for your coming!

Eugenia Posenecker



#### North Shore Chamber of Commerce News

#### **Update on Haleiwa Walkways Project**

Here is a brief update on the long-awaited Haleiwa Walkways Project, which has been in the planning stages for nearly three decades. Although it may seem like a never-ending process, there is promising news that suggests we are nearing a significant breakthrough.

During a recent town hall meeting with Mayor Rick Blangiardi at Waialua Elementary School on June 20, 2024, it was announced that all major obstacles have been addressed, and interagency issues are being resolved. As the City dots its I's and crosses its T's, they are doing their due diligence with a target date to begin construction in the 3rd or 4th quarter of 2025. The project is expected to take two years to complete and will be done in sections.

To help ensure that there is minimal disruption to businesses in town, we will be working closely with city officials to create a traffic mitigation plan. This collaboration is crucial to maintaining the flow of visitors and residents alike, especially during the construction phase.

However, there is still an important component yet to be finalized—the off-street parking plan. As many of you are aware, parking in Haleiwa is already a significant challenge. The area frequently experiences overflow, particularly during peak tourist seasons, which impacts both residents and local businesses. The introduction of the walkway project, while a positive development in many ways, is poised to exacerbate this issue by reducing the available parking spaces even further.

Despite preliminary investigations by community leaders, a concrete plan to address this impending parking shortfall has yet to be established. This oversight could lead to increased congestion, affecting the livelihoods of local small business owners. To address this issue, North Shore Market Place has commissioned SFFM, a traffic engineering company, to conduct a comprehensive study of the parking needs along Kam Hwy to the Rainbow Bridge. We anticipate this study will be completed by October 2024.

It is imperative that we develop a comprehensive parking strategy that not only accommodates the new walkway but also improves the overall accessibility and functionality of Haleiwa for everyone who relies on it. By working closely with all stakeholders, we hope to ensure that the project benefits the community without causing unnecessary disruptions.

#### **NSCC General Membership Meeting**

Date: Wednesday, September 18, 2024 Time: 8:00am Location: Haleiwa Joe's

Cost: (Breakfast) \$10. members \$15. non-members

For information: 808-637-4558







The three images are renderings of the planned project from the City's Complete Streets Program

# North Shore Neighborhood Board Meetings #27 Next Meeting: September 24, 2024

4th Tuesday of Every Month - 7pm at Waialua Elementary School Cafeteria 67-020 Waialua Beach Rd.

Regular meeting agenda found at: www.honolulu.gov/nco To view previous meetings go to: olelo.org/olelonet

### Waialua Community Association Celebrates 90th Anniversary

In 1936, the Waialua Agricultural Co., Ltd. donated the land to build the gym, and the Waialua Japanese Civic Club contributed the initial \$3,000 for the construction, which in today's dollars is equivalent to more than \$68,000, a very generous gift reflecting a strong sense of community support and collaboration in sup-



porting the construction of Frank Midkiff

the gym and the vision of brothers John and Frank Midkiff. In 1937 the new facility was completed and incorporation papers for the WCA were granted. The bylaws, established the following year, state that "The object of the Association shall be to develop a unified community spirit. To study the needs of the community and to support such projects as will further its interests, culturally, morally, and physically."

Over the years, the WCA has been intertwined with the North Shore community serving as a hub for bringing people together, organizing events, and addressing local needs to create a more vibrant and supportive community environment. Some of the WCA's many historic accomplishments include:

- Holding the Waialua Country Fair for several decades beginning in 1936 and later teaming with the Waialua Athletic Association in sponsoring a combined carnival.
- Expanding the Andrew E. Cox school to include upper grades and renaming it the Waialua High School in 1937.
- Sponsoring three kindergarten classes from 1939 1941.
- Serving as a hub for the USO to provide support and entertainment to servicemen and women during World War II.
- Allocation of \$50,000 for the new Waialua Branch Library.
- Forming a Juvenile Delinquency Committee in 1947, which successfully curbed delinquency in the area, earning praise from the Police Department.
- Providing chest X-rays in 1948 for 85% of the community over age 15.
- Establishing the Waialua Blood Reserve in 1948, benefiting over 1,000 people.
- Assisting in transitioning Waialua High School from a two-year to a four-year high school.
- Forming a Community Association Disaster Committee in 1949, predating the establishment of Civil Defense.
- Assisting with installation of streetlights and signs marking the entrance to Haleiwa Town.

