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CampusBeat

Compiled by **Dannah Gonzales**

Tuesday, August 22

11:39 a.m. – A homeless man was seen hitting golf balls on the East West ridge towards campus.

1:01 p.m. – The Kuykendall vending machines were reported opened with the locks placed on top of them.

8:22 p.m. – The staff at Hale Aloha Mokuhanā tower reported recovering beer from one of the dormitory rooms.

Wednesday, August 23

9:56 a.m. – UH Bookstore staff reported a suspicious man inside the store.

11:33 a.m. – UH Bookstore requested security assistance due to catching a shop-lifter.

4:13 p.m. – Security found the fire extinguisher box damaged by Hemenway Hall.

Thursday, August 24

2:46 p.m. – A small grass fire was reported at the rear end of the Baseball Stadium. The Honolulu Fire Department was informed of the incident but the call was cancelled due to the fire being extinguished.

5:03 p.m. – The UH staff reported seeing graffiti at the Center for Hawaiian Studies building.

5:05 p.m. – A Hale Noelani resident reported his motorcycle missing from the parking lot. It appeared that the owner forgot where he parked his motorcycle because it was found at another parking lot.

6:56 p.m. – Hale 'Ānuenue staff reported a bottle rocket being set off in the building. The area was checked and no one was found.

9:43 p.m. – Staff at Moore Hall reported seeing a suspicious male lounging around the area.

Friday, August 25

9:55 a.m. – A man was bitten by a dog at the Campus Center courtyard. He declined to file a report to the Honolulu Police Department or the Humane Society and refused emergency medical services.

4:43 p.m. – A minor motor vehicle collision was reported on the East West Road by Holmes Hall. The Honolulu Police Department was already at the scene and the owners of the vehicles settled the dispute.

Saturday, August 26

12:05 a.m. – Security assistance was required with the reporting of possible marijuana possession at the Hale Aloha 'Ilima Tower.

12:22 a.m. – Security assistance was requested due to an intoxicated man found in the Hale Wainani courtyard.

12:30 a.m. – Security assisted helping staff break up a party at the Hale

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UH faculty looking for new chancellor

Faculty convenes to express concerns for new chancellor

By **Blaine Tolentino**
Ka Leo Senior Reporter

A meeting of the University of Hawai'i Mānoa Faculty Senate convened yesterday in lieu of the active chancellor search that will be completed by summer 2007, according to Mānoa Chancellor Search Committee Chair Robert Bley-Vroman.

The chancellor search has already begun with the publishing of an advertisement in the Chronicle of Higher Education on August 29. Bley-Vroman said he expects to begin reviewing candidates in October.

"In all earnesty, the search began just a few weeks ago," said Bley-Vroman. "The search committee is in listening mode."

Lilikala Kame'eleihiwa spoke on behalf of the Kualii council as well as the search committee.

"We wanted to have minimal qualifications to include the idea that UH is a Hawaiian place of learning," Kame'eleihiwa said. "We are looking for a

