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## 1. KPAA Annual Meeting June 30, 3 to 5 pm, KCC

Kauai Planning & Action Alliance invites its members and friends to the 2009 KPAA Annual Meeting on Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 5 pm at Kauai Community College in the Cafeteria. The theme is **Trails, Tallies and Towns**. Please join us for networking, activities, refreshments and a program highlighting KPAA's current projects. RSVP by June 26<sup>th</sup> to 632-2005 or email [kpaa@kauainetwork.org](mailto:kpaa@kauainetwork.org).

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## 2. Dine Out for KPAA June 20

Enjoy an evening out at Plantation Gardens Restaurant & Bar in Poipu on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> and a portion of your check will be donated to support Kauai Planning & Action Alliance's Strengthening Kauai's Nonprofits program. You'll experience delicious food in a fabulous setting.

For dinner reservations, please contact (808) 742-2121 or go to [www.pgrestaurant.com](http://www.pgrestaurant.com).



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## 3. Kauai Energy Sustainability Plan



KPAA is assisting SENTECH Hawaii and consultant Maurice Kaya in preparing an Energy Sustainability Plan for Kauai. Work on the plan began in February and since then 15 stakeholder and community meetings have been held, with about 250 people participating. The meetings included information on Kauai's energy needs, potential technologies for renewable energy and discussion of some of the challenges faced. The sessions fostered lively dialogue. A website developed for the project includes dozens of resource documents and progress reports on the plan.

Public comments on the plan are welcome - email [dhinrichs@sentech.org](mailto:dhinrichs@sentech.org). A blog has just been launched to solicit comments on key topics. The first blog post is on waste to energy for Kauai. Want to share your opinion? Go to <http://www.kauaienergysustainabilityplan.com/> to see the blog and all the information available on energy issues.

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## 4. State Parks Grant-in-Aid Gets Underway

With the support of Kauai's state legislators, KPAA received a state grant-in-aid from the 2007 Hawaii State Legislature. The purpose of the grant is to make major improvements in two of Kauai's most popular parks - Kokee State Park and the first two miles of the Kalalau Trail in the Napali Coast Wilderness State Park. Thomas Noyes has been hired by KPAA as project manager. The Department of Land and Natural Resources, State Parks Division is overseeing the project. A Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) is being formed to help oversee the Kalalau Trail Restoration and Reconstruction Project and provide input as the trail work progresses.



Thomas organized three on-site Kalalau Trail visits in March, April, and May to assess current conditions on the trail, collect GPS data, and solicit recommendations on mitigation for trail conditions from eighteen concerned individuals. Additionally, he conducted an on-site visit at the Kokee CCC Camp with partner Hui O Laka's executive director Marsha Erickson in April to assess conditions there. Bids are now being solicited for the Kalalau Trail work.

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## 5. Community Indicators Report

With the input from the Community Indicators Advisory Committee and the fine services of Ken Stokes of The Kauaian Institute, work is nearly complete to gather data for the 2008 edition of *Measuring What Matters for Kauai: Community Indicators Report*. Several new indicators have been added and a few have been adjusted. First Hawaiian Bank has generously offered to publish 200 copies of the report and, of course, the report will be available for download on the KPAA website.

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