

NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD REPORT

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Aloha Neighbors!

It is the final decking deadline where bills that were passed out of conference are sent to the floor for the final reading vote. If you are keeping track of a certain bill, please log onto capitol.hawaii.gov for the latest updates. The students of the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council at Waipahu High School assisted with a project commemorating fallen soldiers of the Vietnam War. More information is on the third page. Students from Waipahu High School advances to the state-level science Olympiad competition. This session has been challenging and I am proud of the accomplishments that we have made thus far.

My Warmest Aloha,



Representative Aquino donates his Easter basket to the Institute of Human Services.

Bill Updates

Listed below are bills that have gone into conference. At this time, the Senate and House have appointed conferees to reconcile differences between the House and Senate versions of the bill. Please log on to capitol.hawaii.gov to check the latest status of the bill.

HB607 HD1 SD2: Expands the scope of services and options for service delivery under the Executive Office on Aging's Kupuna Care Program to assist caregivers by providing vouchers to secure certain care services from outside providers.

HB306 HD2 SD2: Requires persons charged with operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant or habitually operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant to refrain from consuming alcohol and be fitted with a continuous alcohol monitoring device for at least ninety days if the person has a prior conviction within the past five years or is currently pending criminal investigation or prosecution for one or more prior charges of the same crime.

SB185 SD2 HD1: Beginning January 1, 2019, requires child care providers licensed or registered by the Department of Human Services to obtain and maintain liability insurance coverage.

SB423 SD1 HD1: Prohibits denying a student a meal for failure to pay within: (1) The first 21 days of the first semester of a school year while the student's application for free or reduced lunch is being processed; or (2) 7 days after the student's meal fund account balance is zero or

negative. Authorizes the Department of Education to adopt rules or policies for the collection of funds for negative student meal balances.

HB672 HD2 SD2: Formally establishes the Hawaii Keiki: Healthy and Ready to Learn Program within the Department of Education. Establishes a dedicated special fund and positions within the Departments of Education, Health, and Human Services to support the program. Makes appropriations.

SB1040 SD2 HD1: Requires the UH system to develop a 5- and 10-year campus master plan that includes academic and facilities plans. Establishes goals that the campus master plan should strive to achieve, and considerations to be integrated into the plan.

SB1150 SD2 HD3: Requires the University of Hawaii to conduct a study on the effects of sunscreen on Hawaii's coral reefs and report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.

HB1420 HD1 SD1: Appropriates funds for burial grants for qualifying Filipino-American veterans to provide funeral and burial services and transportation of their remains to the Philippines.

Community Updates

Waipahu students unveils peace branch for fallen Vietnam soldiers

Waipahu High School students unveiled a peace bench dedicated to fallen Vietnam War soldiers who were alumni of the school.

The school's Pacific and Asian Affairs Council and the Design Thinking Team pioneered the project to thank the fallen soldiers for their service.

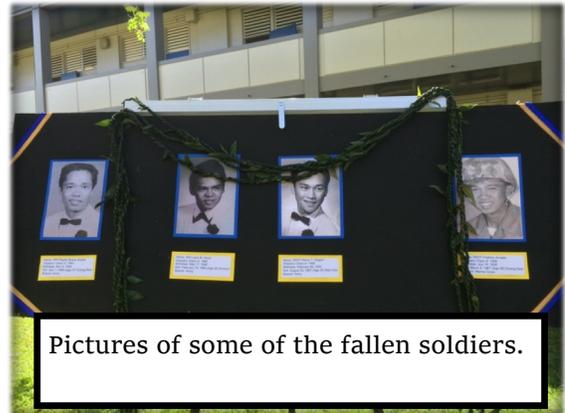
Family members of two of the honored veterans, Spc. Larry Alcos and Cpl. Rodney Cantohos, attended the dedication ceremony.

The Industrial Engineering and Construction students finalized the design of the bench and completed the final product.

The project was inspired by Billie Gabriel, who has worked for years to find photos of the Hawaii soldiers who didn't make it home from the Vietnam War. Gabriel started the project six years ago.



Finished product of the peace bench.



Pictures of some of the fallen soldiers.



Left: Family member of Spc. Larry Alcos; Right: Family member of Cpl. Rodney Cantohos.



Students of the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council and family members of fallen soldiers.

Waipahu High School students competes in state-level Science Olympiad

Waipahu High School students placed 14th at the State Science Olympiad Competition in March. The state competition was held at Mililani High School. The team advanced to the state competition after winning a silver medal at the Regional competition.

About 600 students from different schools across Oahu competed in the Regional Competition at Leeward Community College. Waipahu High students competed in a variety of biological and physical science events such as Ecology, Anatomy, and Physiology.

John Patrick Javier and his teammate Marion Jay Arevalo placed 2nd in the Electric Vehicle event. Eljay Basug and Rocky John Barit placed 5th in the same event. Reyginson Sagayaga and Katrina Aquino showcased their academic skills in Ecology and landed in 6th place among their peers.

Mrs. Marirose Daproza is the Waipahu High Science Olympiad head coach. Co-advisors and mentors are science teachers Ms. Caroline Encomienda, Mr. Justin Kanemoto, and Ms. Cheryl Cavanaugh. Mrs. Jennifer Arre and Mr. Arnold Dision also accompanied the team during the State Tournament.

USEFUL NUMBERS

Abandoned Vehicle: 733-2530

Blaisdell Center Box Office: 591-2211

Building inspector: 768-8259

Building permit: 768-8220

Bus route/schedule information: 848-5555

City Council: 768-5010

Civil Defense Agency, Oahu: 723-8960

Complaint Hotline (City Government): 768-4381

HandiVan reservations: 456-5555

Humane Society, Hawaiian: 946-2187

Motor vehicle registration: 532-4325/4324

Property assessment: 768-3799

Neighborhood Boards: 768-3710

Parks (General Information): 768-3003

Park permits: 768-3440

People's Open Markets: 522-7088

Police information community affairs: 529-3352

Senior Citizen Information: 768-7700

Sewer line problem: 768-7272

Street light repair: 768-5300

Street sign repair: 768-3638

Street use permits: 768-8391

Tree trimming: 971-7151

Towed vehicle: 529-3111

Water line break emergency: 748-5000