

HUI LIMA KOKUA HAWAII CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Next Meeting. (a) In a historic moment in June, **President Bush** has designated the Northwest Hawaiian Island site as a National Monument. The National Monument covers about 140,000 square miles and is about the size of California. **President Bush** was swayed to make this move after a private viewing of **Jean-Michel Cousteau's** beautifully made documentary film. The film is very interesting and showed unbelievable underwater shots as well as shots of unspoiled, uninhabited islands. Boy, do we have news for you! We have been able to get hold of a copy of this 52 minute documentary film and it will be shown at our next meeting. So come join us on this journey to a part of Hawaii very few people ever get to see. The potluck meeting will be held at the Oxnard American Legion Hall located at 2639 Wagon Wheel Road starting at 6:30 pm on Saturday, July 8. Guests are welcome. See you then....

Past Meeting. (a) **Kay Paisley** led an interesting discussion about the King **Kamehameha** statue that is in Kohala, Big Island, at June's meeting. This is the original statue, while the one located in Honolulu is a replica. A third statue is located in Washington DC. During the presentation **Kay** showed a VHS video tape made about 4 years ago which explained how the people of Kohala handled the maintenance of the statue in 2002. **Kay and David Paisley** lived in Kohala for two years and knew some of the people seen on the tape. **Gerry Delgado**, who once lived in Kona, also recognized someone in the tape. Mahalo for a most interesting evening, **Kay**. We all enjoyed the presentation. See a picture of **Kay** in the website taken during her presentation. A big mahalo to **Darrin Ching** for bringing the TV and the VHS player (along with everything else he brings to the meetings). The walking strawberry you may have seen at the meeting was really **Ted Wakai**. Like the magician he is, the strawberry disappeared after dinner.

Membership News. (a) We all wish **Ollie Akau** a speedy recovery from his foot operation. I recently saw him limping in a foot cast. (b) **To Ken Reade**, we also wish for his recovery from his terrible allergy. We missed **Ken** at the last general membership and Board meeting.

Hawaii Sports. (a) **Brian Ching** is the first Hawaiian to be on the US Men Soccer team at the world's largest sporting event, the World Cup. The World Cup is now being played in Germany but **Ching** has not played in US' first two games. As I'm writing this we are winless in two games. (b) Question –What 16 year old female from Hawaii will be playing in the U.S. Women Open Golf Tournament later in June? If you answered **Michelle Wie**, you are correct but there is another golfing phenom – **Stephanie Kono**. Like **Wie**, **Kono** also attends Punahou High School but is a year behind in school. Watch out for these two young golfers in the future. While we are on the subject of teenage golfers from Hawaii, how 'bout that 15 year old **Tadd Fujikawa** of Honolulu who just played in the (Men) U. S. Open Golf Tournament in New York? He is the youngest golfer to ever participate in this prestigious event. **Fujikawa** is 5' 1", 135 pounds. Hawaii is sure producing some good young golfers.

Hawaiian/Local Tidbits. (a) On July 1, Makaha Sons and Hula Halau O Kamuela Elua perform in concert at the Redondo Beach Performance Arts Center, 1935 Manhattan Beach Blvd, Redondo Beach, CA 90278 starting at 7 pm. Tickets are \$30-\$35, (626) 329-8337. (b) Alondra Park Hoolaulea on 15 and 16 July. The park is located at 3850 West Manhattan Beach Blvd, Lawndale, California. This is the largest Hoolaulea in Southern California. Free admission, time Saturday: 10 am – 5 pm; Sunday 10 am – 4 pm. (c) The 36th Annual Ukulele Festival at the Kapiolani Park Bandstand (Waikiki), Sunday,

July 30, 2006, 10:00 am - 1:30 pm. Admission: Free. **(d)** Because of the heavy rain in Hawaii, this year's mango crop will be lean, tiny, watery, and expensive. Auwe, too bad for us mango lovers.

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Teenagers, Take Heed

Bill Gates recently gave a speech at a High School about 11 things (rules) they did not and will not learn in school. He talks about how feel-good, politically correct teachings created a generation of kids with no concept of reality and how this concept set them up for failure in the real world.

Rule 1: Life is not fair - get used to it!

Rule 2: The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.

Rule 3: You will NOT make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice-president with a PDA until you earn both.

Rule 4: If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss.

Rule 5: Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your Grandparents had a different word for burger flipping: they called it opportunity.

Rule 6: If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

Rule 7: Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you were. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.

Rule 8: Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life HAS NOT. In some schools, they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as MANY TIMES as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life.

Rule 9: Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you FIND YOURSELF. Do that on your own time.

Rule 10: Television is NOT real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

Rule 11: Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

Editor's note: *I love Bill Gates.*