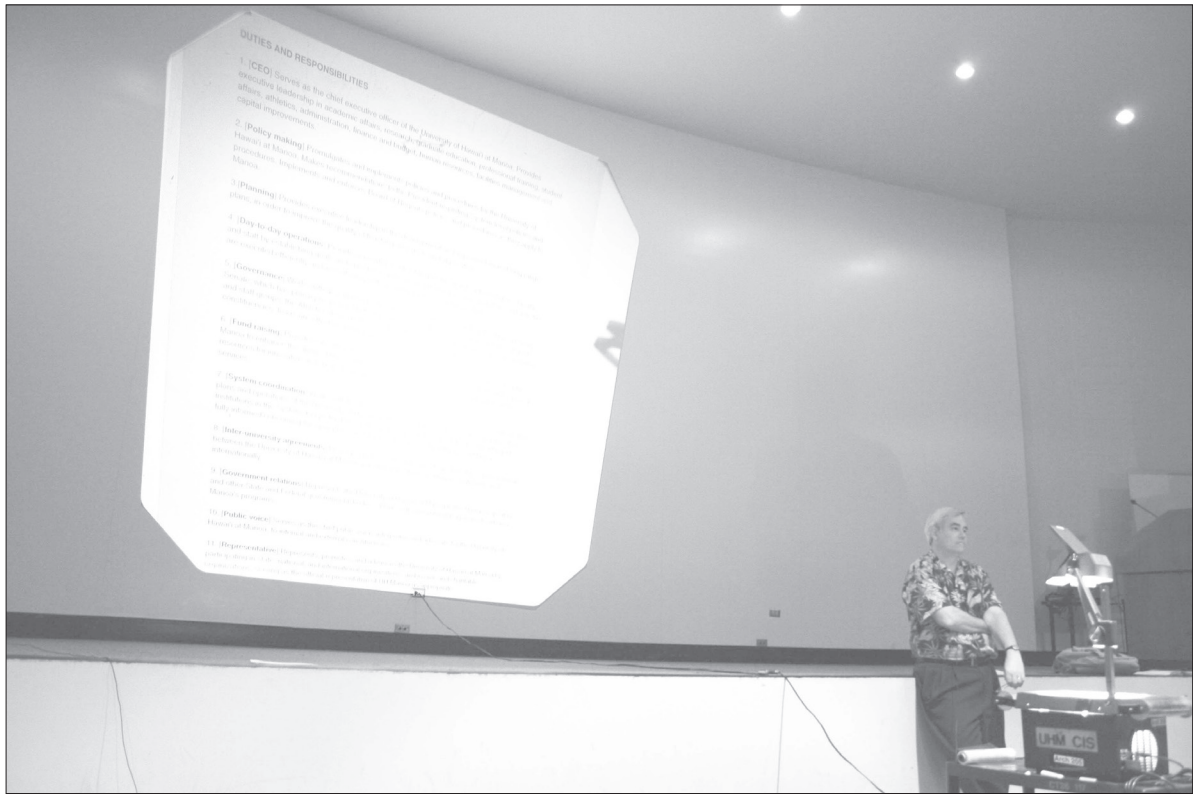


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Robert Bley-Vroman, chairman of the Chancellor Search Committee, outlines the expectations for the position. A national job listing is now running in the Chronicle of Higher Education, and the committee will begin reviewing application in October.

chancellor who has had experience supporting or empowering native or indigenous."

Kame'eleihiwa also added that she was interested in having a chancellor who is good at fundraising because "we all need funds."

"It was the Board of Regents who determined the selection of a

search firm," said Bley-Vroman in response to a question posed by a faculty member concerning the large allocation of funds for search firm action. "It was the president of the BOR that negotiated the dollar amount for the search firm."

"[UH professors] are in a unique position to engage in work

that is meaningful not only to Hawai'i but all over the world," said Second Language Studies Professor Graham Crookes. "We would hope that the new chancellor would give thought to that."

Professor David Duffy from the Botany Department said that

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Hanabusa wins favor of Oahu's west side

Candidate leads by seven points at Kapolei open forum

By **Tiffany Hill**
Ka Leo Contributing Reporter



HANABUSA

Hanabusa won with a seven-point lead. Rather than each candidate giving a speech, they all rotated between ten groups of community members seated in circles. In random assignments, each candidate went to a group of mostly west O'ahu residents.

For a total of nine minutes, the candidates responded to questions posed by the group's participants. After intimate conversations, a gong sounded and each candidate then rotated on to the next group until each had been to every circle.

Local TV station KHNL News 8 with Howard Dashefsky provided commentary for each of the candidates as well as footage for the viewers at home. Taped interviews of the Republican candidates running for the 2nd

Out of ten Democratic candidates campaigning for Ed Case's vacant seat in the U.S. House, the people of Kapolei and O'ahu's west side could relate best to Colleen Hanabusa.

The candidates met at Kapolei High School Monday for what has been coined "political speed dating."

In an open forum held in the school cafeteria, the candidates seeking to fill U.S. Rep. Ed Case's seat gathered for an informal "talk story" with the community.

After the forum ended, the Democratic Party of Hawai'i distributed a ballot to the participants asking them to vote on who they liked best based upon their presentations.

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Akaka vs. Case live tonight

Senate candidates to battle in first televised debate

By **Matt Tuohy**
Ka Leo Staff Reporter

AARP Hawai'i will be sponsoring a debate between Sen. Daniel Akaka and Rep. Ed Case on PBS, which will take place later tonight.

A coin toss prior to the debate will decide who goes first. The winner may choose to go first or second.

Each candidate will be given a five-minute opening statement, two minutes to answer each question, one minute for an optional rebuttal and three minutes for closing statements.

Questions were pre-selected by AARP with input from community members and are kept secret until asked at the debate.

Both Akaka and Case accepted the invitation with much enthusiasm. Though Case had accused

KA LEO VIDEO **On the Web**

Reporter Matt Tuohy covers the debate tonight. Visit our website this weekend to see a webcast of our in-depth event coverage.

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Akaka of avoiding debate invitations in the past, Akaka's campaign office chose to accept AARP's structure for the event, which they see as open and fair.

Case responded directly, "I am grateful that Hawaii's voters will benefit from at least one fair and full debate, and [I] look forward to presenting them with this crucial choice."

Gerald Kato, a University of Hawai'i at Mānoa associate professor and chair of the School of Communications, will be moderating the debate.

"I am honored to be asked," said Kato. "It's like being asked to prom."

Kato was chosen to moderate after an interview process.

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Campus

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Wainani dormitory.
1:01 a.m. – A bong was confiscated from one of the rooms in the Hale Noelani dormitory.

1:45 a.m. – A complaint was made against three intoxicated men causing a raucous by throwing bottles and yelling.

8:12 p.m. – Several pedal bikes were reported damaged by the Gateway House staff.

8:50 p.m. – Hale Noelani staff reported a dormitory room being burglarized.

Sunday, August 27
11:00 p.m. – Security assistance was requested due to a fight involving two men nearby the Hale Wainani.

11:10 p.m. – The fight was resolved.

11:50 p.m. – The Honolulu Police Department broke up a KEO fraternity house party.

