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My "Lawmakers Listen" was very successful and I want to send out a big MAHALO to:

- * The House Leadership and Representative Mark Nakashima for taking time out from their busy schedules to meet with my fellow Punans and to answer some of the tough questions that were asked;
- * My supporters who worked with me and my office in putting on the event;
- * Na Leo in covering the event; and
- * The Puna community, by attending my event you are showing the house leadership that you are interested and want your voice heard.

I was also able to present Lori Kong a certificate from the House of Representatives for all that she and her Ohana have done for the people of Puna.

Without everyone coming together it would not be as effective. It takes all of us, in our efforts to make a difference.



Representative San Buenaventura presenting Certificate to Lori Kong





With Thanksgiving right around the corner, I want to take this time to thank you my legislative family for your support.

Because without your support I wouldn't have been given the opportunity to be your State House Representative.

Not only do we have "Black Friday" after Thanksgiving, but we also have the following holiday/Christmas events to look forward to, and this year:

- * Thanksgiving weekend the Volcano Village Artists Hui hosts their 29th annual Art Studio Tour & Sale on November 27 - 29. Visit their website at <http://www.volcanogardenarts.com/events.html>
- * 9th Annual Paradise Studio Tour Artist Collective on December 5 and 6, 2015 from 10am-4pm each day. There will be 7 studios featuring 25 artists. 10% of all proceeds will be donated to the three Puna District Public High School's Art Departments. For more information visit their website at <http://www.paradisestudiotour.com/artists.html>
- * Pahoia Holiday Parade will be on December 5, 2015 at 9:30 a.m., with Ho'olaulea at Pahoia High School following the parade; and
- * Keaau Community Christmas Parade will be on December 12, 2015 at 5:45p.m. This year's theme is "Let is Glow"



So if you are looking for a fun family outing, support the communities and enjoy the festive holiday/Christmas activities.



What can you do to help prevent spreading Dengue Fever?

The Department of Health will be holding a public information meeting on Dengue Fever on:

- Monday, November 16, 2015 at Hilo High School Cafeteria at 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at Keaau High School Cafeteria at 6:00 p.m.

The community is encouraged to attend. For more information call the Department of Health at 974-4000, extension 68362 or visit their website at <http://health.hawaii.gov/>

******* REMINDER *******

Big Island Invasive Species Committee (BIISC) upcoming hands-on trainings and workdays.

- **November 14, 2015 at Kalapana Sea View Estates – Workday & Training begins at 9am. Meet at the Community Park.**
- **November 21, 2015 Workday & Training at Hawaiian Paradise Park Community Center from 9am -12noon.**

Please wear/bring: long pants, long sleeved shirts, sturdy, closed-toe shoes and water. The little fire ants may be in the area so it is recommended that you also bring a hat and towel or cloth to protect your neck and collar line.

Hatchets, hardhats, and gloves will be provided, although if you have your own it would be useful for them to bring on this day. Please email your attendance so that they can make sure to have enough equipment: biisc@hawaii.edu

You can also visit their website at <http://www.biisc.org/albizia-workshop-in-hpp-this-saturday/>

Are you or someone you know dealing with Alzheimer's? Are you or someone you know looking for a support group? The Alzheimer's Association have the following monthly support groups:

Support Group for Caregivers

Second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.
Church of the Holy Cross, 440 West Lanikaula Street, Hilo

Second Wednesday of the month at 5:00 p.m.
Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)
1055 Kino'ole Street, Hilo

Third Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m.
Hawaii Island Adult Care (Free Respite during group)
34 Rainbow Drive, Hilo

Support Group for Forgetful Individuals

Second Wednesday of the month at 5:00 p.m.
Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)
1055 Kino'ole Street, Hilo

For more information contact Chris Ridley of
Alzheimer's Association at 443-7360.



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