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Happy Belated Easter! Hallelujah!

PELEKIKENA MESSAGE...

Aloha and Mahalo to Lehua Gerboc for her kokua for doing the newsletters. Lehua is studying hard for her Masters Degree. This is a great challenge and we all extend our support for her continued success. During this interim, Maylene Enoka will be helping with the newsletters.

Mahalo to all of the officers, board members, committee chairpersons and membership for your support the past two years as your President. We have been

involved in legislative actions that support Hawaiian issues and concerns, we participated in convention, fund raising, cultural events, PKK Parade, Alii Sundays and the annual scholarship fundraiser "Holoku Ball 2005, 2006". During the past to years, we awarded approximately 35-40 scholarships to Hawaiian students to further their education. This was possible through the stewards of our Trustees and Scholarship Committee members and the members selling tickets to the ball. There were also many other activities that some of us participated in and I want to extend my sincere appreciation to everyone for your support.

I am looking forward to the next two years to serve everyone and continue our civic responsibilities to work for our Hawaiian people to excel in education, improve the quality of life of our people and teach our culture, traditions and music. In order to accomplish all of these tasks and challenges, I will need the full support of

all of our membership. We have had a slight drop in attendance at our general membership meetings and functions, and I ask that everyone try to attend a meeting or function that we sponsor. I also ask that each of you provide me your thoughts as to want kind of subjects, speakers or events you are interested in so that we can arrange and schedule for these activities.

We have a big challenge this year with the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs Convention scheduled for Oct 23-28 2006 at the Marriott Hotel in Waikiki. HCCH is responsible to chair the opening and closing of the convention this year and Pat Schmidt is representing our club as convention chairperson. More information to come.

Please continue to read our newsletter for more information on events coming up, dates and times of meetings and items of general interest to our members. If you have any information for the newsletter, please contact Maylene Enoka at 842-8690. For membership information, please contact Ui Souza at 539-0400. A reminder that membership dues are to be mailed to HCCH, PO Box 1513, Honolulu Hawaii 96806, by May 15, 2006. Our dues and fund raisers

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Aloha for Now; Mahalo again to Everyone.



Tentative Agenda

- Two Cultural Projects For Club Being Planned To Explore The Teaching, Language, Music, Poetry Etc Of Mary Kawena Pukui.
- Status Of Legislative Issues Submitted By HCCH.
- Convention 2006 Marriott Hotel Waikiki Oct 22-28 2006 – Our Club's Responsibilities, opening/closing ceremonies.
- Civic Responsibilities Of HCCH Club Members
- Fundraising For Convention
- Discuss AOHCC Federal Credit Union
- Scholarships



Born on March 26, 1871 Jonah Kuhio Kalanianaole was prince of the reigning House of Kalakaua when the Kingdom of Hawaii was overthrown in 1893.

PRINCE KUHIO MONTH (March) FESTIVITIES

Wonderful celebrations during the month of March in honor of Prince Kuhio.

HOLOKÜ BALL 2006 Held Saturday, March 4, 2006 was a great success. Great people, honorees, entertainment, choir performing, holoku parade, food and good fun. Mahalo to Reynold Freitas and Lei Durante, Chairpersons of the event and Leatrice Kauahi Assistant Chair for a job well done. If you attended we would really appreciate your thoughts and or pictures of the event for the website. Please let Anita Naone know so that we can share with others. Mahalo for all of people who attended and helped with the Ball.



AOHCC 1ST LUAU FUNDRAISER. Mahalo to the 18 members who attended the Luau. HCCH was well represented at the Luau. Mahalo

plenty to Momi Khan who worked hard to encourage attendance at the fundraiser. Great Job.

THE PARADE this past Saturday was fun and akua smiled upon us with no rain:). Many



civic club members and other organizations braved the bad weather at Ali'i Sunday services at Kawaiahao and at Mauna'ala. Mahalo to Leatrice, Pat Schmidt, Momi Khan, Pamai Tenn, Richard Miller (leatrice's friend) Alapai Andrews (drive of vehicle) and Makana Toledo for participating in the parade.

