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The Director of Emergency Services, Dr. Jim Ireland, and Caio Lopes of InForm Design hold the emergency response time map that illustrates that response times will drastically improve with an Ambulance centrally located in Pupukea/Sunset providing greatly improved emergency and life-saving services for residents.

North Shore First Responder Center Proposal Inspires Community

The North Shore community hosted an incredible gathering at the Sunset Beach Recreation Center bringing together over 120 residents in unified support for the proposed North Shore First Responder Center.

Determined community members created an electric atmosphere by voicing their collective support for the public facility that will provide crucial emergency services and much needed infrastructure and resources for the North Shore's treasured ocean safety professionals.

Everyone in attendance praised the concept of establishing a centrally located site for these critically needed emergency services. Community members viewed a dramatic video explaining the project produced by resident Kori Ann Harvey Oros and were also impressed by project rendering poster boards created by another community resident Caio Lopes of InForm Design.

Supportive presentations from key City and County of Honolulu leaders, including Dr. James Ireland, Director of the Department of Emergency Services,

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Kurt Lager, the Director of the newly created Department of Ocean Safety, and City Council Member Matt Weyer heightened the excitement levels.

The vocal support of these leaders for the community's vision underscored the significance of the North Shore First Responder Center and highlighted the alignment of government and local efforts towards the shared goal of establishing an Ambulance Station and an Ocean Safety Substation centrally located for the Pupukea and Sunset areas.

Their support also demonstrated how the persistence and commitment of the North Shore community is reshaping the dialog around future emergency public infrastructure for this community.

Every voice present called on the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu to cooperatively facilitate the public purchase of property for the North Shore First Responder Center. The unity of purpose among the officials and residents was clear and inspiring.

Working together around shared values and common goals under similar circumstances, the North Shore community catalyzed voluntary land conservation "win-wins" in the recent past with the memorable and large-scale accomplishments at Pupukea-Paumalu, Waimea Valley, Kukaniloko, and large portions of Kawela Bay and Turtle Bay.

Many in attendance felt this meeting marked a significant step forward in realizing a safer, more sustainable, and more resilient North Shore community.

The hope is that the growing clarity and urgency of the proposal for the North Shore First Responder Center will inspire the Mayor and other community leaders to join in the momentum to help make it a reality.

If you have a moment, please reach out to Mayor Rick Blangiardi at (808)768-4141to voice your strong support for the North Shore First Responder Center.



Sunset Beach Recreation Center packed with enthusiastic supporters of the North Shore First Responder Center



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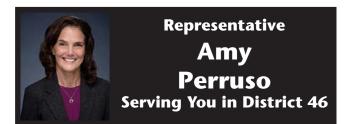
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Aloha friends and neighbors!

As we approach the 2024 legislative session, it's clear that Hawai'i needs strong government reforms. These reforms stem from the ongoing efforts of the Legislature, the work of the Foley Commission, and discussions at the Working Families Caucus' Good Government Forum on August 29, 2024. At the forum, community members and policymakers explored how we can improve transparency, accountability, and fairness in our government.

The Foley Commission, formed in 2022, provided a framework to address corruption, lobbying, ethics, and campaign spending. While it offered real solutions, many of its key proposals have not yet been implemented. Safeguards on campaign contributions, transparency in legislative processes, and curbing unilateral power to block bills remain areas needing reform. The Legislature's previous work highlighted these issues, but now is the time to act.

The 5-3-1 reform plan, building on the Foley Commission's efforts and the Legislature's earlier work, offers a clear path forward.

Five Key Amendments to Legislative Rules: 1. Testimony Transparency: Make testimony publicly available at least 22 hours before a hearing, with late testimony posted two hours before. This ensures ample time for public engagement.

2. Committee Vote Transparency: Require committees to vote on every bill, ending deferrals that prevent legislators from taking clear positions.

3. Streamlined Bill Referrals: Limit non-fiscal bills from being sent to finance committees, reducing unnecessary bottlenecks.

4. Co-Sponsorship Accountability: Ensure that bills with significant support—25 co-sponsors in the House or 12 in the Senate—are guaranteed a hearing.

5. Amendment Transparency: Require all amendments to be written and shared before voting, preventing last-minute changes that undermine transparency.

Three Key Statutory Amendments for 2025: 1. Campaign Finance Reform: Ban contributions from state contractors and related entities to prevent undue influence over policymaking.

2. Public Financing of Elections: Establish comprehensive public financing for candidates to reduce the reliance on wealthy donors.

