



Waikiki Wiki-Wiki Wire

Kuhio Beach Replenishment Project Delayed by Weather

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) will temporarily delay the start of its Kuhio Beach Replenishment Project until south swells and Kona winds forecast for the rest of this week have abated.

"Because of the potential for wind-driven waves from up to 20-plus knot Kona winds, on top of south swells this weekend, we have decided to wait a bit longer for improved conditions," said Peter Young, DLNR chairperson. "We're being safe – we don't want to do anything during adverse conditions that could jeopardize equipment and further delay operations."

"We are ready to go and anticipating calmer condition, hopefully at the beginning of next

week. After consultation with our contractor, American Marine Corporation, they will withdraw their sand pumping barge for now, and return when this weather passes," he said.

On-site preparation began yesterday with closing off part of Kuhio beach for a staging area, and positioning of the barge in water offshore Waikiki. During this process the chain for the barge's anchor broke, and the barge was returned to its home dock to replace the chain.

The barge will return once conditions have improved. Two anchored buoys will remain in place, one in the sand pumping area and one further offshore to which the barge will be anchored. DLNR will request a notice to mariners be issued on the locations of these buoys.

Meanwhile, work will continue this week onshore within the staging area. American Marine will be preparing a sand retention basin to receive the pumped sand and seawater mixture.

If another swell should arise once sand pumping is underway, the contingency plan is to re-anchor the pipeline and pull the barge offshore to wait it out.

DLNR designed the beach nourishment project to maximize the efficiency of a 20 to 30 work day window required to complete the project.

The project is intended to stabilize and increase the size of Kuhio Beach, improve water quality and public safety, and demonstrate state-of-the-art offshore sand pumping technologies for future beach restoration efforts.



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WIA Annual Meeting Features Leadership Awards and Waikiki Cuisine

The movers and shakers of the Waikiki business community will get together on Wednesday, November 15th, at the WIA 2006 Annual Meeting. The luncheon will feature leadership awards and Waikiki cuisine at the Hyatt Regency Waikiki's Regency Ballroom from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. . The membership will also elect new directors to the board.

Have you ever wanted to recruit a new member for WIA but didn't quite know what to say about the organization? You'll get plenty of ammunition when WIA reviews the many achievements and accomplishments attained in recent years!

A major marketing theme for Waikiki has emerged recently: Waikiki is becoming a center for international cuisine! You'll hear first-hand about this exciting new trend as you sample the evidence for it right on your tables! **And don't miss your chance to win a gift certificate to one of Waikiki's leading restaurants!**

All of WIA's members, friends and associates are invited! See the flyer in this issue or call 923-1094 for more information.



Members and guests enjoy the presentations and fine Chinese cuisine of the Lau Yee Chai at the 2005 Annual Meeting.

Hale Koa Honors Our Heroes With the Gift of Life



In support of our troops fighting in the middle-east the Hale Koa is partnering with the Armed Services Blood Program in a special blood drive on Thursday, November 9, 2006. This event will be held in the Hale Koa's Waikiki Ballroom from 9am – 2pm.

The public is welcome! What a great way to start off the Veteran's Day weekend!

The Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP) is the military's blood program. Their primary mission at Tripler Army Medical Center is to maintain a continuous blood supply for our military ohana in the Hawaiian Islands. While maintaining the supply for our region they must also assist with the blood supply for our military operations in the Mideast.

Currently the ASBP sends over 500 units per week to Iraq. The blood sent to Iraq goes to help our Hawaii National Guard, Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, and Coast Guard. Without this much needed

supply many of our men and women who are injured would not survive. Currently injured military personnel are two times more likely to survive today than they would have in Vietnam due to our ability to transfuse blood.

A combat support hospital in Iraq averages over 100 units of blood per day. Since the beginning of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom the military's blood program has transfused over 70,000 units of blood.

Giving blood is safe and easy. It only takes about 25-45 minutes of your time. For information and advanced appointment please contact the Hale Koa's Marketing Office at 955-9424.



Work Intensifies on Microtunneling Pits

(from www.beachwalkbypass.com, Oct. 30, 2006 update)

Contractors are focusing on the two microtunneling pits that will be used to house a new wastewater pipe under Kaiolu Street and the Ala Wai Canal, replacing the aging pipe that broke last March. Waikiki residents have witnessed a spike in activity at the pit that is being built near the Beachwalk Pump Station just makai of the corner of Kuhio Avenue and Kaiolu Street in Waikiki. Deep holes will be drilled and large steel cylinders lowered into the holes. Reinforced steel reinforcement will put in the cylinders, concrete poured in, and the cylinder molds removed.



