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Puna Community Medical Center, Pahoia Pantry & Food Kitchen **and** Neighborhood Place of Puna are participating in Foodland's annual **Give Aloha**. From September 1-30, Foodland **and** the Western Union Foundation will match each Maika'i card donation. So customers must use their Maika'i Card to make a donation and can donate up to a cumulative total of \$249 per person, per organization. Donations made without a Maika'i card will not be matched. So, it is important use your Maika'i Card. Visit <https://www.foodland.com/our-community/give-aloha> for more information.



KWXX's 23rd Annual Ho'olaulea
When: Saturday, September 24, 2016
Time: 5:00pm - 10:30pm
Where: Downtown Hilo
Enjoy live music with local bands that are performing on 4 stages, ono food, vendors and crafts.



September is library card sign-up month and once again, SNOOPY is the Honorary Chair of Library Card Sign-Up Month. With a library card not only can you borrow books, but you can download ebooks and audiobooks. For more information click on the following website: <http://hawaii.sdp.sirsi.net/client/default> or visit your local library.



At the **World Conservation Congress Vaka Arrival Ceremony**
Top left: Rep. Jarrett Keohokalole, DLNR First Deputy Kekoa Kaluhiwa, DLNR Chairperson Suzanne Case, Rep. Lynn Decoite and Rep. San Buenaventura
Bottom right: Nainoa Thompson





To ensure that you are given the opportunity to vote and not have the post-Iselle problems like we had in the 2014 elections, please vote Absentee or Early Walk-In but please VOTE. You need to register again if you moved EVEN IF you moved within the same district. If you are unsure because you moved back, register anyway.

Voter Registration Deadline: Monday, October 10, 2016

Register at <https://olvr.hawaii.gov/>

Absentee Application Request Deadline: Tuesday, November 1, 2016:

<http://elections.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/AB-Form-English.pdf> complete and mail in

If mailing absentee ballots; please mail in ballots ASAP or walk ballots in because over 750 ballots were not counted in the August primary due to their late arrival.

Early Walk-In Voting: October 25 - November 5, 2016

- Hours: Monday - Saturday (8:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.)
- Walk-in at: County of Hawai'i Aupuni Center
101 Pauahi Street, Suite 1
Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Election Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2016

- Polling Hours: 7:00am - 6:00pm
- County of Hawaii District 4 polling locations:
 - Precinct 1 - Hawaiian Paradise Park Community Center, Makuu Drive
 - Precinct 2 - Keonepoko Elementary School, Cafeteria, 15-890 Kahakai Blvd
 - Precinct 3 - Pahoia Community Center, 15-3022 Kauhale Street
 - Precinct 4 - Pahoia High/Intermediate School, Cafeteria, 15-3038 Pahoia Village Road

Q. MAY I WRITE-IN A CANDIDATE?

A. No, Hawaii is one of six states that do **NOT** allow for any "write-in"s. Doing so spoils the ballot and invalidates the portion of your ballot that has been written on. Checking off too many boxes, spoils your ballot.

If you are aware that you have a spoiled ballot, inform a precinct official, as you will have the option to make corrections.

If you turn in your ballot and the machine notes any errors or "write-ins", the precinct official will inform you of the error. You will have the option to make corrections.

For mail-in voters who submit spoiled ballots, you will be contacted by the election office and you will have the option make corrections.

IF you decide not to make the corrections and leave the ballot as is, the error area will be a "no" or blank vote. Thus, your vote may not be counted for the crucial local races. There were a lot of blank votes in the primary election.

For more information contact the Hawaii County Elections Office at (808) 933-1591 or <http://www.hawaiicounty.gov/lb-clerk-elections/> or <https://www.honolulu.gov/elections/voter-info.html>

ALBIZIA HANDS-ON TRAININGS, WORKDAYS, WORKSHOPS & MEETINGS



Training and Workday:

- ◆ Kalapana Seaview Estates Community Park, **Wednesday, September 7 from 9a.m.**
- ◆ Nanawale Longhouse, **Saturday, September 10 at 9:00a.m.**
- ◆ Hawaiian Paradise Park Community Center, **Saturday September 17 at 9:00a.m.**

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/> for more information.

*Ainaloa Community (ongoing, weekday & weekend events) - contact Judy at haneypaws@aol.com

For more information or if your community would like to set up a meeting contact Franny Brewer at fbrewer@hawaii.edu or call her at 933-3340.

For more information click on <http://www.biisc.org/>

****These workshops/workdays are successful as shown by the lowest number of fallen trees during the past hurricanes/storms**



The Pahoa Music & Art Walk will be taking place from 5pm - 10pm on **Saturday, September 10th** at Pahoa Village. Featuring local artists, live music, and lots of fun!! This event is scheduled to occur on the second Saturday of each month.

If you have a community event that you want featured in my newsletter/e-newsletter e-mail us at b.iwasaki@capitol.hawaii.gov. No guarantee that it will be included; however, we will do our best.

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