

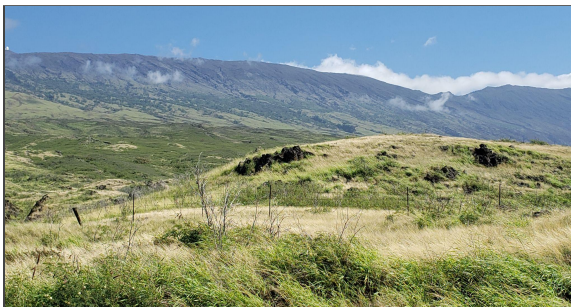
Who are the People in your Neighborhood?

Let`s face it: Life is busy in different ways today. During the changes that Covid made to our daily routines, many things have also changed in our communities. Some others have remained the same.

It is beneficial to be aware of our surroundings, but even more than that it is quite a fascinating time in our communities, quiet as kept.

Many of our views changed over time, and as chief investors look into our islands with the lust to do business here, let us keep in mind that we are the taxpaying citizens of Hawai`i. Those legislators are in office because we believe that they represent our values.

In this issue we are going to look around to see what we can find going on out there. It`s not as quiet as it seems, although we feel alone.



HB499 was the bill that recycled the *Grand Theft `Āina* situation from a decade ago. It is a continuation of Abercrombie`s wanting to profit against the public land trust. The bill aids in the progressive profiteering of our lands to benefit none other than developers and political corruption.

The list below is of the current politicians who *chose the people over profits*. It would be nice if we thanked them for standing with us: Wildeberger, Gates, Perruso, DeCoite, Har, Kong, Eli, McKelvey, LoPresti, Ganaden, Tam, Kobayashi, Kapela, Hashem, and from the Senate: Shimabukuro, Ihara, Kim, Riviere, Acasio, Keohokalole, Fevella, and Rhoads. We mahalo these legislators for their hard work to maintain justice and equity.

These are *our* communities

Community Interviews

Nanea Lo:

Recently appointed by Ige to the Burial Council, Nanea Lo has a long list of community works in her portfolio to share with the community.

Nanea is also involved with a nonprofit organization that has built an app to share history at locations in Hawai‘i. The app is free, and families can contact the nonprofit to have their location based story told through the phone app. To learn more, please visit their website and look around at <https://nativestories.org/>

A huge fan of all things positive, Nanea utilizes much of her communication to advocate for justice, righteousness, and continues to push for achievement in everything that she does. You can check out her developing clothing line at:

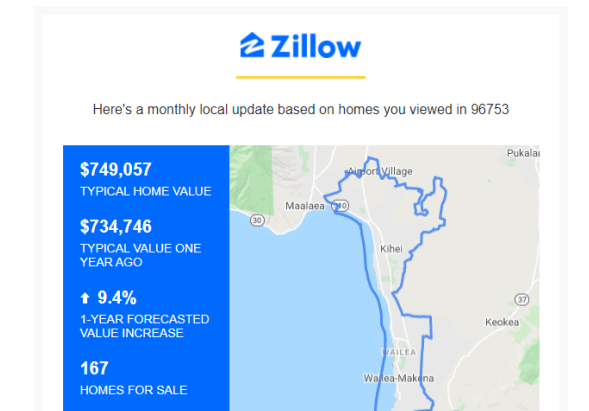
<https://kanaka-bae.creator-spring.com/>



Real Estate

According to a few realtors on Maui, over 70% of the real estate that sold between March 2020 and March 2021 was to people from out-of-state. So many properties have flipped so quickly, that some of the people who paid the highest amounts, purchased land with the cloudiest titles. Nonetheless, meetings between minority leaders who value common+unity have been sharing solutions and working together. As usual, we the people of the people; not we the people for the people.

A brief fact check on the Zillow website concluded that most zip codes experienced inflation on real estate. News media outlets have been reporting on corporate investors taking up the opportunity to add a permanent revenue stream to their portfolio.



With the state's plans to develop over 60% of public lands for profit, it is more important than ever to find new ways to occupy the land without risking your family's security. If you are interested in occupying lands by any means necessary, and returning to the lifestyle that you were born with, please contact Kahala at secretary@alohaainaparty.info

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Aloha ‘Āina ‘Ohana

Completely separate from the political party itself, the Aloha ‘Āina ‘Ohana is a vast network of community organizations who collaborate on every island to achieve environmental restoration as well as cultural preservation for generations to come.



