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SUMMER NEWSLETTER

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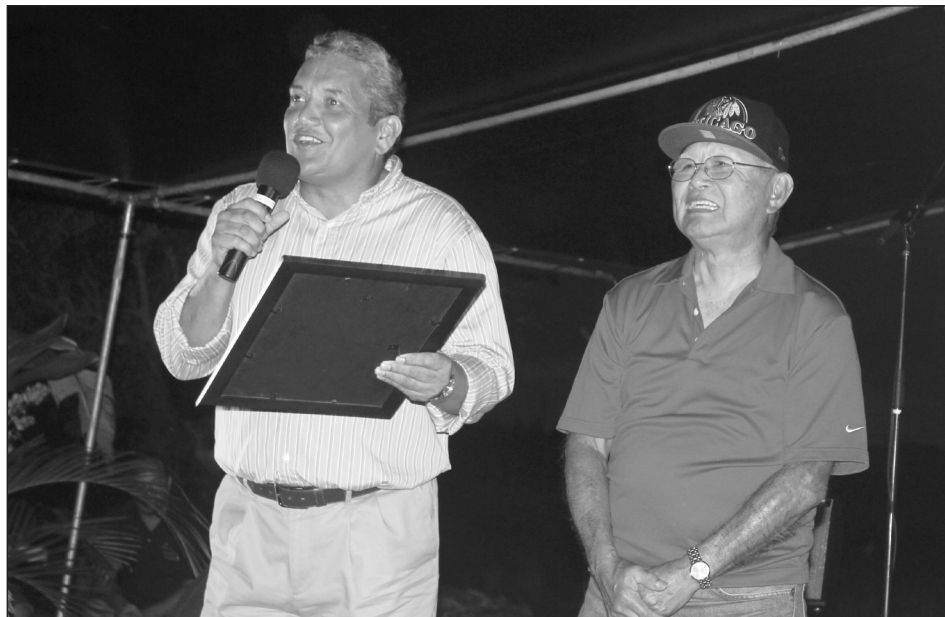
Welcome to our Summer Newsletter 2013

This past April, we celebrated our eleventh year of service to the community with a Recognition Evening at Puakea Ranch. Hundreds of folks joined us for an evening of song and laughter and most importantly acknowledging people in our community who have worked hard and given so much of their time and heart for the benefit of North Kohala. We recognized all our projects but most especially this year, the Kohala Mountain Pumpkin Patch, the Kohala Mountain News and the Kohala Equine Education Center. All three of these projects have been working with us for over five years and all of them serve a broad base of our community. We extend once again our gratitude and appreciation.

We recognized Shiro Takata with a Lifetime Achievement Award which was presented by the Mayor's Office for "his many years of compassion, dedication and commitment to improving the quality of life for so many which has influenced countless others to achieve their goals." We thank you, Shiro, for all you do in North Kohala.

The Kohala Welcome Center Guides continue to greet residents and visitors alike. We have seen over 8,000 visitors already this year from all over the United States and the world. Our guides are now 22 strong and we encourage residents to join us for this very meaningful and enjoyable volunteer work. As one guide said recently, "It's humbling, really, people are wonderful and always a surprise!" If you want some new adventure in your life, consider volunteering at the Center as a Guide. You'll learn tons about your community, and enjoy your time talking with visitors and locals alike.

One more important change we initiated this year was starting our annual appeal in the winter instead of the summer. Since we are committed to asking for contributions once a year, we ask you to consider us in your annual giving plan. If you have already donated this year, we want to say a heartfelt Mahalo.

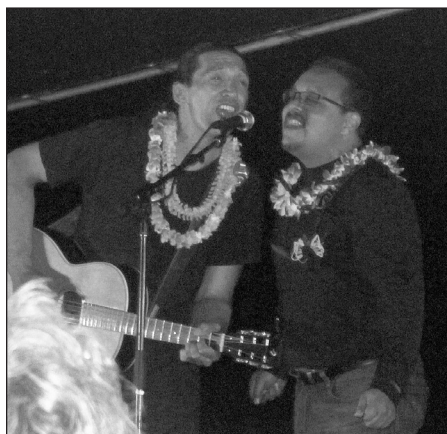


On behalf of NKCRC, Mayor Billy Kenoi honored Shiro Takata with a Lifetime Achievement Award at our Recognition Evening in April.