These so called "drilled piles" or "drilled shafts" provide lateral support so the ground doesn't collapse when the actual pit is built. Doing this also eliminates the need for conventional and noisy pile

driving. That is a relief to the many Waikiki residents who live nearby.

Contractors also say it lowers the chances of existing and aging pipes breaking due to the vibrations triggered by conventional pile driving. The pipe that broke last March lies very close to the pit.

Contractors are also continuing to jet grout and relocate utilities that are located in the pit area, near the pump station. Some of that work will be conducted around the clock. The City and contractors apologize for the inconvenience. They are using state-of-the-art generators that minimize noise, and are carefully monitoring the project noise emissions.

For now, major work on Kaiolu Street is on hold, as contractors concentrate on both the mauka and makai pits. Jet grouting operations along Kaiolu are not expected until the latter part of November, and they will be limited to daytime due to the proximity of condominiums along that street. That also means previous restrictions for on-street parking will go back into effect then.

Jet grouting on the mauka pit near the Ala Wai School should finish in early November. Then the excavation begins.

Contractors will soon have the microtunneling pits ready and the new wastewater pipe will be tunneled under the canal and Kaiolu Street, going mauka to makai. The pits are large, approximately 35 by 35 feet and 30 feet deep.

All this is part of the second phase of the BWEB project. Phase one has been completed. That included the installation of a temporary bypass pipe in the Ala Wai Canal and setting up seven temporary pumps. Having this bypass system is the safety net needed as contractors work to finish phase two.

Check www.beachwalkbypass.com for weekly updates, or call the project hotline, 808-203-5777, Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm.



Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center

Features Free Entertainment, Classes for Families

There's fun for visitors and kama'aina at Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center with free music and classes running from November through January.

Cultural classes in lei making, quilt making, hula and 'ukulele provide an opportunity for interested guests to learn more about the Hawaiian culture firsthand and take away an experience to last a lifetime.

When the sun goes down, the best of our island musicians light up the stage each week with two-hour free evening concerts Tuesday through Saturday nights.

With a purchase of \$25 or more, guests receive 4 hours free parking in one of Waikiki's most accessible garages.

For more information about the events or the renovations taking place at Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center, call the Customer Service Desk at 922-2299 or visit www.RoyalHawaiianShoppingCenter.com.



Mondays

4:15 – 5:15 p.m. Lei Making Classes (Bldg. A, 3rd Floor)

Tuesdays

4:15 – 5:15 p.m. Hula Lessons (Bldg. A, 2nd Floor)

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. 'Ukulele Lessons (Bldg. A, 3rd Floor)

6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Free Hawaiian Show with Josiah Kekoa and members of Ten Feet (Bldg. A, 2nd Floor)

Wednesdays

4:15 – 6:15 p.m. Hawaiian Quilting Classes (Bldg. A, 1st Floor)

6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Free Hawaiian Show with Soundettes of Hawai'i (Bldg. A, 2nd Floor)

Thursdays

4:15 – 5:15 p.m. Hula Lessons (Bldg. A, 2nd Floor)

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. 'Ukulele Lessons (Bldg. A, 3rd Floor)

6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Free Hawaiian Show with Pu'uhonua (Bldg. A, 2nd Floor)

Fridays

6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Free Hawaiian Show with Ku'uipo Kumukahi (Bldg. A, 2nd Floor)

Saturdays

6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Free Hawaiian Show with Josiah Kekoa and members of Ten Feet (Bldg. A, 2nd Floor)

All events are free and open to the public.

Schedule subject to change due to construction. Call for the most current information.

Michael C. Miller Director of Sales and Marketing for Tiki's Grill & Bar and Holokai Grill



Tiki's Grill & Bar has announced the promotion of Michael C. Miller from sales manager to director of sales and marketing for both Tiki's Grill & Bar and its sister restaurant, Holokai Grill, which is scheduled to open in late 2006.

"Michael's wealth of experience in the food and beverage industry as well as in sales and marketing is an asset in helping to establish the Tiki's brand as the restaurant goes into its fifth year in business," said Bill Tobin, Tiki's Grill & Bar & Holokai Grill managing partner and CEO. "He will also focus on promoting Tiki's as a special place for parties and corporate group functions."