On O‘ahu we have leaders who take the time and initiative to restore all things Hawai‘i, and to document each process as it happens.

Simpliciano, Joseph, K., Jr



Aloha, I am a father, a Lineal Descendant, a Waianae High School graduate, a very proactive member of our community and a retired infantryman who has served 5 tours to Iraq and Afghanistan. I know how to implement solutions to our community issues. Our coast

should be an area where families can thrive and not be held prisoner in our own community. Lets work together, I'd be honored to serve again.

O‘ahu also has leaders who work in the community daily, and are stepping up in governance, at every opportunity to make O‘ahu a better place to live. If you live in Honolulu, please cast your vote for Joseph Simpliciano. See page 4

Community Interviews

Layla Farxiyo Sheikh Geire:

Originally from Somalia, Layla has been known on Maui as the woman who runs. One any given day she can be seen running through the park or down the street. When asked about what made her choose Maui as a place to live, Layla's answer was instant. She left Africa for a better life, and after traveling America, she realized that it was a dangerous jungle - too dangerous to have a family that lives. When Layla came to Maui, she found her peaceful place, but coping in a place where she felt so alone was harsh. So Layla ran.

Running gave her a way to process all that was going on inside her, and the discipline to hardness what needed to come out. Firmly rooted in the concept that *We are our brethren's keeper*, Layla used her running as a tool to find her strength, resilience, and a plan.



Soon, Layla will publish her book on her own story, during the same time as the creation of her humanity TV show that outlines the importance of cultural histories, environmental education and awareness, music, art, physical & mental wellness education.

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WHY VOTE?

- 6 of 7 sitting Native Hawaiian state legislators from O‘ahu started in elected office on a neighborhood board.
- With 497 candidates running for over 400 seats, this is the largest single opportunity to elect new leaders in Hawaii’s political calendar.
- Every vote matters. In the 2019 neighborhood elections, four separate races ended as ties and were decided by lottery.

TRY VOTE!

- Did you vote in the 2020 General Election? You’re automatically registered.
 - Check your mail for your voting passcode and vote online at www2.honolulu.gov/nbe.
 - Cast your vote starting today, Monday, April 26, until Friday, May 21.
 - Call the Neighborhood Commission at 808-768-3710 if you have any questions.
- Full election FAQ from the Neighborhood Board Commission can be found here:
<http://www.honolulu.gov/.../site.../18327-election-faqs.html>.



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CNA Training Program Class

During Covid, we needed you.

CNA Hawai‘i Institute

provides a wealth of assistance in starting your own career in the medical field.

New classes are forming now. Scholarships are available through various organizations and the school can help you get that.

<http://cnahawaiiinstitutellc.com/>

KKCR: Living Sovereign

How do you live sovereign? What is living sovereign? These questions and many more can be answered if you tune into Living Sovereign with Auntie Puanani Rogers on the first Monday of every month at KKCR Radio, Kaua‘i.

Tune in here, at this link:

<https://www.kkcr.org/onair/genre/hawaiian-sovereignty/>



Maui `Ohana Gardens is an initiative of Food Security Hawai‘i, a local non-profit dedicated to long-term regenerative local food solutions. Sign up at www.mauiohanagardens.com for updates on webinars, workshops, tree give-aways, and seedling subscription service.



Importance of Working Together

Once upon a time, our ancestors traveled the vast ocean blue to find new places to call home. For thousands of years our ancestors worked together as a mean to survival. With a slightly different background and situation, this was true for all people of the Earth. Then one day, the great cesarean happened, where people were cut from their inherent and genetic self. Since then, the dogma of individuality became prevalent, through the spread of a new world with new beliefs. Since then, colonization has influenced the culture of the greater world, and modern westernization has left people scattered with the concept of division. While the faith serves well, the colonial acts of individualism over collectivism have truly propelled mankind in the direction of personal survival at the expense of the greater good.

When we feel powerless as a people, it is because of these things. It is true, that one voice alone cannot make that big of a difference, but a thousand voices collectively can gain some volume. Likewise, when we work together on physical projects, many hands make work light. Let us collectively take a look at the benefits of being our brethren's keeper and working together. Having that mindset can certainly breed the change that we all have been waiting to see.

