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## Kamilonui Valley Holiday Float a Community Affair



From left to right: Spencer Kimura, Kaya Kuroiwa, Jamie Kimura (daughter of Spencer), Maile Middleton and Koanui Wong

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## Kahala Mall Partners with Police to 'Shop With A Cop'



Organized by officers Mark Mitchell and Tony Kahapea from District 7, Kahala Mall's Security Department partnered with the Honolulu Police Department, who worked with schools in the community to select one deserving child per school to participate in its "Shop with a Cop" program. A total of 20 children from grades 4 through 6 were chosen to participate. The police officers and the security officers not only generously donate their time on the day of the event, they also do fund-raising and donate their own money.



"Take care of the land and the land will take care of you-"

## New Beginnings for a Kamilonui Valley Nursery

See inside for details

# Kamilonui Valley Holiday Float a Community Affair

BY **HAWKINS BIGGINS**  
*East Oahu Sun*

Hosted by Koko Marina Center and the Hawaii Kai Lions Club the annual Keiki Kalikimaka Parade was held on Saturday, November 26. As one of the first Christmas Holiday events, it celebrated the beginning of the holiday season. For the last five years, Livable Hawaii Kai Hui has organized the construction of the largest float in the parade to show support for the Kamilonui Valley farmers.

Building the float is truly a community effort. Livable Hawaii Kai Hui organizes volunteers, and the process takes over 24 hours.

“The actual building of the float has become an event in itself, as the staging is in the middle of our little bit of country, Kamilonui Valley, and residents like coming out to watch, help, donate food or just stop in and talk with friends,” said Elizabeth Reilly of Livable Hawaii Kai Hui.

The farmers donated bales of straw and a variety of plants and trees to decorate the float, along with mini plants that were handed out to parade watchers along the way.

Win Schoneman, of Bubbies Ice Cream donated the sound system so that the theme songs “Take a Walk in the Country” and Israel Kamakawiwoole’s version of “Over the Rainbow” could be enjoyed by all.

Solar Energy Hub and Mariner’s



Cove residents financially contributed or provided supplies.

Dustin Onaga of Amazon Trucking and Construction donated his time and the equipment.

Livable Hawaii Kai Hui Vice President and volunteer organizer for the event, Kaumaka Wong explained the process. “Every year the number of volunteers increase; this year a group of students from Punahou School contributed, so everyone helps. It really is a labor of love from all different aspects of the community.”

Volunteers get an opportunity to ride on the float and spread the holiday cheer.

Every year Jim Kennedy leads the float driving his 1965 Chevy Impala convertible. Noah Parker, a founder of the Hawaii Kai Christmas parade rode in the front seat holding a Shih Tzu named BuBu Alama.

“When I moved to Hawaii Kai,

there was no holiday parade, so I organized one for the community. This year David and Sandy Alama let BuBu Alama ride on my lap. The dog enjoyed the attention and got excited, it was really nice,” said Parker.

Also riding in the Chevy, Judy Nii, a Kamilonui Valley farmer from R&S Nursery shared her thoughts about the parade. “In the beginning we created the float because we wanted to give a face to the farmers so the community could get to know us. Over the years, the float has become a way to express our gratitude to the community.”

The R&S Nursery and Charles Nii Nursery donated over 75 plants. This year they gave away 4” poinsettias along with portulacas.

Aloha Aina O Kamilo Nui contributed potted herbs as well. The plants were handed out along the parade route to the delight of the

parade watchers.

Carol Rischelieu, also known as the Kamilonui Valley Fairy or Mother Earth Fairy has helped distribute the plants during the parade.

Rischelieu explained, “The parade starts the holiday season off right. I noticed that there were a lot more family groupings this year. I usually hand the plants to kids and they just beam. Everyone who gets the plants are very pleased, they get so excited, that is why I do it. It is an excellent thing the farmers to for the community and it really makes everyone happy.”

Hundreds of marchers, vehicles and bands walked the parade route, which began at Kamiloiki Park on Lunalilo Home Road and ended at a holiday celebration at Koko Marina Shopping Center. The event this year was well attended and received by the community.