If not, please consider a donation that is meaningful to you to keep our program of providing training and support thriving for the benefit of all in Kohala.

With warmest Aloha from all of us at the Resource Center,

The NKCRC Directors and staff



NKCRC Board member Gino Amar joined guest performer John Cruz on stage for a special duet.

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Master art teacher Peter Kowalke offers pottery, sculpture and drawing lessons for adults and children. His curriculum for homeschooled children provides an art-based learning platform for science, art history and English. Peter Kowalke, 937-7556, peterantrim@gmail.com, www.peterantrinkowalke.com.

COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

In its seventh year, Kohala Mountain News is a free monthly publication concerning the people and events of North Kohala. It has a circulation of 3,600 and is published online. Megan Solis, 884-5986, kmneditor@hotmail.com, www.kohalamountainnews.com.

ENGINEERING RESOURCES

This informational center offers advice for residents on any engineering aspect of their home and community, including hazard mitigation, wastewater treatment and greywater systems. Jim Pedersen, PE, 854-4888.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING ABROAD

With a focus on literature and culture, this program, in association with EF tours, intends to broaden Kohala High School students' perspectives. Students will visit places they have read about, with the next excursion revolving around the British Isles in March 2014. Jessica Brown, 345-2919, jess.brown911@gmail.com.

FOOTPRINTS FOR THE FUTURE

Footprints endeavors to introduce a series of new land-use patterns related to community sustainability in the coming age by bringing youth leaders into active land crafting courses at a sustainable eco-homestead. Jim Channon, 889-0223, jim@arcturus.org.

FRIENDS OF KOHALA POOL

This groups seeks to support the needs of the Kohala pool. Carol Geertsema, (509) 846-5842, travelfilms@gmail.com.

FRIENDS OF THE PARK – KOHALA TENNIS COURTS

This group maintains the tennis courts at King Kamehameha Park. The courts need to be bleached and cleaned at least once a month and resurfaced every five years. Zisa Mondy, 889-0234, devaziza@aol.com.

FULL CIRCLE COOPERATIVE

This project aims to assist our community in obtaining affordable, natural and organic food, and build the strength and viability of our local farms by establishing a central distribution hub and CSA for locally grown farm products. Michael McCullough, 756-3616, moondancehawaii@aol.com, www.fullcirclecooperative.com.

HAWI FARMERS MARKET

Come talk story, and buy fresh produce and locally produced food and crafts. Open Sat. 8-2 and Tues. 2-6. Lehua Matsuda, 333-7963, www.hawifarmersmarket.com.

HEALING MUSICAL

Local talent will highlight Kohala's gifts of healing in this upcoming theatrical production. The musical includes solo and group performances that take the audience on an educational tour. Nels Denman, 987-2731, nelsondenman@hotmail.com.

HIP AGRICULTURE

The Hawaii Institute of Pacific Agriculture (HIP AG) is an active farm and educational center offering youth programs, sustainable living courses and community workshops. Dash Kuhr, 889-6316, hipagriculture@gmail.com, www.hipagriculture.org.

HOKUPA'A ATHLETICS

This group seeks to develop a Softball / Baseball program to accommodate youth athletes who are serious about developing competitively. Nino Kaai, 895-7920, nino@hawaiiintel.net.

HONOPUEO AGRICULTURAL WATER LINE COOPERATIVE

The goal is to replace the Kapa'au lateral pipeline from the Kohala Ditch that serves irrigation needs of about 2,100 acres. Forrest Arnold, 987-2365, forrest@forrestinhawaii.com.

KA LEI 'O KOHALA FARM

Infrastructure projects continue at Ka Lei 'O Kohala Farm. Free ti is still available to groups doing fundraisers. Ti lei can also be ordered. Rande Golden, 889-0011.