ALH SUNDAY AND MAUNA'ALA SERVICES we had Pua Wilhelm and Aunty Margaret Boyd of Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu who provided us with good insight into the life of Prince Kuhio...and Hula Halau o Hoakalei were just wonderful with their hula in honor of the Prince on the grounds of Mauna'ala. The rain did not dampen their joyous spirit. We were honored to have Piikoi Kawananakoa and his two sons, the Royal Societies, other Civic Clubs and friends join us at Mauna'ala. Those in attendance were Leatrice Kauahi, Allen Naone, Pua Wilhelm, Kathy Keala, Ulu Parker, Susan Malterre-Htun, Momi Jones, Aunty Kattherine Farm, Dawm Farm-Ramsey, Momi Khan, Marsha Bolson and her sister Moana, Kahealani Woods, Roberta Oneha, Marlene Ebeo, Aunty Margaret Boyd, John Sabey, Poni Kamauu and his wonderful family, the children of Papakolea and Kalawahine homestead. E kalamai if I have left anyone out.

MAUNA'ALA FUNDRAISER by Dawn Farm-Ramsey

Aloha Everyone,

This is a request for our members to consider offering kokua to the Mauna'ala fundraising efforts? I have as many packets as anyone could need that contain the following: Momi Cazimero's letter; a donation remittance card; a remittance envelope.

Our Club has a wonderful "track record" of support of this sacred site including kokua

with cleaning chores at the mausoleum and providing very helpful testimony urging consistent legislative funding to appropriately care for this historic treasure!

Whatever support can also be offered through monetary assistance would also be greatly appreciated.

Mahalo nui, Dawn

ALII SUNDAYS – by Luana Sala < lusala@ksbe.edu>

I've spoken to several kupuna about the creation and meaning of Alii Sunday and all I got out of everyone (including Mama Kahu Akaka) was that it started around the late 50's, and was specifically to lift up the alii not to worship them. By lifting up, Kahu meant to remember them and not forget

where us Hawaiians came from. Alii Sundays also started with only two alii - Kamehameha and Kaahumanu. Additional alii were added as each society approached Kahu requesting an alii be included. I found an interesting article in the Star Bulletin - March 31, 2001 that says it all.

The Ali'i' Sunday Schedule for 2006 is as follows...

January 29 - King Lunalilo March 12 - Queen Kaahumanu March 26 - Prince Kuhio June 11 - King Kamehameha I August 27 - Queen Liliuokalani September 10 - Blessing of the Aloha Week Court October 15 - Princess Kaiulani December 10 - King Kamehameha V December 17 - Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop

By Mary Adamski - Star Bulletin

ON THE CHURCH STAIRS, it's the usual talkstory time about sports, food and acquaintances. But when the processional music starts, solemnity is donned like a feather cape.

A glimpse of the pomp and protocol of the Kingdom of Hawaii -- or a wistful dream a century later -- it is Alii Sunday at Kawaiahao Church.

The caped Royal Order of Kamehameha and the elegant, black-clad ladies of Kaahumanu Society led more than 200 members of Hawaiian organizations into the sanctuary of Oahu's oldest Christian church for a combined celebration of history, culture and religious faith.

Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalanianaole was the focus of last Sunday's program, one of eight times during the year that a member of Hawaiian royalty is singled out for honors.

PAGEANTRY EVOKING Hawaii's past is predictable at cultural, government and social events today, but it was rare when, 40 years ago, the late Rev. Abraham Akaka came up with the idea of Alii Sunday.

"It was when the so-called Hawaiian Renaissance was coming to life and Hawaiian leaders talked about wanting more visibility," said the Rev. William Kaina, like Akaka a former Kawaiahao pastor. "He invited them to come to church."

Hawaii's monarchy is remembered nowadays in other venues -- including politically charged demonstrations staged at Iolani Palace across the way -- but the peaceful, dignified Kawaiahao tradition continues as a mainstay in marking Hawaiian pride.

Don't mistake the honors as bestowing divinity on the ancestors, Kaina hastened to add. "This is not to worship the alii. The alii are being lifted up. Kahu Akaka made that clear, this is part of our tradition, remember the culture we come from."