- Formation of the Outdoor Circle by the women of Waialua and Haleiwa in 1950.
- Organizing a Blood Bank Drive in 1953 visiting the entire community in a house-to-house canvas for donors.
- Establishing a committee in 1953 to assign appropriate Hawaiian or Caucasian names, without duplication, to every street, road, or location in the district.
- Working with the legislature to acquire Kaiaka Beach Park from developers, making it the first ocean park owned by the State.
- Helping to establish house to house mail service and dial phones.
- Hosting an annual dinner meeting, summer fun programs, Christmas gift distibutions, retirement parties, and many other community events.

With the growth of the community over the years, the role of the WCA has changed, although the WCA's mission remains: "The WCA serves the entire North Shore Community with meaningful educational and recreational programs. The WCA is a gathering place where children, teens, adults and seniors are encouraged to engage in meaningful social activities that stimulate and support the individuals and community."

Please join us on the lawn and in the gym on September 14th from 3:00pm - 7:00pm to celebrate the WCA's 90th anniversary!



Current services and activities at the WCA include:

- Outreach programs with the Institute for Human Services, North Shore Food Bank, Alcoholics Anonymous, and Narcotics Anonymous
- A variety of classes including hula, martial arts, Zumba, Polynesian dance, sewing, fitness, pickleball, kid's drama, dodgeball, and senior exercise and social hour
- Fundraisers, events, private parties, and markets
- Certified kitchen to support our business community and others
- City and County of Honolulu Park and Ride
- Disaster relief distribution
- Private and community meetings
- Operation Backpack preparation and distribution
- North Shore Christian Fellowship Fish & Loaves hot meal distribution
- Kaiser mobile clinic

In addition, the WCA has six tenants: North Shore Chamber of Commerce, North Shore Christian Fellowship, North Shore News, KT Protection Services, Landmark Builders, and Ka Hana Pono Daycare.

Strategic planning is currently underway to guide the WCA's vision for the future and how the WCA can continue making a difference in the coming years. Current goals include (1) Implementing a master plan to develop, maintain and improve the facilities and

# The Early Organizations Guiding and Forming the WCA Included:

Waialua Japanese YMA Andrew E. Cox School

Hawaiian Civic Club Hokubo Kumiai

Waialua Civic Club Doshi Kai

Filipino Malayan Society Haleiwa YMA

St. Stephen's Mission Waialua Recreation Council

Wahi-alua Club Waialua School

Taisho School Waialua Community Social Club

Riverside Athletic Club Waialua Cosmopolitan Club

Palama Fresh Air Camp Waialua Girl Reserves

Korean Epworth League Community Church

Korean Language School Waialua Catholic Church

Hongwanji Mission Waialua Improvement Club

Waialua YMBA Liliuokalani Church

Kawailoa YMBA Kawailoa School

Waialua Filipino Waialua Agricultural

Community Co., Ltd.

Kawailoa Filipino Community grounds for community purposes; and (2) Strengthening relationships by engaging the community to improve the life of residents.

We sincerely appreciate all the individuals, volunteers, donors, and partners who have contributed to the WCA's success over the years and encourage community members to support the WCA's future efforts through volunteering, donations, or spreading awareness. You can reach us at:

waialuacommunityassociation.org

Portions of this article are adapted from "A brief history of WCA" by Laura Bolles, North Shore News, September 19, 1979; "Waialua Community Association" by Frank E. Midkiff, Honolulu Star-Bulletin, January 25, 1937; and Notes from Unrecorded Preliminary Interview with John Midkiff by Vivien Lee, June 4, 1976



WCA Building was constructed in 1937 Architect: Herbert C. Cayton. Builder: Waialua Agricultural Co., Ltd. Photo from late 1930s: WCA



2017 WCA Community Thanksgiving Day Celebration Photo: NSN



1990s Zumba classes at the WCA Photo: H. Fleming



### NORTH SHORE REAL ESTATE TRENDS

by Richard Sterman (R) of Sterman Realty & Director of Shoreline Preservation Coalition

#### "The North Shore Community Gets Involved"

I just got back from a "Community Beach Cleanup" just Rocky Point side of Sunset Beach. It reminded me that without community involvement, a lot of our improvements on the North Shore would never get done and - it's easy to get involved!