KAMEHAMEHA DAY CELEBRATION

In 2013 the celebration of this great king included a ho'olaulea, together with the Statue ceremony and parade from Hawi to Kapa'au. Cicely Ho'opai, 884-5840, choopai@yahoo.com, www.kamehamehadaycelebration.org.

KAMEHAMEHA PARK GOLF LEARNING CENTER

This project welcomes the youth (17 & under) of North Kohala to experience golf for free, including clubs, balls, and course access. Parents may bring their children and participate. John Mauro, 345-4393, jsmwai@aol.com.

KAMEHAMEHA STATUE MAINTENANCE

The group appreciates all the support to help care for the Kamehameha Statue in Kapa'au. Their mission this year is to attend to the base surrounding the Statue. Sharon Hayden, 889-0169, Sharon@kohalapacificrealty.com.

KEIKI YOGA KOHALA/YOGA ED

Combining yoga poses, games, art, and breathing techniques, this program helps Kohala Elementary School students develop physical fitness, self-care strategies, and greater focus and attention. Robyn Skudlarek, 345-5777, robynskudlarek@gmail.com; Jamie Eversweet Belmarez, 756-3919, jeversweet@gmail.com, www.keikiyogakohala.com.

KENJI'S HOUSE

Kenji's House Museum artifacts are displayed throughout the grounds and site of Kenji Yokohama's home. Please stop by and view this local man's history in Kohala. Catherine Morgan, 960-3597.

KES HEALTHY LIFESTYLES PROGRAM

This program serves students at Kohala Elementary School, providing activities such as swim skills, table tennis, creative movement, and dance to help raise self-esteem, and encourage cooperation, social skills, and problem-solving techniques. Rose Mae Watterson, 889-7000, rosemae_watterson@notes.k12.hi.us.

KHS PROJECT GRAD 2014

This annual party for new Kohala High graduates is a fun, alcohol-free event held after the graduation ceremony until the next morning, allowing graduates to celebrate together safely. Amoo Ching Kainoa, 895-2545, jkching64@yahoo.com, or Hinano Lewis, 747-4301.

KINDY SPROAT: A GIFT TO THE HEART

This documentary depicts the life journey of Kindy Sproat, an internationally recognized musician and one of Hawaii's Living Treasures. Keith Nealy, 882-7772, keithn@aloha.net, www.keithnealy.com.

KOHALA AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL PROGRAM

The project seeks to restore and upgrade the Kohala High School Agriculture program and Aquaponics project by helping with tools and infrastructure. Adriel Robitaille, 896-0571, adriel.robitaille@gmail.com.

KOHALA AIKIKAI

Since 1996 this aikido dojo has maintained training programs for children, teens and adults along with seminars, day camps, education on healing practices and Japanese cultural events. Kevin or Leilani McGough, 889-5958, kohalaaikikai@gmail.com, www.kohalaaikikai.com.

KOHALA ARCHERY CLUB

Lani Bowman/James Kawasaki, 889-5852, lanibow@ilhawaii.net.

KOHALA ARK

This project seeks to provide elderly and needy Kohala residents with a free, weekly round-trip



PROJECT SUMMARIES

If you would like to donate to any of our projects, make your check payable to NKCRC and indicate the project of choice.

Tractor/Wagon Ride from Kapa'au to the Saturday Farmers Market in Hawi. Isaac Haworth, 896-3402.

KOHALA ARTISTS COÖPERATIVE

After six years of running a gallery space, we are looking forward to focusing solely on creating a working print and textile studio/classroom at Kenji's. An excellent reference library of art and design titles is available to inspire and educate. Book donations always accepted. Malia Welch, 884-5556, www.kohalartists.com.

KOHALA BASEBALL LEAGUE

This group has sponsored 95% of the registration fees, supplied uniforms for all players on the three Pony League baseball teams, and offered after-school tutoring and drug and alcohol awareness. Liz Karrati, 443-8888, liz@yahoo.com.