With the exception of Kamehameha I, the royalty honored responded to the teaching of the Congregationalist missionaries who founded Kawaiahao and became Christians.

Some modern Hawaiian activists decry the role of Christianity and the missionaries among the western influences seen as damaging the culture.

They were outnumbered in the crowd of Hawaiians Sunday, each group dressed in identifying colors. "The namesake clubs see this as a way to bring back into focus, the lives of exemplary leaders," said Linda

Delaney, a longtime Hawaiian activist and president of the Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club. "We recognize that they still play a role in our lives today ... in the programs and initiatives they started."

Kuhio's legacy includes the Hawaiian Homes Act, passed by Congress while he was a delegate, and the creation of Hawaiian civic clubs.

"There are too many Hawaiians who simply want to believe that government doesn't really affect their lives as Hawaiians," said Kina'u Kamali'i in a brief lecture Sunday. "There are even some who want to pretend that the American system of government and laws can't or doesn't exist in Hawaii because of the illegal nature of the overthrow."

But she said that rather than giving in to such feelings or becoming a prince in exile, "a romantic, futile figure," Kuhio chose to function in the system. He won elective office, and when he later lost, he helped found the Hawaiian civic clubs movement "to provide a forum for debate and discussion ... to acknowledge that a vote isn't the end of political participation, but just the beginning." Kamali'i said he set the example for Hawaiians: "We must not withdraw, but become more deeply involved with the political system."

THE REV. JAMES FUNG, who returned to Hawaii eight months ago as Kawaiahao pastor, said he is deeply moved when he watches the participants' demeanor change from casual to regal as another Alii Sunday begins. "As they walk in the sense of pride, in remembrance of the kingdom ... it is a powerful statement of the aliveness of our heritage. They are honoring past tradition and they are honoring God."

"When I bless the Hawaiian organizations, I always recognize the powerful statement it was for our Alii to take on the humility ... to recognize that Jesus Christ is King of Kings and Lord of Lords."

Fung doesn't see Alii Sunday as simply a look back. "Here our history and our future come together," he said, referring to Kawaiahao Church.

"I feel the church has a valuable role in bringing together diverse elements in the Hawaiian community. Part of who we are is belief in a sense of community, and in being an instrument of reconciliation.

"This is a place where people can be heard, where we respect each other's opinions and perspectives."

Membership, PO Box 1513, Honolulu, HI 96806. For membership applications, please contact Uilani.



If anyone has additional information please send it to Maylene maenoka@ksbe.edu or call 842-8690 / 255-1431. Maylene will be doing the HCCH Newsletters during Lehua's Masters assignment.

AN INVITATION...Prince Quentin Kawänanakoa asked me to extend invitations to all to join him as he announces his intent to run for the second congressional seat - which is currently occupied by Congressman Ed Case. This celebration will be filled with excitement, music and aloha. Please dress as you feel appropriate - bring the mo'opuna and tütü! Sunday 23 April 06, 171D Hamakua Drive, Kailua Oahu at 1pm. Any questions, please call me at 383-5868. Aloha nö! Hailama V.K.K. Farden, Kumu 'ölelo Hawai'I, Ke Kula 'o Kamehameha ma Kapälama

NaHHA Tourism Conference - May 2-4, 2006

The Native Hawaiian Hospitality Association (NaHHA) is announcing their Tourism Conference on May 2-4, 2006 at JW Marriott Ihilani Resort and Spa at Ko 'Olina. The theme for this year's conference is Shaping the Future – Building Bridges, Nānā i Hawaiʻi i Koʻu Mau Maka (See Hawai'i Through My Eyes). (Note: Hawaiian Civic Club members would be interested in this conference as a followup to the resolution passed at the 2004 AHCC Convention, "Urging the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs to Host a Conference to Discuss the Future of Tourism in Hawaii. Including the Social, Political, Economic, Cultural and Environmental Impacts Upon Native Hawaiians, their Culture, Communities and Natural Resources.")

This conference is a must for all individuals interested in shaping the future of tourism:
Native Hawaiian business owners, community leaders, cultural practitioners; tourism industry leaders and employees; and policy makers. The goal of the conference is to develop a Native Hawaiian Tourism Plan through input that results in:

- Increased jobs and economic development opportunities for Native Hawaiians through education, workforce & business development;
- **Improved** natural resource management, environment and

infrastructure through community initiatives;

- Development of educational resources on Hawaiian culture for the tourism industry through marketing & communications; and
- Development of community leadership that engages social issues and their impact.

Conference attendees will define key strategies regarding tourism that is the culmination of input from over 1600 participants in meetings held statewide between June 2005 and March 2006 with Native Hawaiian communities, organizations, and cultural practitioners and other stakeholders.

The Native Hawaiian Hospitality Association is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote Hawaiian culture, values and traditions in the workplace through consultation and education, and to provide opportunities for the Native Hawaiian community to shape the future of tourism. For more information about **NaHHA's Tourism Conference** and learn how you may **REGISTER** to attend, please contact the CNHA Event Services Division via telephone at 808.521.5011, toll-free at 800.709.2642 or via e-mail at events@hawaiiancouncil.org.

2006 International Cultural Summit

The Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, National Endowment for the Arts and partners is holding the 2006 International Cultural Summit on May 11-13, 2006 at the Hawaii Cultural Center in Honolulu, HI.

The summit provides an opportunity to convene and produce long term action around topics including community building and leadership; cultural preservation/cultural diversity; creative economics/cultural tourism; public art as well as culture and arts education. Local and global voices will inform every session at the summit.

The deadline for registration is April 20, 2006. Registration includes attendance at all sessions and events, daily refreshments, lunch, receptions at the Bishop Museum and Hawaii State Art Museum, summit materials and transportation to Waikiki BY Moonlight Festival and Hawaii Capital Cultural Districts tours. Please check www.hawaii.gov/scfca for registration and general information.

Office of Hawaiian Affair's 2006 Hawaiian Business Conference and Economic Expo

The Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement supports the Office of Hawaiian Affair's 2006 Hawaiian Business Conference and Economic Expo. The conference will be held at the Hawaii Convention Center on May 18th and 19th, 2006.

The two day conference will focus on topics related to business opportunities for Native Hawaiians, information about the Small Business Administration certification program to access contracts, developing partnership with corporations and sources of funding offered by state and national entities as well as skills development and training workshops.

Special Guest Speakers will include Governor Joe Garcia, President of National Congress of American Indians; Hauani Apoliana, Chairperson of Office of Hawaiian Affairs; Seiji Naya, Distinguished Visiting Senior Fellow at the East West Center; Robin Puanani Danner, CEO & President of CNHA, Myron Thompson, President of Hawaiian Homestead Technologies and many national and local experienced practitioners.

Limited scholarships are available. For more information on registration, exhibition information and scholarships, visit their website at www.oha.org

WAIMEA HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUB SPONSORS CULTURAL EVENT

Huaka'i i Kalapana

The Waimea Hawaiian Civic Club invites all civic club members to a huaka'i excursion) to Kalapana on the island of Hawaii on Saturday, May 13, 2006. We will be spending the evening at the Kilauea Military Camp (KMC) up at Volcano. The tour will be done by Pi'ilani Kaawaloa born and raised by her grandparents in Kalapana. The group will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Keaau Shopping Center, and leave for Pahoa, Kumukahi, Pohoiki, and than to Kalapana.

KMC accommodations are dormitory style 6 to a room \$18.00 per person. You will need to rent a car and may fly in and out of the Hilo Airport. Call Willette Akima immediately for room accommodations. If you need more information or have any questions please call Willette Akima at (H) 885-4501, (C) 895-2386, or email gwdkag@verizon.net.

'AHA OLA PONO O KO'OLAULOA

Hawaiian Health: My Kuleana

A Koʻolauloa Community Health & Wellness Initiative

Friday, May 5, 2006 5 to 8:30 p.m. Program & Dinner

Saturday, May 6, 2006 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Program of Speakers, Panel Discussions, Workshops, Youth Forum, Entertainment, Health Fair, Child Care, Breakfast, Lunch.

Place

Queen Lili'uokalani Children's Center 53-516 Kamehameha Hwy Punalu'u, O'ahu

For information, call 293-9216.

Hele mai! Free to all participants

