

The Ho`olauna Bulletin is designed to provide the USAG-HI Community important information about activities and events happening in the local community. Meaning "to be friendly" or "to introduce one person to another," the goal of Ho`olauna is to introduce the local and Hawaiian communities to the USAG-HI Communities. We hope you enjoy this service and learning more about your new island home. If you have trouble reading this newsletter, it will be available in .pdf version at the [U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii website](#) and on our [blog](#).



HO`OLAUNA NEWSLETTER

E ho`olauna malihini (so friendly to the newcomer)

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The Legacy of a King

June 11 marks the annual holiday that celebrates the life and legacy of Kamehameha I.

Pai`ea, also known as Kamehameha the great, was born in the 18th century. His biological father, Keōua, was the great grandson of the high chief of Hawai'i Island (also known as the Big Island).

Kamehameha came of age in a time of conflict between Hawaiian chiefs. Although other chiefs had been previously unsuccessful in their attempt to invade and control Maui, once Kamehameha came into power on Hawai'i Island, his power and leadership proved so strong that he would successfully invade Maui and O'ahu, taking both under his rule. The last island to be incorporated, Kaua'i, was done so peacefully after the death of ruling chief, Kaumuali'i.

Kamehameha's legacy was not limited to his role as the only ali'i to rule all eight Hawaiian Islands. He also left a legacy of powerful ali'i to follow in his name, instated the very first human rights law (Kanawai Māmalahoe), and inspired generations of kanaka maoli to come. The story of Kamehameha is one of an ali'i with tremendous strength, wit, and 'ike pāpālua (double sight).

We honor the remarkable nature of his accomplishments today.



Ceremonies and celebrations honoring Kamehameha take place each June.

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Lamakū (The Torch)

Speech given during the torch-lighting ceremony by King Kamehameha Celebration Commission Chair, Elmer Ka'ai, on June 10, 2013

As we gather for this annual torch lighting ceremony, let us remember why we gather.

From the beginning of his extraordinary life, even before his birth, Kamehameha served as a light for his people.

Many went to great lengths to ensure his safety and provide young Kamehameha protection. It was these individuals, who believed in his future greatness, who nurtured the spark that would become the remarkable flame.

Everyone played a role.

Kamehameha was one small, special spark, but it took many gentle breaths upon that one spark to stoke it into a flame.

I have to believe that this is the very essence of lāhui aloha: a loving nation.

Because more than any other quality that defines Hawaiians and sets us apart from the many cultures and ethnic groups that share our island home is aloha.

Through our genealogies and through our veins runs aloha.

And as we all know, aloha is more than just hello or goodbye. It is even more than just "love," it is alo-hā: the sharing of our breath of life, our hā, with others.

So as we light this torch, let us commit to share our aloha generously with each other.

Let us commit to use our aloha to stoke sparks into flames and once again build our lāhui aloha: our loving nation.



A cultural and educational immersion experience will take place on June 22, 2013.

Photo Credit: University of Hawai'i

Tour of Waialua

The Native Hawaiian Liaison office is offering an educational and cultural immersion experience in the moku (region) of Waialua. This family friendly event will offer members of the U.S. Army Hawai'i community opportunities to learn about traditional Hawaiian agriculture, cultural sites and historic areas.

This event is available to valid Military ID cardholders. Space is extremely limited for this event and available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Pick up: Army Community Service, Bldg 2091 Kolekole Ave.

Participants will be required to check-in at 0845.

Participants will be returned to ACS by 1400.

To RSVP, please email usaghi.nhl@gmail.com with the following information:

- Name (point of contact)
- Number in party
- Contact phone number

Since 2008, the U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii's (USAG-HI) Native Hawaiian Liaison Office

has been providing cultural enrichment programs and special events for Soldiers and family members, through workshops on language, hula, crafts, history and more.

This special event is being offered under the NHL program in support of the Army's Native Hawaiian Covenant and its goal of creating learning opportunities for the Army and Native Hawaiian community.

Army and Hawaii leaders signed a first-ever [Native Hawaiian Covenant](#) on March 24, 2010, to forge "a stronger relationship of cooperation, appreciation and understanding of Hawaii's native culture and resources, as well as the Army's role in Hawaii and the inclusiveness of its Soldiers in the local communities."

U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii aims to educate, inform and promote events and activities of interest to the U.S. Army Hawaii community about Native Hawaiian culture, customs and values. The U.S. Army Hawaii community is encouraged to participate in Native Hawaiian events and activities.



CULTURAL WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

Below is a list of cultural workshops coming up in June!

Date	Time	Class	Location
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11-Jun	1700	Beginning Hula	Kalakaua
11-Jun	1800	Intermediate Hula	Kalakaua
12-Jun	1600	Keiki crafts	Wheeler
13-Jun	1600	nose flutes	Porter
17-Jun	1700	Beginning Hula	AMR
17-Jun	1800	Intermediate Hula	AMR
18-Jun	1700	Beginning Hula	Kalakaua
18-Jun	1800	Intermediate Hula	Kalakaua
18-Jun	1600	keiki crafts	Ft Shafter IPC
19-Jun	1600	Flower lei making	Yano
20-Jun	1600	Ti leaf lei making	Yano
25-Jun	1600	Launiu	Ft Shafter IPC
24-Jun	1700	Beginning Hula	AMR
24-Jun	1800	Intermediate Hula	AMR
25-Jun	1700	Beginning Hula	Kalakaua
25-Jun	1800	Intermediate Hula	Kalakaua
26-Jun	1600	Keiki crafts	Yano
27-Jun	1600	Launiu	Yano

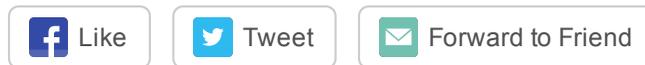
For a full listing of our cultural workshops, including hula, ukulele, keiki crafts and other wonderful cultural learning opportunities, [visit our website here](#).

Have questions? Need directions? Give us a call at (808) 392-1617 or email us at usaghi.nhl@gmail.com.

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