KOHALA COALITION AGAINST DRUGS

For the past 13 years KCAD has worked to keep Kohala's youth safe and drug free by offering education and a variety of fun, drug-free activities for children. Shiro Takata, 987-0280.

KOHALA COMMUNITY AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Working with agricultural producers and entrepreneurs to increase the demand for organic locally grown food, the group plans to establish a Community Supported Agricultural Kitchen. Contact Donna Maltz 907-235-7374, yourchoicetochange@gmail.com.

KOHALA COMMUNITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Serving Kohala for 35 years, KCAA offers after-school sports programs for Kohala youth ages 5-14 including baseball, softball, basketball, volleyball and golf. Players play for free. Tom Morse, 345-0706, ltmorse@aol.com.

KOHALA COQUI COALITION:

The Coqui Coalition continues to treat sites around Kohala. Many sites required multiple treatments. A coqui infestation at Keokea has been difficult to eradicate due to its location, terrain and severity. Kim Takata, 895-1939, ison@aloha.net.

KOHALA COUNTRY FAIR

Now in its 29th year, the expanded Fair features live, all-day entertainment, food and craft booths, and many activities for the keiki. Free admission. Nino Kaai, 895-7920, nino@hawaiiintel.net, www.kohalacountryfair.com.

KOHALA EQUINE EDUCATION CENTER (KEEC)

KEEC will build and maintain community equestrian facilities at 'ole for educational and cultural programs and use by individual

horse owners. Fundraising for construction is underway. Beth Robinson, 443-4588, 884-5753, KohalaArena@gmail.com.

KOHALA FITNESS CENTER

The group established a new exercise center at the Hisaoka Gym where the community can enjoy a free, supportive, and friendly atmosphere to improve health and fitness. Sue Sasaki, 889-5346.

KOHALA FOOTBALL BOOSTERS CLUB

This 17-year-old organization provides support and services to the Kohala Varsity Football team. Regie Tolentino, 889-6365/Diane Pasalo, 889-7921.

KOHALA HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUB

This local chapter of a statewide organization encourages the community to participate in fun and culturally integrative events. Efforts include raising funds for scholarships for Kohala students. Rochelle Javillo, 896-3033.

KOHALA JUNIOR STATE OF AMERICA

A non-profit, non-partisan and student-run organization, JSA develops leadership, political awareness and public speaking skills for students 12-18 years old. Kristin Wohlschlagel, 889-1110/Maureen Combes, 494-4237.

KOHALA MISSION SCHOOL

This accredited K-8 private school has a focus on academic excellence and Christian values. The school seeks to provide additional scholarship funding for local families who desire to enroll their students. Chris Larson, 889-5646, avalanche289@gmail.com, www.kohalamissionschool.adventistfaith.org.

KOHALA MOUNTAIN FARM PUMPKIN PATCH & CORN MAZE

This farm continues to expand and invites the community to handpick produce directly from the field. The annual event is affordable and educational with emphasis on the importance of Hawai'i's agriculture. Stacy Hasegawa, 345-6323, kohalamountainfarm@gmail.com, www.kohalamountainfarm.com.

KOHALA ROBOTICS

An academic afterschool program engaged in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), communication, documentation and time management. The goal is excellence through life-changing experiences for Kohala youth. Fern White, 889-7117, ext. 249, www.kohalarobotics.com.

KOHALA SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB

This active group for seniors age 55 and up seeks to stimulate the mind, body and soul by participating in the home, schools and community. Bobby Glory, 889-5115, glorys808@yahoo.com.

KOHALA YOGA COMMUNITY CENTER
Georgena Newman, 889-0583, jerrgen@hotmail.com.

KOHALA YOUTH RANCH

This program utilizes horses to provide free equine-assisted learning (EAL) and education services for at-risk youth to increase self-esteem and confidence, develop problem solving and coping skills. Joe Vitorino, 884-5625, kohalayouthranch@wildblue.net.

