

Sen. Daniel Akaka, Thursday, Aug. 31, 2006, in Honolulu. Akaka faced Rep. Ed Case in their only scheduled debate Thursday before the Democratic primary for the Senate on Sept. 23.

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Debate

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Neither candidate has made an appearance or attempt to reach out to the UH population for votes or support. Many UH students did not watch the debate or know anything about either candidate.

Many of the events that both candidates have been appearing in are fundraisers, which most college students do not know about or cannot afford. Graduate student of Hawaiian studies Theresa Martin said. "I see stuff where

they have speeches but you have to pay to get in, so I didn't go."

But Martin did get a chance to meet Case, and said the experience alone was enough to make her want to vote for him. "I feel like I can talk to him and he would listen," she said.

"Akaka is just stale," Martin said. "He's been in his position so long and hasn't gotten anything done." She said that the Akaka Bill never really took off or made sense to her.

Jane Etelagi, a political science major at UH, agreed that the bill was useless but thought it was a gutsy move to bring such a bill forward. "Akaka is more experienced, and has a lot of potential," Etelagi said.



U.S. Rep. Ed Case and his wife, Audrey Case, were seen during a practice session at the PBS Hawaii Studio on the campus of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Thursday, Aug. 31, 2006, in Honolulu. Akaka and Case finally met Thursday night in their first and only debate, the one chance for most voters to weigh them side-by-side.

Sidebar

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5) Iraq

- a. Case said Iraq's fate is going to affect everyone and if we pull out the troops too quickly, the country will become a safe haven for terrorist organizations.
- b. Akaka opposed the use of force in Iraq and wants troops out by July 2007.

6) Possible draft?

- a. Akaka said there needs to be a recruitment program that interests young people to join the military.
- b. Case said recruitment is not down and there is not going to be a draft.

7) Patriot Act

- a. Case said he supported the second patriot act because there are third parties to watch the government in the newer version.
- b. Akaka voted for the first but not the second.

8) Living assistance for seniors

- a. Akaka said that the state needs more nurses.
- b. Case said money should be put into healthcare.

9) Jones Act (which mandates shipping exclusivity)

- a. Case said the Jones Act is a government monopoly on trade

between the mainland and Hawai'i. He would like to get it repealed.

b. Akaka believes the Jones Act is critical in providing jobs in Hawai'i.

10) Inflation and gas prices

- a. Akaka is on the energy committee and would like to wean the country off foreign oil as well as look for new fuel sources like ethanol.
- b. Case wants to investigate oil companies, make fuel-efficient cars more available and look into more renewable energy sources.

11) Tax Cuts

- a. Case believes in a pay-as-you-go budget to bring more balance to the national deficit.
- b. Akaka does not agree with Bush and would like to see the tax cuts go, so future generations do not encounter problems.

Donation

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Shidler has founded and has been the initial investor in public and private companies issuing in excess of \$8.5 billion of debt and equity securities in the U.S. and Canada.

Shidler, a 1968 alumnus, became interested in real estate while pursuing his degree at UH.

Born in Pasadena, Calif., Shidler traveled with his military father to various schools and countries before graduating from high school in Maryland. When his father was re-stationed to Hawai'i, Shidler enrolled at UH in 1964, expecting to transfer.

"Two years later, by the time I was a sophomore at UH," Shidler said, "I had lived in Hawai'i longer than any place else, and it started to feel like home."

His career as an investor began with part-time jobs at real estate firms and several minor property investments while he was in school. Shidler helped successfully develop a condominium at 1111 Wilder and wrote a weekly investment column for Pacific Business News during his senior year.

After graduating as an ROTC student and leaving the island to

serve as an Army officer for three years, Shidler returned in 1971 to open a small office in the Hawai'i Tower, then called the Amfac Hawai'i building, using the funds from his condo project. He and his partner bought their first building, Polynesian Plaza on Kalākaua Ave. in 1972, which they still own.

"From the beginning my firm was solely an investor; we were not real estate brokers, or real estate developers. We bought existing properties and tried to increase their value by fixing them up," Shidler said.

The Shidler Group expanded to the mainland and opened up their first office in Seattle. By the late 1980s, they had established 12 mainland offices.

In addition to the Shidler Group, which has managed more than 2,000 properties in the US and Canada with its affiliated companies, Shidler founded successful companies on the New York Stock Exchange, such as TriNet Corporate Reality Trust, iStar Financial, Inc., First Industrial Reality Trust and Corporate Properties Reality Trust.

For Tomorrow

See tomorrow's issue for a recap of today's Board of Regents meeting to accept the donation and name-change.

Stingray fells Crocodile Hunter, Irwin

Ka Leo News Desk

Crocodile Hunter Steve Irwin, 44, died Sunday when a stingray impaled him through his chest during a video shoot.