3. Stop Campaign Contribution Transfers: Prohibit the transfer of campaign contributions between candidates, ensuring financial independence in campaigns.

One Constitutional Amendment: Term Limits for Legislators

A critical reform is to let voters decide on term limits for state legislators. Placing this question on the ballot allows the public to limit the accumulation of political power and encourage fresh leadership.

These reforms underscore the importance of the Foley Commission's work, the Legislature's earlier efforts, and community conversations at the Good Government Forum. As we enter the 2024 legislative session, these changes are necessary to rebuild public trust and ensure a government that serves everyone in Hawai'i.

The 5-3-1 plan enhances transparency, accountability, and fairness—critical components of a healthy democracy. By acting on these recommendations, Hawai'i's government will be more effective, just, and responsive to its people. Let's seize this moment and move forward with these essential reforms.

If you have questions, issues or concerns, please call our office at (808) 586-6700.



Rep. Amy Perruso speaking to HNA nurses at a recent rally about the importance of improving contracts and policy around safe staffing ratios.

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10/5 (Sat)	33rd Annual Moanikeala Hula Festival
10/7 - 10/12	Hukilau Marketplace Vendor Discounts
10/12 (Sat)	Anniversary Birthday!
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Mahalo Month activities, offers, and discounts are subject to change without notice and expire on 10/31/24. Center is closed on Wednesdays but will be open for the 6pm concert on 10/23. To become an 'Ohana Club member you must be a Hawai'i resident with valid ID.

Kahuku Community Association News

By Sunny Unga, President Kahuku Community Association (KCA) has worked tirelessly over the years to advance the construction of a much-needed Multi-purpose Recreational Facility and a Swimming Pool at Kahuku District Park. KCA has written letters to the Mayor, engaged with local representatives, met with City Council Members, wrote articles, created a task force, secured letters of support from the Kahuku Neighborhood Board (KNB) and more. In addition, we worked closely with Council Member Matt Weyer and introduced Resolution 23-51, which successfully passed unanimously on May 17, 2023. These persistent efforts over the years have led to significant progress, and our dedicated advocacy finally earned the support of Mayor Blangiardi.

This new recreational facility and swimming pool will bring long-awaited, much-needed resources to the entire Ko'olauloa and North Shore communities, benefiting all ages, from keiki to kupuna. Initial community meetings with Mayor Blangiardi and the Department of Parks and Recreation have already taken place, and we are now gearing up for the Planning and Design phase.

Together, we can turn this vision into a reality for Kahuku—join us to be part of this exciting journey for our community's future! We look forward to seeing you there!



The Department of Parks and Recreation invites you!

KAHUKU DISTRICT PARK REC CENTER & POOL COMMUNITY MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2024

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Kahuku Elementary School Cafeteria



Come and provide your input on the planning and design phase of the project!

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Aloha Neighbors,

I first want to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Ko'olauloa Hawaiian Civic Club on their centennial! For 100 years, the club has played a significant role in preserving Hawaiian culture and engaging in issues of community, state, and national interest. They partner with local organizations on projects aimed at building sustainable and healthy communities. The Ko'olauloa Hawaiian Civic Club also focuses on education and advancing Native Hawaiian students by preserving and perpetuating Hawaiian arts, music, and language through initiatives like its annual scholarship program. It was an honor to have them join us at our last Council meeting to be recognized.

As families settle into their back-to-school routines and we look ahead to the holidays, it is important to remember that hurricane season is still upon us. It is never too late to ensure you are prepared for any potential emergencies. Whether it is updating emergency kits, securing your home, or revisiting your family's emergency procedures, these small steps can make a big difference in keeping our community safe.

Every emergency plan should include some essential components. Assess whether your home's age and structural integrity require you to evacuate. It is crucial to have a designated location where your family plans to meet if evacuation becomes necessary or if you become separated. Ensure you have up-to-date contact information for family members, friends, workplaces, medical providers, and others. It is also important to establish an off-island or out-of-state contact that everyone in your family knows to reach out to in case on-island communications are limited. Honolulu's Department of Emergency Management recommends preparing a 14-day emergency kit for your family with enough nonperishable food and at least one gallon of water per person, per day. Do not forget essential items such as medications, a first aid kit, flashlights with extra batteries, and a battery-powered or hand-crank radio.

Last month, during our visit to Kahuku Hau'oli Hale with the Department of Community Services and other community partners, we had the opportunity to talk story with residents about needs and concerns in the community. I appreciate the resources provided by the Community Based Development Division and Elderly Affairs Division from the City, and I want to extend a mahalo to the kūpuna-based organizations that joined, including Ke Ola Mamo, Ko'olauloa Health Center, and Healthyself Nutrition.

