

The 'Ohana News

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He's Keiki O Ka 'Aina And There Were Days When Even His Friends Had Doubts...

Join Us For A Family Dinner & Talk-Story With Mayor Billy Kenoi About Growing Up On The Big Island And Hillarious Lessons Along The Way!



Mayor Billy Kenoi is a bit of a character — very smart and extremely funny (and a pretty good surfer, too) — who learned (sometimes the hard way) — “Can!”

Please join us for a delicious dinner of Kalua Pig 'n Cabbage as our **Hawai'i County Mayor Billy Kenoi** talks about his trials and triumphs and often very funny stories about those who helped (or hindered) him along the way. It's free and perfect for the whole family!

It's all about: Doing Your Best and Being Your Best!



Yes, that's our Mayor!

6 –7 p.m., Wednesday, March 12— Waimea School Cafeteria

A quick ono dinner and program presented by our school's new 'Connecting For Success' project to support our mission of empowering all students with the skills, values and cultural understanding to successfully navigate high school and beyond! **RSVP requested — please see flyer! Mahalo!**

Accreditation Notes

Our school's Accreditation Visiting Committee will be with us from Sun., March 30 to Wed., April 2.

This is very important next step in our continuing school improvement. To read more about our Self-Study and Action Plans, go to our school website and click on “**Candidacy For Accreditation.**”

WMS Students Ask Students To Take Anti-Bullying Pledge

WMS Student Leadership Team continues its bullying prevention campaign this week and will conclude their educational efforts with an invitation to all students to sign an **Anti-Bullying Pledge Card** to make the school and our community safer for everyone...and, in exchange, receive an anti-bullying wristband. **Mahalo, students, for taking this seriously and stepping up to do something about it!**

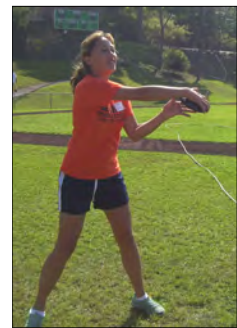
Students Help With Mele Murals Painting

A hui of Waimea teachers, artists and friends including students from all of Waimea's schools have come together to participate in Hawai'i's first **Mele Murals** project to create a large mural on the exterior wall of Kahilu Theatre facing our school and the post office. The intention of Mele Murals is to bring the mele (songs) and mo'olelo (stories) of Waimea back to life and capture the essence of the history of our 'aina. The painting begins **Mon., March 3** with an all day **Paint Party**. Everyone's invited – bring your own brush (one inch or larger)!

Then, from **4-6:30 p.m., Thurs., March 6** – there will be an official “Unveiling Party” and everyone is invited! For that afternoon only, the extension of Lindsey Road that wraps around Kahilu Theatre will be **CLOSED** from 3 p.m. on. This means our back gate will be closed at 3 p.m. also. The buses that pickup Homework Help+ students will enter campus that afternoon from Mamalahoa Highway.

Leading this project is Kanu o Ka 'Aina teacher **Kanoa Castro**, who is supported by many in the community and by Estria Foundation. For info, email: Kanoa@kalo.org. Please let him know if you plan to bring a group of 10 or larger coming for the paint party.

Congratulations To Our Entire Track & Field Team!



WMS Students Win 56 Medals At Season's Final P&R Track & Field Meet!

WMS Student-Athlete Participants: Angelika Abucay, Hauoli Akau, Joshua Almoguera, Breana Arakawa, Sheldon Aribal, Noah Balaam, Toby Balaam, Kelsan Cacoulidis, Dylan Calivoso, Sophia Cash, Hillary Connors, Daneau Domingo, Dillon DuPont, Sadie Ednie, Emily Fetsch, Leslie-Jane Francisco, Gian Gaces, Keeley Gillins, Kassadie Hurney, Leiani Hurtado-Bennet, Lilly Lindsey, Ka'eo Medeiros-Ka'aekuahiwi, Koa Miche-Rosales, Kayla Miura, Darby Muromoto, Chance Page, Kapuanalani Pilayo, Keawe'iwi Pilayo, Aaliyah Rivera, Sage Sagon, Trinity Spencer, Tyre Tanaka, Hilina'i Tolentino, Trace Tupe, Zavier Ugalde, Cleveland Winsa-Henderson, Hailey Witcraft, Nadia Yoshizumi.