There are so many good things that you (and I) can get involved with out here and even an idea you might have could help!

#### Groups:

The North Shore Chamber of Commerce, The North Shore Outdoor Circle, The North Shore Neighborhood Board, our Community Associations and community beach or bike path clean-ups, etc...

#### Ideas:

- -Maybe you have an idea to make your neighborhood work better (roads, sidewalks, drainage, bike-paths, safety, etc...). Just let your State or City officials know.
- -A small idea I had, back when Linda Lingle was Governor, was to have prison inmates get time outdoors on work furloughs and help with weed and trash control on the side of our State highways. That administration took the idea and ran with it and it's been a win-win ever since. -Another idea of years past was to do a by-pass road around Haleiwa Town and, thanks to Uncle Joe Leong, it was built.

North Shore residents are always getting involved when circumstances call for it. Please consider joining one, or more, of our fantastic groups and know that your ideas, no matter how small, just might make the North Shore a better place to live!

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# THE ALOHA SPIRIT OF DUKE KAHANAMOKU

Duke's OceanFest kicked off with an open ceremony honoring hero Duke Pahoa Kahanamoku. Kahanamoku was an Olympic champion, the ambassador of Aloha and one of the best athletes ever known. The 7 days of water sports, beach volleyball, lifeguard competition and more is organized by the Outrigger Duke Kahanamoku Foundation every summer around Duke's birthday on August 24th. The foundation honors our hero with organizing the sports he loved and some that he invented. Kahanamoku is fondly remembered as the greatest waterman that ever lived. He had an aloha spirit that lives on today through our current watermen and women who surf in his honor. The foundation gives away many grants and scholarships to athletes so do check out their web pages. The Duke's OceanFest started August 15 - August 25th.

#### **SURF ABU DHABI WAVE POOL**

The World Surf League announced a new wave pool competition as part of their Championship 2025 season. Surf Abu Dhabi is scheduled for the third event of the season and is located on Hudariyat Island in Abu Dhabi. It will also be the venue for the longboard world tour. The facility is a Kelly Slater Wave Company technology project and is owned by the Modon Company. Many people have said they believe surf contests should be held in wave pools because of the consistency of the man-made wave. The summer swells for the Olympics did prove to deliver. Erratic conditions, not the epic perfect barrels that we all wanted to see with an equal playing field every day. It seemed the women had the worst of the surf as from past decades. Remember when the bikini contest would start while the women were sent out in their event? Yes days passed but not perfect yet. A lot of surfers cringed at the waves Gold medalist Carissa Moore surfed when she was eliminated. There were also complaints on the scoring and complaints of not having any women judges. Also the system of the head judge walking around shouting out the average scores to make sure all the judges are seeing the same thing has been a big complaint. A judge even got fired for taking a selfie with a surfer! It is difficult in subjective events. Paris had their problems also. Maybe that wave machine will have no complaints? Not a chance! But an interesting event for sure.

#### **FUTURE WORLD CHAMP**

We start our keiki early putting the water wings on and tandem them on 2 footers. Later push them into 2 footers and they are off to be pro surfers. It's a Hawaii tradition and it's working for a lot of our little ones. Meet Lani Santos. She is doing turns off the top like adults and winning competitions just like her favorite surfer Carissa Moore. Lani is 8 years old and looking at her future career as a world champion. She is an incredible surfer with the help from Dad, Diego. Born and raised on the North Shore as a surfing champ! Follow her making a big splash in the future. Her sisters surf also! The Menehune Championship is coming very soon where she took a win last season! Find her @lani.surfergirl.



Lani Santos Photo: Banzai Enterprises



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# Embracing the Sweet and Savory at Ted's Bakery

By Penny Nakamura

The most fortunate of happy baking accidents that could've occurred happened right here on the North Shore, putting Ted's family-owned Sunset Beach neighborhood bakery on the map not just island wide, but throughout the state.

"My dad Ted Nakamura, had just finished baking some cakes back in 1987, and he found he had extra chocolate filling and coconut haupia, so he decided to make a pie shell, and layer it with some of this chocolate and haupia, and then he added some whip cream, and really that's how our most popular pie started-- just by accident," said oldest daughter, Torey Nakamura, who along with her two sisters Caylyn and Taryn are now taking over the family business, though Ted, still comes in most days.

