

## Hō'ike Haumāna

***Nā Lei Na'auao - Native Hawaiian Charter School Alliance***

What is the Nā Lei Na'auao Native Hawaiian Charter School Alliance? How is Kanu o ka 'Āina involved? How does this relate to the annual Ku'i Ka Lono conference?

These are the questions posed to our own Ka'iulani Pahi'ō who serves a significant role in bringing all of the above together. Her explanation is provided in her words below.



Founded in 2000 by Native Hawaiian educators, parents and community members from throughout the archipelago, Nā Lei Na'auao – Native Hawaiian Charter School Alliance (NLN) supports the growth and establishment of models of education that are community-designed and controlled and reflect, respect and embrace Hawaiian cultural values, philosophies and ideologies.

Twelve Hawaiian-focused NLN schools make up the majority of the state's start-up charter schools serving more than 2,300 students, over 80 percent of whom are of Hawaiian ancestry. Kanu o ka 'Āina is one of the twelve schools. Aligning with worldwide indigenous educational reform efforts, NLN uses the national charter school movement to provide viable choices for learners interested in perpetuating Hawai'i's native language, culture and traditions.

Curriculum, instruction and assessment at NLN schools are tailored to native learning styles and multiple intelligences featuring interdisciplinary and interactive education, hands-on activities, project and place-based learning and multi-age groupings.

Research conducted by the Kamehameha Schools validates growing evidence confirming the academic success of NLN schools as viable educational models. Research also confirms that Hawaiians in charter schools perform better on standardized reading and math tests and are significantly less chronically absent than Hawaiians in standard public schools.

Nā Lei Na'auao also provides various opportunities in Indigenous Education through innovative programs and events, such as the annual Ku'i ka Lono Conference. This year's conference is being held at the Sheraton Keauhou Resort in Keauhou, Kona March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.

Ku'i ka Lono means to "spread the news," and at this annual event, native-designed and controlled public charter schools and indigenous organizations, gather to share their educational practices and accomplishments among themselves and with other Indigenous educators, parents and interested stakeholders. By sharing successful strategies, this conference hopes to help all native communities create quality culturally-driven schools and programs that empower native students to walk successfully in two worlds and assure that No Child Is Left Behind. Friday's program features student presentations in the morning that include KANU students, with an evening of cultural performances by the various schools in attendance. Saturday will focus on teacher workshops, community presentations, charter school strategies, as well as a student service learning project.

Kanu o ka 'Āina Learning 'Ohana (KALO) has provided administrative and fiscal support to Nā Lei Na'auao since 2000.

For more information, contact the Na Lei Na'auao Coordinator: Ka'iulani Pahi'ō @887-1117 or NLN@kalo.org

*Have a safe and enjoyable spring break!*

***Whatever our creed, we feel that no good deed  
can by any possibility go unrewarded, no evil deed unpunished.  
~ Orison Swett Marden (1850 - 1924), American writer***

## Kihikihi Makua

**KANU**

***SPRING INTERSESSION – MARCH 21 – APRIL 1. STUDENTS REPORT BACK TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2011.***

***AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS WILL RESUME THE WEEK OF APRIL 4.***

***PRINCE KŪHIO DAY – MARCH 25, 2011 – KANU OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED***

***KU'I KA LONO NINTH ANNUAL INDIGENOUS EDUCATION CONFERENCE*** – at Sheraton Keauhou Resort in Kona. On Friday, March 18, 2011, 6-12 students will travel to Kona to present at the conference. Vans will leave Hālau Ho'olako at 7:00 am and return by 5:30 pm. Interested students will perform at the Cultural Hō'ike from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. Parents and 'ohana members invited! All hō'ike performers will return to Hālau Ho'olako by 10:30 pm. Join educators as they share their educational practices and accomplishments with other Indigenous educators, parents and interested stakeholders on Saturday, March 19, 2011, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm. To register, contact Ka'iulani Pahi'ō 887-1117 or NLN@kalo.org.

***STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES APRIL 6 & 7*** – Sign-up sheets were due to student advisors on Wednesday, March 16. During these two days, your child will ONLY report to school for his or her conference. Students who do not attend their conference will be marked absent for both days. Your child's advisor will follow-up with a call during the break to confirm your child's conference location, date and time. Students in PK – grade 5 should have received a letter with your child's conference location, date and time. If you have any questions, please contact your child's advisor.

***SAVE THE DATE – SATURDAY, APRIL 9 from 7:30 am – 1:00 pm.*** We will be celebrating the International Year of Forests to raise awareness on sustainable management, conservation and sustainable development of all types of forests as well as to join in fellowship. We will all meet at Hālau Ho'olako for opening protocol prior to being transported to our work sites. We will be working on projects at our school sites including the immediate Waimea community. This will be a potluck event. Specific details and sign-up will be provided at your child's student-led conference. If you have questions, please contact Pomai Bertelmann or Chris Plunkett at 890-8144.

***HO'OKAUHALE SPRING INTERSESSION PROGRAMS*** – Starts Monday, March 21 and continues through Friday, April 1. Registration forms were included in the Hunehune Kalo and were due on Thursday, March 10. If you are still interested in having your keiki participate, forms must be hand delivered to the Hālau Ho'olako office. Additional forms also available in both offices. Enrollment on first come, first serve basis. For more information contact Chris Plunkett at 890-8144 or 960-6806.

***HULI KA LIMA I LALO PROGRAM*** – Week 1 ONLY: March 21 – March 24 from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm. Culturally-driven, hands-on K – 8 enrichment program taught by KANU teachers featuring cultural arts, native plant propagation, Hawaiian language and games. Cost is \$25 per student.

***KŪLIA I KA NU'U ENRICHMENT PROGRAM*** – Weeks 1 & 2: March 22 – April 1 from 9:00 – 10:00 am or 10:00 – 11:00 am. Open to all KANU students in grades 3 – 12 for reading and all KANU students in grades 3 – 12 for math. If your child has been identified in need of supplemental Math and/or Reading assistance, your 'ohana should have received a notification letter. All students receiving such a letter must attend a minimum of five (5) study hall sessions in each deficient subject area during the break as a demonstration of their desire to improve their current reading and/or math abilities.

***DRIVER'S EDUCATION SPRING COURSE OFFERINGS*** – Students ages 15 ½ and older are invited to sign-up. This intensive course is designed to meet the 30 hour classroom instruction time from March 21 – April 1. Students will learn the rules of the road, driving safety, and how to handle real-life driving situations. Drivers must have a valid State of Hawai'i Learner's Permit and parents must attend a mandatory parent meeting on Friday, March 18 from 4:30 – 5:30 pm at Hālau Ho'olako. Instructor Marc Boucher is State DOT-Certified and has been teaching driver's education classes in North Hawai'i for over 7 years. Please contact Aunty Chris Plunkett at 890-8144 if you are interested in attending.

***NEW HO'OKAUHALE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM OFFERING STARTING APRIL 6 – CHEERLEADING 101!*** Students in kindergarten through grade 12 are eligible to sign up. Participants will learn basic skills such as proper warm-up and motion drills to more advanced skills such as tumbling and stunting. The program will be offered on Wednesdays and Fridays from 3:30 – 5:00 pm. Aunty Margo Kawamoto has been working with Waimea community youth cheerleaders for the past 4 years and is excited about bringing a program of "SPIRIT" to Hālau Ho'olako. Deadline to register is Wednesday, April 6. Registration forms can be faxed to 890-8146 or hand delivered to the Hālau Ho'olako office. If you have any questions please call Aunty Margo at 890-8144.

