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"The State of Water & Agriculture on Kauai"- Nov. 4

Kauai Planning & Action Alliance is hosting its Fall Membership Meeting "The State of Water and Agriculture on Kauai." The program will feature two panels of guest speakers who will offer updates on the topics of water and agriculture, challenges faced and plans underway. These two topics were identified by KPAA members as top issues impacting our island and its future. Join us Monday, November 4 from 2:00 to 5:00 PM at Kauai Community College, OCET Room 106C/D. To register for this free event, email rayne@kauainetwork.org or call 632-2005.

Hawaii International Film Festival (HIFF)

Celebrate a Century of Film in Hawaii on Kauai, October 24-27. After a 7-year hiatus, HIFF is returning to Kauai! There are three venues for showings: Waimea Theatre, Kukui Grove Cinemas and the St. Regis Princeville Resort. Download the HIFF flyer for more details and a synopsis of the diverse and exciting selection of films. Film festival events are also scheduled in Honolulu and on the Big Island.
Moving From Idea to Action

After two years of planning, Keiki to Career Kaua`i is excited to enter a new phase of work with the implementation of its 3-Year Navigation Plan. In August, Stacey Gillette started in her role as the new Keiki to Career Coordinator to support the work of more than 25 community partners committed to realizing the project’s vision of “an island community where Kauai’s keiki through young adults are healthy, confident, competent and caring.” Partners across the island are now meeting monthly to coordinate their efforts in four focus areas: Birth to Grade 3; Parent, Ohana and Community Engagement; Resilience and Life Skills; and High School to Post-Secondary Opportunities. KPAA continues to serve as the backbone organization for the project. To learn more and find out how you can be a part of the action, contact Stacey Gillette at 808.482.4425 or Stacey@keikitocareer.org.

KPAA Contract Opportunity - Data Consultant Needed

An important part of Keiki to Career Kauai is establishing a way to evaluate and report the collective efforts across community partners to improve the lives of young people. We are currently searching for a contracted Data Consultant to assist the project with the development of a data management system. The Data Consultant will help select shared measures, create a way to track data across partners, encourage continuous improvement, and design a progress report to share results with the community. Additional information on the contract opportunity can be found at: http://keikitocareer.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/K2C-Data-Consultant-Scope-of-Work-092413.pdf.

Kalalau Trail Restoration Work Continues

After ten months of hard work by Pono Pacific Land Management LLC and two 3-day volunteer weekend sessions, rehabilitation of this trail is 90% complete. KPAA has a contract with DLNR’s State Parks Division to work on the most eroded and narrow portions of the trail from Hanakapiai to Kalalau in Napali Coast State Wilderness Park. Pono Pacific is utilizing environmentally-friendly protocols to increase public safety yet retain the rustic aesthetics of this world-renowned trail. The trail has been brush cut, grubbed and widened to a tread of about 36 inches. In some areas the trail was re-routed back to its original alignment, closing off “social trails.” Work should be complete by December. KPAA’s Citizens Advisory Committee will be encouraging the Legislature to allocate additional funds to DLNR to maintain the trail and park facilities on an ongoing basis.
Kauai Culture and Arts Forum Meets

Culture and arts groups and practitioners from around the island are invited to meet on Wednesday, October 23 from 5 to 7 PM in OCET 105 at Kauai Community College. These bi-monthly free gatherings provide an opportunity for groups to network, develop partnerships and gain new skills and information. Rob Kvidt of Techspokes Media will talk about “Social Media” and Joy M. Koerte of Fujita & Miura Public Relations will give a presentation on “Marketing for Culture and Arts Organizations.”

Kauai Shining Stars Returns

The second season of Kauai Shining Stars has launched and the season premiere show is now ready for viewing. The show includes the National Student Recognition Luncheon where national and international award-winning students and their teachers were recognized for their hard work and accomplishments, Kapaa High School’s fantastic 9th grade rocket launch project and Chiefess Kamakahelei Middle School’s award-winning digital media program. You can watch online at http://vimeo.com/channels/kauaishiningstars or check for show times on Oceanic Channel 6.

County of Kauai Citizens Technology Survey

The County is asking residents to participate in an online survey that will assist in identifying ways that the public can more easily and conveniently access government services and programs. The survey, which will take roughly ten minutes to complete, focuses primarily on how the county can use existing technology to create additional access points for residents. Access the survey via a link on the County’s homepage in the “What’s New” section or click here to take the Citizens Technology Survey.

Mahalo to KPAA's New & Returning Members Since May

General Members

- Kauai Aloha Foundation
- State Department of Health, Child & Adolescent Mental Health
- Queen Liliuokalani Children’s Center
- County of Kauai, Elderly Affairs
- Poipu Beach Resort Association
- Kauai Visitor’s Bureau
- County of Kauai, Workwise & Workforce Development Board
Supporting Members

- Roberta Cable
- Ching Young Village Shopping Center
- BASF Plant Science, LP
- Blue Hawaiian Helicopters
- Aunty Lilikoi Products
- Safeway, Inc.

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- State of Hawaii, Governor’s Office-Kauai
- Princeville Shopping Center LLC
- Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort & Spa
- Grove Farm Company, Inc.

Become a KPAA Member!

Becoming a member of KPAA is easy - just follow this link to join a great network of people and organizations working to make Kauai an even better place for all of us.