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# Locals Bring Home Hawaii Senior Olympic Medals

BY L. KAE GRANIEL  
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Since 1998, The Hawaii Senior Olympic games have taken place during the first two weeks of November. Normally, this is a wonderful time of the year for such an event, especially since you do not have to be a resident of Hawaii to compete – much like the Honolulu Marathon. Unfortunately, this year's games took place during APEC, which monopolized the local news, not giving it much deserved press. However, the games must go on, and they did. East side resident and State Coordinator for the Senior Olympics, Mark Zeug explained that even though the participant numbers were a bit lower this year, he expects them to be back up, to more than 350 in 2012 because it will be a qualifier for the National games to be held in Cleveland Ohio in the summer of 2013.

Zeug has a history of helping Hawaii stay fit and healthy. Back in 1990, he recruited the help of Barbara Velasco and Stan Sheriff to conceive the Aloha State Games which brought in 5,000 athletes in its first year. That

was followed by the Women's World Volleyball Grand-Prix in 1995 and 1996. Since then he has gone on to become President of Kahoomiki, the local non-profit organization whose signature events include the senior games, Aloha State Games, and Fun 5 – a physical activity and nutrition program for elementary school kids. With the help of

his wife Helene, Zeug helps keeps the Senior Olympic Games alive and kicking in Hawaii.

In order to qualify to compete, you simply must be 50 years of

age by December 31st of the year of competition. Then, the sports are broken down into five year age-group increments for medals. Hawaii offers team sports of three-on-three basketball, volleyball, and softball, with individual sports of swimming, tennis, bowling, golf, table tennis, and track and field – including 5 and 10 K runs. Hawaii also invites "Pre-seniors" who are 40 years and over to compete in their own category for medals, but they do not qualify to move on to the nationals.

East side resident, Vincent Bradley, was one of several who earned medals, bringing home two silver and two bronze in track and field and golf. Bradley advised that if you want to

compete in next year's Olympics, to start training now. "I participated in athletics all my life. I believe good physical conditioning is as important as spiritual, intellectual, and emotional balance in my life. But, I sustained a left quadriceps pull in training for this year that hampered my performance."

Bradley intends to participate again in 2012 and tips his hat to a well organized event and especially credits Zeug.

The entire event is 100% volunteer supported. If you would like to compete or volunteer in future games, visit Kahoomiki.org for opportunities. Zeug wants to credit all the volunteers for the success of the events in their area of expertise and Hawaii Pacific University for their volunteer students who are studying Geriatrics.

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# HAPPY HOLIDAYS



## HALE KA LAE

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## Donor Sponsors 300 East Honolulu Children to "Get Moving" in Presidential Physical Fitness Program



BY **TISHA WOYTENKO**  
*East Oahu Sun*

Koko Marina Center was alive with the sound of stomping feet and anxious children as they filed into Grandmaster Hee IL Cho's Tae Kwon Do Center for one hour of rigorous stretching, exercise and martial arts. From October 10th to November 19th, 2011, a total of 300 students were taught by the 9th degree Tae Kwon Do Grandmaster himself through the new Presidential Physical Fitness Award Program.

The program addressed children nationwide, ages 3 to 12, to get "active and moving" for 60 minutes a day, five days a week for six out of eight weeks. There are three sets of two weekly sessions- Monday/ Friday, Tuesday/Thursday and Wednesday/Saturday. Each student receives a program t-shirt and a list of 100 activities they can do at home for an hour a day. On graduation day, students successfully completing the requirements received a Presidential Award medal and certificate.

Aine Kaahui and Leila Diamond connected with the President's Council on Fitness, Sports and Nutrition to make this possible. They were appointed as volunteer Regional Coordinators of the Presidential Active Lifestyle Awards (PALA) and contacted all public and private schools in East Honolulu to invite students to participate.

"We topped out at 300 children," said

Aine, "and we have a waiting list."

Aine, who was motivated both as a student and by her love of getting active, personally donated the funds for this program. "I was a non-nonprofit, so I could not get a grant for us," said Aine, "But the most important thing is that the children get active."

The children were clearly excited to be at every class. "My daughter loves it," said Lynn Higa, of Kayli, 7, student of Aina Haina Elementary. "We would not have considered martial arts if it was not offered through her school bulletin. We are grateful for the exposure."

Although the studio was packed with over 70 children each session, each one received assistance through other Tae Kwon Do student-teachers in addition to the Grandmaster.

Before dismissing the children, Grandmaster Hee IL Cho emphasized a healthy lifestyle and explains that their bodies are not "garbage cans."

"You cannot eat whatever you want and still be healthy," said Grandmaster Hee IL Cho, "You need to exercise one hour a day and eat healthy. No junk food."