Midget Division:

- 2nd Place – Dylan Calivoso – Softball Throw
- 3rd Place – Sage Sagon – Standing Long Jump
- 1st Place – Tyre Tanaka – Standing Long Jump
- 2nd Place – Noah Balaam – Standing Long Jump
- 1st Place – Joshua Almoguera – 100M
- 3rd Place – Sage Sagon – 50M
- 3rd Place – Sage Sagon – 400M
- 1st Place – Noah Balaam – 200M
- 1st Place – 4x100M Relay – Joshua Almoguera, Noah Balaam, Dylan Calivoso, Koa Miche-Rosales

Junior Division:

- 1st Place – Trinity Spencer – Discus
- 2nd Place – Cleveland Winsa-Henderson – Discus
- 3rd Place – Hillary Connors – Running Long Jump
- 3rd Place – Trinity Spencer – Shot Put
- 1st Place – Sheldon Aribal – Shot Put
- 2nd Place – Daneau Domingo – Shot Put
- 3rd Place – Kapuanalani Pilayo – Shot Put
- 2nd Place – Daneau Domingo – 100M
- 1st Place – Zavier Ugalde – 100M
- 2nd Place – Breana Arakawa – 100M
- 3rd Place – Hillary Connors – 100M
- 2nd Place – Nadia Yoshizumi – 200M
- 2nd Place – Sheldon Aribal – 200M
- 3rd Place – Daneau Domingo – 200M
- 1st Place – Zavier Ugalde – 200M
- 3rd Place – Hillary Connors – 200M
- 1st Place – Toby Balaam – 400M
- 1st Place – Sophia Cash – 400M
- 1st Place – Aaliyah Rivera – 800M
- 1st Place – 4x50M Relay – Keeley Gillins, Kayla Miura, Kassadie Hurney, Breana Arakawa
- 1st Place – 4x100M Relay – Aaliyah Rivera, Sophia Cash, Trinity Spencer, Emily Fetsch
- 2nd Place – 4x100M Relay – Angelika Abucay, Leslie-Jane Francisco, Nadia Yoshizumi, Hailey Witcraft

Intermediate Division:

- 1st Place – Leiani Hurtado-Bennet – Discus
- 1st Place – Trace Tupe – Discus
- 1st Place – Trace Tupe – High Jump
- 3rd Place – Ka'eo Medeiros-Ka'aekuahiwi – Running Triple Jump
- 1st Place – Hauoli Akau – Running Long Jump
- 1st Place – Kelsan Cacoulidis – Shot Put
- 3rd Place – Keawe'iwi Pilayo – Shot Put
- 3rd Place – Leiani Hurtado-Bennet – 100M
- 1st Place – Hauoli Akau – 100M
- 3rd Place – Trace Tupe – 100M
- 1st Place – Hauoli Akau – 200M
- 1st Place – Keawe'iwi Pilayo – 800M
- 2nd Place – Keawe'iwi Pilayo – 1500M

Mahalo to Coaches Elray Tupe, Christian Silva, Cherise Mundon and Warren Tamaye, and also to WMS Athletics for the bus, drinks and energy snacks; Mrs. Sandy Tamaye, Mrs. Nancy Lindsey for taking care of our students in the stands, Mas for attending early and helping with the tent, and all the parents/family/faculty and staff for coming and supporting our Track & Field Team!

School News & Community Events:

Do You Want To Go To College? UH-Hilo is currently accepting applications from 8th grade students (9th and 10th grades too) for its **Upward Bound Program!** Please see flyer in today's **Tuesday Envelope** for 8th grade students. Special rates and assistance for students eligible for free or reduced lunch, and/or who are a potential first-generation college student. Or go to: <http://www.hilo.hawaii.edu/academics/ub>

Hawai'i High School Rodeo At Paniolo Park: Begins at 8 a.m., Sat.-Sun., March 1-2, and continues the first week-end of every month thru May 2014 at Paniolo Park. Saturday is Keiki and Junior Divisions; Sunday is the high school division. Free but donations welcome and there is a food concession to benefit the program which requires students to maintain GPA as required for other athletics. Info: **DeeDee Bertelmann** (325-5937) or email: paniolomau@aol.com.