This summer Ted's Bakery is celebrating 37 years of business of serving up savory local plate lunches and baking those famous chocolate haupia pies, others have tried to replicate it, but have failed.

Though there may be some secret ingredients in this simple pie, Nakamura says that Ted's bakers try to source key ingredients locally, whenever possible, and most everything, including the crust is freshly handmade with family recipes.

"For example, we try out best to use local ingredients, like Macadamia nuts in the Macadamia nut pie, that are sourced from Hamakua," said Nakamura. "We make and sell anywhere from three thousand, to 5000 pies a week. The second most popular pie is strawberry- guava haupia pie."

You may have noticed after the COVID pandemic, Ted's pies were no longer available in your favorite local supermarkets, and Nakamura explains that the family wasn't going to sacrifice quality, as one of their key ingredients had to be sourced from the mainland, and there was a shortage, causing a supply and demand issue.

"We tried to make the haupia pies with a different kind of ingredient, but it wasn't the same, so instead of sacrificing quality, we decided until we could consistently source this key ingredient again, we would only make enough pies to sell at the bakery," explained Nakamura. "Fortunately, that's not an issue anymore, so we're making pies to sell retail again, and we've also hired a distributor to bring our pies to market, even on the neighbor islands, which has made the process much easier for us."

Nakamura, who earned her master's in business administration from Chaminade University looks at a large black and white photo behind her office desk, and points to it explaining this is where Ted's all started.

"It was my grandparents who started the original Sunset Beach Store here in 1956, you can see in this photo the front part of the building is still what

you see today, but obviously the two gas pumps aren't here anymore, but there was still this painted mural of a wave," said Nakamura proudly. "When my grandparents wanted to retire, my dad Ted and his brother Glen took over, and my dad had been learning his baking skills at some of the Waikiki hotels, so when they took over the store, my dad wanted to offer more and more baked goods and food, so in 1987 they changed the name to Ted's Bakery."

A plethora of other decadent baked good like the guava chiffon cake, the coconut cake, cinnamon rolls, strudel, donuts, muffins, cream puffs and an assortment of Danishes line the shelves early in the morning.

Since that first year as Ted's Bakery, people have continuously stood in line to order delectable plate lunches; everything from loco moco to the family recipes such as garlic egg battered fried Mahi Mahi, and of course customers finish it off with pie.

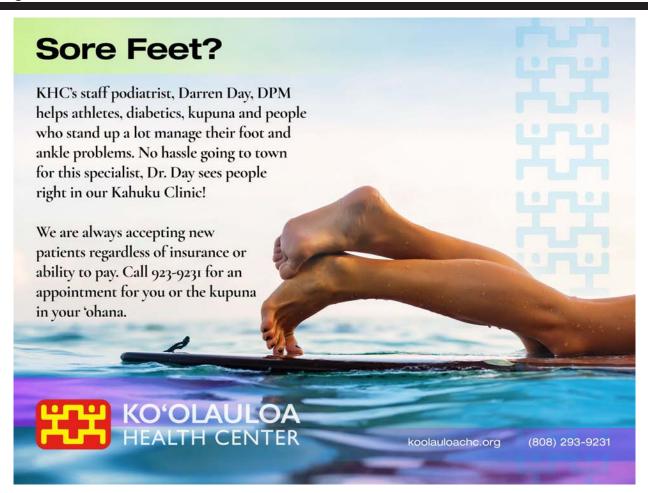
Nakamura says she's grateful to the dedicated staff at Ted's, but also to the community and loyal customers who come each day to stand in line and order their food.

"It was a weird and scary time when Ted's closed it's doors during the pandemic. It was hard for all the businesses, because people were not traveling to the North Shore then," said Nakamura, "but really we were also concerned about protecting our workers, many of them are kupuna, but we are back and we're celebrating these 37 years with some specials."

As for what comes next, Nakamura says they're looking towards possible expansion on the mainland in the future, but until then she says the family wants to keep the original Sunset Beach Store/ Ted's Bakery going strong on the North Shore as is the family tradition.