Monday, August 28
2:29 a.m. – A couple was seen loitering by the mulch pile bench. Upon the arrival of security, the man and woman fled. Various contraband was found.

One man donates \$25 million to UH Mānoa

Ka Leo News Desk

In the single largest donation in the history of the school, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa alum Jay Shidler yesterday donated \$25 million to the UH College of Business Administration.

According to a college official, a proposal to rename the college the Shidler College of Business will go before the Board of Regents on Sept. 6 for approval.

Shidler is a 1968 graduate of the university and founder of The Shidler Group, a Honolulu-based real estate company.

An In-depth Look

For an in-depth follow up of this story, see the issue on Tuesday Sept. 5.

Personal products might not feel all that soothing

By Julie Deardorff
Chicago Tribune

For the last several years, cosmetics and personal-care products have been the top substances involved in poisonings, according to the Illinois Poison Center.

But hand cream, lotion, shampoo, soap and deodorant aren't just potentially dangerous when accidentally swallowed by curious toddlers. Researchers have found that dangers also work from the outside in.

The most recent study found that diethanolamine (DEA), used in skin lotion, shampoo and sunscreen, may inhibit brain development in baby mice when applied to the skin of their pregnant moms, according to researchers at the University of North Carolina.

Another piece of work, presented in June at the Endocrine Society's annual meeting, found that personal-care products containing tea-tree oils and lavender appear to cause the rare condition of gynecomastia, or abnormal breast development, in pre-pubescent boys.

What alarms consumer-advocacy groups is that cosmetic products and ingredients are not subject to pre-market approval by the Food and Drug Administration, with the exception of color additives. That means only a small percentage of the more than 10,000 chemical ingredients in personal-care products contain substances that have been tested for safety, and those tests are overseen by industry groups, not the federal government.

Individually, most ingredients are fairly benign. But adults use an average of 10 products daily, according to the Environmental Working Group, and risk increases with exposures.

The scientists behind both studies caution that more research is needed and that the results shouldn't cause people to stop bathing, certainly. The investigation that found a link between gynecomastia and tea-tree oil and lavender cleaners focused on just three cases. When the boys stopped using the products, their breast devel-

opment vanished.

But Steven Zeisel, who headed the DEA study and is an associate dean for research in the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina, suggests that it might be prudent to read labels and consider limiting your exposure to certain chemicals, like DEA, until more is known.

Take note, mothers-to-be.

DEA appears to block the body's ability to absorb the nutrient choline, which Zeisel has shown is essential for normal development of the brain. A pregnant woman requires extra choline so she can pass the nutrient on to the fetus. At very high doses, DEA treatment resulted in spontaneous miscarriages in mice, according to Zeisel, whose work was published in the August Journal of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology.

In the study, Zeisel and colleagues applied 80 milligrams of DEA to the skin of pregnant mice. The scientists estimated that as 10 times the amount we might get from a daily shampoo, but DEA is in so many products that 80 milligrams could approximate daily exposure.

More than 100,000 tons of DEA – also known as lauramide diethanolamine, coco diethanolamine, coconut oil amide of diethanolamine, lauramide DEA, lauric diethanolamine and lauroyl diethanolamine – are sold in the United States each year.

DEA is just the latest entry drawing suspicion. Some consumers and advocacy groups still wonder whether parabens (methylparaben, propylparaben, and butylparaben), the most widely used preservatives in cosmetic products, are really safe.

Though the FDA says yes, it was an industry-sponsored organization that reviewed the data on parabens in 1984 and 2005. Both times the review board concluded that they were safe for use in cosmetic products at levels up to 25 percent. Typically parabens are used at levels ranging from 0.01 to 0.3 percent.

But the issue hasn't died,

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"The search committee is in listening mode."

Robert Bley-Vroman | Search Committee Chair

the estimated faculty population will fall 25 to 33 percent and, in lieu of that, the chancellor should be ready to make changes in contract so that faculty retention is not so large an issue.

"There is currently a great disconnect between vision and implementation," said Fred Creager, an associate professor with the School of Architecture. "The chancellor should work to create a greater sense of community between the separate colleges and units."

"[UH is] looking for a chancellor that will strike out for autonomy," said chair of the Senate Executive Committee, Jim Tiles. "They should work to realize Mānoa's individuality despite the commands passed down from the [UH] system."

Mary Tiles, chair of the Sustainability Council charged by interim chancellor Denise Konan, talked about the ability of a future chancellor to reduce the electricity bill that UH pays at \$1.5 million monthly. "We are looking for a vigorous advocate concerning resource issues and electricity use," said Tiles.

"We're not looking for another Evan Dobelle," said Tamara Albertini, an associate professor in the Philosophy Department. "We're not looking for someone who just wants to come to a great place and make a lot of money."

Applications and nominations should be sent to:

David Bellshaw, Vice President and Director, Isaacson and Miller, 533 Airport Blvd. Suite 400, Burlingame, CA 94010 or 3256.che@imsearch.com

Debate

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Event organizers were trying to find someone who was unbiased and could ask the questions without getting involved in the debate, he said.

