

**Community Update** 

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## Aloha Friends and Neighbors,

Happy New Year!

Thank you for the honor of serving you in the State House of Representatives. According to the Chinese zodiac, the year of the Sheep, will start on February 19, 2015. The Sheep is a symbol of peace, harmonious co-existence and tranquility. 2015 is a year to use our mental abilities over brute force. For those who wish to be aggressive, expect to be out-maneuvered by strategy and common sense.

I am humbled to return to represent our community in the State House. I will continue to serve as vice-chair of the Higher Education committee, as well as a member of the Education, Labor and Public Employment, Transportation and Public Safety committees. I look forward to working with you and I welcome your thoughts and suggestions. Please feel free to contact me at my office at 586-6220 or at repichiyama@capitol.hawaii.gov.

My best wishes to you and your family for a safe and happy new year!

Sincerely,

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Opening Day This year's legislative opening day will be on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 10:00am. I would be honored if you and your family could join me to share this special occasion.

We will be serving light refreshments in room 327 after the conclusion of Opening Day Ceremonies. (approximately 12:00 noon)

## Save the Date! Aloha 'Aina Day



#### Saturday, April 11, 2015 Moanalua Elementary & Middle Schools

Please save your recyclable waste and turn trash into cash for our student programs! More info to come soon!



# **Christmas Tree Recycling**

With the holiday season coming to a close, the Honolulu Department of Environmental Services is reminding Oahu residents how to recycle their Christmas trees.

- 1. City refuse collection- Place trees at the curb along with other green waste.
- 2. Residents with green waste bins- Must fit trees into carts with lid closed.
- 3. **Households with manual collection-** Cut the tree into lengths of up to three feet and bundle for curbside collection.
- 4. **Condos and commercial buildings-** Deliver large loads of trees directly to Refuse Convenience Center or directly to the composting facility. The closest Refuse Convenience Center for District 32 residents is the Keehi Refuse Transfer Station located on Middle Street. No tip fee will be charged for Christmas trees over the holidays. Residents wishing to compost green waste should visit Hawaiian Earth Products at the Campbell Industrial Park Facility located at 91-400 Malakole Road in Kapolei.

### For more information please visit the Department of Environmental Services' website at http://www.opala.org/solid\_waste/holiday\_trash\_tips.htm

# COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION



Rep. Ichiyama with Chair Isaac Choy and Rep. Ohno discuss the University of Hawaii's budget request at the December 2014 Committee on Higher Education Informational Briefing.



The House Higher Education Committee at a site visit to the new Daniel K. Inouye Pharmacy School at UH Hilo, with Professor Ken Morris, Ph.D, Rep. Ichiyama, Rep. Nakashima, Chair Choy and Rep. Tsuji.

# **Community Meeting Schedule**

Moanalua Gardens Community Association 7:00pm Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at Moanalua Middle School

Moanalua Valley Community Association 7:00pm Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at Moanalua Valley Golf Clubhouse

Neighborhood Board # 18 (Salt Lake/Aliamanu/Foster Village) 7:00pm Thursday, February 12, 2015 at Oahu Veterans Center