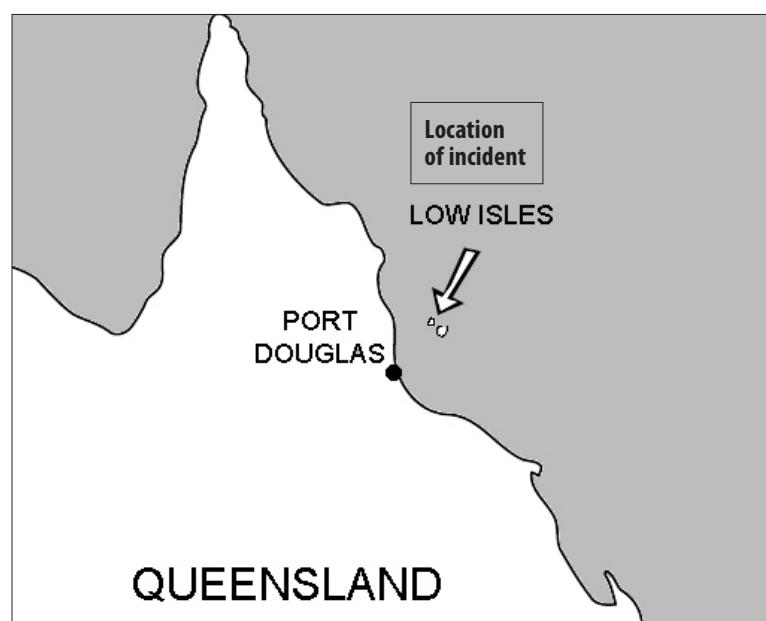
According to Sydney's newspaper The Daily Telegraph, Queensland Ambulance Service received a call to a reef fatality around 11 a.m. on Monday Australian Eastern Standard Time at Batt Reef near the Low Isles.

An emergency services helicopter was dispatched to the dive scene with a doctor and emergency services paramedic on board, yet they were unable to resuscitate him. Irwin was pronounced dead at the scene.

Irwin was reportedly swimming off Port Douglas in the Low Isles, filming an underwater documentary on the Great Barrier Reef



IRWIN



GRAPHIC BY CASEY ISHITANI

in the northern Queensland State, when the incident occurred.

Irwin was best known for his catch cry of "Crikey!" and close-encounters with crocodiles and other danger-posing wildlife.

He opened the Australia Zoo in Queensland in 1991, which led to the first broadcast of the internationally popular TV show "The Crocodile Hunter" the following year.

Jay Shidler: From UH grad to billionaire

- 2006** – Donates \$25 million to College of Business Administration
- 2002** – Founds Primus Guaranty, Ltd. worth \$15 billion
- 1997** – Founds Corporate Office Properties Trust worth \$3.4 billion
- 1994** – Founds First Industrial Realty Trust, worth \$4 billion
- 1993** – Founds TriNet Corporate Realty Trust, now iStar Financial, Inc., the leading publicly traded finance company focused on commercial real estate
- 1980s** – Establishes 12 mainland offices
- 1972** – Forms The Shidler Group, buys Polynesian Plaza on Kalākaua Ave.
- 1971** – Leaves military after serving as an officer
- 1970** – Marries wife, Wallette
- 1968** – Graduates from UH with a bachelor's degree in business administration
- 1964** – Graduates from Aberdeen High School in Aberdeen, Md.
- 1946** – Born in Pasadena, Calif.



A fuel-efficient proposal

By Lourena P. Yco
Ka Leo Contributing Writer

My motto has always been that the obese are the key to the progress and wealth of America. And why not? They eat what they want. They live the American Dream, and for that I applaud them. So it's time to cease casting the obese aside and turn them into productive members of our society.

With this belief in my heart and mind, I urge the marketing and manufacturing of a new, fabulous and innovative fuel. A unique human fat-petroleum hybrid, "fatroleum," could be the answer to all the problems in the world. The "well-padded" have the essential element to this concoction. I believe that the future is with the obese, and thus people should employ only the fattest people out there.

With so many American gargantuan employees to manufacture fatroleum, who need to import gasoline from other countries like Kazakhstan or some other Arabian kingdom?

With the production of fatroleum, we will satisfy the complaints of liberal activists with their bellyaching of "No War for Oil." As soon as an American firm gets the patent, we will become the largest exporter of fatroleum. Then all other countries will rush to invade our lands and steal our precious fatroleum supply (like they can). America will be filthy rich — richer than ever. Most importantly, while other industries refuse to employ the obese for "health reasons," those interested in the fatroleum-making business will assist our

overweight brethren by providing for them a luxurious lifestyle for the rest of their fat, happy lives. Obese people truly are the future.

I know what you are thinking, vegan tree-huggers. How cruel and inhumane a way to treat their staff. Well, rest assured that the companies partaking in this business will treat their rotund employees in the best way possible. Naturally, the processes of extracting the fat will be harmless, with the most technologically advanced systems of liposuction available, and plenty of morphine at the ready for all those who need it. Fatroleum employees would live in a luxury hotel-like atmosphere. These companies would only provide the best in leisure activities — such as sitting, sleeping, eating and doing absolutely nothing all day long. They would also equip their corpulent employees with high-tech gadgets for their "work," like televisions and computers. Most importantly, they would also supply incredible amounts of food for their workers. Hey, they must eat, right? How else can one extract all that fat (such wonderful, lovely fat) to make fatroleum?

Since the obese person's body fat makes up 20-25 percent of their body weight, it is only natural that we make use of it. All that fat should not be wasted. So I appeal to the top surgeons, biochemists, biologists, physicians, anthropologists, geologists, zoologists and other science geeks to congregate, not for the latest on the World of Warcraft, but to formulate this ideal alternative to fossil fuels.

Letters to the Editor

Underage drinking not okay

My impression of the article titled, "State's new drinking law unnecessary," was that the author believes that because the over 21 crowd gets drunk it is okay for underage kids to get drunk too. And not only is this the thing to do, but it is "just the American thing to do."

I will use the example that the author used; a football game. At last year's homecoming game, a girl near me and my friends vomited. It smelled, was just gross in general, and some in our group moved to get away from it. What fun! Yes, this is the American thing to do.

I do agree that a few drinks with your buddies from work are fine, but most underage drinkers are not doing that. Most of the underagedrinking occurs at parties, with lots of beer or other alcoholic drinks to go around. These first timers, who have no tolerance to alcohol whatsoever, are just drinking and drinking. I know at a party I drink several cups of soda; I'm not counting how many cups I've had.

Plus with the new found freedom many freshmen have, the first thing they do might be to see how far they can go. With lots of kids, this is okay; they can cope with it and get into the groove of attending college. But then you have the kids who go to every party, who drop out and become alcoholics because there was nothing to prevent them from starting in the first place.

I'm not saying that this is the

answer to every case, but it might be a start. There is the phrase "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." The fear of getting in trouble can help when figuring out how far to push the envelope.

The author also mentioned that underage drinkers might get their drivers license taken away, which is a good idea. If these kids are intoxicated and get behind the wheel of a car ... Well you have heard the term "weapons of mass destruction" before.

As a side note, aren't we trying to keep legal drinkers from drinking and driving? Don't they get their license taken away after what, two pull-overs, or is it just one now? Near the end of the article the author said "what younger students see as they pass a bar on a weekend ... or are they seeing [senior students] getting smashed and stumbling out of a bar?" Who said that this senior student wasn't an underage drinker him or herself.

P.S. Isn't unnecessary supposed to be unnecessary?

Jessica St.Clair
Anthropology
Sophomore

What is affordable?

State senator Colleen Hanabusa is ignorant of the "affordable housing" definition. Tell me her definition, I'll tell you mine.

Stephen Nakasone
Honolulu, HI



An end loader is used to fill a truck with corn from a warehouse that holds 3.5 million bushels of corn at Utica Energy LLC in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

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'Procrasti-nation' needs to jump into the energy race

By Amanda Reinecker
The Heritage Foundation

Congress, keep that cork in the bottle. The race for energy independence hasn't been won yet.

Yes, the Senate approved legislation to open 8 million acres in the eastern Gulf of Mexico for energy exploration. But so far, it has refused to negotiate with the House, which passed legislation that could open 40 times as much offshore area to exploration and produce at least 10 times as much energy.

With the oil-rich Middle East in turmoil, Venezuelan dictator Hugo Chavez trying to cut off the hemispheric spigot, much of the rest of the oil-producing world in uncertain hands and China and India becoming major purchasers of energy, the need for us to produce our own never has been greater.

We're vulnerable to almost any hiccup in our present supply line. When corrosion on an oil-transit line shut down half the production in Alaska in early August, experts warned that lost production could add \$10 to the price of a barrel.

That the Senate congratulates itself on so timid a step illustrates perhaps an even bigger obstacle to energy independence — letting parochial concerns keep us from harvesting the plentiful energy within our grasps.

Rep. Devin Nunes, R-Calif., hopes we catch on soon. He recently introduced the American-Made Energy Freedom Act, one of the few legislative efforts in recent years, to treat the problem with the seriousness it deserves. Among other things, Rep. Nunes' legislation would call for extracting oil — and more — from America's largest untapped source of domestic energy, the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR).

Strangely enough, it seems that an abundant supply of domestic oil and unreasonably high gas prices — a true reflection of our "procrasti-nation" — are not enough of an incentive to invest time and resources to drill. However, Rep. Nunes has discovered a remedy with his proposal to extract more than oil from ANWR.

Sponsored by 12 Republicans

and 9 Democrats, Nunes' proposal would provide both short-term and long-term incentives to drill in the designated 2,000 acres of ANWR. Critics say the 10.4 billion barrels there aren't enough to make exploration worth it. But experts say ANWR would produce far more than that. Look at the disruption to the market when just 400,000 barrels per day were suddenly unavailable because of the corroded line from Prudhoe Bay. That one blip left us without 8 percent of our energy production.

Nunes proposes more than just drilling. He suggests creating a trust fund where the entire federal share of ANWR's royalty and lease revenue — an estimated \$40 billion to \$50 billion — would go toward a trust fund that would finance new energy technology, such as cellulosic ethanol and liquid coal, both of which are actually good for the environment.

The green movement would have to abandon its holy war aimed at protecting ANWR from exploration, especially if doing so would finance the largest fund ever created for pursuing alternative and environment-friendly resources. Proponents and opponents of ANWR exploration would share the credit for a new generation of energy sources.

Drilling in ANWR alone would increase our domestic productivity by as much as 1 million barrels a day for the next 30 years. The United States uses about 7 million barrels per day, so ANWR would account for nearly 15 percent of our oil during that time. And estimates for areas that haven't been explored are notoriously low. At Prudhoe Bay, just a few hundred miles to the north of ANWR, officials projected a haul of 9 billion barrels at the most. Recently, the 15 billionth barrel

was shipped south, and no end is in sight.

ANWR's oil wouldn't hit markets for another five to seven years, but Nunes' legislation would allow Americans to start reaping the benefits sooner. Money would start flowing from oil companies into the trust fund within 18 months, and the fund could collect as much as \$6 billion in just the first two years of drilling. And since corn for ethanol and coal for the coal-to-liquid exchange can be found in every state, it's time all members of Congress take a look at such proposals.

Perhaps when China's state-owned oil company sets up shop off the coast of Cuba — in waters American companies are forbidden to explore — lawmakers will awaken to the problem in our midst and the dangers of procrastination. But who knows? Heat-related blackouts in major American cities haven't gotten our attention; \$3-a-gallon gasoline hasn't either.

President Bush is right: The United States is addicted to oil. For the time being, we need to feed the addiction. But we also need to move toward the day when we can wean ourselves off of it. Rep. Nunes has found a way to do both.

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Filmmaker

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Hawai'i will be the basis of the developmental lab because it's geographically located between Korea and the mainland. The diversity and relaxing environment of the islands is another reason for the Hawai'i location, said UH professor and ACM Chairman Tom Brislin.

Park said the most beautiful thing about filmmaking is creating it with honesty. As for making a movie that will appeal to American and Korean audiences, he said he sees this statement in broader terms.

"My project can appeal to both sides because this particular project is about a human being and about human nature," he said. "I think it will surpass any cultural surface. I think it'll connect anywhere."

Park's script "Proposal" is about a filmmaker who makes a mysterious deal with a businessman in order to finance his film. Only a vague explanation of the story is available since it is still being written.

Park is familiar with the Pusan International Film Festival, as his short films "Request" and "Slowly, Silently" were shown in the festival in 2002 and 2003. The films were also shown at the Cannes International Film Festival.

Dissanayake and Brislin both agree that Korean films deal with a heightened sense of emotion. Melodrama and emotionalism play an important role in Korean films because much of

the writing comes from the heart, they said.

"When there's a lot of that, American audiences are put off by the ... emotionalism," Brislin said.

At the same time, Dissanayake feels, "The structure of the script ... must be the imprint of Korean culture."

The screenwriters are not sure what to expect at the development lab, as they will be mentored by a variety of experts in the Korean and Asian film industry.

"I just want to learn as much as I can," screenwriter participant Young Kim Il said. "As a Korean-American, I feel the necessity to tell experiences unique to my own. I feel that the Korean Film Council Development Lab will foster my voice and allow an outlet for it to be heard."

Il's script "Hyung's Overture" is about two brothers in an immigrant family. It tells the story

of how one brother gives up his musical dreams so that the other may achieve his.

The script finished first out of 1,782 entrants in the 2006 Bluecat Screenplay Competition and first in the 2006 CAPE Foundation New Writers Award. This is his first pursuit of a feature-length film. In addition to those, he made a few short films while attending the University of Southern California.

"I want to see my screenplays ... become movies, where the audience will share my characters' hopes and dreams, cry and laugh with them and be entertained for a few hours," Il said.

An ACM public symposium discussing the Korean Film Industry will be held at the Center for Korean Studies on Sept. 8 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Both the mentors and screenwriters will be attending.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Compiled by Devin Fujioka

"From Writing at Ka Leo to Multimedia Coverage of Global Violence," a presentation by Robert Lopez, investigative reporter with the Los Angeles Times and University of Hawai'i graduate, will take place today from 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. at the Kuykendall Auditorium.

"Drug Interactions and the Internist," a Department of Medicine grand round, will take place today from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Stuart Nakamoto, an assistant professor of medicine at UH, will present this grand round. It will be at the Queen's Conference Center, located at 510 S. Beretania St., second-floor lobby. For more information, contact Sharon Chun at 586-7478 or e-mail sharonch@hawaii.edu.

The UH Women's Center will hold a student parent open house tomorrow from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The open house will showcase resources for student parents, including child care referrals and scholarships for student parents. The Women's Center is at the Queen Lili'uokalani Center for Student Services, room 211. For more information, contact Teresa Bill at 956-8059 or e-mail bthinfo@hawaii.edu.

"Aspects of Wave-Exposed Hawaiian Rocky Intertidal Community Ecology," a botany seminar, will take place tomorrow from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the St. John Auditorium, room 11. For more information, contact Don Drake at 956-3937 or e-mail dondrake@hawaii.edu.

"TRMM Observations and a Regional Model Study of Tropical Precipitation Diurnal Cycle," a meteorology seminar, will take place tomorrow from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Marine Science Building, room 100. For more information, contact the meteorology department at 956-8775 or e-mail met-dept@hawaii.edu. Also, visit its Web site at <http://lumahai.soest.hawaii.edu>.

Hawthorne Heights will perform at Pipeline Café tomorrow at 6 p.m. Pipeline Café is at 805 Pohukaina St. For more information, go to Pipeline Café's Web site at <http://pipelinecafe.net>.

Kappa Sigma, a fraternity, will hold its information night tomorrow from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Wainani Lounge. For more information, e-mail Michael Theune at theune@hawaii.edu or go to Kappa Sigma's Web site at <http://www.kappasigmahawaii.com>.

Anna Bananas holds "Open Turntable Tuesdays" every Tuesday from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. This is a 21-and-older event. Disc jockies and emcees are asked to bring their own records, needles and headphones. Anna Bananas is located at 2440 S. Beretania St.

Venus Nightclub holds "Wicked Wednesdays" every Wednesday from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Cover charge is \$10 for people who are 18 to 20 years old and \$5 for people who are 21 or older. Venus Nightclub is at 1349 Kapi'olani Blvd.