Kato's duties include interrupting candidates if they go over the time limit and asking follow-up questions if answers given by the candidates are unclear.

These kinds of forums are important because both candidates will have a chance to express their views on their campaigns, he said.

The debate will be filmed at the KHET studios in Mānoa with an audience of about 30 people, though the event is closed to the media and spectators. Three seats will be reserved for each candidate and the president of AARP, and the rest will be filled by AARP members.

The event will air on PBS Hawai'i at 7:30 p.m.

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Congressional District Bob Hogue and Quentin Kawananakoa aired prior to the live broadcast.

As all of the candidates in attendance belonged to the Democratic Party, they share similar views on key national and local issues. The main concerns of the community were the issues surrounding the war in Iraq, education funding and Hawaii's environment.

Sending our troops home

All of the candidates unanimously agreed upon putting an end to U.S. involvement in the war in Iraq.

However, while about half of the candidates believe that the U.S. needs to get out of Iraq as soon as possible, others maintain that setting a timetable for the departure of troops is necessary.

Candidate Joseph Zuiker discussed with attendees how the national debt caused by the war in Iraq is creating a large burden for future generations.

"My theme [is] stop billing the babies. We've got to get out of Iraq and stop billing your babies. The national debt is a credit card. Babies are getting stuck. That's not the Hawaiian way," said Zuiker.

Candidate Brian Schatz, who also wants U.S. troops out of Iraq immediately, said the war in Iraq is proving to be "worse than usual. For the first time in history ... we have been at a war and cut taxes at the same time."

Money for school

The candidates also agreed on increasing federal funding for higher education in Hawaii, including subsidized government loans and Pell Grants, which give students free money to go to college.

"Education is a segue to a better life for all people," said candidate Clayton Hee. He also said that, if we could get our troops out of Iraq, he would want to see military funding diverted to education.

"We need more Pell Grants ...," said former Lt. Gov. Mazie Hirono, another candidate. "This administration is decreasing support on higher education. I support [the] University of Hawaii."

All of the candidates were against President Bush's No Child Left Behind Act, which relies heavily on standardized testing, agreeing that it does not reflect the education system in Hawaii.

Keeping Hawaii beautiful

When it came to issues surrounding Hawaii's environment, the majority of the candidates agreed on a diminishment of military presence on Hawaiian land.

According to candidate Gary Hooser, one of the top items on his political agenda is protecting and preserving the environment.

"I represent the Waianae Coast," said candidate Colleen Hanabusa. She said that she wants to see the land of Makua Valley returned to the Hawaiian public.

Each of the candidates supports an increase of federal funds to sustain and preserve Hawaii's natural resources.

The primary elections for the candidates will be held Saturday, Sept. 23.

A Morning Paper and Coffee



PHOTO BY MATTHEW K. ING - KA LEO O HAWAII

As the sun set, two empty coffee cups on two copies of Ka Leo remained in front of Krauss Hall -- remnants of a typical college day.

Parabens

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because studies have detected parabens in breast tumors, and researchers are looking at the estrogen-like properties of para-

bens and the influence of estrogen on breast cancer.

Basically, in the largely unregulated world of personal-care products, the only thing consumers can do is read ingredient labels and remember that even a product promoted as "organic" might contain synthetic ingredients.

The products with the highest percentage of organic ingredients

bear the government's green and white USDA organic seal. You can also check the federal household products database (householdproducts.nlm.nih.gov) for health and safety information on household products and to find a list of products that contain DEA or parabens.

And though it's impractical, try not to put anything on your body that you wouldn't eat.

State's new drinking law unnecessary

New state law cracks down on underage drinking

By Josh Reason
Ka Leo Contributing Writer

Look out, incoming freshman, you have a lot to think about — classes, books and penalties if you are caught drinking in the dorms. The state has added new laws and is strengthening others.

An especially interesting new law cites underage drinkers for consuming alcohol. Until recently, police could not issue citations or take action against underage drinkers if they were intoxicated; they could only issue a violation for possession of alcohol. Now, even if underage drinkers are not in possession of alcohol but are intoxicated, there will be a penalty.

This law is unnecessary. The present balance between responsible drinking and freedom of choice should not be unbalanced. The state should leave well enough alone; the laws were fine the way they were. The psychology behind this belief is that the more pressure the state puts on younger students while they are in transition from eighteen to twenty one, the more they are going to rebel.

The fact is that most anti-alcohol programs and laws are not targeting people who are of age, except the infamous DUI. They are just cracking down on the ones that are not of age; but this ignores the relationship between the over-21 drinkers influencing the up-and-coming generation of drinkers.

Having a few drinks with friends and with co-workers after a long week is a perfect way to clear the air on a Friday or Saturday night. Weekend drinking is a tradition everywhere, and college is no exception. With football season coming up, surely no one would tackle our nation's favorite spectator pastime and by trying to slander football fans who drink until they don't know what the score is any more. In front of the TV at home, in the parking lot at the games, and at the sports bar; it's just the American thing to do.