## Ho'omana'o

### March Birthdays

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| 1 Kathy Gollaher & Keenan Pahi'o          | 13 Kaiya-Lynn Kaha                             |
| 3 Charles Cordeiro                        | 19 Aureila Hart                                |
| 5 Ko'iawe Griego                          | 20 Beaux Daugherty & Nālei Kahakalau           |
| 6 Jalysha Palenapa                        | 22 Chelsea Boneza                              |
| 7 Pomai Bertelmann & Harleigh Lindsey     | 25 Ashton Badua-Fernandez & Gary Rapozo        |
| 8 Ku'ulei Kahaulelio & Jahsaiah Yoshizumi | 28 Asher Robertson, Kullee Long & Scot Plunket |
| 10 Fyfe Miceli                            | 29 Micah-Jon Citron                            |
| 11 Jane Kawamoto & Taylan Manguuil-Noah   |  |



## Community

**KAWAIHAE WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP WORK DAY** – Saturdays, March 26, April 9 & 23, and May 14 & 28, 2011. Meet at 8:30 am at Parker Square and return by 3 pm. Snacks, tools and protective gloves provided. Bring water and lunch. RSVP preferred by email to pelekaneadmin@kohalawatershed.org. This helps assure sufficient tools, plants, etc. Wear sturdy shoes and come prepared for sun, mist, wind or rain. For more information visit [www.kohalacenter.org/pelekaneblog](http://www.kohalacenter.org/pelekaneblog).

**HAWAI'I ISLAND YOUTH SERVICES CONFERENCE** – 9 am – 3:30 pm Tuesday, March 22, 2011. Hilton Waikōloa Village. Sponsored by the County Office of the Prosecuting Attorney in partnership with The Salvation Army. Will bring together community stakeholders to identify needs and challenges in serving youth in Hawai'i County. Info gathered will be used to guide future programs and to support funding requests. Free but advanced registration required. Call Lisa Faulkner-Inouye (934-3310) or email: [linouye@co.hawaii.hi.us](mailto:linouye@co.hawaii.hi.us).

**FAMILY FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT** – Friday, March 25 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the West Hawai'i Civic Center. Free financial help and information. Family financial fair presentations on tax help and preparation, FAFSA, foreclosure prevention counseling and modification, how to save money on energy, food & transportation and much, much more.

**LET WORMS DO THE WORK IN YOUR GARDEN – A FREE VERMICOMPOSTING WORKSHOP:** 10 am – noon, Saturday, April 2, 2011. At Mala'ai—The Culinary Garden of Waimea Middle School. Presenter Dr. Norman Q. Arancon, Ph D, is one of the country's leading "worm guys" – aka vermiculturists. Presented by Māla'ai school garden's weekly Crop Share, which runs from 12:30 – 3 pm every Saturday. For the Crop Share, school-community families and friends are invited to bring surplus produce from their home garden or farm to exchange with other community members. Email Nicole Milne at [nmilne@hawaii.edu](mailto:nmilne@hawaii.edu) or 987-9210.

**PARKS & RECREATION GIRLS BASKETBALL LEAGUE REGISTRATION** – Registration forms are available at the Thelma Parker Gym on the bulletin board. Completed registrations forms will be accepted on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30 – 6:00 pm. Games begin on April 4. For more information contact Renee at 887-3014.

**LUA TRAINING AT HĀLAU HO'OLAKO!** – Don't miss this rare opportunity! Hālau Ho'olako has been chosen once again to be the site of a 48-Hour Lua Leadership training that will include kui a lua (hand to hand combat), lomi lomi (joint manipulation and massage), lā'au lapa'au (herbal healing) and Hawaiian leadership training. The training is being offered by Pā Ku'i a Holo, its leader, 'Ōlohe Dr. Mitchell Eli and other distinguished leaders in the Hawaiian arts. The training will consist of three weekends of training: April 23-24, April 30-May 1, and May 7-8 at a cost of \$225. Partial scholarships may be available on a first come, first serve basis. Applications are available at Hālau Ho'olako campus. The training is open to both men and women of Hawaiian Ancestry, ages 18 and above. For questions or more information, call Ka'iulani Pahi'ō at 887-1117.

**PILI 'IA E KE ALOHA - "JOINED BY LOVE."** KANU students in cooperation with HO'EA and KALO have produced a series of artwork note cards to assist the people of Japan. **All proceeds will be donated to Japanese earthquake/tsunami disaster relief.**

A packet of four cards is being sold for \$10 and may be purchased at the PIKO/HOEA Art Center located at the Parker Ranch Shopping Center next to Liliko'i Cafe, 67-1185 Mamalahoa Hwy Space H-148. PIKO/HOEA Art Center is open on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 am to 4 pm. For more information contact Waimakalani Iona at 885-6541. Please assist our students in this effort.