They will consider doing another session, if funding is available. Businesses, individuals or nonprofit organizations who want to help sponsor another set of sessions or parents who are interested in signing up for this program should contact Aine at palakids@gmail.com or 808.395.3945.





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# Hale Ka Lae Residential Development Postponed

Global Economic Downturn Forces Korean Backer to Temporarily Suspend Construction on Hawaii Kai Condominium Project

Hanwha Engineering and Construction (Hanwha E&C), financier of the Hale Ka Lae development in Hawaii Kai, announced that it will temporarily suspend construction

of the condominium project, due to continued financial constraints from the weakening global economy.

Hale Ka Lae will continue to move forward with conveying the five-acre park site adjacent to the development project to The Trust for Public Land in conjunction with the community – ensuring that this parcel will be available for generations to enjoy and cultural treasures will be preserved. It will also continue to complete the last few open items on the Unilateral Agreement.

Additionally, Hale Ka Lae is moving forward with exploring the opportunity for affordable senior housing at Lunalilo Home, working closely with the community to create a place that generates income for Lunalilo Home and enhances the surrounding neighborhood.

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# New Growth for Valley Plant Nursery

BY DIANNE GLEI  
*East Oahu Sun*

“Take care of the land and the land will take care of you” has been a Hawaiian tradition for generations. Now, the goal of keeping the land of Kamilo Nui Valley for agriculture has taken another step forward.

Dean Takebayashi of Chrysanthemums of Hawaii is changing the name of the nursery to Aloha Aina O Kamilo Nui, making it a non-profit.

Takebayashi, the second owner of Chrysanthemums, has owned the nursery for 10 years and is excited about the future of the nursery and its new direction. “As it became apparent that the nursery could be used to benefit others and take into ac-

count the environmental issues, we felt that it would be a good time to move in this direction. As a for-profit business, the goal is to make money,” Takebayashi explained.

“We are hoping that as a non-profit, the monies generated will be utilized to further expand sustainable practices, utilize green-growing methods and demonstrate that we all can benefit from taking care of our environment. Previously I had no idea what an ahupuaa was. After seeing the wisdom of the Hawaiian people, it only makes sense to continue these practices into the future.”

One of the main goals of the new business plan is to provide an additional source of native plants for projects in the Maunaloa area. The nursery already works with the South Oahu Soils and Water Conservation District. Soon, an agricultural conservation plan will be done for the nursery to improve the agriculture practices for the betterment of the land and to improve the qualities of the natural watershed, according to Takebayashi.

This new focus and new name for the nursery fits with the community goals of not just maintaining the agricultural land use designation of Kamilo Nui Valley but also participating in the sustainable movement to get more of the land in production for food, where possible, using alternative growing methods.

Part of the recent effort has been focused on cleaning and rebuilding the nursery in preparation for rolling out the land plan. Aloha Aina O Kamilo Nui, located at 965 Kamilonui Place at the end of the road on the right, is open half days and by appointment.

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**EVERYTHING UNDER THE SUN**

# Dream of Niu Valley Playground Nearing Reality



BY **HAWKINS BIGGINS**  
East Oahu Sun

If you have children, you have experienced first hand the allure of a playground. Playgrounds are a wonderful place to bring your kids; it encourages them to play outside providing physical activity as well as interaction with other kids. But playgrounds also benefit adults by creating

a sense of community. The Niu Valley community has been working resolutely for years to build a playground and is hoping to see it built this June.

Niu Valley is one of the only communities on the island that has no playground. Jeannine Johnson, a parent in the neighborhood spearheaded an effort to change that. After nearly seven years of grass roots efforts, Johnson, became a community activist helping to create the Niu Valley Playground Committee. The committee is currently in the final fund-raising stages to make this dream come true.

Promoting a healthy lifestyle and close community is the inspiration behind the Niu Valley playground. Johnson emphasized the health benefits saying, "All of the statistics show

*"We want to be able to meet people that live down the street that we don't know. We know that in order for us to be the community we dream of being, we need the playground."*

that children with no place to play have bad health including; diabetes and obesity. We want out kids to be able to play while their parents benefit too, it will help get us healthy."

The Niu Valley playground is also an attempt to address one of the negative affects of the social media age, which has led to

a shift away from local community.

Johnson explained, "We want to be able to meet people that live down the street that we don't know. We know that in order for us to be the community we dream of being, we need the playground."