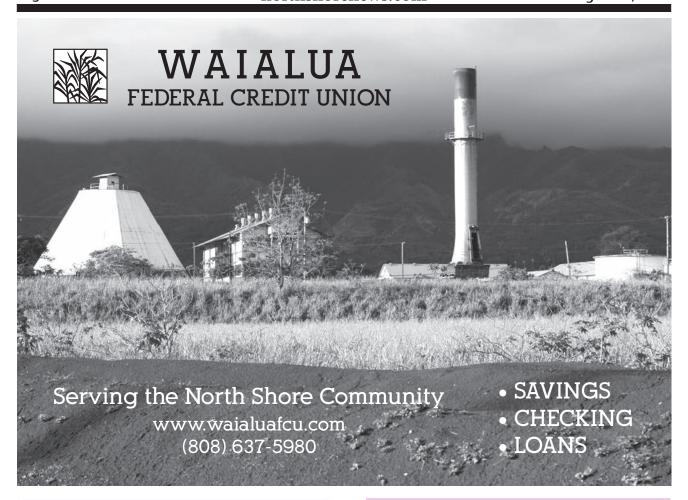


August 2020 Ted and Torey delivering pastries to the NS Food Bank during Covid. Mahalo to Ted's Bakery for supporting NS community events for many years! Photo: NSN





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#### **Writers' Group**

Thursday, Sept. 12, 9:30-11am Topic: "An Experience at a Gas Station"

### **Readers' Group**

Thursday, Sept. 26, 9:30-11am Title: "Lady Tan's Circle of Women" by Lisa See

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The Lei Pua 'Ala project seeks stories about the diverse histories of gender and sexuality in Hawai'i

We're looking for stories across all our communities, including and beyond the LGBTQ+Māhū community, but are especially interested in stories from outside urban O'ahu. We welcome contributions from kūpuna and emerging writers, as well as researchers and scholarly writers

Our goal is to collect stories that highlight our experiences, which will be shared as educationa materials and featured on a community website. This is an opportunity to honor our histories and to create a lasting record for future generations. There is no shame here, tell us where you fell in love, got messy, or were saved!

Submissions can be of any length suitable for web content, with an emphasis on research and specific places or times in Hawai'i. We accept critical and creative writing, including essays, interviews, short stories, poems, photo essays, or anything you can dream up.

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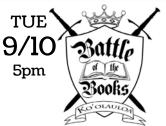


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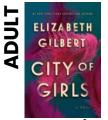
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#### **Growing Future Mahi`ai**

By Dayton Supebedia

Aloha kākou, my name is Dayton and I am working at Waimea Valley as the Ancestral Crop Gardener, a new position as of this year. I was born and raised in Waialua where I was introduced to gardening and agriculture by helping my grandpa in the yard and at his farm. I attended the University of Hawaii at Hilo majoring in horticulture: tropical plant science. I have worked at Dole Plantation picking pineapples and at Kodama Koi Farm raising Koi fish in the summers.

I am writing to invite you to Waimea Valley's Kalo and 'Awa festival this year. It will be on Saturday, September 14, from 8am till 2pm in the Pikake Pavilion. It is a great opportunity to network and meet other kalo farmers, learn how they grow kalo, exchange ideas, explore the cultural significance of kalo, and how to care for and harvest this wonderful plant. Come to Waimea Valley and participate at no cost. Take some "huli" or plantlets home to start your own kalo journey.

My journey started when I was introduced to working with kalo (Colocasia esculenta) at UH Hilo. We studied the biology of kalo, its cultural significance, and uses. Being Native Hawaiian, I wanted to learn more, and to plant and harvest kalo myself. Over winter break of my senior year I started to grow my own kalo. I chose two varieties, Mana Ulu and Mana Opelu, and planted three huli of each. At the time, there were about forty wild chickens running through my yard. The chickens would uproot any plant in the ground when they searched for bugs to eat. To avoid the chickens, I started the kalo in a raised bed, three feet above the ground. The chickens eventually found their way to the kalo and ate the plants. However, they stayed away after that first feast. I hypothesized that the chickens were affected by a natural defense system in the kalo called calcium oxalates. The oxalates are what makes our throats itchy when we eat any part of the kalo raw. Now that the chickens were not eating the kalo, I decided to plant the kalo in the ground. Before planting, I weeded the area, tilled the soil, and removed the rocks. I planted the huli three feet apart from each other, dug trenches around the kalo to trap the water, added chicken manure for fertilizer, and laid a layer of wood chips to suppress weeds and retain moisture in the soil.

After planting the kalo, I watered the plants every morning and, depending on how hot the day was, watered the plants again in the afternoon. During its growing stage, the kalo was fertilized three more times using chicken manure. I removed weeds throughout the growing season and reapplied mulch using fallen mango leaves. I was also able to prune and remove some trees to allow more light to reach the kalo and to allow better air flow.

I started working at Waimea Valley towards the end of the kalo growing cycle and it was soon time to harvest. To prepare the huli for planting at Waimea we peel away the majority of the stem of the kalo because pests can hide in the sheaths of the stem, soaking the cut huli in a 10% solution of bleach and water for 5 min-

utes kills any disease or pests still on the plant. We sanitize our cutting tools between cleaning each variety of kalo. I harvested and cleaned my kalo and made huli. The results weren't too good for my first crop. The corms were small, the size of a tennis ball. Fortunately, I was able to make a lot of huli for the next crop of kalo.

An issue that could have affected the size of the corm was the lack of consistent watering. At Waimea we use a drip irrigation system that is set on a timer to water our māla. Drip irrigation helps prevent disease and is a more efficient way to reduce water usage. Weeds were another issue that could have affected the corm size. Finally, I suspected the kalo being in a raised bed may have been a problem. This was confirmed by my supervisor at Waimea, who mentioned to me that he noticed that the kalo didn't do as well when they were initially grown in pots. Here at Waimea our mission is to perpetuate the Hawaiian culture, in part through the heirloom varieties of Hawaiian kalo we grow. We distribute the varieties to community members interested in growing kalo. We also provide tips and support for community members in their gardens.

So come join us at Kalo 'Awa day and celebrate Hāloa with us. Who knows, you might be tempted to plant your first huli; or your one thousandth. Or just come to learn more about this ancestral plant and the work that Waimea does every day to ensure that the traditional plant cultivars of the Hawaiian people are perpetuated in the gardens and farms of Hawai'i. Mahalo nui loa, a hui ho.

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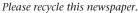
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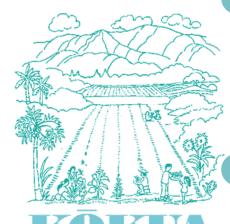
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## OPPORTUNITIES ON THE KŌKUA LEARNING FARM



#### Kökua Learning Farm Youth Internship Program

The next cohort for the Kōkua Learning Farm Youth Internship Program begins **September 25th thru December 18th** every Wednesday from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. Students in grades 9-12 are encouraged to apply to receive hands-on experiences as mahi'ai through onfarm training.



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TO APPLY!

#### **First Saturday of the month Community Workdays**

Join us on the first Saturday of each month at our Community Workdays from **9-11:30am** with tasks for the whole 'ohana! Interested in learning more about ways to volunteer at Kōkua Hawai'i Foundation? Contact volunteer@kokuahawaiifoundation.org.



JOIN US

#### Indigo Dye Bath at the Kökua General Store





Join us on **Saturday, September 14 from 10am to 1pm** to discover the power of indigo dye, and transform your worn or stained items into vibrant, blue creations! Now open Tuesday thru Saturday, shop for your Hawai'i-made, low-waste lifestyle, refill products, vintage, and more at the Kōkua General Store.

#### **3Rs School Recycling Drive on the North Shore**



Save the date for our next North Shore 3Rs School Recycling Drive at Kahuku High & Intermediate School on Saturday, November 23 from 9am to 11am with all proceeds going to the host school!

#### **Join Our Membership 'Ohana**

Receive a **year-round 10% discount** at the Kōkua General Store, exclusive offerings, and early access to

upcoming events, like our Farm to Table dinners by becoming a KHF Member today! Your generosity will help us continue our programs in schools and communities across Hawai'i!



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## **OPENING SOON!**

CONNECTING COMMUNITY THROUGH FOOD

Visit us at the new 'ĀINA Farm Stand opening this Spetember! This Kōkua Hawai'i Foundation mission-aligned storefront will be a space to share the bounty of local food and agriculture producers! The 'ĀINA Farm Stand will provide seasonal, farm-fresh produce from the Kōkua Learning Farm and other local farmers and producers, as well as value-added products, fresh coffee, and a variety of locally grown flowers and lei.

Follow us on instagram @ainafarmstand