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## Happy St. Patrick's Day

‘Ano ‘ai ke aloha  
*Greetings*

Its almost mid way to our 2012 session and this year is moving fast. Priority Bills for Hawaiian Affairs committee is HB 2806, HD1 regarding Aha Moku, the second bill is Relating to Hawaiian fishponds HB 2838, HD 2, the third bill is Pu’uhonua at Kulani HB 2848 and HB 2808 Kikala-Keokea was passed without amendments by the Committee on Finance on Feb-

ruary 29th, which provides an additional period of ten years within which Kikala-Keokea homestead may construct dwellings, as required in their leases commencing upon the effective date of this Act. Following up on these Bills could be found on the legislature’s website homepage at ([www.capitol.hawaii.gov](http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov)). Our monthly newsletters could also be found at this website. As we progress in the session of 2012, I thank you for your support.



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### March

- 2nd First Decking
- 8th First Crossover
- 12th Budget Decking
- 14th Budget Crossover
- Last day to introduce Substantive Resolutions
- 15th Triple Referral Filing deadline
- 23rd Second Lateral
- 26th Holiday: Kuhio Day
- 30th First Lateral for Senate Concurrent Resolutions

### Exploring Resolutions

During Session, we talk a lot about bills, but what about resolutions? Legislators introduce and hold hearings on resolutions as well as bills. Although resolutions don't become law, they do express the sentiment of the Legislature and may prove vital in moving your issue forward. Resolutions may range from establishing an honorary designation for a day or perhaps a month, to requesting the formation of a task force or calling for a study of a particular issue. When a bill dies, a legislator may convert some aspect of the bill to a resolution. The deadline to introduce resolutions this year is March 14<sup>th</sup>.





‘Ulu (breadfruit)

## Kua O Ka La celebrates ‘Ulu festival

Kua O Ka La New Century Public Charter School at Pu‘ala‘a , Puna located next to ‘Ahalanui County Park will be having a Puna ‘Ulu festival on Saturday, March 3, 2012 from 9am to 3pm.

This exciting day looks forward to cooking contest and demonstrations, cultivation and care of ‘Ulu trees, quilting, poi pounding, kapa making, keiki crafts, native Hawaiian plants for sale and music all day.

There is a big resurgence happening around the ‘Ulu tree at this time and ‘Ulu is a serious part of the discussion of our islands food security concerns. It is also a healthy nutritious food with enormous potential for value added opportunities. Please support our children in this joyous event to perpetuate responsible stewards in Puna.

For more information Call: (808) 965-5098



## *Punaikeonaona Patrick Keli'i ho'omalua*

### *Precious Moments Puna!*

E ho'omanao ia Punaikeonaona Patrick Keli'ih'o'omalua no kona aloha pumehana a me kona lokomaika'i a pau loa.

Remember Puna Keli'ih'o'omalua for his ever lasting love and grace to all....



Kaimu Black Sand Beach





# Opihikao Church



Opihikao congregational church is located in Opihikao, Puna, Hawai'i. The "good news" was brought to Opihikao in 1823. It was recorded by the late Rev. Makuakane that four churches were being es-

tablished simultaneously in 1865. There were two churches in Hilo and two churches in Puna. The Opihikao church was reorganized on March 13, 1868 and Rev. Makuakane records that the church was built in 1895. Without sufficient documentation, we can only assume that the present church is the second, which has been renovated several times. The first Hawaiian minister of the Opihikao congregational Church was

Reverend Daniel Makuakane. The Makuakane Ohana has led this church through many generations that will be honored and remembered for their great service to the people and the community.



## On The Move



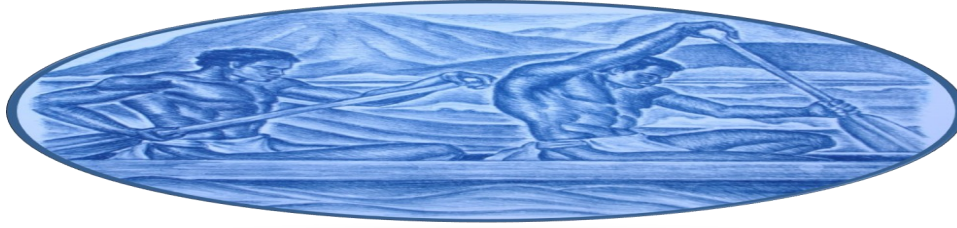
March 3– Puna 'Ulu Festival @ Kua O Ka La @ 9am-3pm.

March 3– Na Pua Noeau @ UH-Hilo Campus Plaza at 9am-3pm.

March 26– Holiday Prince Kuhio Day

March 27–30 Hawaiian Caucus week event @ State Capitol.





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### **HAWAIIAN CAUCUS WEEK 2012 EVENTS**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 27— IN HONOR OF OUR BELOVED PRINCE KUHIO & THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS CONFERENCE ROOM 329 LANAI AREA. THIS EVENT IS HOSTED BY DHHL.**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28—LEARN ABOUT HAWAII'S PREMIER WARRIOR, KAMEHAMEHA I, BETTER KNOWN AS KAMEHAMEHA THE GREAT. CONFERENCE 329 LANAI AREA. HOSTED BY KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOL.**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 29—EXCURSION TO MAUNA'ALA, BISHOP MUSEUM, QUEEN EMMA'S SUMMER PLACE, KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS AND KE'EHU LAGOON.**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 30—NATIVE HAWAIIAN ORGANIZATIONS AND PA'I'AI DEMONSTRATORS, AND LIVE MUSIC.**