Peter Kay, the playground chair said, "It is a great story of a community's determination to build something of value that includes everyone and has the potential to be a genuine epicenter in the heart of the community."

Mike McFarlane, owner of Island Recreation has installed hundreds of playgrounds on Oahu for over 17 years and is working with the community. McFarlane explained the innovative spherical design of the Niu Valley playground that is different than most playgrounds on the island. "The concept is called undirected play, which

means the child is not herded in one direction or another, they basically can make their own decision on what to do. This really helps children develop in a lot of different ways."

The playground plans also include workout stations for teens, adults and seniors to utilize. They are designed to face the playground so parents and caregivers can watch their children while they exercise. Picnic tables and benches as well as a retaining wall, will provide seating for supervision and socializing. Kay pointed out, "It is astounding to me that one of the older communities on Oahu does not even have a park bench for the community to gather around."

The process has been grueling; including testimony in front of the Honolulu City Council, attending Neighborhood Board meetings, organizing, fund-raising, researching, filing paperwork, learning about city codes and processes.

Local architect Matthew Graves volunteered his time and expertise to draw plans to submit to the city. He explained, "One of the unique things about this is that the city and county and the community are working together to make it happen. It is really exciting to be involved in

this meaningful cause."

Councilmember Stanley Chang has played an active role between the community and City.

"I am pleased and honored to support the efforts of the Niu Valley community to build a long overdue playground in the only community on the island without one. With an innovative public-private partnership, Niu Valley will get the playground of its choice with city funds already budgeted, reducing the cost to taxpayers by as much as 50 percent," said Chang.

Having recently won a contest awarding them \$15,000 as one of the top five finalists, the group is determined to find a way to raise the rest of the needed \$100,000. They applied for a grant through Pepsi Refresh Project for another \$25,000.

"We feel empowered to be able to come up with money for our playground. We are so fired up after winning the initial contest, that we think we can do

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anything," said Johnson.

You can help the Niu Valley playground come to fruition by clicking to vote on the Pepsi Refresh Project as well as making a tax-deductible donation. For more information visit [www.niuvalleyplayground.com](http://www.niuvalleyplayground.com).

# Slight Bump in Numbers as 2011 Comes to a Close

BY CHELSEY KOBATAKE FLANAGAN  
*East Oahu Sun*

Single-family homes in the \$650,001-\$1.1m range experienced a boost in resale inventory, according to the Honolulu Board of Realtors® monthly statistics. Many of the homes in the east Oahu area fall within this price range. Condominium inventory decreased across the island.

With inventory on a steady decline since mid-year, a boost could signal much-needed market stimulation for some areas.

Low interest rates have brought buyers to the market however, lack of inventory offers little to choose from.

Though pending sales have been creeping up since the beginning of 2011, it has not created significant change in the market. Historically slow sales during the third quarter of each year, as reflected in the following year's first quarter numbers, are often attributed to the consumer distraction of the holidays. The coupling of

the bump in inventory and pending sales with low interest rates could mean stronger numbers for the first quarter of 2011.

The median sales price for single-family homes adjusted to \$579,000, down 2.3 percent from October 2010, while condominiums got a slight bump of 1.7 percent.

The Kapahulu-Diamond Head area saw the largest increase in closed sales going from 9 sales in October 2010 to 20 sales October 2011.

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Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Sunshine; breezy	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Partly sunny	Partly sunny	Windy	Windy
High 80° Low 68°	High 82° Low 69°	High 80° Low 69°	High 81° Low 69°	High 81° Low 69°	High 81° Low 68°	High 80° Low 67°	High 79° Low 69°	High 81° Low 69°	High 79° Low 67°

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High Wednesday	6
High Thursday	6
High Friday	6
High Saturday	6
High Sunday	6
High Monday	6
High Tuesday	5
High Wednesday	5

Tide Reports

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Hanauma Bay

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
First high (ht.)	1:28 a (2.1)	2:00 a (2.2)	2:33 a (2.3)	3:07 a (2.4)	3:41 a (2.4)	4:18 a (2.4)	4:55 a (2.3)
Second high (ht.)	12:43 p (0.8)	1:23 p (0.8)	2:02 p (0.7)	2:41 p (0.7)	3:24 p (0.7)	4:11 p (0.7)	5:07 p (0.7)
First low (ht.)	8:47 a (0.5)	9:25 a (0.4)	10:01 a (0.3)	10:37 a (0.3)	11:15 a (0.2)	11:54 a (0.2)	12:35 p (0.2)
Second low (ht.)	6:43 p (-0.1)	7:15 p (-0.1)	7:49 p (-0.1)	8:23 p (-0.1)	8:59 p (-0.1)	9:37 p (0.0)	10:19 p (0.1)

