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Aloha Friends,

Since the end of session last month, I have supported the Ways and Means Committee in reviewing Capital Improvement Programs. My travels around Oahu, the Big Island and Kauai allowed me to discuss CIP projects and funding appropriated with the organizations benefitting from this funding.

These visits included many sites on Oahu such as the Waiahole Ditch reservoir which irrigates our Mililani Ag Park as well as farms throughout the island, the University of Hawaii at West Oahu, Leeward and Honolulu Community Colleges as well as various DOE schools.

I visited the UH at Hilo, Hawaii and West Hawaii Community College, Kona Hospital, Kona Judiciary, Kona and Kauai airports, and public and charter schools. We also looked at a few projects proposed for CIP funding within the next year or two.

This being my first experience in handling the CIP for the Senate, these visits have helped me gain a better understanding of facilities, funding issues, including land acquisition.

Be sure to contact me if we can assist you with concerns. Me ke aloha,





Congratulations to newly commissioned Ensign **Parish Martin Keoni Kaleiwahea** son of our Office Manager **Park Kaleiwahea** and retired Navy Chief petty officer **Parish Kaleiwahea**.

Pictured above, President Barack Obama, joins in a "shaka" with the newly commissioned Ensign (left), and his dad during the 130th Coast Guard Academy graduation in New London, Conn., on May 18, 2011.

Park and husband Parish also celebrated their 25th Silver Wedding Anniversary this month. Congratulations Kaleiwahea Ohana!

### Mililani Residents Randy Iwase and Roy Amemiya Appointed to Hawaii Tax Review Commission

Congratulations to former Hawai'i State Senator Randy Iwase and 'Olelo President and CEO, Roy Amemiya, recently appointed to the Hawaii Tax Review Commission which convenes every five years to re -evaluate the state's tax structure. The last commission met in 2005. This commission is required by law to produce recommendations to lawmakers 30 days prior to the convening of the second regular session after the members have been appointed, or 2013 session. This group should have been convened in 2010 but were unable to meet as only two of the seven members were named last year. The John A. Burns School of Medicine graduated 63 new physicians on May 18 at the Neal Blaisdell Concert Hall. Of the 63 graduates, are from Mililani, five are from the neighbor islands and five are from other states. Six are international students from Canada, Vietnam, Guam and Palau. Seven of our new MDs are Native Hawaiians. Ninety percent of the students JABSOM admits each year are from Hawaii. Of the more than 250 students attending JABSOM each year, 213 of them receive some sort of financial aid. About 50% of them will do their residencies in Hawaii. Eighty percent of doctors who perform residencies here will stay in Hawaii.

JABSOM faculty physicians take patients at their Gold Bond building clinic, run by the Department of Native Hawaiian Health. It's primary focus is Hawaiian health disparities as diabetes, and they do rotations and telehealth in Moloka'i too, but they are open to patients of all ethnicities. Their entire faculty of pediatrics and OB-Gyn are located at Kapi'olani Med Center. So most treat patients for KMCWC which is why the hospitals agree to be academic medical center partners. That also brings the hospital (and Hawai'i) expertise such as a pediatric neonatal oncologist or other kind of rare specialty that wouldn't ordinarily come to a smaller town. JABSOM faculty doctors supervise third and fourth year students as well as the post graduate MDs who are in residency training in those specialties. At Queen's, JABSOM Medicine includes Cardiovascular Fellowship, Anesthesiolgy training, etc. and Surgery and Psychiatry faculty are based at Kuakini where the <u>Geriatric Medicine</u> Dept. is located, and in **Mililani** and Wahiawa General where <u>Family Practice</u> is located.



Congratulations Dr. Taryn Park

Dr. Taryn Park is one of the 63 new physicians who graduated from the John A. Burns School of Medicine. She is also a graduate of Mililani

Half of the physicians practicing in Hawai'i graduated from JABSOM or its residency program or are part of its faculty. Without JABSOM, local hospitals

would lose many of their specialists. <u>Their OBGYN delivers one half of all babies delivered in Hawaii</u>. JABSOM trains and perform services in clinics in Kalihi Palama, at Wai'anae Comprehensive, and Hawaii Medical Center East..

# Lauren Cheape Miss Hawaii 2011



Congratulations Lauren Cheape, who was crowned our new Miss Hawaii on June 4th. Lauren is a Mililani resident and a 2005 graduate of Mililani High School. Senator Kidani was privileged to coach Lauren through mock interviews to prepare her for the pageant. Good luck Lauren!

## Christie Liu Oclaray Mrs. Hawaii 2011



Congratulations Christie Liu Oclaray, Mrs. Hawaii 2011. She will represent Hawaii in the upcoming Mrs. America Pageant in Las Vegas in August. Christie is a 1992 Mililani High School graduate and is currently Vice-President with Aloha United Way! Good Luck Christie!



The Hawaii National Guard Youth Challenge Academy has a mission to enhance the lives of families and children ages 16-18. Youth challenge is a community based program that leads, mentors and trains at-risk teens. With over 100,000 teens graduated and nearly 50 percent heading into the workforce, the program is a huge success. Youth Challenge has gained national recognition as one of the most effective and cost-effective programs targeted for at-risk teens. The core components to the program are leadership, responsible citizenship, service to the community, life coping skills, physical fitness , job skills and health and hygiene. Mahalo to the Major General Daryll Wong, State Adjutant General, and HYC Director Richard Campbell for a job well done!

### Oceanic Cable Completes Hawaii's Largest Green Solar Canopy Parking Project



Pictured in photo are Oceanic Time Warner employees: General Manager Kiman Wong, President Bob Barlow, Traffic Administrator Jamie Whitaker, Senator Kidani and Vice President Russell Saiki.

The 3,000 rooftop solar panels are expected to help the company to achieve LEED Gold certification for this building and provide them with 40% of their energy needs.

#### LIVING GREEN

Green Building practices can substantially reduce the negative environmental impacts of buildings. Typical buildings consume more than 30% of the total energy and 60% of the electricity used in the U.S. Oceanic Time Warner has made a commitment to be a green leader and has registered their annex building under the U.S. Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) New Construction Program. The Annex building is expected to be a LEED Gold Project. Throughout the Oceanic Time Warner Annex building, educational signs are posted to convey environmental or green features of this special building.

- Percent Energy Savings is 47% (includes PV).
- PV provides 40% of the building's energy needs.
- Percent building water saved is 26%.
- Percent irrigation water saved is 69%.

### PLEASE KOKUA YOUNG MILITARY COUPLE

On June 7th, the Mililani home Brian and Channing Chandler were renting burned. Channing awoke to the smell of smoke and managed to get out but lost most everything in the fire. Brian was returned from Kuwait until they can resettle. We assisted her with some maternity clothing, but they still could use help finding a home to rent in Mililani as well as other household goods. If you can help, please contact my office.



On Tuesday June 14, Senator Kidani had the pleasure of meeting with Oceanic Time Warner Cable representatives in Mililani Tech Park for a tour of their new green building as well as their new solar parking project.

Oceanic partnered with Chevron Energy Solutions and Tioga to collaborate, design and engineer an 856 kilowatt solar photovoltaic system on two buildings and 5 parking canopies. The project is the largest solar parking canopy in the state of Hawaii. The project is expected to reduce carbon emissions annually equivalent to more than 225 acres of trees. Under the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative, the state seeks to generate 70 percent of its power from clean energy by 2030.