KOHALA WALDORF INSPIRED SCHOOL OF HAWAII - K-WISH

This project is developing a permanent full time Waldorf inspired school for K-8. Delphina Dorrance, 889-0800, leighdelphina@gmail.com.

KOKOLULU FARM CANCER RETREATS

Kokolulu provides education and charitable assistance to those affected by cancer, including holistic healing retreats, research publications, and tools to empower participants to take charge of their own healing journey. Karin Cooke/Lew Whitney, 889-9893, lew@kokolulu.com, www.kokolulu.com.

KUKUI GARDEN RESTORATION

This unique project holds a 12-year commitment to restore old family lands to serve children and adults needing to reconnect to the earth, to spirit, to their culture, and ultimately to themselves. Nani Svendsen, 889-5572, kohalaguesthouse@hotmail.com.

LAVAROOTS PERFORMING ARTS

Lavaroots Performing Arts is dedicated to the expression of one's true self through movement, music and culture. Their upcoming Merveilles Hawaii Dance and Drum Conference is an opportunity to bring six West African Master Musicians and Dancers to our rural area of North Kohala, and have a sharing of Hawaiian and African cultures. Michal Anna Carrillo, 987-4243, lavamichal@yahoo.com, www.lavaroots.com.

LIO LAPA'AU

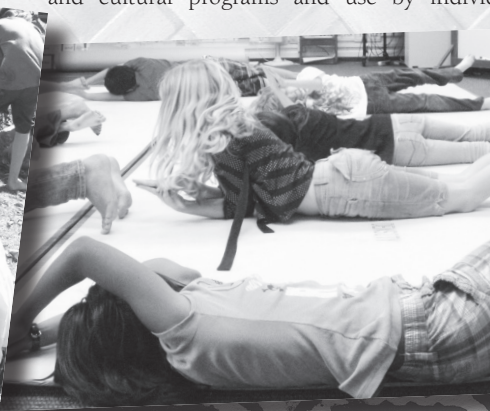
This therapeutic riding service provides opportunities for horseback riding and interactions with horses that support healthy lifestyles, traditional paniolo values, and increased mental and muscle wellness, including a new program, Naturally High on Horses. Fern White, 896-0316, fernwhite@gmail.com, www.liolapaau.com.

LIVING JOURNALS

The latest oral history project, "A View from Up Here: Monty Richards of Kahua Ranch," shares the life of one of the last "old time" ranchers of Hawaii. Faye Mitchell, fayeanalove@gmail.com, www.livingjournalshawaii.org.

MALAMA I NA WAHI PANA O KOHALA

This project is helping with these Kohala activities: Upolu Airport landscaping, Kauhola Point



dedication, nominating Niuli'i and Halelua coastal corridors for preservation and purchase. Fred Cachola, 808-271-0743, fredcachola@aol.com.

MALAMA KOHALA KAHAKAI COAST PRESERVATION

In collaboration with other groups, the organizers have helped preserve nearly 300 coastal acres including Nu'uuanu, Pao'o, Kaiholena, and most recently 27.5 acres at Kauhola Point. Gail Byrne 883-8268, gailbyrne@hawaii.rr.com.

NOKO THEATRE

NOKO Theater is currently doing research/writing and development of children and adult theater performances. Stay tuned for a variety of fundraising events. Jack Boyle, (508) 558-0978, jryder89@yahoo.com.

NORTH KOHALA COMMUNITY CHORUS

Kayoko Hanano, 889-6380.

NORTH KOHALA COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

NK-CERT continues to train and prepare residents to respond to emergencies. John Winter, 889-6901, winterj@whitman.edu.

NORTH KOHALA COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER

Organizers continue to bring educational opportunities, from art to math to the World Peace Game, to the residents of Kohala, especially kids. Susan Lehner, 896-9001, slehner@hawaii.rr.com, www.kohalalearning.org.

NORTH KOHALA FOOD FORUM

The Eat Locally Grown Campaign works to grow a community-based, sustainable food system that addresses the health, environment and economy of North Kohala. Andrea Dean, 889-5806, andrea@andreadean.com, www.foodhubkohala.org.