Honolulu

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
First high (ht.)	2:27 a (2.1)	2:59 a (2.2)	3:32 a (2.3)	4:06 a (2.4)	4:40 a (2.4)	5:17 a (2.4)	5:54 a (2.3)
Second high (ht.)	1:42 p (0.8)	2:22 p (0.8)	3:01 p (0.7)	3:40 p (0.7)	4:23 p (0.7)	5:10 p (0.7)	6:06 p (0.7)
First low (ht.)	9:32 a (0.5)	10:10 a (0.4)	10:46 a (0.3)	11:22 a (0.3)	12:00 p (0.2)	12:39 p (0.2)	1:20 p (0.2)
Second low (ht.)	7:28 p (-0.1)	8:00 p (-0.1)	8:34 p (-0.1)	9:08 p (-0.1)	9:44 p (-0.1)	10:22 p (0.0)	11:04 p (0.1)

Boating Forecast

**Waikiki Beach to Hanauma Bay:**

**Wednesday:** Wind E at 8-16 knots. Wind waves 3-6 feet. Visibility less than 3 miles in a shower.

**Thursday:** Wind E at 10-20 knots. Wind waves 4-8 feet. Visibility less than 2 miles in any showers.

**Friday:** Wind E at 10-20 knots. Wind waves 4-8 feet. Visibility less than 2 miles in showers.

**Saturday:** Wind E at 12-25 knots. Wind waves 3-6 feet. Visibility less than 2 miles in showers.

**Sunday:** Wind E at 12-25 knots. Wind waves 3-6 feet. Visibility under 3 miles in showers.

Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
Dec 10	Dec 17	Dec 24	Dec 31

Sun and Moon

	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	6:56 a.m.	5:50 p.m.	3:52 p.m.	4:30 a.m.
Thursday	6:57 a.m.	5:50 p.m.	4:36 p.m.	5:22 a.m.
Friday	6:58 a.m.	5:50 p.m.	5:24 p.m.	6:14 a.m.
Saturday	6:58 a.m.	5:50 p.m.	6:16 p.m.	7:06 a.m.
Sunday	6:59 a.m.	5:51 p.m.	7:10 p.m.	7:57 a.m.

Beach Forecast

**Waikiki Beach to Hanauma Bay:** Trade winds will prevail across the islands through the week ahead as a ridge of high pressure settles in. The result will be low clouds and showers carried by the winds favoring windward and mauka areas. Otherwise, it will be dry throughout the week.

National Cities

City	Wednesday Hi/Low/W	Thursday Hi/Low/W	Friday Hi/Low/W	City	Wednesday Hi/Low/W	Thursday Hi/Low/W	Friday Hi/Low/W	City	Wednesday Hi/Low/W	Thursday Hi/Low/W	Friday Hi/Low/W
Anchorage	28/25/sn	33/22/c	30/19/c	Houston	51/32/pc	60/32/s	61/35/pc	New York City	51/37/r	45/33/pc	45/32/pc
Atlanta	58/37/r	54/40/s	56/34/s	Indianapolis	39/23/pc	42/24/pc	32/17/c	Philadelphia	53/38/r	46/34/pc	48/31/pc
Baltimore	50/36/r	46/30/pc	48/28/pc	Kansas City	37/21/s	42/17/pc	35/21/s	Phoenix	59/38/s	64/42/s	64/44/s
Boston	48/35/c	46/35/sn	46/30/pc	Las Vegas	54/36/s	56/40/s	58/40/s	St. Louis	41/26/pc	45/24/s	33/23/pc
Cleveland	38/26/pc	38/28/pc	35/20/c	Los Angeles	69/47/s	68/48/s	69/49/s	Salt Lake City	35/20/s	38/18/pc	39/23/s
Dallas	47/29/s	59/32/s	50/31/s	Miami	82/69/pc	79/69/pc	80/66/sh	San Francisco	56/42/s	58/42/s	57/44/s
Denver	46/15/pc	34/12/pc	39/21/s	Minneapolis	28/13/sf	23/2/pc	18/12/pc	Seattle	47/32/pc	44/31/pc	44/32/pc
Detroit	39/26/pc	36/25/pc	32/18/c	New Orleans	53/38/sh	57/38/s	60/39/pc	Washington, DC	54/38/r	48/33/pc	50/33/pc