It seems that the message

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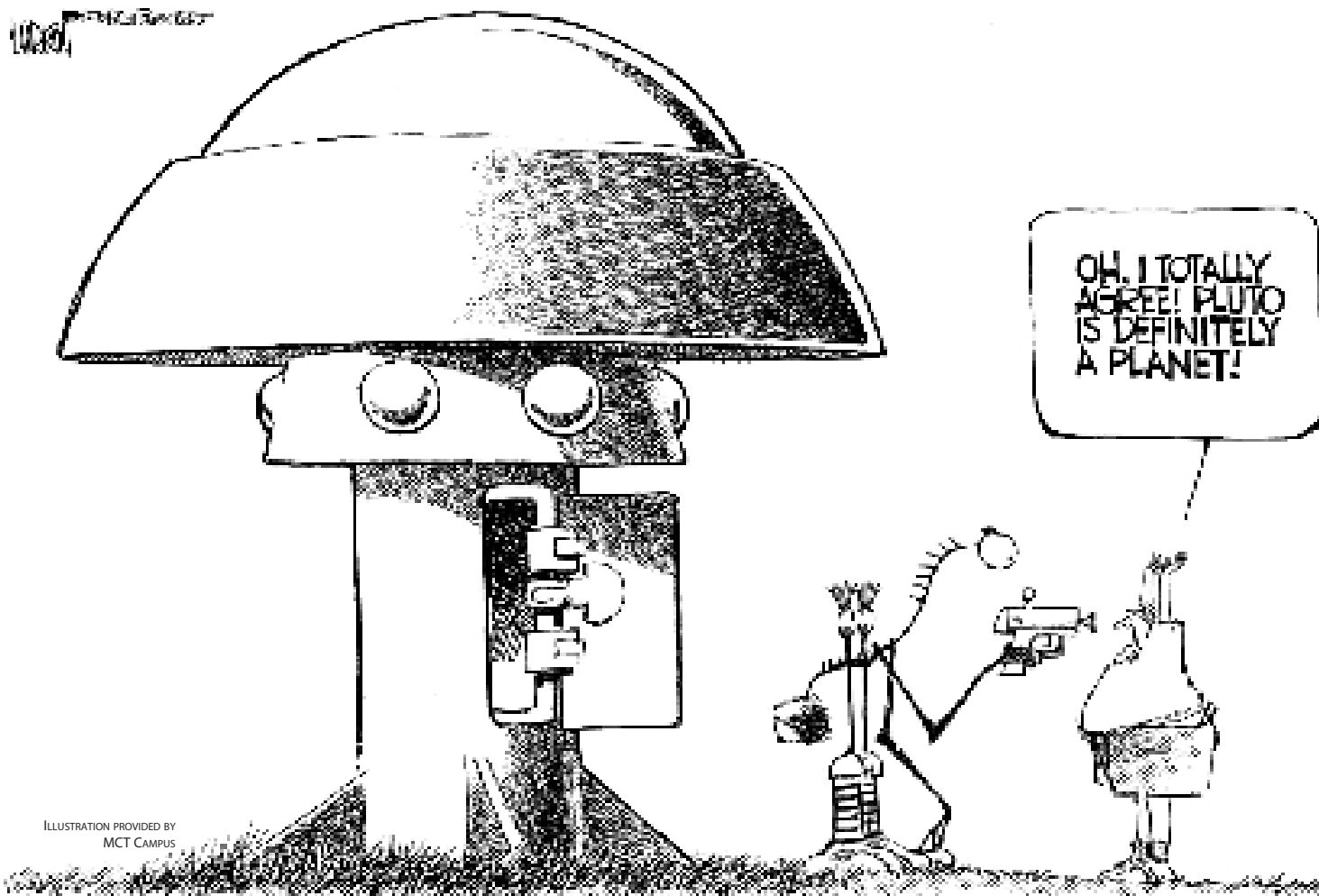


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Lessons from the erstwhile planet

Public is emotional about Pluto's new classification

By Dawn Miller
The Charleston (W.Va.) Gazette (MCT)

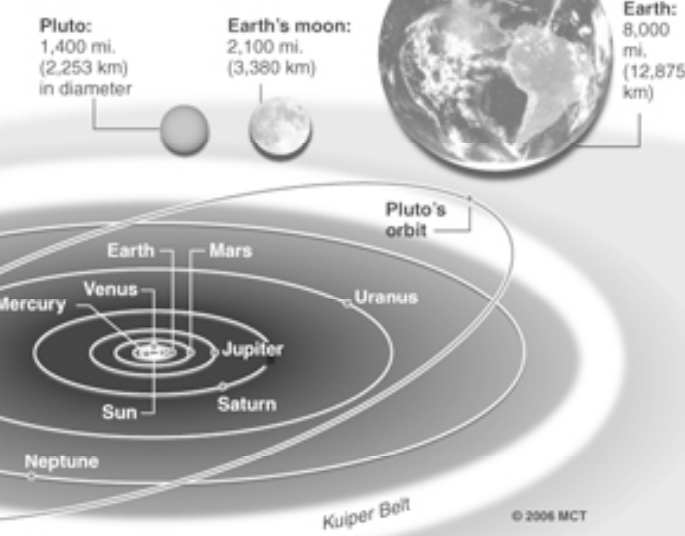
What is most surprising about Pluto's change of status is not that the world's leading astronomers decided Pluto doesn't really belong in the same category as the rest of the planets. It's the emotional reaction this decision has brought out in people.

One astronomer referred to "hate mail" he received from elementary students. News reports used phrases suggesting that Pluto had been unceremoniously kicked out of "an elite cosmic club." Others used soothing phrases, assuring us that Pluto is still there but implying that we may see him less often.

"It's like an amicable

Pluto gets kicked out of the planet club

A new definition by the International Astronomical Union of what is a planet leaves Pluto out and the official number of planets at eight.



Arguments for Pluto being called a planet

- Has enough gravity to pull itself into a sphere
- Has its own moon
- Has an atmosphere
- Is larger than Quaoar, Sedna and other objects recently discovered in the Kuiper Belt — a vast region beyond Neptune that contains innumerable icy objects, including comets that sometimes pass through the solar system
- Been called a planet since it was discovered in 1930

Arguments against Pluto being called a planet

- Its oblong and tilted orbit, which passes inside Neptune's orbit for 20 years, is more like a comet than a planet
- Four planetary moons, including Earth's, are larger than Pluto
- Its composition is more like the icy objects found in the Kuiper Belt than a planet
- Its moon, Charon, is so large that the two bodies orbit around a common center of gravity

Source: NASA
Graphic: Billy Steve Clayton, Minneapolis Star Tribune

divorce," said Jack Horkheimer, director of the Miami Space Transit Planetarium, in an Associated Press interview.

Oh, the riveting drama of

scientific taxonomy! Can't you just hear the maudlin soap opera music?

Yet, I do admit an emotional attachment to Pluto, and it has

nothing to do with the cartoon dog, despite what the more doltish broadcasters suggest. Pluto

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Little surf school brings big smiles to new riders



By Jessica Yeh
Ka Leo Staff Writer

This was a very exciting experience.
I really hope to do this next year.
You were a great instructor and surfer.



COURTESY OF GIRLS WHO SURF

Many visitors from around the world find out about Girls Who Surf from the Web. They often send thank you cards to the instructors.

Surfing remains a huge part of the tourist industry in Hawai'i, but for the Web-based company Girls Who Surf, the clientele revolves around both visitors and locals.

Cherry Fu started Girls Who Surf last April to give inexperienced riders a chance to learn the sport of surfing. Although a majority of their students are tourists, there are also many kama'aina students, who receive discounted rates, Fu said.

All four surfing instructors she employs are women who have been surfing since a young age. Among these women is twenty-four-year-old Heather Kikkawa, a natural resources major at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa who grew up surfing in town. She helps with the three-hour lessons, which begin with an hour of land preparation that includes safety and ocean education, and instruction on the basics of surfing. Students then enter the water while instructors help them to stand up on boards and push them into waves. Most lessons take place in Waikiki, while some occur at White Plains in Barbers Point.

After two hours, the girls stretch, cool down and "talk-story."

Girls Who Surf work with girls of all ages, as well as families. Kikkawa noted that many of their students are children. Instructors

Girls on the waves

Girls Who Surf surfing workshop for GirlFest, Saturdays and Sundays, Sept. 8, Sept. 9, Sept. 16 and Sept. 17.

First Annual "Move Over, Boys" Surf Contest for females of all ages

- Sept. 30 to Oct. 1 - Kewalo Basin

- longboard, shortboard and body-board divisions.

For more information on lessons or contest entry, visit <http://www.girlswhosurf.com> or call 371-8917.

may not see students again since they are usually visiting Hawai'i. However, they receive many thanks through e-mails and letters.

It is a positive outlook that helped Girls Who Surf gain recognition and appreciation like this from former students. Kikkawa recalled a day when one student said "this is the best day of my entire life!" The smiles and cheers are all part of what make her job as an instructor worthwhile.

Kikkawa admitted, however, that "Teaching was frustrating at first, and I was hard on myself; it's about the students having a good time, not necessarily catching the best waves." She also said she enjoyed getting to see the stoked faces of those who catch their first waves.

Teaching people to surf is not the easiest task for Kikkawa, she said, since Fu gives her other responsibilities. She needs to multi-task by managing schedules



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and taking care of the students while they are in her charge, as well as teach them to surf.

During the summer, Girls Who Surf gave about two four-hour-long lessons per day, which included picking up and dropping off students.

In the past, surf schools received negativity from out-of-town spots.

"[I've] heard people saying negative things [about the company]," Kikkawa said. "But there's not too much heat from locals because we keep our riders on the smaller, inside waves. We get more heat from other surf schools."

Girls Who Surf has become well-known in the surf lesson arena, carving a name for themselves in the surf-tourism industry, and have become known as "the girls" by other schools. They continue to teach the sport of surfing and to engage themselves in other community activities.

PHOTO COURTESY OF DON BROWN

Woody Brown, a 94-year-old surfing legend, will share his life struggles and triumphs through a documentary film playing tonight and Sunday at Spalding Auditorium.