*In collaboration, Auntie Ku'ulei Keakealani & Uncle Chadd Paishon offer PILI 'IA E KE ALOHA - "JOINED BY LOVE" as the title for this effort to support the Japanese earthquake/tsunami disaster and relief fund. In 2007, Uncle Chadd was one of many crew members on board the voyaging canoe Hōkūle'a who sailed throughout the country of Japan. He and the 'ohana of the wa'a experienced first-hand, the outpouring of love that the people of Japan have for the islands of Hawai'i. Kū Hōlō Lā Holomoana was a voyage that in many ways became a bridge that brought people and cultures together through the elements of the ocean. It also reinforced the mindset that "the ocean does not separate us, it connects us – making us as humans accountable to one another."*

**APPLY NOW FOR HOEA'S STUDIO PROGRAM** – Hawaiian 'Ohana for Education in the Arts - is accepting applications from artists 17 years and older for their 2011 Native Hawaiian Art Education Project. The HOEA Program consists of a four-week Summer and two-week Winter Studio Program, the Business of Art Workshop, and the HOEA Art Market. For more information and to download the application you may log onto [www.khf-hoea.org](http://www.khf-hoea.org) or email [fran@khf-hoea.org](mailto:fran@khf-hoea.org).



# HUNEHUNE KALO

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Kanu o ka 'Āina New Century Public Charter School

## Mānana'o Nui



*Every brushstroke and every word has brought and will forever bring wisdom, beauty, inspiration and understanding.*

- Herbert Kawainue Kane



Hawai'i has lost one of its greatest treasures in the passing of Herb Kane, renowned artist, historian and visionary. Through his art, Herb helped native Hawaiians understand their past and made Hawaiian history come alive. Herb Kane passed away on March 8, 2011, the anniversary of the launching of Hōkūle'a, his dream for the voyaging community of the Pacific.

Born in 1928, he was raised in Waipi'o Valley and Hilo, Hawai'i, and Wisconsin. Following a period in the Navy service he became a world-renowned artist after studying at the Chicago Institute of Art. He was also an author who published books on Hawaiian culture and history. His passing comes thirty-six years after the launching of Hōkūle'a, the voyaging canoe he conceived of in the early 1970's. Hōkūle'a nurtured and advanced the Hawaiian Renaissance and became one of its most powerful and globally-recognized symbols. Herb served as the canoe's first captain.

U.S. Senator Daniel K. Akaka (D-Hawaii) noted Herb's contribution to the Hawaiian people and culture in the following statement today: Herb Kane helped the world recognize the history and culture of the Native Hawaiian people through his art. He showed ancient Hawaiians as they were: explorers, seafarers, trailblazers in land and resource management. His beautiful portraits displayed on stamps, in National Parks, and in museums continue to inspire people around the world. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends during this difficult time.

In *Voyagers*, published in 1991, Herb explained how Hōkūle'a came to be:

*"There was no one alive who could answer the questions. For long years scholars had argued whether Polynesian navigators had the ability and the vessels to master the vast Pacific. I knew now how the old canoes had been built. What if we actually built a full size replica of a canoe incorporating the functional design features most widely distributed throughout Polynesia? Putting such a canoe to an actual test would test as well the accounts of Polynesian navigation. An actual sailing would provide data that might settle this long dispute. Even more intriguing to me was the thought that recreating the central object of the ancient culture and taking it to sea might stimulate the growing interest in a cultural revival. The idea attracted others. We incorporated as the Polynesian Voyaging Society and recruited members. I drew a preliminary plan for such a canoe, then made a painting. Feeling altogether foolish, I found myself flashing the painting around Honolulu, asking for money. Hundreds of volunteers came forward to contribute time, talent, and substance, and the canoe got built."*

A gentle man, he was a giant among us, never calling attention to himself. His passion was the people of Hawai'i and for this he worked tirelessly. His departure leaves a deep sense of loss and a void in our very existence.