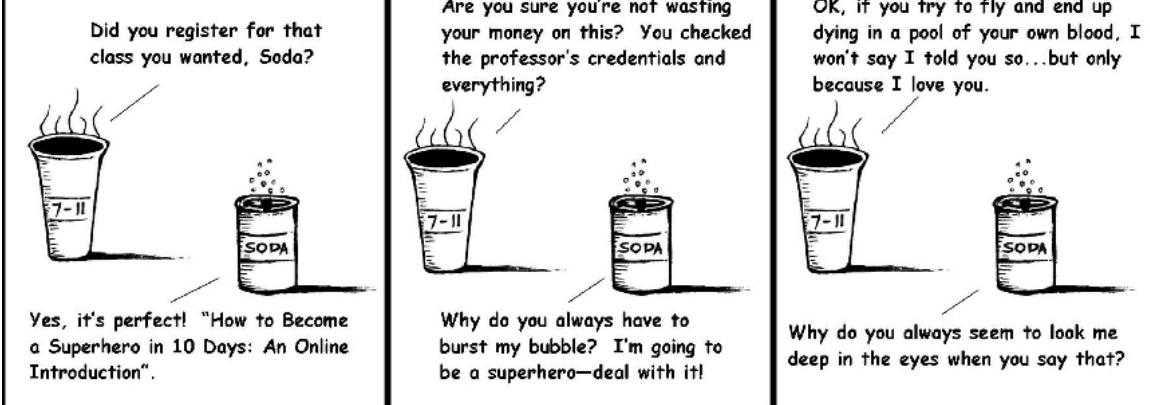
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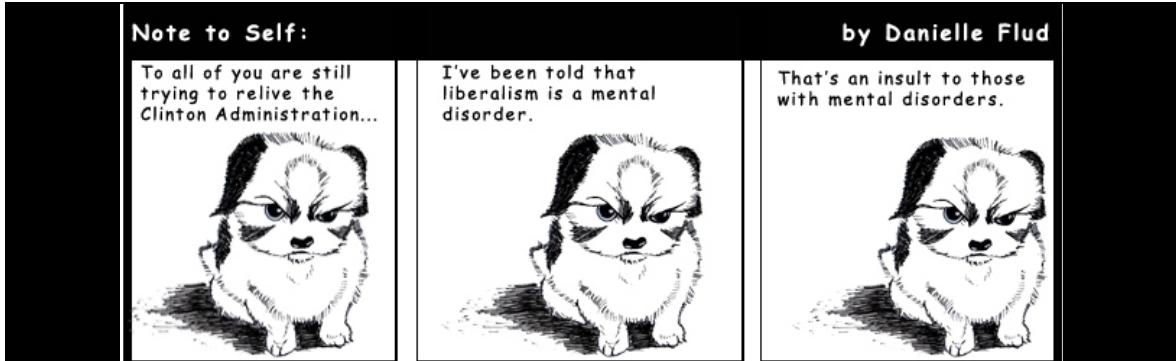
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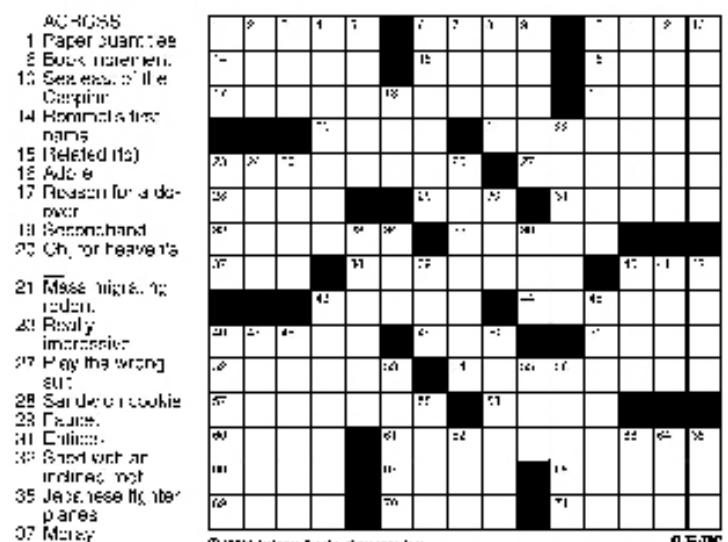
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The timing belt of a Honda Civic should be changed every 60,000 miles to prevent long-term damage.

Ignoring timing belts can be costly

By Justin Sumida
Ka Leo Staff Writer

Q: I have a Honda Civic with a few problems. I was told that the timing belt must be changed due to "mileage." The cost for this belt is pretty expensive, so I was wondering if it's something that has to be done. If so, why is it so expensive to change? I thought belts were cheap.

Timing belts are relatively cheap. It's the labor that's expensive. On your Honda, it's crucial that you change your timing belt before the belt breaks, or you'll have to deal with severe engine damage.

The timing belt is literally inside the engine. The belt is near the front of the engine, under what is often referred to as the timing cover (some people refer to it as the front cover).

The belt

The belt is driven by the crankshaft and, in turn, controls the upper camshaft. To further illustrate, the crankshaft operates the pistons in an up-and-down motion, while the cam-shaft opens and closes the valves.

The valves

The valves are located above the pistons. They open when the piston is not at the top of its compression stroke, and are closed when the piston comes to the top of its compression stroke.

This sequence, or "timing," is controlled by the timing belt, as it plays a crucial role in the timing of the valves opening and closing. If the belt breaks, then the camshaft will stop operating, and in turn, the valves will stop moving and will remain in either the opened or closed position.

In cylinders where the valves are open, the piston will continue in its compression stroke and, in the case of motors like the one found in your Honda, will crush and bend the valves. These are called interference motors. Motors that won't crush or bend the valves, should the timing belt snap or break, are called non-interference motors.

Labor-intensive repair

As far as labor goes, a timing belt replacement job requires a lot of work, depending on the make, model and year of the car. To give you the basic idea of what has to be done, all the

accessory belts in front of the engine (not to be confused with the timing belt) have to be removed along with the respective components that they drive.

Once those are removed, the engine mounts, timing cover and a few other parts have to be removed. It's always recommended that while you're fixing a timing belt, things like the water pump and timing belt tensioner should be replaced. Most of the labor related to the timing belt is also related to these components.

Rule of thumb

As a general rule of thumb, you should change a timing belt every 60,000 miles or by the manufacturer's recommendations. In reality, changing the timing belt is just required maintenance, so you won't feel any difference in performance or functionality when you get your car back.

However, you will have peace of mind since your car will continue to run much longer. By spending a few hundred dollars for the timing belt, you'll potentially save yourself a few thousand in engine repairs due to a broken belt.

Decreasing electric bills and increasing recyclables

Ka Leo Features Desk

Interim Chancellor Denise Konan's newly formed Sustainability Council is focusing this academic year on lowering the University of Hawaii at Mānoa's \$1.5-million-a-month electric bill, expanding recycling collection sites and developing a Sustainability Studies Certificate for students interested in a career that helps the world.

The council includes invited faculty, staff and student representatives from various departments. Their guiding definition is: "For a community to be truly sustainable, it must adopt a three-pronged approach

that considers economic, environmental and cultural resources. Communities must consider these needs in the short term, as well as the long term."

As a network of working groups, the council will focus on communications, curriculum, energy, materials (including recycling), research, resource development, special projects and student involvement.

They hope to organize a UH Energy Summit as part of Campus Sustainability Week this October, setting up a four-site Recycling Pilot Project to collect data necessary for expanding the program already in place.



UH Sustainability Council Chair Mary Tiles gives the "thumbs down" to an electrical meter in the basement of Sakamaki Hall. Lowering the campus' \$1.5-million-per-month electric bill is one of the Council's priorities this year.

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More rain than rainbows for Hawai'i Volleyball

By Magdiel Vilchez
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Sunday: 'Bows get clawed by Bruins

After being swept by Florida, then sweeping Colorado, the seventh ranked University of Hawai'i at Mānoa volleyball team prepared to face one of their biggest rivals, the University of California, Los Angeles. After the tenth ranked Bruins upset fifth ranked Florida, the stage was set for the latest in the historic rivalry between UCLA and Hawai'i. The 7,793 fans sported white shirts for White-Out Night at the Stan Sheriff Center as the Rainbow Wahine attempted to white-out the heartbreaking loss against Florida from two nights before with a win over the Bruins. Unfortunately for the 'Bows, it was the Bruins (6-0) that wiped out the Rainbow Wahine (3-2) in a three-game sweep (30-19, 30-26, 30-24) on the final day of the Hawaiian Airlines Classic Tournament Sunday evening.

The Rainbow Wahine came out fighting with a 2-0 run, only to see the Bruins catch fire later in the game, putting down a 4-0 run that gave them an 11-6 lead after a controversial call on an error by UH middle blocker Keri Gregory. The Bruin attack hit an impressive .576 attack percentage while only registering one attack error in the first game. They had a number of great runs including an 8-2 run to close the game at 19-30.

"[UCLA's] outside hitter [Katie] Carter came out any which way; angle, line, and using the block," said UH senior setter Kanoe Kamana'o. "And our outside and middle blockers had a hard time closing. She had the night."

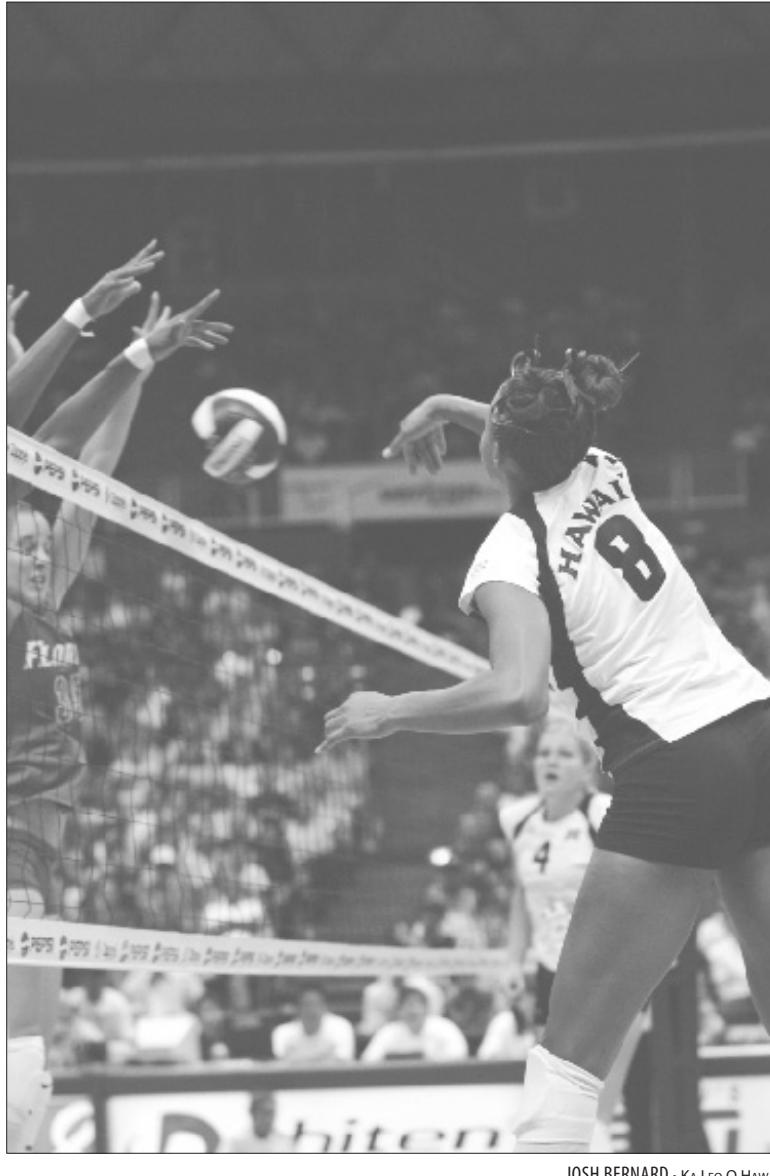
UCLA's Carter led all scorers with 21 kills followed by UH outside hitter Jamie Houston and Bruin's Meriwether with 14 and 12 kills, respectively.

In the second game the 'Bows took the lead early before the Bruins took it back at 12-7. Not phased by the Bruin run, Hawai'i brought the fans to their feet by taking a 24-23 lead with a Sanders kill at 24-23.

"Slowly, in game two and three we started to figure them out and touch on the block," added Kamana'o.

Unfortunately for the 'Bows, the Bruins had other plans and took back the lead 27-24 riding a 4-0 run that was capped by a block by Carter and Bruin Middle blocker Nana Meriwether. Hawai'i fought back and got as close as 26-28 before a UCLA kill and block put Game two away at 30-26.

Led by UH junior middle blocker Kari Gregory's 10 kills and 5 blocks, including five kills and two blocks in Game three, the Rainbow Wahine made one last stand against the Bruins. UH performed a balanc-



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Hawai'i hitter Jamie Houston spikes the ball to score a point for the Rainbow Wahine during game three of the 'Bows' match with Florida. Despite their efforts, Hawai'i suffered their first loss of the season as they were swept by the gators.

ing act, steadily tying the game up five times before UCLA pulled away with two 3-0 runs. A kill by Bruin outside hitter Kaitlin Sather finalized the UCLA sweep at 30-24.

"It's a frustrating loss because we know we're good enough to play against [UCLA]," Gregory said.

UCLA finished unbeaten in the tournament and won the HAL Classic with Florida as the runner-up. Meriwether grabbed the Most Outstanding Player award for the tournament while Hawai'i's Tara Hittle, took home all-tournament team honors.

Saturday: 'Bows beat Buffs for Shoji's 900

With a three-game loss to Florida still looming over the minds of the Rainbow Wahine, the defending Western Athletic Conference champions decided to throw a block party for Shoji's 900th career victory. The Rainbow Wahine out-blocked the

Colorado University Buffaloes 17-4 in a three game (32-30, 30-23, 30-20) victory in the second day of the HAL Classic at the SSC Saturday night.

The 'Bows and the Buffaloes saw-sawed in game one. Colorado had game point at 30-29 however, kills by Hittle and Houston along with a Buffalo error sealed the game for Hawai'i at 32-30.

"We came out a little tentative because we didn't have a good night last night so we came out doubting ourselves a little," Gregory said. "But as soon as we got into our rhythm and got onto our pass we were fine."

Games two and three saw the rise of the 'Bows' block, including two consecutive Gregory blocks to cap a 4-0 Hawai'i run at 11-7. The Rainbow Wahine ran with the lead, allowing Colorado to get only as close as 28-21 before a Houston kill and another Gregory block gave UH the 30-23 victory in game two.

Colorado made one last effort to steal a game, but a timeout midway



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Rainbow Wahine Head Coach Dave Shoji receives a ball from UH Associate Athletic Director Marilyn Moniz-Kaho'ohanohano after defeating the Colorado Buffaloes for his 900th career victory in Honolulu on Saturday, September 2, 2006. The Rainbow Wahine won in three matches.

through the game by Shoji inspired the Rainbow Wahine to a 9-0 run. The Rainbow Wahine put down the final 3 of 4 points of the game, including a block by Gregory and Mason, to seal the deal at 30-20.

"Part of the game plan was to go back to the middle," added Shoji. "We have to get our Middles going and they did a good job. We blocked well."

The victory puts Shoji in the record books as the second most winningest coach in NCAA volleyball history.

"It's an honor to be on [Shoji's] team," added Kamana'o. "For him to take us under his wing, it shows how much he has worked with his players over the years to develop the Hawai'i volleyball program."

"I told [the team] that they'd always be remembered as the team that won 900," Shoji said. "But there were many players before them who had a part in this. We're all going to share in this."

Friday: Gators chomp down on 'Bows with a sweep

In the Biblical story of Samson, Samson attains inhuman strength through his hair and upon cutting it, loses all his power. Perhaps the same could be said about UH Head Coach Dave Shoji. After going 2-0 in back-to-back nail biters against Pepperdine the weekend before, the Rainbow Wahine volleyball team, lead by a newly shaved Shoji, fell to the Florida Gators in a three game sweep (20-30, 26-30, 23-30) in the opening day of the 19th Annual Hawaiian Airlines Classic Tournament in front of a crowd of 6,911 Friday night at the Stan Sheriff Center.

Hawai'i seemed to come out firing, grabbing an early 3-1 lead before the Gators shaved off the Rainbow

Wahine lead faster than Shoji ended the one week stint with his goatie. Florida allowed Hawai'i to put down only 2 points during a run that put the Gators up 21-12. The Rainbow Wahine were able to put down a couple more kills before Florida put an end to game one, 20-30, with a kill by Florida outside hitter Marcie Hampton.

"They did a very good job of running their offense," Kamana'o said. "We were one step too slow on blocking. We had a hard time passing the serve. It was hard to run plays."

Hawai'i put up their best fight in Game 2, taking control early in the game after back-to-back kills by Houston put the 'Bows up 20-18.

Florida took the lead back 27-26

than ran away with a 3-0 run and the game at 30-26.

"We wanted to comeback but there was a bad feeling on our court; Not playing to our potential," added Hittle. "We made tons of mistakes on the court. You can't make that many mistakes."

Hawai'i had five of their 11 service errors in game two while posting a 0.026 and 0.093 attacking percentage in games one and two respectively.

The Rainbow Wahine showed one last sign of life with the UH Block stepping up in game three. Hawai'i's Gregory, who was in on all six Hawai'i blocks, put down three blocks in game three to help fuel the Rainbow Wahine to a 15-13 lead. But even the added block was not enough to keep the Gators from biting back with two 6-1 runs that gave the Gators the match.

"The match looked more early-season for both teams," said Florida Head Coach Mary Wise. "I don't think either team is in mid-season form. We were just very fortunate that we blocked well very early."

The Crimson Tide too strong for the Warriors

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Months of anticipation, a crowd of 92,138, and a few first-game jitters doomed the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa football team in its season opener against Alabama in Tuscaloosa Saturday. With some key mistakes and turnovers, the Warriors ran out of time losing to the Crimson Tide 25-17 in a game that came down to the final play where UH quarterback Colt Brennan launched a pass towards the end zone which was intercepted as time ran out.

Hawai'i started off the game strong. Ross Dickerson fielded the kickoff and returned it 47-yards to Hawai'i's 49-yard line before the Warriors got on the scoreboard with a 42-yard field goal by Dan Kelly. Alabama answered back with a 31-

yard field goal of their own as the game lay deadlocked at three a piece after the first period.

For the rest of the first half the Warrior offense could not find a rhythm. Alabama outscored Hawai'i 12-0 in the second quarter, as Tim Castille scored the Crimson Tide's first touchdown with 14:30 left in the second. The Warriors fumbled their first possession of the second half but Alabama failed to capitalize. After starting on their own 1-yard line and being forced to punt, Kurt Milne fumbled the snap then threw the ball in desperation towards the end zone. The play was originally ruled a touchdown, but after replay was overturned and called a safety. Hawai'i had one more chance to get on the scoreboard in the first half when they reached Alabama's 25-yard line with just over

a minute left in the half. However, The Warriors failed to convert on the fourth down.

Alabama continued to roll in the second half, scoring on their first possession when Tide quarterback John Parker Wilson connected with receiver Keith Brown for a 35-yard score. On the following drive the Warriors finally appeared to click offensively as Brennan led Hawai'i down to Alabama's 9-yard line. Running back Reagan Mauia however, fumbled the ball away at the four.

On the next UH possession, Mauia made up for his fumble mistake by catching a shovel pass from Brennan and stumbling into the end zone to cut the deficit down to 12. Mauia played most of the snaps in the second half after starter Nate Ilaoa suffered a concussion in the first half.

Early in the fourth it appeared Alabama had scored another touchdown but UH head coach June Jones challenged the play. After review the officials ruled that the receiver was out of bounds, Alabama ended up scoring a field goal instead making the game 25-17.

With little time for mistakes, Brennan and the Warriors answered back with an 85-yard drive, capped by a 31-yard touchdown reception by Ryan Grice-Mullins bringing the game within one touchdown 25-17.

The Warrior defense then held Alabama to six plays, but the Tide managed to burn 4:24 off the clock. Hawai'i got the ball back at its own 25-yard line with 2:04 remaining. Brennan completed six of his next seven passes to get the Warrior to the Alabama 26-yard line. But the

Alabama defense, which got to Brennan three times in the game, forced two incomplete passes and intercepted Brennan in the end zone on the final play of the game.

The Hawai'i offense was held to 87 total yards in the first half, but rebounded in the second to end the game with 372 total yards. Brennan finished with 350 yards and two touchdowns on 30 of 44 passing.

Alabama sophomore quarterback John Parker Wilson finished with 253 yards and one touchdown on 16 of 29 passing in his first career start. Tide receiver Keith Brown led all receivers with 132 yards, six receptions and a touchdown.

Hawai'i now has a busy week before coming home to host the University of Nevada Las Vegas on Sept. 16 at Aloha Stadium.