Miller has more than 18 years of experience in Hawaii hospitality, sales, marketing and public relations, including 14 years in the food and beverage industry. Prior to Tiki's, he served as manager of Gerard's at the Plantation Inn, a French fine dining restaurant in Lahaina, Maui for eight years. He has also worked as the Maui manager and state director of training for Haagen-Dazs Shops.

A 1987 graduate of Maui High School, Miller earned his bachelor's degree in communications from the University of Hawaii at Manoa in 1992, where he had served as ASUH student body vice president and a member of the U.H. sailing team. He has earned certifications in the Restaurant Industry Service Excellence program. Miller is also an active member of the National Restaurant Association's Marketing Executive Group, Honolulu Chamber of Commerce, Oahu Wedding Association, and Hawaii Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association.

Tiki's features daily, contemporary island entertainment starting at 5 p.m. on weekdays and 1 p.m. on weekends. Entertainers Ka'ala Boys share the stage with a variety of other popular local talent.

For reservations or more information, call 923-TIKI (8454) or visit www.tikisgrill.com. And get ready for Tiki's sister restaurant, Holokai Grill, opening in late 2006 at the Waikiki Beachwalk!



Aqua Hotels Names Derek Paulin Director of Safety and Guest Relations



Aqua Hotels & Resorts has named Derek Paulin to the new position of Director of Safety and Guest Relations. In his position, Paulin will be responsible for Aqua's "quest for quality" by concentrating on the guest experience through its survey program as well as focusing on the safety and security of our guests and employees.

"It's great to have Derek back in Hawaii and working for us," said Guy Underkoffler, Aqua's VP Finance and Operations. His combination of experience in Waikiki's hospitality industry and

background as a technician in the film industry is perfect for this position."

Paulin worked for several years at Marc Resorts and Aqua Hotels in various management positions. Immediately prior to rejoining Aqua, Paulin worked on several local and national film projects produced in Hawaii and Los Angeles.

For additional information, visit aquaresorts.com. For reservations, see your travel agent or call toll free at 1-866-406-2782.



Koyo USA Corp.'s MaHaLo Hawaii Deep Sea™ Water Showroom Wins AIA Honolulu's Award of Merit

AIA Honolulu has honored Koyo USA Corp.'s MaHaLo Hawaii Deep Sea™ Water showroom with a merit award for design excellence. The award of merit is bestowed upon architectural projects that display a high standard of architectural quality and design.

AIA Honolulu praised Koyo's MaHaLo Hawaii Deep Sea™ Water showroom for its ability to both attract and keep customers through its use of a water bar and an educational display area that illustrates the bottling process and benefits of the water product. AIA Honolulu also applauded the showroom's design, which plays off water's clean, clear brilliance with a light blue and white color scheme and makes for an invigorating space.

"The store's clean, refreshing water theme was deftly reinforced throughout all the store elements, from the lighting, graphics, and polished use of ceiling forms, to the use of bubbling water and bottles as decorations," commented the panel of six judges.

The MaHaLo Water Showroom and Water Bar was constructed by Tom Mole of Honolulu Builders and designed by Peter Vincent & Associates.



In November 2005, Koyo USA Corp. opened the 1,200-square-foot showroom and water bar on the ground floor of Waikiki Shopping Plaza. The water bar offers MaHaLo Hawaii Deep Sea™ Water served at room temperature or over ice. It also serves specially brewed coffee and tea made from MaHaLo water, using 100 percent Kona coffee beans and 20 varieties of tea leaves, for only \$1 more than the price of the bottled water.

Kuhio Beach Torch Lighting and Hula Show DAILY!



Torch lighting, Hawaiian music and hula shows are performed daily **6:00PM – 7:00PM** at the Kuhio Beach Hula Mound, near the Duke Kahanamoku statue. FREE. Presented by the City's Office of Economic Development (843-8002) and the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

Schedule subject to change without notice.

For the month of November:

Mondays & Tuesdays: "Auntie Pudgie" Young & Hawaiian Serenaders

Wednesdays: Ainsley Halemanu and Ka Liko O Kapalai

Thursdays: Val Crabbe and Halau Hula Palena

Friday, November 3: Kale Pawai and Halau Na Pua Mai Ka Lani

Saturday, November 4: Shirley Recca and Halau Hula 'O Namakahulali

Sunday, November 5: James Dela Cruz and Na 'Opio Me Na Kupuna O Ko'olau

Friday, November 10: Moana Chang and the Aloha Boat Days Show

Saturday, November 11: Coline Aiu and Halau Hula O Maiki

Sunday, November 12: Kapi'olani Ha'o and Halau Ke Kia'i A'o Hula

Friday, November 17: Kale Pawai and Halau Na Pua Mai Ka Lani

15th annual
world invitational
Hula festival

November 9, 10, 11 2006
Waikiki Shell

Performers from:
Hawaii
Japan
Washington State
Mexico
Holland
Marianas
Spain
Guam
Philippines