Waimea Elementary School Thrift Shop – 50-Cent Sale: 8 a.m.-Noon, Sat., March 1. Entire inventory except one rack and brand name aloha attire is just 50 cents! All proceeds benefit Waimea Elementary students.

Work Day At Waimea's Anuenue Playground: 8:30 a.m., Sun., March 2. Entire community invited to come help get Anuenue back in good, safe working order. A group of volunteers has come together to get this done and could use help with skilled carpentry, staining and general labor. Kokua is most welcome – donations, too, to bring this popular keiki playground back up to par. Info: **Michele Chavez-Pardini** (960-6392) or e-mail: anuenueplayground@gmail.com.

Kawaihae Canoe Club Youth Program: Starts March 3. Open to ages 11-18. Practices Mondays thru Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. at Kawaihae Harbor. A shuttle van picks up participants at 3 p.m. at Waimea Community Center, and returns them to the center at 5:30 p.m. Info: **Debbie** (937-4700) or **Izzy** (987-2819).

Waimea Cowboys Football & Cheer 2014 Flag Football Season: Practices begin Tues., March 4 at Waimea School Field. For ages 5-15. Practices are Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 4-6 p.m. Register before Feb. 28 - \$80. Thereafter, it's \$85. To register, families must complete a 2014 registration packet, and submit a 2014 Pop Warner Physical Form, original birth certificate if child never played before, a copy of medical insurance card (front and back), 2nd Quarter report card, and current wallet size photo of the student athlete. Info: **Russell Crabbe** (557-1901).

Free Tax Preparation Assistance: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. every Friday thru April 11. Waimea Community Center on Kawaihae Road. Provided by the AARP Foundation in conjunction with the IRS and taxaide volunteers. Please bring ID, social security card for yourself and all dependents, previous tax return and your current tax papers and forms. Also bring W-2 forms from employers, unemployment insurance compensation statements, SSA-1099 if you receive social security benefits, all 1099 forms, receipts or cancelled checks if itemizing deductions and other applicable forms. This program is available for low and moderate income taxpayers, especially those 60+. For more info and to schedule an appointment, call 885-4722 or 388-6645.

More News & Photos:

www.Facebook.com/WaimeaMiddleSchool.org

School Lunch Menus

(All Served With Fresh Local Milk)

Wed., Feb. 26: Chicken Nugget on Shredded Cabbage, Hapa Rice, Tossed Salad & Mandarin Oranges and Pineapple.

Thurs., Feb. 27: Roast Turkey w/ Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Broccoli/Carrots, Orange Wedge, Whole Wheat Bun.

Fri., Feb. 28: Tuna w/ a Whole Wheat Bun, Sweet Potato Rounds, Rainbow Salad & Apple Juice.

Mon., March 3: Baked Pollock, Hapa Rice, Rainbow Salad, Baked Beans & Pineapple.

Tues., March 4: Teri Chicken, Stir Fry, Hapa Rice, Orange Wedge & Whole Wheat Roll.

All menus are posted on school website & Facebook.

WOW! WORD-OF-THE-WEEK:

In-fer

Definition: Conclude information from evidence and reasoning rather than from explicit statements (*Explicit—WOW! for 1/27/14 — meaning very clear and complete*)

Part of Speech: Verb

Root Word: Latin from “in” intro and “ferre” from bring

Sentence: Using the results from our first round of HSA, we can *infer* that many students are Focused on their academic reading goal.

Why do we feature WOW? Research tells us that improving vocabulary is a “high yield strategy” for student success in reading comprehension. Therefore, WMS teachers agreed to spotlight a Word-Of-The-Week! (WOW!) throughout this school year. To learn more about WOW!, go to the school’s website and click on WOW! at the top right of the home page:

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