Weather(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Weather(W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN EAST OAHU: December 8, 2011 - January 8, 2012

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#### **Mondays, Fridays & Saturdays: 8 – 9 am**

Movement Class by Luk Tung Kuen: Kahala Mall

#### **Tuesdays & Thursdays: 7 – 8 am**

Senior Walk Safe: Kahala Mall: Improve body balance to prevent injury, develop breathing techniques that support the back and learn simple movements to protect your joints: Call Cindy 284-3540 to register

#### **Tuesdays: 4 – 7 pm**

Kaiser PTSA Farmer's Market: Kaiser High School front lawn

#### **Tuesdays: 7 – 9 pm**

American Ballroom Dance Classes with Dance Hawaii Kai; Koko Head School Cafeteria, \$5 per class (monies donated to the school); Contact Maurice Morita 225-0326 or [dance-aliamanu.org](http://dance-aliamanu.org) for class schedule

#### **Wednesdays: 8 – 9 am**

Movement Class by Luk Tung Kuen: Hawaii Kai Towne Center, Waterfront Stage

#### **Wednesdays: 8:30 – 10 am**

Hawaii Kai Business Networking Referral Network: Hawaii Kai Retirement Center Bldg 446, 3rd floor, multi-purpose room: visitors welcome: contact Kelly Mitchell, 384-7165

#### **Wednesdays: 8:00 – 11:30 am**

Kawaihae Specialty Farmers Market: Hawaii Kai Retirement Community, 428 Kawaihae Street

#### **Wednesdays: 9:30 am**

Hui Hauoli O Aina Haina: Senior Club Program: Seniors have their own officers and conduct their weekly meetings that include: speakers, community service, excursions, luncheons, etc.: Meet at Holy Nativity Church: Call 396-3096 for additional information

#### **Wednesdays: 10 am**

Koko Head Seniors: Senior Club Program: Speakers, excursions, games, entertainment, Pot-Luck, and lots of fun: Kuapa Isle Clubhouse, 156 Opihikao Pl.: Call 396-3096 for additional information

#### **Thursdays: 7:15 – 8:15 am**

People's Open Market: Waimanalo Beach Park, 41-741 Kalaniana'ole Hwy.

#### **Thursdays: 10:15 am**

Preschool Storytime: Waimanalo Public & School Library: Recommended for ages 3 and up and their caregivers, 259-2610

#### **Thursdays: 10:30 am**

Children's Storytime: Aina Haina Public Library: Recommended for ages 3 and up and their caregivers, 377-2456

#### **Fridays: 9:30 am**

Hui Lokahi O Aina Haina: Senior Club Program: Seniors have their own officers and conduct their weekly meetings that include: speakers, community service, excursions, luncheons, etc.: meet at Aina Haina Playground; Call 373-2722 for additional information

#### **Fridays: 6:30 – 9:30 pm**

Brian Robertshaw: Roy's Hawaii Kai, 396-7697

#### **8, Thursday: 11 am**

Is Your Child Ready for Kindergarten? Presentation and screening by Hawaii State Public Library System and the Learning Disabilities Assn. of Hawaii Ekolu Eha Ike Pono School Readiness Project: Aina Haina Public Library, 377-2456

#### **8, Thursday: Noon**

Performance by the Royal Hawaiian Band: Kahala Mall

#### **9, Friday: 7 pm**

Polar Express Storytime: special ready of the holiday classic, hot chocolate and cookies: children are encouraged to wear their pajamas: Barnes & Noble, Kahala Mall

#### **11, Sunday: 7:30 am – 12:15 pm**

Blood Bank of Hawaii Blood Drive: Wilson Elementary School Cafeteria: 845-9966

#### **11, Sunday: 10 am – 3 pm**

Art Exhibition Opening: Hawaiian Legends Series – A Surfing Art Collaboration between Dan Merkel and Harald-M. Lehnardt: The Kahala Hotel & Resort's Veranda Lounge, free and open to the public: Art work will remain on display in The Kahala's Plumeria Beach House restaurant from December 12, 2011 to February 29, 2012

#### **11, Sunday: 10:30 am**

Children's Storytime: Kaimuki Public Library: Recommended for ages 3 and up and their caregivers, 733-8422

mond Head Room: free and open to the public, seats are limited, RSVP 218-7091

#### **15, Thursday: 10:30 am**

Special Holiday Children's Storytime: Hawaii Kai Public Library: Recommended for ages 2 1/2 to 5 and their caregivers, 397-5833