I also want to provide an update about what we have learned since the recent Turtle Bay community

meeting. Since learning of the proposed project, we have engaged in discussions with the Department of Planning and Permitting, our Council attorneys, and community stakeholders like you. We have encouraged and requested public engagement, including presentations at our community associations and Neighborhood Boards.

It is clear that any development at Turtle Bay must comply with the previously established Unilateral Agreement, Environmental Impact Statement, and Special Management Use Permit (SMP) that were granted prior to our term in office. We have spoken with the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP), and DPP has inspected and confirmed current activities at Turtle Bay are within the scope of the property owner's permits. We will continue to assess ways to increase community engagement and involvement, and please reach out to our office directly if this is an issue you would like to discuss.

Many have also reached out about a road-widening project in Lā'ie. We have been in discussions with DPP, who have conducted inspections at the property. DPP's role to date has been ensuring compliance with the applicable codes and permits. We have also talked with the parties directly involved on both sides, and have offered to facilitate a meeting as needed. Please reach out to our office directly if this is an issue you would like to discuss.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to my office at (808) 768-5002 or email me at mweyer@honolulu.gov.



Congratulations to Ko'olauloa Hawaiian Civic Club on their Centennial Anniversary! Mahalo to Raynae Fonoimoana, Lucy Miller, Bernamae Aumua, Jolene Peapealalo-Perry, and Mavis Fonoimoana-Loo for joining us at the Council to receive this Honorary Certificate

North Shore

Neighborhood Board Meetings #27

Next Meeting: October 22, 2024

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





Waialua's Plantation 'Camps'

By Boyd Ready, Local Historian Many have wondered: where were the camps, how many were there, and what was life like in a workers' camp during the 98 years of the Waialua Agricultural Company's North Shore operations? I recently took another look at the George Williams Collection of maps of most of the camps from 1924, 1947, 1955, and 1972. They were called 'camps' as they were on lands recently cleared for sugar fields.

The field and mill work was hard, sweaty, and demanding. The first groups of workers were mostly unmarried men who lived in dormitories. When they married, a house with water, firewood, and later, power was provided. In the 1930s bathrooms went in. House repairs were done by the plantaion. In the early fifties houses were sold to many worker-residents at the depreciated value. Even today many retiree tenants remain in their homes as Dole has honored the promise of lifetime use.

Each camp was primarily of one ethnicity. Their natural affinity, common language, and arrival in groups with contracts, ensured this. Management's interest in preventing strikes from the combined ethnic groups kept the camps that way for a long time. Out in the fields though, working together, using 'pidgin' creole English, and sharing food during breaks, a multi-ethnic sense of community grew.

There were 22 camps, including the small 'pump' camps for those tending the steam engines for the irrigation system. Some, like Mill Camp 8 and 9, or Kawailoa Camp, had over 100 homes, a store, a theatre, rec center, pool, church, and temple. Others, like 'Kemo'o Camp 4,' near the old Halstead Mill smokestack, had 16 homes, and some had just 2 or 3. The largest, apart from the Mill Camps in Waialua town, were Ranch Camp, Helemano Camp, Opaeula Camp, Kawailoa Camp, Kemoo Camp, and Waimea Camp.

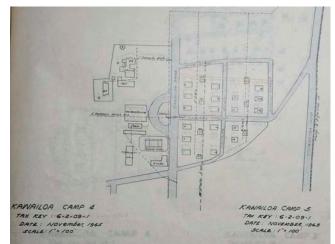
Since most workers did not have vehicles, independent businesses traveled to the camps and sold meat, fish, vegetables, fruits, and household goods to them. Even the Bank of Hawaii initially provided banking services to the camps. Outdoor screenings of films were sometimes arranged for the remote camps

I asked one of our directors, Cy Yamanoha, what it was like growing up in 'Old Mill Camp' the 16 or so homes makai of Thompson Corner. He said it was a great way to grow up. He remembered strikes and enduring cash shortages by reliance on 'strike kitchens.' Kids could roam outside, pick fruit, and play in Poamoho stream. He remembers a makeshift canoe of corrugated roofing and 2X4's, with roof mastic to patch the seams, and the boys laughing and paddling, heading to shore when they started to sink!

It is clearly normal for farmers to live on their farms. Many North Shore farmers today hope this will be allowed again like the plantation workers did in years past.