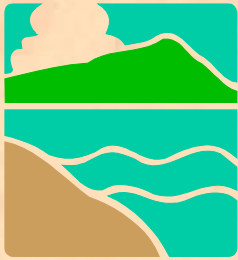
Hawaii's largest International Hula Competition.
Tickets start at \$5.00 per night and is available
for purchase at the Waikiki Shell before each
nights competition. Performances start at 4:30 pm.

Phone: 486-3185

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www.worldhula.com



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Annual Membership Meeting



Photo by Gregory Yamamoto, Honolulu Advertiser

Mark your calendar!

**Wednesday, November 15, 2006
11:00 AM – 1:30 PM
Waikiki Hyatt Regency
Regency Ballroom**



Tickets are \$80 each or \$750 for table of 10.

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Please mail this portion along with check to: Waikiki Improvement Association,
2255 Kuhio Avenue, Suite 760, Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Company: _____

No. of tickets: _____ or Tables _____ Total \$ _____

Names on table: _____

For more information, please call 923-1094. Fax order forms to 923-2622 to be billed, or send email with the same information to mail@waikikiimprovement.com.

Honolulu Zoo Society Offers Twilight Tours, Star Gazing

What's Wild in Waikiki? Take a stroll to the Honolulu Zoo and learn the sort of monkey business that goes on after hours. Learn about the lives of the Zoo's remarkable citizens. Tours are held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Saturday evening! It's a fun evening of education never experienced by day visitors. Special arrangements can be made for large groups. Families are welcome. The tours are appropriate for all ages 5 to 105! Please purchase tickets in advance from the Honolulu Zoo Society (HZS) by calling 971-7195. Walk-ups are welcome if space is available - meet at the Front Entrance at 5:15pm. See www.honzoozoc.org for info.

Or see the stars as well as the animals on a special star-gazing tour that meets on the first Friday of each month! The evening begins with a tour of the zoo and continues on the zoo lawn with astronomer Dr. Michael Chauvin. Learn about the stars as well as some of the history and mythology of astronomy. Please call 926-3191 for times and for reservations. Recommended for adults and families with children over the age of 10.



Waikiki Parade Watch (courtesy of the City)

November 5, 2006 Sunday
5:30AM Starts
9:00AM Ends

VAL NOLASCO MEMORIAL HALF MARATHON sponsored by RRCA/Mid Pacific Roadrunners Club. The event is expected to have 1,200 runners. It will start at Kalakaua Ave., mauka side Queen Kapiolani Park, to Monsarrat Ave., to Paki Ave., to Diamond Hd. Rd., to 18th Ave., to Kilauea Ave., to Waiialae Ave., to Kalaniana'ole Hwy., turnaround near W. Hind Dr., to Kealahou St., to Kahala Ave., to Diamond Hd. Rd., to Kalakaua Ave., to Queen Kapiolani Park Bandstand/Hon Marathon Finish. Contact: John Simonds 373-3609 For more info, visit their website: <http://www.mprrc.org/>

November 23, 2006 Thursday
7:30AM Starts
9:00AM Ends

TURKEY TROT FUN RUN sponsored by Honolulu Marathon Clinic. The event is expected to have 800 runners/walkers. It will start at Paki Ave./Monsarrat Ave., to Paki Ave., onto Diamond Hd. Rd., to 22nd Ave., to Kilauea Ave., to Kealaolu Ave., to Kahala Ave., to Kalakaua Ave., to end at Honolulu Marathon Finish Line on Kalakaua Ave. near Kapiolani Park Bandstand. Contact: Alan Sunio 753-1999 Fax: 455-7574

November 24, 2006 Friday
7:00PM Starts
9:00PM Ends

WAIKIKI HOLIDAY PARADE sponsored by Gateway Music Festival & Tours. The event is expected to have 4,000 marchers, 40 vehicles, & 38 bands. It will start at Saratoga Rd/Kalakaua Avenue to Kalakaua Ave, to Monsarrat Ave., to end at Queen Kapiolani Park Contact: "Jake" John Peppers 888-892-5877, Fax: 865-448-8294

The above is based on the most current information available from the event organizers as of the date of this publication. For more information, call the Department of Transportation Services, 808-527-6009.



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