#### **15, Thursday: 10:30 am**

Holiday Puppet Times with Christy Lipps: holiday program with traditional music and songs: Aina Haina Public Library, 377-2456

#### **16, Friday: 6 pm**

Performance by Na Hoku, the Star of the Sea choir: Koko Marina Courtyard

#### **17, Saturday: Noon**

Performance by Ka Hale I o Kahala Hula Halau: Kahala Mall

#### **17, Saturday: 2 pm**

Performance by Maunaloa: Kahala Mall

#### **17, Saturday: 4:30 pm**

Performances by Ukulele Hale led by Jody Kamisato, and Amber Ricci and the DragonFly band: Hawaii Kai Towne Center

#### **17, Saturday: 6 pm**

Hawaii Kai Marina Community Association's 15th Annual Festival of Lights Christmas Boat Parade: Hawaii Kai Marina: the parade route will take the participants around the Marina waterfront of all the three shopping centers, and past the judge's stand at the Hawaii Kai Towne Center.

#### **18, Sunday: 7:30 am – Noon**

Blood Bank of Hawaii Blood Drive: Hawaii Kai Public Library Meeting Room: 845-9966

#### **18, Sunday: 8 am – 12:45 pm**

Blood Bank of Hawaii Bloodmobile: Safeway Kapahulu: 845-9966

#### **18, Sunday: 10:30 am**

Children's Storytime: Kaimuki Public Library: Recommended for ages 3 and up and their caregivers, 733-8422

#### **24, Saturday: 10 am**

Storytime with Keith Haugen, award-winning short story writer and storyteller: Kahala Mall

#### **29, Thursday: 10:30 am**

Uncle Wayne and the Howling Dog Band: Aina Haina Public Library, 377-2456

#### **January 8, 2012: 10 am – 1 pm**

The Maunaloa Communities Foundation First Sunday Open Market: Koko Marina Center, First Hawaiian Bank parking lot

*Calendar events are subject to change. Submissions to the East Oahu Sun community calendar can be emailed to [calendar@eastoahusun.com](mailto:calendar@eastoahusun.com) or faxed to 395-1998.*



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*Nine members of the Kalani High School FFA Chapter entered its first Oahu District FFA Competition on Saturday, December 3, 2011. The FFA (formerly known as the Future Farmers of America) was founded in 1928 and is the oldest youth leadership organization of its kind. In its first-ever entry in the annual District FFA Conference on Saturday, December 3, 2011 at the Monsanto Research Facility in Kunia, Kalani students successfully advanced the State finals to be held in Waikiki in February 2012.*

#### **Saturdays: 7:30 – 11 am**

Farmers' Market: Kapiolani Community College, 4303 Diamond Head Road

#### **Saturdays: 1 – 2 pm**

People's Open Market: Hawaii Kai Park-N-Ride, 300 Keahole Street, 522-7088

#### **Saturdays: 6:30 – 9:30 pm**

Jimmy Funai, Roy's Hawaii Kai, 396-7697

#### **10, Saturday: 10:30 am**

A Magical Christmas with the Amazing Alan Arita: magic show with magician Alan Arita and children will be able to make a festive holiday craft after the performance: Hawaii Kai Public Library, 397-5833

#### **10, Saturday: Noon**

Performance by Ka Hale I o Kahala Hula Halau: Kahala Mall

#### **10, Saturday: Noon**

Storytime with the students of Kaimuki Middle School in conjunction with their bookfair: Barnes & Noble, Kahala Mall

#### **10, Saturday: 2 pm**

Performance by Jake Shimabukuro: Kahala Mall

#### **12, Monday: 7 pm**

St. Louis Heights Community Association Monthly Meeting: Hokulani Elementary School, 2940 Kamakini St.

#### **12, Monday: 7 pm**

Chaminade University Fall Commencement with keynote speaker Darren T. Kimura: Neal S. Blaisdell Area, free

#### **12, Monday: 7 pm**

Oahu Civic Orchestra's Winter Concert: Eiben Hall, Chaminade University: 70 piece orchestra playing music of the season: free, 342-0610

#### **14, Wednesday: 7 pm**

Memory Enhancement Presentation with Dr. Robert Winningham: Kahala Nui Dia-

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