



## KAUAI PLANNING & ACTION ALLIANCE

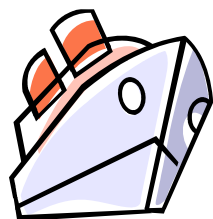
*Bringing people together to create a better future for Kaua'i*

### **ALLIANCE IN ACTION**

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#### **KPAA Holds “Valentine’s Day on the Bay” Fundraiser February 14<sup>th</sup>**



Plan now to join us for a gala Valentine’s Day celebration on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. NCL is once again generously sponsoring a fundraiser for Kaua’i Planning & Action Alliance. We will be aboard the Pride of America from 6 to 10 p.m. for a celebration that includes a champagne reception, music by slack-key guitarist Paul Tokioka, silent auction, dinner and dancing to Kustom Sounds Kauai. Proceeds will benefit KPAA’s programs and services. Parking will be at Vidinha Stadium and shuttles will transport guests to the ship in Nawiliwili Harbor. Tickets are \$100 per person and must be purchased by February 1<sup>st</sup>. To purchase tickets go to KPAA’s website [www.kauainetwork.org](http://www.kauainetwork.org) or call KPAA at (808) 632-2005.

#### **One Day Conference – “Building Capacity in Kaua’i Nonprofits” on March 4<sup>th</sup>**

KPAA is hosting a one-day conference for nonprofit Board Members and Executive Directors to help increase organizational effectiveness so they can better achieve their nonprofit’s mission. The conference is sponsored by the Annie Sinclair Knudsen Memorial Fund and is presented in partnership with Kauai United Way, Kauai Chamber of Commerce and Leadership Kaua’i. The conference will be Tuesday, March 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with registration starting at 8:00 a.m. The early registration fee (until February 14) is \$35 for KPAA members, \$45 for others; February 15-28 the registration fee is \$50 for KPAA members, \$60 for others. To view the conference program, download a flyer and to register, go to KPAA’s website [www.kauainetwork.org](http://www.kauainetwork.org) or call KPAA at (808) 632-2005.

#### **A New Logo for KPAA**

Though KPAA began operating in 2003, we have worked without an official logo. With the edition of this newsletter, we are proud to present our new logo. Thomas Noyes and his graphics designer were able to create a logo for KPAA that symbolizes the reality of our work on community issues – we begin with separate and sometimes divergent points of view, and we work together to reach unity and consensus so take action can be taken. Mahalo, Thomas!

#### **KPAA Welcomes new CVC Coordinator**

Michelle Marbach has joined Kaua’i Planning & Action Alliance as the new coordinator of the Community Volunteers in the Classroom (CVC) program. Michelle has a strong administrative background and is herself a school volunteer. Some CVC volunteers spend a few hours one day a week, while others work more frequently if they have more time available. Volunteers assist at one of six participating public elementary schools. If you are interested in helping out in a classroom and volunteering to help children gain skills, please contact Michelle at 632-2005 or email [mmarbach@kauainetwork.org](mailto:mmarbach@kauainetwork.org).



#### **View “Greening Kaua’i’s Visitor Industry” Conference Presentations**

Hospitality businesses gathered on October 26 at the Hilton Kauai Beach Resort for a conference on “Greening Kaua’i’s Visitor Industry: Sustainable Tourism, Sustainable Kaua’i”. It was exciting to hear the innovative – and often cost-saving – steps being taken by local businesses that are instituting green business practices in recognition of the value of the triple bottom line: the well-being of the community, the environment, and the economy. All of these are essential elements of long-term sustainability.

Conference presentations and links to resources distributed at the conference will be available on KPAA's website [www.kauainetwork.org](http://www.kauainetwork.org) until March 1.

### **Local Documentary “Hawai`i's Climate Crisis” Airs on KHON 2**

This eye-opening one-hour documentary is scheduled to air at 9 p.m., January 15 on KHON 2. In the same way that former Vice President Al Gore first exposed the science behind climate change to many Americans, "Hawai`i's Climate Crisis" illustrates how global warming presents unique challenges for Hawai`i and will require unique actions if we are to lessen its impact.

Local video producer Ted Obringer (OC16's Go Green Hawai`i series) and veteran broadcast journalist Russell Shimooka speak with government officials, legislators, policy makers, environmental advocates, scientists and business leaders to examine what climate change may mean for Hawai`i's environment and economy. "Hawai`i's Climate Crisis" is sponsored by the Hawaii Energy Policy Forum and Hawaiian Electric Company as a public service.

### **Mahalo to KPAA's New and Renewing Members**

KPAA welcomes the following General and Supporting Members who have joined or renewed their membership since October 10, 2007. We appreciate their continued support of our mission and goals!

#### **Renewing General Members**

Child and Family Service  
Hawaii SBDC Network  
League of Women Voters of Kaua`i  
Po`ipu Beach Resort Association  
Queen Lili`uokalani Children's Center  
Saiva Siddhanta Church - *Patron Member, Kou Level*

#### **Renewing Supporting Member**

Kikiaola Land Company, Inc.

#### **New General Member**

KAVA - Kauai Alternative Visitors Accommodation Association

#### **New Supporting Members**

Kauai Nursery and Landscaping, Inc.  
Louis Hirschmann – *Patron Member, Kamani Level*

### **Show Your Support of KPAA's Initiatives – Become a Member**

To join KPAA and to provide support for our work, simply go to [http://kauainetwork.org/section.php?sub\\_cat\\_id=12](http://kauainetwork.org/section.php?sub_cat_id=12) for an application and more information.

### **Questions about KPAA? Comments? Please visit or contact us!**

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***Aloha: It's Kaua`i's Spirit  
One Island, Many Peoples, All Kauaian***