



Happy Holidays

District 4
Wailuku, Waihe'e, Kahului, Pā'ia, Lower Pā'ia



Aloha Friends,

Thank you for honoring me with the privilege of serving as your Senator in the Hawaii State Legislature. I am deeply humbled by your continued support and will do my best to maintain the trust you have invested in me as a representative of our community.

Though it has been another economically challenging year for all of us, our community and State as a whole have much to be proud of and grateful for. As the host state for APEC's 2011 Leader's Conference, we were allowed the prestigious honor of showcasing our culture to some of the most powerful nations in the world. Here at home on Maui, our community is thriving and continuing to grow with the addition of Pu'u Kukui Elementary School and a new regional park. It has been a pleasure serving you this past year and I look forward to an even more prosperous future.

Once again, thank you for your continued confidence and support. Wishing you and your family a safe and happy holiday season.

Mahalo,

Shan S. Tsutsui

APEC in Hawaii

From November 12- 13, 2011, Oahu welcomed some of the world's most powerful leader's to our shores for the annual Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Leaders' Week. Over the course of two days, dignitaries were invited to attend forums, conferences, and receptions in Waikiki focused on building and strengthening economic relations across the Asia-Pacific region.



Senator Tsutsui and his colleagues at the foreign trade zone groundbreaking held on November 10, 2011

This November was the first time the United States has hosted APEC since 1993. Beginning in December 2010, various meetings were held across the nation from California to Washington DC before concluding with Leader's Week in Hawaii. "APEC was a tremendous opportunity to showcase our rich culture and excellent hospitality," said Senate President Tsutsui. "It was our hope that, by providing as pleasant an experience as possible, our State would be considered a top destination not only for pleasure, but business as well."

APEC was established in 1989 to strengthen and promote economic growth, cooperation, trade and investment in the Asia-Pacific region. Participating member economies make up approximately 40 percent of the world's population, 55 percent of the world Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and purchase 58 percent of US goods exports. APEC is made up of the following member economies: Australia; Brunei Darussalam; Canada; Chile; People's Republic of China; Hong Kong; China; Indonesia; Japan; Republic of Korea; Malaysia; Mexico; New Zealand; Papua New Guinea; Peru; The Republic of the Philippines; The Russian Federation; Singapore; Chinese Taipei; Thailand; United States of America and Viet Nam.



Christmas Tree-cycle!

The following locations will be accepting Christmas trees for recycling:

- Maui Earth Compost 877-0403**
- \$5/ tree- Kihei & Central**
- Olowalu Recycling Center**
- EKO Compost 572-8844**

2011 Secondary Student Conference

Every year students from high schools across the state come together at the State Capitol for the annual Secondary Student Conference (SSC). The purpose of the SSC is "to provide high school students an opportunity to identify, discuss and arrive at recommended solutions to major youth problems, with emphasis on school problems that require the attention and joint action by the students, the Department of Education and the Hawaii State Legislature."



Senator Tsutsui giving his opening remarks to the 2011 SSC delegates

From November 30th to December 2nd, student delegates from Oahu, Maui, Kauai and Hawaii Counties spent time discussing school issues, collaborating over resolutions and role playing legislative hearings and floor sessions. Time was also allotted for students to meet with their respective legislators and listen to guest speakers discuss issues pertinent to the State of Hawaii, both current and future.

On November 30th Senator Tsutsui delivered the program's opening remarks in the Senate Chamber followed by Speaker of the House Calvin Say and Kim Coco Iwamoto, former member of the Board of Education.

Aloha Aina Earth Day Coming to Maui in February

On February 25th, 2012, Baldwin High School will once again host another Aloha Aina Earth Day Maui. A regular event on Oahu, Aloha Aina Earth Day was created in 2004 to reduce waste, promote recycling and raise funds for schools and community organizations.

Items accepted include scrap metals, auto parts, appliances, lawn mowers, pipes, bicycles, beams, newspaper, cardboard, telephone books, magazines, HI-5 — beverage containers, plastic bags and hangers, green waste, batteries, cellular phones, printer cartridges, one computer per car, cooking oil, eyeglasses, hearing aids, reusable household items and clothing. Items not accepted include tires, TVs, microwave ovens, motor oil, paint, hazardous fluids and gas tanks.

The event will be held at Baldwin High School (1660 Kaahumanu Ave.) from 8am-2pm. For free curbside pickup, car removal or bin for scrap metal, please contact Senator Tsutsui's office at (808) 586-6894.



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