1924 Waialua Mill camp Photo courtesy of UH Oral History Program



1965 Kawailoa Camp site plan Photo courtesy of George Williams collection





Dear Doctor, "What causes kidney damage resulting in dialysis?"

Kidney function, how well the kidney filters blood, is most commonly determined by a complex formula that considers the patient's sex, age, and serum creatinine (a waste product that comes from proteins). The formula reports an "estimated glomerular filtration rate," which tells us how well your kidney filters blood. Normal kidney function is greater than 90. Chronic kidney disease stage 2 is when your kidney functions between 60 and 90; chronic kidney disease stage 3 is between 30 and 60; chronic kidney disease stage 4 is between 15 and 30; and kidney failure, or chronic kidney disease stage 5, is less than 15. A recent study even found that at age 40, most people will lose about ten percent of their kidney function per decade, too! So, by age 70 we can expect someone's kidney function to be around 70 - although we all hope that the kidney function remains greater than 90! Calculating kidney function is further complicated because people with low muscle mass, like the elderly, will have a falsely "normal" kidney function, while very muscular people will have a falsely "low" kidney function due to this equation.

The most common causes of kidney disease are untreated or "not-at-goal" treated high blood pressure and diabetes. Genetic conditions, certain medications, obesity, kidney stones, viral infections, autoimmune diseases, blood disorders, and liver conditions, among other things, can also cause kidney disease.

The key to protecting your kidney function is ensuring you maintain normal blood pressure, less than 130/90, avoiding getting diabetes or having an A1c less than 7% if you have diabetes, drinking the recommended minimum of 2 liters of water a day (unless you have a medical condition where you can't drink that much water), and avoiding kidney-toxic medications. Schedule an appointment with your doctor to check your kidney function and discuss other ways to ensure your kidneys remain healthy!

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 <u>nsnaskthedoctor@gmail.com</u>.

Meet Pastor EJ Ravago

I'm excited to introduce myself as the new pastor of Waialua United Church of Christ (WUCC). My family and I feel the warmth and aloha spirit that make the North Shore such a special place. Each day, I'm amazed by the beauty God has woven into this corner of the world. As Genesis 1:31 reminds us, "God saw all that he had made, and it was very good." Truly, God has blessed this place with his creative love and goodness – and our church has the honor of being nestled in this beauty!

As we join God in His work here on the North Shore, you're sincerely invited to partner with us in mission, service, and growing together. I look forward to meeting you soon and discovering how we can support one another on this journey of faith.



Pastor EJ Ravago and family



MAHALO FROM THE WCA STAFF AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The celebration of the Waialua Community Association's 90th anniversary allowed us to glimpse the past through historical accounts, records and archival photographs. We found that the Waialua community has a rich history of coming together to improve life for the residents of the district. Mahalo to the members of the community and those who embrace the WCA. We are filled with gratitude for your support to help us maintain the programs at the WCA through your membership, and we greatly appreciate the support of the local businesses. Many thanks to all the volunteers, performers, businesses, and community members

who helped with the 90th anniversary celebration. Going forward, we have a lot of work to do and are excited to engage with you as the WCA develops its strategic plan and continues to implement the vision of providing the community with health, recreation, entertainment, education, and social activities.

Sincerely, the WCA Staff and Board of Trustees: Berni Paik-Apau, Kawika Sanchez, Valerie Oga, John Snyder, Manu Anana, Leif Andersen, Charlyn Sales, Jennifer Hernando, Keith Awai, Rachelle Miller, Derek Ragragola, Naomi Ramirez, Michele Rego, Trudy Rego and Roland Silva

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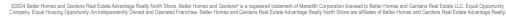
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Remembering Joe Takata

By George Tanabe

On the night of September 28, 1943, torrential rains soaked the fields above Salerno, Italy, making it impossible for the men of the 100th Battalion to pitch their tents, forcing them to sleep as best they could in the mud instead. Ordered to move out the next day, they headed into the hills at 4 a.m. without breakfast. As the sun rose, it turned



Sgt. Shigeo Joe Takata

out to be a crisp and sunny autumn day, and the men cleaned their rifles of mud as they walked the mountain road.

Sgt. Shigeo Joe Takata led one of the advance squads, and as they went around a bend in the road, the Germans opened fire. The men scattered for cover, and Takata squirmed his way up the hill toward the enemy, drawing a barrage that followed him until shrapnel from an exploding 88mm shell hit him. He called his last order to his assistant to take over.

For the past 81 years, we have remembered Joe Takata as the first Japanese American soldier to be killed in action in WWII. Eighty-one years is a long time, a whole lifetime for those of us born in 1943, but once again we need to remind ourselves of the reasons why we should remember him.

First of all, Joe was born and grew up in Waialua, and we honor him as one of our own, not only for his military service, but for his earlier accomplishments as an outstanding athlete. Known primarily as a terrific baseball player, Joe must also be remembered for his success in basketball and football. In 1937, Joe and his younger brother Mako, combined their talents to beat Kahuku (yes, Kahuku!) in a 125-pound barefoot football league game. Waialua won the game 33 to 6, and the Honolulu Star-Advertiser reported that "Kahuku was crushed and was mercilessly outclassed." In 1939, Waialua beat Haleiwa 41-40 to win the Rural Oahu Japanese Senior Basketball League championship. With only 20 seconds remaining, Joe Takata shot the winning basket.

As a baseball player, Joe Takata starred at McKinley High School, in the semi-pro teams Asahi and Azuma, the Matson A. C. in the Honolulu Commercial league, and the 100th Battalion's Aloha Team. A power-hitting shortstop, Joe helped McKinley win a championship in 1937. As an Azuma outfielder, Joe was the top Senior Japanese League slugger with a .474 average in early 1941. While the 100th Battalion was training at Camp McCoy in Wisconsin, the Aloha Team played many local clubs, including a minor league team in Green Bay. In that game, Joe made an outstanding throw from the outfield, prompting the announcer to say that these "little guys from Hawaii play like pros." From McCoy, the 100th later moved to Camp Shelby, Mississippi, and in a game played against an Army team at the internment camp at Jerome, Arkansas, Joe hit a home run that was the longest drive ever seen in that field. When the 100th arrived in North Africa as part of the 133rd Infantry Regiment, the Aloha Team defeated the 133rd team 26 to 0 in what would be Takata's last game of his storied baseball career.

The 100th Battalion suffered so many casualties that it quickly became known as the Purple Heart Battalion, and as the first to have been killed in action, Joe Takata was known to everyone in the 100th and later the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. His death became an electrifying emblem for why the Nisei soldiers fought so hard. Initially pinned down by enemy fire, Joe took matters into his hands, and reportedly said as he got up, "It's the first time, so I'm going first." In a battalion known for its firsts in the Italian Campaign-the first American unit to capture prisoners, first to destroy an enemy tank, first to charge with bayonets fixed-Joe Takata's death shook his comrades. "It was the first time we had seen any of our fellows, who went overseas with us, killed or injured in battle," one of his buddies said. "We were pretty scared at first, and then we got mad." The by-laws of Club 100, the Battalion's postwar organization, sets aside September 29 as the day to memorialize Joe Takata and all of the other Japanese American casualties.

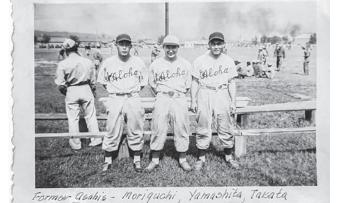
Remembrance is central to the 100th Battalion. Whereas the 442nd Regimental Combat Team was formed from volunteers after the Pearl Harbor attack, the 100th was formed of the men who had mostly been drafted before the start of the war. After the Japanese attack, the military pulled the Japanese Americans from their Army and National Guard units and created their own stand-alone unit, the 100th Infantry Battalion (Separate). A regiment normally has three battalions, so the 100th was an anomaly officially designated Separate because it was not attached to a regiment. Only later, nearly nine months after it had been fighting in southern Italy from Salerno to Rome, the 442nd arrived in Italy, and the 100th was attached to it. By then, the men of 100th were battle hardened veterans, who had to bail out the second and third battalions of the 442nd when they got into trouble in their first battle to take the towns of Suvereto and Belvedere in northern Italy. "The guys in the 442nd will always be our brothers," said a veteran of the 100th, "but they often get the credit, and we are forgotten." Everyone knows the motto of the 442nd Regiment: "Go For Broke." But who remembers the motto of the 100th Battalion?

Their motto is "Remember Pearl Harbor." It reflects the fact that the members of the 100th were all from Hawaii, whereas the 442nd was comprised of Japanese Americans from the mainland, known as kotonks, as well as the buddhaheads from Hawaii. In training there was animosity and fighting between the two groups, but the buddhaheads came to understand the kotonks once they learned of how their families were unjustly imprisoned in internment camps.

Many members of the 100th were disappointed upon being sent to the European front because they wanted to fight the Japanese in the Pacific. Lt. Sam Sakamoto explained, "If we go home and say we've been in the war and people ask where and we say Italy, those who doubt our loyalty will sneer and say that doesn't count—because we didn't fight Japanese. All of us still hope to have an opportunity to fight in the Pacific before the war is over." The men of the 100th were Japanese Hawaiians as much as they were Americans. Remember Pearl Harbor.

So why remember Joe Takata? Congressional Delegate Joseph R. Farrington, an honorary member of the Battalion, put it best in 1946. "A new day dawned when Sergeant Joe Takata died," he said. "It was a new day for you, for Hawaii, for America and for democracy. It demonstrated without a doubt the loyalty of the Americans of Japanese ancestry, and it demonstrated that the people of these islands, regardless of their racial antecedents, were good American citizens in every crisis. It silenced the spokesmen of racial intolerance, and it will remain one of the outstanding contributions of this territory to the United States of America."

The 100th did not have to go to the Pacific to prove their loyalty, but the struggle to silence the spokesmen of racial intolerance continues and remains a challenge today, which is why we remember Joe Takata.



The Aloha Team- Goro Miriguchi, Hideo Yamashita, and Joe Takata



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John John at Waimea as the "goat" Kelly Slater looks on

JOHN JOHN FLORENCE BRINGS HIS THIRD HOME

The WSL world tour finished up with our own super champ John John Florence (yes we all insisted on the 2 John's in his name) bringing home the "World Champion" title. It was a big win for the now three time champion. "The last seven years have been so tough," said an emotional John John. "So many injuries. Just fighting back to be in this position and having this new format has been stressful..." It has been a few years since he claimed a title and fans wondered when he would match the three by Andy Irons, Tom Curran, Mick Fanning and Gabriel Medina. Finally it happened. Florence wore the yellow leaders jersey most of the way and coming into the final best of three matches definitely had him thinking about his injuries, his son and family and what it would mean. He fought a battle with Italo Ferreira in glassy small surf who took to the air right away, a bit manic for sure. Florence answered back with solid two waves to take that heat in the last minutes. In the final match up he pulled his normal crazy lay-back maneuver he does a lot and pulled a 9.7 score out of his hat to be the champ. The beach went wild and JJ pumped his fists claiming the great wave, something he hardly does. He was emotional about the win! It was a decent venue and we are proud but many wonder if that California wave is worth it. The wave can be pretty solid but no real tubes, not much drama in that it looks kind of the same each wave. Nonetheless John John Florence worked it like a champ and brought the trophy back home to the North Shore! For the Women it was Caitlin Simmers from Oceanside, California winning her first title.

Photo: @banzaibetty



John John 3x World Surfing Champion Photo: @banzaibetty

September 25, 2024

From Classroom to Hokule'a Canoe

By Penny E. Nakamura When Sunset Beach Elementary School fifth grade student, Nainoa Webb stepped off his tour of the mighty Hōkūle'a canoe he was stoked and thought of the possibility that maybe someday he could be part of this crew.

"It was really cool, learning all about their voyages, and how they steer the boat" said Webb, who was named after famed Hōkūle'a navigator Nainoa Thompson. "We got to go down into the little cabins, where they sleep and it seemed comfortable, and I can imagine fishing off the boat too."

The Hōkūle'a, was docked for a week earlier this month at Hale'iwa Harbor as part of its statewide goodwill educational tours, where the public was allowed to board the almost 50-year-old two hulled traditional Polynesian canoe.

"We love connecting to the public and especially the schools, it brings a sense of community and pride for Hawai'i," said Hōkūle'a crew member and media coordinator, Lucy Lee, 22, who also got interested in Hōkūle'a while she was still at Kamehameha schools. "I was born into the Hōkūle'a and all it represented to the world. I really felt the Hōkūle'a just called to me, it was like a search to feel closer to your ancestors and now there's a sense of kuleana to share this space that's so rooted in your own culture."

Sunset Beach Elementary School principal Eliza Elkington brought all her fourth and fifth grade students down to Hale'iwa Harbor for this field trip, but the planning for it began last year, when she saw another traditional Polynesian canoe and thought she'd like the school to embrace the theme "unity".

"I think it's so important for our students to see and realize how important unity is to build something like the Hōkūle'a, and then the unity and teamwork it takes to sail her around the world," said Elkington. "I want them to see what traditional voyaging is, and what it takes, there was no AI (artificial intelligence) when they built it, and they only use celestial navigation when they sail, no electronics."

The traditional ways of building and navigating with no electronics was almost lost but in the 1970's, Henry Kane dreamed of building the Hōkūle'a, even though it had been 600 years since a double hulled canoe had been seen on the islands.

Then there was the difficulty of finding a navigator who still knew how to navigate in the traditional ways: using only stars, currents, clouds and birds to find land. Mau Piailug from the small Micronesian island, Satawal was discovered and guided the first Hōkūle'a voyage to Tahiti in the 1976 and later taught all he knew about voyaging to Nainoa Thompson, who has since shared his knowledge to others.

While each voyage has helped the crew to understand how the ancestors navigated the open ocean and settled Polynesia, fifth grade student Riley Sweeney-Fowler was more impressed with how crew members showered and relieved themselves while on board.

"I don't think I could live on the Hōkūle'a," said Sweeney-Fowler, scrunching her nose and giggling. "But I also learned that Hōkūle'a means the star of joy, and that's pretty cool."

Longtime crew member, Sydney Covell says the Hōkūle'a is aptly named because it has brought so much joy to the world. It's longest voyage to date. It lasted from 2013 to 2019 when the Hōkūle'a embarked on its worldwide voyage known as Mālama Honua; "to care for the world."

"We want to tie our North Shore keiki to know their community through their voyaging roots, so they can better understand where they're from—and what all the traditional values mean," said Covell. "Knowing your history of where you're from helps you make pono decisions not only for yourself, but in your home and the larger community."

The Hōkūle'a will continue to sail around the Hawaiian Islands for a few more months, before preparing for its fifteenth major expedition, which will be known as the "Moananuiākea". It will relaunch again in the spring of 2025, when she will officially turn 50 years old.

The Hōkūle'a will be joined by her sister canoe the Hikianalia, and together they will rotate a crew of four hundred, while circumnavigating 43,000 miles in the Pacific Ocean using only the ancient Polynesian ways. This journey started last year and had sailed to Alaska and had been in Canada when the crew heard about the Lāhainā fires.

"The crew was in Vancouver, and they decided they needed to postpone the Moananuiākea to support our 'ohana in Lāhainā, because the Hōkūle'a represents so much to all of Hawai'i, she represents hope and light," said Lee. "It was important for the Hōkūle'a to come home."

Next spring the Moananuiākea will continue its nearly four-year journey, where the canoes will visit 36 countries and archipelagoes, and nearly 100 indigenous territories and 345 ports.



Hōkūle'a docked at Hale'iwa Harbor Photo: N. Grodzin



Typically, over 1,000 women in Hawaii are diagnosed with breast cancer annually. It is the second most deadly cancer for women after lung cancer. Death rates are highest for Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders. Early detection and treatment are key.

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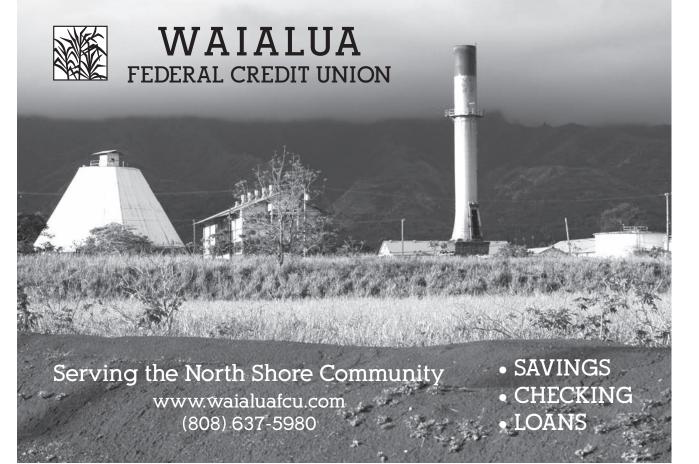
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Sunset Beach Elementary 4th and 5th grade students visit the Hōkūle'a Photo: P. Nakamura





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Writers' Group

Thursday, Oct. 10, 9:30-11am Topic: "A Time Someone Helped You or A Time You Helped Someone"

> **Readers' Group** Thursday, Oct. 24, 9:30-11am Title: "Peace Like a River" by Leif Enger

Computer Introduction by appointment - 808-637-8286

Family Story Time & Craft Every Saturday, 10:00am

Used Book Sale Saturday, Oct. 19, 8:30-12:30 Shop * Donate Books * Volunteer



Congratulations to Siena-Grace Tufaga she won the title of Miss Hawai'i Jr High School America 2025. She entered the pageant as Miss North Shore to honor her great-grandparents Bill and Peggy Paty (her good luck angels) and her North Shore 'ohana roots. Siena wants local girls, especially Hawaiian and Samoan girls to know with hard work they can do anything they set their minds to. Small island, big dreams!



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TUE

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Movie Night: Inside Out 2 (PG) Runtime: 1 hr. 36 min. Get ready for a night full of feelings as Riley's emotions learn how to get along with Anxiety. Kava Ceremony with 'Ulise Funaki Experience a traditional Tongan Kava ceremony with music & discussion. Halloween Bash Celebrate the spooky season with us! Show off your costume, play games, win prizes, and share the library love.



TUE

10/29

Noelia Torres Join us in celebrating the Mexican tradition of honoring ancestors through altar-building, food, piñata, music, and dance.



Tails of Kindness: Empathy The Hawaiian Humane Society will perform skits and read stories about empathy and caring for pets. After the program, "Joy Ambassadors" from the Pet Visitation Team will be available for petting.

Best suited for grades 1-5.

Recurring Programs

Tues. 5:30pm Tai Chi Wed. 10am Story/Play Time Wed. 10/9 + 10/16 1-3PM Lego Club 3rd Thurs. 10am Card Making

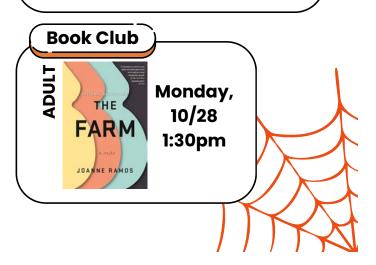


Kūpuna Hour

'Hawaiian Cultural Activities- 1st + 3rd Thurs. October 3rd + 17th at 10am Enjoy learning Hawaiian cultural activities with Aunty Gigi of Ke Ola Mamo.

Games w/ Tammy Meyers- 2nd + 4th Thurs. October 10th + 24th at 10am

This month, we are playing games. Join us for some good fun and lots of laughs!



How traveling 7,000 miles away changed how I see the North Shore

Aloha! I'm Kezia. I grew up on the North Shore, surfing, paddling canoe, and running around barefoot. I always got kisses from aunties and uncles at family parties, and threw a shaka out the window anytime someone let me merge, even with the neon "NEW DRIVER" sticker on my bumper.

Growing up, I never thought twice about the culture and people I grew up with...

...until, at 19 years old, I decided to spend 18 months as a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Cochabamba, Bolivia - a landlocked, South American country known for its potatoes, people, and vibrant culture. I became a missionary because I want to share the joy that Christ gives me, with others. This experience changed the way I see myself, the world, and others.

In the church I belong to, a missionary is a full-time volunteer devoted to helping others overcome life's challenges through Jesus Christ. Missionaries serve the communities they live in, and help whomever they can. It is extremely rewarding, hard, and - for me - totally inspiring and eye opening.

Immediately after stepping off the plane in Cochabamba, I was greeted by "hola" and "mucho gusto" instead of "aloha" and "howzit." I ate boiled potatoes, chicken, and ketchup every single day instead of papaya, fish, and rice. And the ocean was a whole country away. How could I possibly relate to these people, who live so differently than I?

We weren't so different after all...

I lived in Sipe Sipe, a small farming town on the outskirts of the city. I learned that Bolivians give kisses when greeting their friends and family - just like we do in Hawai'i! Whenever I was afraid to do something, like try a new food, I was asked, "Tienes miedo de éxito?" (Are you afraid of success?) - a mindset super similar to the "chance 'um" culture of the North Shore.

I got to know the struggles of people I lived around. It was never easy to listen to single moms speak about the difficulty of supporting and raising their kids while balancing life's demands. It was common for whole families - grandparents, parents, and kids - to work from sunup to sundown so they could afford to eat that day...the same challenges that many experience here at home. I felt so much love from the people of Bolivia; It was a blessing to be part of their lives for a short time.

One love, one heart.

Serving a mission taught me that all people have the same needs: love, safety, belonging. Communities give us the foundation that meets our needs. They come in the form of family and friend relationships, music groups, sports, volunteering, community events, etc... Pairing community with the gospel of Jesus Christ gives me the courage to live happy and confident in a constantly-changing global community. I hope we can all turn to our community and faith to find confidence as we love, serve, and lift others, regardless of what part of the world we find ourselves in.

Something awesome about the North Shore is that there are missionaries volunteering here! Just like me, they have chosen to leave their hometowns to serve our community. They fund their own missions, and are always down to help out. If you could use some help with your yard, a prayer for your family, want to learn more about Jesus Christ, or are curious about their experiences, give them a call or shoot them a text at **(808)-369-5194**. Chance 'um.



Me and my roommate in Sipe Sipe, Cochabamba

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