

HUI LIMA KOKUA HAWAII CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Next Meeting. (a) The next monthly meeting will be a Paniolo Potluck dinner to be held on July 9th, at the Oxnard American Legion Hall located at 2639 Wagon Wheel Road starting 6:30 pm. We will have a decorated hat and roping contest. Come with a hat already decorated at home and try your hand at roping a horse. (b) Guests are always welcome to our meetings. Guests should bring a potluck dish or contribute a modest \$2. (c) To give you a "heads up," our August 20th meeting will be a potluck picnic to be held at the Ventura Pier starting at 11 am. We are inviting the San Fernando Ohana Kakou, former Simi Hawaii club, and the former Santa Barbara Hawaii club members to join us. Bring a potluck dish to share, chair, musical instruments, bike, bathing suit, fishing pole, etc. More detailed information will be provided later but save that date (August 20).

Past Meeting. (a) After our potluck dinner on June 11th, Kamehameha Day, the membership got the chance to learn about King Kamehameha from **Ollie/Loesje Akau** and **David/Kay Paisley**. Mahalo for an enlightening presentation. As a token of appreciation, the presenters were given some rare **Duke Kahanamoku** postal stamps.

Hawaii Sports. (a) Last month I wrote about Waipahu boxer, **Brian Vilorio**, fighting for the World Boxing Council Junior Flyweight championship on July 30. **Vilorio** had a tune-up fight on May 28 in Los Angeles and put his opponent, **Ruben Contreras** of Mexico, in a coma after he had surgery to relieve pressure for bleeding on his brain. (b) **Alfred Reft**, first team All-American volleyball player from the UH and whose hometown is Oxnard, has been selected to play for the U.S. volleyball team. He will be going to the World University Games in Turkey in August. (c) **Michelle Wie**, the 15 year old golfing phenom from Honolulu, ended up in second place in the Ladies Professional Golf Association Championship played in Maryland in June and was the only player to record four sub-par rounds. She is the first amateur to ever participate in the 51 year history of this prestigious tournament. She came in second to **Annika Sorenstam**, arguably the most dominating athlete (male or female) today in any sport. As an amateur **Wie** will not be able to collect the \$164,000 second place money. Later in June (after my deadline for printing this newsletter) **Wie** will play in the U.S. Women's Open in Colorado. She also became the first female player to qualify for an adult male U.S. Golf Association championship to be played July 11-16 in Ohio. She received an exemption into the Women's British Open in late July. I reiterate, she is only 15 and does not even have a driver's license yet. Gee what I was doing at age 15?

Hawaiian/Local Tidbits. (a) The 2005 Na Hoku Hanohano Awards (Hawaiian music awards) were presented in June and here is a partial list of winners:

Favorite Entertainer: Raiatea Helm

Male Vocalist: Dennis Pavao, "Golden Voice of Hawaii"

Female Vocalist: Raiatea Helm, "Sweet & Lovely"

Group of the Year: Na Palapalai, "Ke 'Ala Beauty"

Instrumental Album: "Walking Down Rainhill," Jake Shimabukuro

Song of the Year: "'Ala Anuhea," by Robert Cazimero, from "Some Call It Aloha ... Don't Tell,"
Brothers Cazimero

Most Promising Artist: Brittni Paiva for "Brittni X3"

Album of the Year: "Eddie Kamae -- Sons of Hawaii," Eddie Kamae & the Sons of Hawaii
(Hawaii Sons), Hawaii Sons, producer.

(b) The annual Hoolaulea at Alondra Park, Lawndale, California, will be held on July 16th and 17th with Hawaiian entertainment, food, and boutiques. This is the largest Hoolaulea in Southern California. Admission is free. (c) Kauai's historic Menehune fishpond is up for sale. Legend has it that the fishpond was built by menehunes (Hawaiian leprechauns) about 580 years ago. The asking price is \$12M. I hope the new owner will preserve this historical site for our grandchildren. (d) Is Japan going a little Hawaii? In a nationwide campaign to save energy by

cutting down on air-conditioning, the Japanese government has ordered public workers to leave their ties and jackets home for the summer. Even **Prime Minister Koizumi** showed up to work wearing a short sleeve shirt with no tie. Nice to know that Hawaii is light years ahead of many countries in common sense dress code. (e) Starbucks 35th Annual Ukulele Festival will be held on July 31 from 10 am to 1:30 pm at Kapiolani Park Bandstand in Waikiki. Performers include **Raiatea Helm, Ohta-san, Daniel Ho, Roy Sakuma's** 800-piece Ukulele Band, etc. Admission is free.

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Strange Things You Likely Didn't Know

1. A rat can last longer without water than a camel.
2. Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every two weeks or it will digest itself.
3. The dot over the letter "i" is called a tittle.
4. A raisin dropped in a glass of fresh champagne will bounce up and down continuously from the bottom of the glass to the top.
5. A female ferret will die if it goes into heat and cannot find a mate.
6. A duck's quack doesn't echo. No one knows why.
7. A 2 X 4 is really 1-1/2" by 3-1/2".
8. During the chariot scene in "Ben Hur," a small red car can be seen in the distance (and Heston's wearing a watch).
9. On average, 12 newborns will be given to the wrong parents daily! (That explains a few mysteries....)
10. Donald Duck comics were banned from Finland because he doesn't wear pants.
11. Because metal was scarce, the Oscars given out during World War II were made of wood.
12. The number of possible ways of playing the first four moves per side in a game of chess is 318,979,564,000.
13. There are no words in the dictionary that rhyme with orange, purple and silver. (also "tiger.")
14. The name Wendy was made up for the book Peter Pan. There was never a recorded Wendy before.
15. The very first bomb dropped by the Allies on Berlin in World War II killed the only elephant in the Berlin Zoo.
16. If one places a tiny amount of liquor on a scorpion, it will instantly go mad and sting itself to death. (Who was the sadist who discovered this??)
17. Bruce Lee was so fast that they actually had to s-l-o-w film down so you could see his moves. That's the opposite of the norm.
18. The first CD pressed in the US was Bruce Springsteen's "Born in the USA."
19. The original name for butterfly was flutterby.
20. The phrase "rule of thumb" is derived from an old English law which stated that you couldn't beat your wife with anything wider than your thumb.
21. The first product Motorola started to develop was a record player for automobiles. At that time, the most known player on the market was Victrola, so they called themselves Motorola.
22. Roses may be red, but violets are indeed violet.
23. By raising your legs slowly and lying on your back, you cannot sink into quicksand.
24. Celery has negative calories. It takes more calories to eat a piece of celery than the celery has in it to begin with.
25. Charlie Chaplin once won third prize in a Charlie Chaplin look-alike contest.
26. Chewing gum while peeling onions will keep you from crying.
27. Sherlock Holmes NEVER said, "Elementary, my dear Watson."
28. An old law in Bellingham, Washington, made it illegal for a woman to take more than three steps backwards while dancing!
29. The glue on Israeli postage is certified kosher.
30. The Guinness Book of Records holds the record for being the book most often stolen from public libraries.
31. Astronauts are not allowed to eat beans before they go into space because passing wind in a spacesuit damages them.
32. Bats always turn left when exiting a cave!

Prediction: Half of you reading this will try dropping a raisin in fresh champagne to see if it bounces.