NORTH KOHALA STUDENT CULTURAL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

This program is designed to expose Kohala students to many cultural and educational programs that have previously been prohibitive due to costs. Dixie Adams, 889-5730, dixieja@gmail.com; Laura Burkhart, 884-5833, laura@lauraburkhart.com.

NORTH KOHALA SUMMER FUN PROGRAM

This project helps supplement the cost for families with working parents and multiple children who need the Summer Fun program at Hisaoka Gym. Renee Gonsalves, 987-6949.

NORTH KOHALA SUMMER MUSICAL CAMP FOR CHILDREN

Summer 2013's workshop, "Alice in Wonderland,"

provided group singing, creative writing, prop and costume creation, and theater performance for children ages 8-14. Adrienne Cherry, 889-1595, choirmama@hawaiiantel.net.

NUTRITION FARMING FOR HAWAII

Dr. Jana Bogs works with local produce growers to improve crop health and nutritional qualities of foods for a healthier, more prosperous, and sustainable community. Jana Bogs, 938-9888, janabogs@gmail.com, www.BeyondOrganicResearch.com.

ŌHUA O NĀKĪA'I NO NĀKEIKI O KA 'ĀINA

This group is restoring an old Hawaiian lo'i. Their goals are to inspire and empower the community through education and stewardship of the 'āina; to create outdoor classroom spaces for hands-on education; and to restore overgrown land into usable educational farmland. Sa'o Vaefaga, 889-1484, ohuasao@gmail.com, www.ohuaonakiai.com.

PLANET PIONEERS

Planet Pioneers builds sustainability leadership and entrepreneurship capacity in K12 students through mentorship, internships and hands-on projects to successfully lead Hawaii to a sustainable future. Linda Lewandowski, 756-9005, planetpioneers@gmail.com.

POP WARNER – KOHALA CHARGERS

This youth football organization teaches the values of teamwork, self-discipline, respect, self-confidence, and good sportsmanship. They are raising funds to pay for bus transportation to out of town games and to replace or upgrade equipment for quality and safety. Nohea Lee, 938-5818, kohalachargerspwa@yahoo.com.

RECORD OF THE CULTURE

The goal of this project to digitize all old copies of The Midget and Kohala Mountain News for preservation and to facilitate public access to the newspapers. Ann Diloreto, ann@legalinformationmanagement.com.

RISLEY FARMS

Providing the people of North Kohala with "food for the body and food for the soul," the farm is dedicated to producing high quality, affordable fresh produce. Peter Risley, 430-0338, peterrisley47@gmail.com.

ROOTS SK8 PARK

Roots Advocates for Youth is moving toward phase two of the skate park, creating 5,000 square feet of additional terrain. Support directly benefits the youth of Kohala. Richey Riggs/Kimberly Lepold, 889-0503, skate4roots@yahoo.com, www.skate4roots.wordpress.com.

RURAL EMERGENCY CARE PROJECT

This collaboration between NKCRC and the Kohala Hospital Charitable Foundation has raised nearly \$400,000 so far to enlarge and modernize the

Emergency Room at Kohala Hospital. Renovation work began July 2013. Tommy Tinker, 889-5584.

RYUKYUKOKU MATSURI DAIKO KOHALA

RMD Okinawan Taiko has been active in Kohala for over five years with 29 drummers performing at community events and providing free classes in Kohala and Waimea. Funding is needed for uniforms, drums, and transportation. Kathy Matsuda, 889-5801, kathy@hialoha.net.

SAGE FARMS

This farm offers produce, honey and more at the Saturday Farmers Market in Hawi, an honor stand on Ho'ea Road, as well as fresh produce at local grocery stores. Fara Boisvert, 895-0279, benfara@gmail.com.

SUSTAINABLE KOHALA OHANA

This network of Kohala residents promotes local sustainability, emergency readiness, and community resilience through educational programming, grant writing, staff support, free films and more. Deborah Winter, 889-6901, winterd@whitman.edu.

TARO DREAM

This Kohala-based research, product development and marketing company has developed a full line of gluten-free foods made from taro root. Pamela Noeau Day, 884-5270, pamelanoeaday@msn.com.

THE MAN IN THE BLACK HAT FILM

This project is organized for the production and promotion of a docudrama on St. Damien's time as a missionary in the North Kohala to Puna areas before he went to Molokai. Irma Ockerman, 756-5572, Denyse Woo, 756-5575, www.dwoofilms.com.

ULU MAU PUANUI

The mission of Ulu Mau Puanui is to revitalize and understand the rain-fed Kohala Field System by engaging learners, educators, families and community in land-based learning, and culturally-centered science. Kehaulani Marshall, 936-1612, kehaulanimarshall@yahoo.com, www.ulumaupuanui.org.

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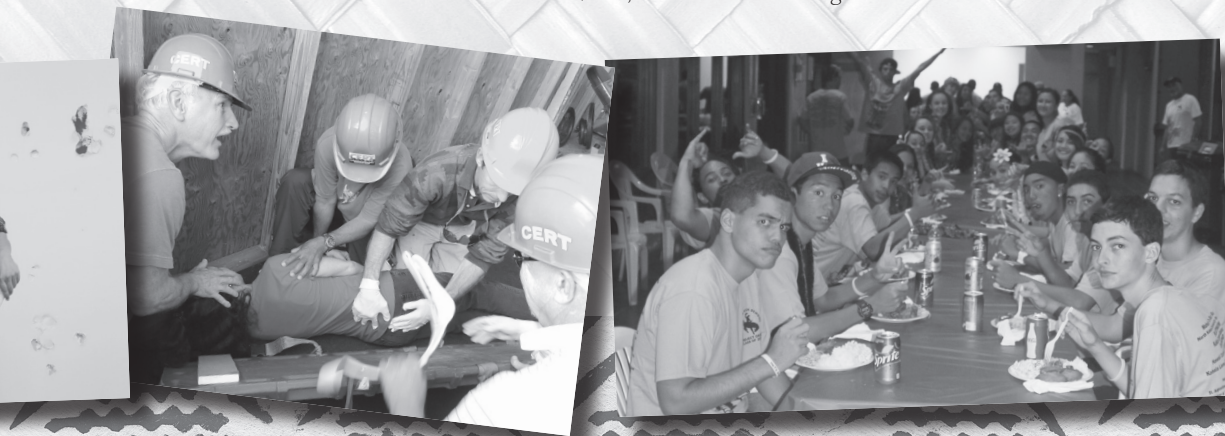
Research backed Craniosacral Therapy for children with ADD, ADHD, autism and dyslexia, as well as for victims of trauma. Seeking funding for families in need. Bonnie Stevenson, 896-5225, bonniemaikai@yahoo.com, www.lovinghandcranio.com/waioli.

WASTESTREAM RECYCLING

WasteStream continues to be active in the pursuit of reducing, reusing and recycling in Kohala. Make extra money for your organization, join our HI5 Volunteer program. Colleen Nevins, 889-5009, colleen_nevins@yahoo.com, www.kohalatrashbash.com.

WELLNESS THROUGH MOVEMENT

This program teaches awareness through movement. Games expand neurological self-awareness (meaning the organic sense of who we are) and the interconnections between emotions, thoughts and physical actions. Catherine Rosasco Mitchell, 885-7190, info@WellnessThroughMovement.



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Our workshops are designed to help organizers plan successful community projects, find funding, and write proposals. Planning workshops are offered on an “as needed” individual basis. Fiscal sponsorship is available for projects that qualify. These workshops are free to residents of North Kohala whose projects are based here. Participants from outside North Kohala attend on a fee basis. Please call the Center for more information or to register, 889-5523.

Please note that our Finding Funders and Writing Successful Proposals classes are only available upon acceptance for fiscal sponsorship.

Finding Funders Thursday, September 19, 2013
Writing Successful Proposals Saturday, September 28, 2013
Proposal Critique To be determined by class

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