Ever mindful of his sense of place, Waipi'o, Kane has designated Kanu o ka 'Āina NCPS as the recipient of all donations received by his family to honor his death. A family spokesman told us that he specifically wanted to acknowledge Kanu o ka 'Āina because his 'ohana is from Waipi'o and he was pleased that KANU has a project in the valley. Anyone wishing to make a donation in his name can do so by sending it to:

Kanu o ka 'Āina  
P.O. Box 6511  
Kamuela, HI 96743

We are truly grateful for the generosity of this remarkable man.

Mahalo 'iā 'oe e 'Anakala Herb no kou makana aloha.

Me Kealoha Pumehana.





My son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_ has my consent to participate in any or all activities connected with his/her being a member of, or attendant at, the activity designated. I expressly waive any and all claims against Kanu o ka 'Āina Public Charter School (KANU), Kanu o ka 'Āina Learning 'Ohana (KALO), Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) and site locations and any /and all of their staff and / or representatives and volunteers, on account of accident or injury or illness that may be incurred by my son/daughter and myself (print participating ohana member names below:

\_\_\_\_\_ while participating in any activity; including travel to and from places where the following activities are held, athletic contests, musical contests, or festivals, picnics, and educational excursions.

Also, I grant permission to Kanu o ka 'Āina Public Charter School (KANU), Kanu o ka 'Āina Learning 'Ohana (KALO), for my son / daughter to participate, be directly involved in and include in data reporting, of an ongoing action research and report project, which includes the use of television media, tape and video recordings and photographs of my son / daughter in class, outdoor learning projects and various publications for any or all of his / her projects resulting from the Cheer 101.

**COMMITMENT:**

I (print student name), \_\_\_\_\_ agree that my attending the Cheer 101 program is a privilege that is based upon my meeting all of the following conditions:

- a) Attend all sessions
- b) Actively and fully participate in all program activities throughout the day/evening
- c) Fully comply and be pono with:
  - Aloha kekahi i kekahi,
  - Mālama i kou kuleana,
  - Kōkua aku kōkua mai,
  - Mahalo i ka mea loa'a, while participating in all program activities.

I understand and agree that if I fail to meet any of the conditions listed above, I may lose my privilege of attending the program.

I (print parent/guardian name) \_\_\_\_\_ have read the agreement above, and that my child and I fully understand what it says and that we voluntarily agree to this agreement.

I hereby certify that all information I have supplied on this entire form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and I agree to furnish further information if required. I further agree and understand that any false information submitted on this form may be cause for non-acceptance into this program.

Student Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

For Office use only:

Date received: \_\_\_\_\_ Application complete: Yes No Missing: \_\_\_\_\_

Acceptance/Denial: (Reason) \_\_\_\_\_ Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsored by the Kanu o ka 'Āina Learning 'Ohana through a grant from the US Department of Education Native Hawaiian Grant Program**

**Cheer 101 Program**  
**April 6-June 1, 2011**  
**Wednesday and Fridays 3:30pm-5:00pm**  
 P.O. Box 398 Kamuela, HI 96743  
 (808) 890-8144

Student's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last Name First Name M.I.

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex:  Male  Female

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street or P.O. City Zip

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street or P.O. City Zip

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Applicant is of Hawaiian ancestry.  Yes  No

If yes: Percentage of Hawaiian of Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Hawaiian of Father: \_\_\_\_\_

List other ethnicities: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade(SY10-11): \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Student GPA on last report card:  3.0 - 4.0  2.0 - 3.0  Below 2.0

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY INFORMATION:**

Fathers/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mothers/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

In case child listed above becomes ill or is injured and I Parent/guardian cannot be contacted, authorities have my permission to contact and release my child to the custody of one of the following:

Name / Relationship	Phone
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____

If child needs to be taken to an emergency facility, he/she will be taken to the nearest one or:

Hospital Preferred: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Insurance Carrier \_\_\_\_\_ Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_

I give consent for authorities to take appropriate action for the safety and welfare of my child.

ADULT SIGNATURE - AUTHORIZING TREATMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

CONSENT AND MEDIA PERMISSION: