Aloha mai kakou,

As you will see in this issue of Kahakuhi O ‘Ainahau we have a full schedule of upcoming events – The KAHA Ho‘olaule‘a in May, the HICC Ho‘olaule‘a in July, our ‘Aha‘aina in August, the PIHP Pacific Islander Festival in September and the Association’s Convention on the island of O‘ahu in October. If you are interested in helping the various committees with these events please call B.J. Rodrigues (714) 964-6121 for the Ho‘olaule‘a and festival, Paddy Kakihara (714) 846-8209 for the ‘Aha‘aina and Maile Hill (562) 810-4441 or Gil Kveen (714) 454-4244. Additional information is included in this newsletter. Your kokua is appreciated.

Hula practice has started for our ‘Aha‘aina. What a good turn out it was at our first practice last Thursday. Mahalo to Aunty Ululani Cortez for her time and patience in teaching us.

At the end of this month, I will be undergoing open heart surgery to replace my heart valve. Charlene Kazner, our First Vice President, will assume my responsibilities during my recuperation. Please direct all inquiries and ‘Ainahau business to Charlene during that time. Please pray that the surgery will be successful and that I will be back good as new in no time. I appreciate your prayers and concern.

Mahalo for all you do for our club. Together we uphold our motto “E Malama ‘Ia Na Pono, O Ka‘aina E Na ‘Opio - The Culture of the Land is Preserved in its Youth.”

Malama Pono,
Analani

Aloha All,

Our hearts and prays go out to Analani as she undergoes her surgery. We will miss her and pray for her speedy recovery!

Busy months for Ainahau to come as reflected in this month’s issue. Also in this issue, sharing tributes and remembrances of Uncle Likeke and have added pictures taken on April 8, 2011 at the Celebration of His life Memorial Service. As mentioned, hula practice started April 14, 2011 and what fun it was. We have new and talented faces. Aha‘aina 2012 should be as outstanding as it was in 2010.

Maggie

Charlene Kazner
1st Vice President

Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Youth Participate in a Health and Fitness Fair

On Saturday, April 2nd, hundreds of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) middle school and high school students and their families attended a health and fitness fair held at the UCLA intramural field. Buses from Ventura to San Diego transported many of the students to the fair.

The event sponsored by The White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders addressed the rising obesity and diabetes rates among youth, particularly within Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander communities. Studies have shown that NHPI children have the highest rates of any minority group for being overweight or obese and hold an elevated risk for developing cardiovascular disease and Type 2 diabetes.
The preseters Hines Ward, member of the President’s Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and receiver for the NFL’s Pittsburgh Steelers, Troy Polamalu, safety for the Pittsburgh Steelers and Marcus McNeill, offensive tackle for the San Diego Chargers focused on the importance of physical fitness and nutritious meals. Julian Michaels, health and wellness expert from The Biggest Loser, led a fitness demo and stated that obesity in American youth has increased and that awareness and events such as the Health Fitness Fair was important for the healthy future of the youth.

Sefa Aina, vice chair of the President’s Advisory Commission said that a reliance on cheap, fast food has contributed to unhealthy eating. He also said that one in five NHPI high school youth are obese and one in three are likely to be overweight or obese. He stated that support from parents, schools, community leaders and elected officials will lead to healthier living.

There were health booths throughout the campus giving glucose, cholesterol and body mass index tests. There was also a booth promoting the importance of good dental care.

Pacific Islander Health Partnership (PIHP) had a health booth giving information on diabetes, breast, cervical and colorectal cancer and heart disease. Volunteers in the booth performed hundreds of blood pressure checks for adults and youth. Jane and Victor Pang, Dennis and Charlene Kazner and Leah Leilani Beck from ‘Ainahau participated in the PIHP booth. Na keiki and na opio enjoyed playing the Hawaiian games ‘ulu maika (bowling) and pa’ani kinipopo (ball toss) at the PIHP booth. Pipikaula and dried mango were given as prizes for participating in the games.

It was a day filled with information on the importance of healthy living focusing on physical exercise, nutritious meals for youth and the whole family. We all had fun participating in this worthy cause. We hope this will be an annual event to promote a healthy lifestyle.

Aloha, Charlene Kazner

Aloha everyone!

The following are the upcoming schedule of events and assigned Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs. We need your kokua and if you are able to help, please contact the assigned Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs. Also, please contact B J Rodrigues (714) 964 6121; e-mail hwnpeke@aol.com if you have any questions.

Apr 9th
Imu Workshop/Hesperia CANCELLED due to City & Fire Dept. Restrictions

May 6th
Lau Lau & Poi Sale/Rodrigues Hale Jackie Judd (see note from Jackie)

May 28-29th
KAHA Ho’olaule’a/Beaumont Eric Kakihara / B J Rodrigues

June 24-26th
Ohana Retreat/UCI CANCELLED due to other scheduled commitments

July 16-17th
HICC Ho’olaule’a/Alondra Park B J Rodrigues /Eric Kakihara/Edye Hill

Aug 13th
Aha Aina/Costa Mesa Scholarship Committee /Paddy Kakihara

Sept 17-18th
PIHP (PIF Festival)/Huntington Beach Charlene Kazner/Agnes Kakihara

Sept 25th
Pau Hana Bash/Newport Beach Thomas Kalama/Jackie Judd

Nov 20th
Bake Sale/Gardena - Maggie Perry

Dec 2nd
Lau Lau & Poi Sale/Rodrigues Hale Jackie Judd

TBA Hawaii School Band/TBA Tom Kakihara
TBA Catering/TBA Analani Imbach
TBA Culture Comm. Serv/TBA Jackie Judd
TBA Namea Workshops/TBA Maile Hubbard / Joseph Rodrigues

Mahalo & Much Aloha, B J Rodrigues, 2nd VP
Hawaiian Word of the Day
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He momi e lei ai--a pearl to wear as a lei

Today’s Hawaiian Pearl is: KUHI (kooh-hee) 1. To point, gesture, as in speaking, directing an orchestra, or dancing the hula. 2. To suppose, think, infer, presume, assume, expect, surmise, and imagine.

In my daily use of this word, it is most often used to help the child who is just beginning to read. An important skill to use with beginning readers is to KUHI or KUHIKUHI with a finger. In other words, have the young child point to the words as they try to read or point while you are reading to them. When one dances hula one will KUHI, or gesture along. There is a well-known ‘olelo no’eau or wise saying for this: Kuhi noka lima, hele no ka maka - Where the hands gesture, there the eyes will go. Here are some other KUHI phrases: KUHI hewa - to suppose wrongly, err in judgment. KUHI au ia ’oe - I choose you. Mai KUHIKUHI. - Don’t point. Aloha, Liana K. Iaea Honda He Momi.

KOLOHE LUNCH REPORT AND INFORMATION BY JACKIE JUDD

Kolohe at Matsu’s was a winner! With "Miki" as our waitress, we could do no wrong. Ten strong we were—Rose Burns, Lori Carter with Norman Mathews and his daughter Kathy, Paul Chang and Maureen, Gil Kveen, Lani Ryan and the Judds--JJ and JJ. Such a great luncheon menu with so many choices and part of our "crew" even ordered a "boat" for four (it was so huge it could feed at least 6 or more). Everything came with Miso Soup and your choice of fried or steamed rice. Some of us have liked our Kolohe luncheon so much that we opted to do lunch in-between. Our "satellite" group luncheon was on April 13, 2011, at Royal Thai, Newport Beach.

THE Saturday before the sale, we had very little goods to sell and was even thinking of canceling. After clean up of the shed on March 5 and members coming by to drop off items on March 12, 2011, we were OVER-LOADED. A great time was had sorting, buying, laughing, talk story just enjoying each other and to know the purpose of us being there at the warehouse is all for the love of our culture, our Ainahau Ohana together - Charlene, BJ, Lani, Anna, Mapuana and Maggie with Lou to keep an eye on us too.

The day for the garage sale March 19 was equally rewarding and a big success! We made a good profit which will go into our general account.

MAHALO to all including Eric and Agnes Kakihara for the use of their home and garage. We all worked hard (as usual) but had great fun too! Other helpers at the garage sale were George and Sherry Ramaila, Edye and Geoff, Hill, Gil Kveen, and Lili Neumann and, of course, all the members that came to buy items.

Maile Hubbard
FROM LILI NEUMANN:
My remembrance of Uncle Likeke.....when I asked him how he met his wife, he said that he saw her dance the hula at University of Hawaii and that was it! I thought to myself, lucky he got who he wanted! And after Hannah passed away, I asked him if he was alright, to which he replied, I am fine but it gets so darn lonesome. Uncle Likeke was blessed for so many years, having each other. Lili

FROM LANI RYAN:
Uncle Likeke was not only a true scholar, but a gentle man who loved to share his knowledge. He established our BOOK CLUB and a group of ‘Ainahau members gathered every other month to discuss the books we read and prepared many interesting book reports to share with each other. Volcanoes, Variety of Limu, Hawaiian Culture, and Traditions, Feather Art Work, the heroic 442nd Army Battalion of WWII made up of young Japanese men who were Hawaii born. These were among the many different topics that was brought to attention our and enjoyment. We had so many great sessions together at Rose Burn's home with Uncle leading the way on various subjects. There were so many wonderful times we shared with Uncle Likeke and Aunty Hannah. I hope that Uncle and Aunty are sharing a good book together, wherever they may be. Our club was very fortunate and blessed with their aloha. Lani

FROM JOSEPH AND B. J. RODRIGUES: So kind, so gentle, so unassuming, so akamai, and so well respected, we will miss you Uncle, our Manawale'a Boy". Much Aloha, Joseph and B J Rodrigues. [Note: we know the song is known as "Manuela Boy" - however, the Hawaiian Dictionary states "Manawale'a = charity, donation, to give freely.]

FROM JACKIE JUDD:
Uncle Likeke was priceless! He was a man of intellect, of kindness and thoughtfulness, but mostly he was truly Hawaiian at heart! He loved to research anything on Hawai'i and was a whiz at the computer. Most of you remember that in his 80's he was our Recording Secretary for four years. He gave of himself and his heart to us all in ‘Ainahau. Books on Hawai'i, he had an extensive library and shared these volumes often by gifting several of us with new editions of the Himene and other books. He was a man for all seasons and though we will all miss him so much, at least now he is happy with his dear Auntie Hannah again. At the memorial service, the choral group sang as requested the Doxology MakalaPua and Aloha O’e.

FROM MAGGIE PERRY:
What a special honor to have known Uncle Likeke for a short period of time compared to the long time members. His love for nature and appreciation for all the goodness of Hawaii and its beauty was apparent. His eyes sparkled when he bought in a picture from the era when Ala Moana was covered with taro patches—one of his favorite topics. I loved his sense of humor and gentle spirit. At the Kanikapila, there was so much aloha felt listening to those that sang and played the songs Uncle loved expressing in their way their deep respect and love that was held for him. It was a beautiful experience.

FROM CHARLENE KAZNER:
Remembering Uncle Likeke brings a smile to my face and warms my heart. That’s the effect he had on everyone who knew him. We are blessed that he was part of our ‘Ainahau ‘ohana. He loved Hawai‘i - our people, our culture, our hula, our mele, our aina, our ocean; and he shared that love with all of us and with all of those who came in contact with him. Uncle was a gentle, loving and humble man. He was akamai and encouraged us to learn everything about our culture and pass it on. His legacy will inspire us to do just that and to continue to be the best we can be and in all things do the best that we can and always with aloha. I miss you Uncle Likeke. Rest in peace with God, Aunty Hannah and all your loved ones who went before you. Mahalo piha for your love. A hui hou…..Charlene Kazner

FROM PADDY/TOM KAKIHARA:
Uncle Likeke and I had two things in common; we were both educators and voracious readers! However, he had something I can only hope to attain someday—he had wisdom! He knew how to use his knowledge to make a difference. He taught me that you are never too old to learn, and what you know is never as important as how you use it. Even into his last months, we would visit him often, and he always had ice cream bars for his “good buddy, Tom” as well as many stories to share. Some we had heard before, but we never tired of listening to them. We will miss him dearly, but know that our lives have been made so much richer just by knowing him. Aloha, dear friend! Tom & Paddy Kakahara
AINAUAU
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

WE NEED YOUR KOKUA!

Our members are vital for ‘Ainahau O Kaleponi HCC to thrive and we depend on your membership fees to keep our club operating. For those who have not yet mailed in your membership fees, please kokua and mail it in today! Please send to: AOKHCC – MEMBERSHIP, 12534 Valley View Street, #343, Garden Grove, CA 92845 or you can submit your dues to our Membership Chair, Joan Burgeson at the next General Membership Meeting—April 17th.

You do not have to complete a new application form if you are renewing your membership.

Membership Dues:
- Single (18 years & older) $25
- Single Parent w/ Family $30
- Student (full time) $10
- Ohana/Family $40

Mahalo nui loa.

September 2, 3, and 4, 2011
E Hula Mau—So. California’s 17th Annual Hula & Chant Competition—Long Beach Performing Arts Center (Box Office: 562 436-3661 or Order Tickets go to: www.ehulamau.org. Phone: (909) 930-3994

October 23—30, 2011
52ND Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs Convention at Turtle Bay. Theme is: “Pu’uhonua Ho’oulu Aloha” - Peaceful Haven Where Aloha Inspires by Manu Boyd. $149 contract rate—cut off date for reservations 9/23/11. See Association website aokhcc.org and also any questions: please contact our Mainland Council Representative/Members: Gil Kveen at Cell: (714) 454-4244 OR Maile Hill at Cell: (562) 810-4441

AHA AINA 2011
Wintersburg Church
2000 N. Fairview Street
Santa Ana, CA 92706

HULA PRACTICE
April 21, 2011
7:00 – 7:45 P.M. Kupuna
7:45 - 8:30 P. M. Makua
April 28, 2011
7:00 – 7:45 P.M. Kupuna
7:45 - 8:30 P. M. Makua & Na Opios
May 5—To Be Determined
May 12
7:00—9:00 Kupuna, Makua, Kane
May 19—No Practice
May 26
7:00—9:00 ALL DANCERS & MUSICIANS

Other Upcoming Events

May 1, 2011
San Diego Ho’olaule’a & Ikuna Koa Keiki
Klassic Regatta, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.—De Anza Cove, San Diego Mission Bay Park.
More info: www.ikunakoa.com

May 7, 2011
Community Fair & Wellness Walk-a-Thon
Registration: 8:00a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Walk: 9:00 a.m.– 10:30 a.m.
Where: CSU, Fullerton Titan Sport Complex/Track & Field, Parking A, 800 North State College Blvd., Fullerton, CA 92831 FREE”
Health Fair & Entertainment: 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Proceeds raised will be used to provide mini-grants to Asian and Pacific Islanders serving non-profits in Orange County. Contact Charlene Kazner (714) 897-3995 for more information.

Other Upcoming Events

Continued
Hau‘oli La Hanau to the following celebrating birthdays:

**APRIL:** Keoni Babcock, Jr.; Julie Murakami Jones; Linda Shellabarger; Andrea (Boom) Olalia

**MAY:** Sheila Olim, Maile Hubbard, May Porter, Harlo LeBard, Thelma Miyashiro, Geoff Hill, Everett Cain. Lilli Neumann, Maylinda Kepilino, Curtis Hayes, Bob Arconado, Dennis Kazner

Get Well Wishes To:

- Paddy Kakihara— recovery knee replacement
- Laura Kakihara - undergoing chemo treatment
- Thomas Kalama— hip replacement surgery

**LAU LAU ORDER REMINDER!!**

Just a reminder that we have a poi/laulau sale forthcoming for pick up on **Friday, May 6, 2011.** Just in time for a Mother’s Day poi supper! Aloha nui from the Judds! **Sales are slow!** Call me (714) 962-8518. Mahalo Nui!

Our member Michael Malulani Odegaard has applied for the seminary in Boston--the Greek Orthodox Diocese. His aspiration is to become a Hawaiian Orthodox Priest. He is still teaching school on the Island of Hawai‘i. Because of his mastery of the Hawaiian language, it will take him only two years. Lets pray that it all works out for him.

Our favorite Chinese restaurant, The Ruby Palace, sadly, has closed its doors. Hard times hit the proprietors. HOWEVER, It will reopen again under the new proprietorship of "William" their head waiter. The New Ruby Palace, as it will be named, will open for business on May 25, 2011. Good News!

**TIDBITS AND IMPORTANT ITEMS FROM JACKIE**

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING:**

- **Date:** April 17, 2011
- **Time:** 2:00 p.m.
- **Place:** F&M Bank, 12535 Seal Beach Boulevard. Seal Beach, CA

Tickets will be available for door prizes at the membership meeting.

**NOTE AFTER NEXT GENERAL MEETING MAY 15, 2011:**

AHA‘AINA COMMITTEE WILL HAVE ITS 1ST MEETING IMMEDIATELY AFTER

**IMPORTANT DEADLINE!**

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR YOUTH AND COLLEGE ARE DUE MAY 3, 2011! PLEASE GET APPLICATIONS ON LINE FROM MAILE HILL Maile Hill at Mhill2@csulb.edu or give her a call: Cell (562) 810-4441

**Aloha—Until Next Time May, 2011—Pau**
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