Of Wind and Waves: The Life of Woody Brown

Ka Leo Features Desk

For those of you who missed the first "Of Wind and Waves: The Life of Woody Brown" screening earlier this month, we have received permission to bring it back again. The film explores the extraordinary life of a 94-year-old free spirited surfing, sailing and soaring legend Woody Brown.

Woody lived an eventful life full of seemingly endless accomplishments, which included inventing the modern catamaran and set-

ting several world gliding records. Living a simple life of selflessness and generosity, Woody has become a role model for the past three generations of Hawaiians, both surfers and non-surfers, as well as for everyone who met him.

He is a modern Thoreau on a surfboard, living in harmony with the world around him, alive to the possibilities of each new day and following his own singular vision of how to live.

But Woody's story encompasses tragedy as well as triumph,

Of Wind and Waves screening

Spalding Auditorium

Tonight, Aug. 31 at 7 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 3 at 5 p.m.

UH admission: \$3 for UH students and faculty, \$5 for general audiences

For more information, call 223-0130

including his struggle to come to terms with the devastating loss of his wife during childbirth, his sub-

sequent abandonment of their infant son and his eventual reconciliation with that son some 60 years later.

"Of Wind and Waves" also provides a valuable cross-cultural portrait of the land, people and culture of Hawai'i over the six-and-a-half decade span of Woody's life here. While the explosive economic growth of the islands has unquestionably undermined and obscured many Hawaiian traditions, Woody's story shows that the spirit of aloha remains very much alive.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Compiled By Devin Fujioka Free Events

The Kaimuki Public Library will hold a book and bake sale Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The library is at 1041 Koko Head Ave.

Paid Events

Upstanding Youth, Black Squares, Golfcart Rebellion and Dubphylum will perform tomorrow at 8 p.m. at Detox. This is an all-ages event. Cover charge is \$5.

DJ Vagina and DJ Money will perform at Detox tomorrow from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Cover charge is \$5.

Fashion 45 holds "Skin" every first and third Friday of the month from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. DJs performing include Mixmaster B, Lex One and Saput Mo. This is a 21 and older event. Fashion 45 is at 2255 Kuhio Ave. For more information, go to <http://kuriousproductions.com>.

Spada Bar and Restaurant will have salsa dancing every Friday from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Cover charge is \$5 before 10:30 p.m. and \$7 after 10:30 p.m. This is an 18 and older event. Spada Bar and Restaurant is located downtown at the corner of King Street and Alakea Street.

"The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift" appearance tour will take place at Pipeline Café Saturday from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. Deejay Honda will perform and the movie's Aiko Tanaka will make an appearance. Cover charges are \$12 for people 21 years and over and \$15 for people 18 to 20 years of age. Pipeline Café is at 805 Pohukaina St. For more information, visit <http://pipelinecafe.net>.

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Poolside Bar on the third floor of the Hyatt Regency Waikiki. There will be a free pupu buffet from 10 p.m. to 12 a.m. DJs will include Matthew Grim, IKON, G-Spot and QuikSilvxa. Cover charge will range from \$7 to \$10. This is a 21 and older event. The Hyatt Regency Waikiki is at 2424 Kalakaua Ave. For more information, call 591-3500.

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Danny Simon
Ka Leo Columnist

Dear Long Distance Ain't So Bad,

Do the honorable thing and break up with your girlfriend. The sterile tone of your letter leaves me baffled as to why you've already wasted a semester of her time, and yours for that matter. Pitting good parties against intimacy is a sure sign that romance has split the scene.

Do not waste the opportunity of attending an Ivy League school. If you worked hard and your parents are willing to shell out the big bucks for your tuition, then keep your head down and build your brain.

However, if you intend to piss away your parents' second mortgage and you just want to party, move to Las Vegas and become an exotic dancer — I've heard it is a blast. I've never heard that Ivy League parties are great, only that the study load is intense and not to be approached by the mentally-defective — with the exception of rich kids who will someday rise to the presidency through the power of family connections and

a poorly-educated and heavily-manipulated public.

Find comfort in knowing that you are not alone. Every day, at least 10,000 souls around the globe make grand decisions that change the course of lifetimes. Causality is a royal pain, infinite in nature with unpredictable actions and reactions. We're currently limited to a linear path with the resulting causality being mind-bending.

A couple of years ago, my neighbor Alex came home from working at Lawrence Livermore's Particle Accelerator with one strange tale. A particle accelerator reveals the nature of the subatomic world by flinging particles around a long circular track and shooting them through a gas to be photographed. Alex overheard two scientists saying that it seemed the trapped particles had the ability to move backwards and forwards in time and space at will, be at two places at once, and ... change identity.

It'd be great to jump through time and space at will, though hopefully this fantastic ability won't present itself before humanity has matured quite a bit. Romantically speaking, we are a bit like those subatomic particles already. Sometimes we are protons, sometimes electrons and maybe when we're licking our wounds and trying to learn from our mistakes, we become neutrons, only to once again shift polarity. Good luck.

Wala'au is UH's advice column. Meaning "talk story." This is Daniel's third year helping his peers with their hard-to-tackle questions. Larissa studies pop culture and will give her two cents for the benefit of the UHM community. E-mail your questions to features@kaleo.org.

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Hawai'i prepares to open season in Tuscaloosa

By Keane Santos
Ka Leo Sports Editor

Fans are buzzing with anticipation, coaches are sharpening their game plans, and the players are doing "the haka." After a long off-season and a summer of hard work, the University of Hawai'i football team is ready to kick off their 2006-2007 season this Saturday.

On the other side of the field lies one of college football's most storied programs, the Alabama Crimson Tide. The Crimson Tide has come to the islands twice in the past four years with one of the most impressive fan bases Aloha Stadium has seen. This year however, for the first time, the Warriors will travel to Tuscaloosa, Alabama to play the Crimson Tide in Bryant Denny Stadium surrounded by 92,138 fans.

"We're excited about the opportunity to go down there and see what it's like in the big time," UH head coach June Jones said by teleconference Monday morning. "We've been to Michigan State and USC, but I told my players SEC [Southeastern Conference] football is different; hopefully we can play well."

The two teams are tied 1-1 in series meetings. Alabama defeated Hawai'i 21-16 back in 2002, but the Warriors came back to defeat the Crimson Tide 37-29 in 2003.

The Warriors are coming off a 5-7 rebuilding season, while the Crimson Tide are coming off an impressive 10-2 2005 season. However, while the Warriors now have a year of experience for most of their returning players, the Crimson Tide have lost many of their starters including their quarterback from last season, Brodie Croyle.

Bama's Offense

Alabama will be led by sophomore quarterback John Parker Wilson who has only five games of experience, going 7-11 for 98 yards and scoring two touchdowns in those games. Despite having a new signal caller, the rest of the offense remains intact, for the most part. At running back will be senior Kenneth Darby who led the

Tide in rushing yards last season, 1,242 yards on 239 attempts. Seniors Le'Ron McClain and Tim Castille will be the fullbacks.

Juniors Keith Brown and D. J. Hall return to wide receiver. Hall was the Tide's leading receiver last season, making 48 receptions for 676 yards and five touchdowns. Brown was the second leading receiver, hauling in 34 receptions for 642 yards and four touchdowns.

Alabama returns four starters on the offensive line although they lack experienced depth behind them. However, Alabama has a bunch of freshman and red shirt freshman expected to compete for playing time along the line.

Tide's Defense

Junior Wallace Gilberry and senior Jeremy Clark return along the defensive line, but defensive end Mark Anderson and defensive tackle Rudy Griffin are gone from last season. Gilberry was second in tackles among the defensive line with 37 last season. Clark is an experienced tackle who has started 26 career games for the Tide.

Alabama's linebacker position on defense was hit hard as they lost two seniors from last season, Freddie Roach and All-American DeMeco Ryans. Senior Terrence Jones will replace Ryans while two freshmen will compete for the spot to replace Roach. Juwan Simpson is the lone starter who returns in the linebacker group.

In the secondary, Alabama has lost three of their four starters, the lone returnee being left corner Ramzee Robinson. Junior Simeon Castille, who started three games last season, will play at right cornerback. The safeties will be junior Marcus Carter and senior Jeffrey Dukes.

Special Teams

Junior place-kicker Jamie Christensen is the lone returning specialist. Freshman P. J. Fitzgerald will be the top punter while junior Luke Spaulding is projected to replace Lane as snapper.



TOP: UH safety Leonard Peters, who sat out last season with an injury, was voted one of the team's captains for the second year in the row. Peters and the defense will face a tough task in stopping Alabama's run game.

LEFT: UH quarterback Colt Brennan will try to lead the Warriors high powered offense against Alabama's stingy defense. Brennan says the Alabama game has been on all the players minds for a while.

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Key aspects of the game for Hawai'i

1) On the road and facing a powerhouse

Hawai'i has always struggled on the road, and Alabama has always been a dominant team on their home field. The Tide won six of their seven home games last season while the Warriors lost three of their five games on the road last year.

History has shown Hawai'i comes out of the gates strong against powerhouse programs. Last season they moved the ball well against Southern California before falling apart later in the game. A few years ago, Hawai'i was also competitive with the Trojans on their home field before losing momentum and the game.

It will be a double-edged sword for the Warriors. They must learn to use the electric atmosphere of Bryant Denny Stadium to bring out their best game. Conversely, when they make mistakes and the Crimson Tide crowd roars in opposition, the Warriors cannot lose momentum and let the game slip away.

2) Stopping the Tide

Although Alabama is more well-known for their defense than their offense, the Crimson Tide have been famous for their powerful running game. Hawai'i was near the bottom of the nation last year in run defense, and if they cannot stop the running game against Alabama, their chances of victory are slim.

Alabama boasts a talented running back in senior Kenneth Darby, who is on track to break many Crimson Tide rushing records this season. Darby, who was on the team that lost to Hawai'i in 2003, is also looking to make his name one the Warriors won't forget. Hawai'i may have one advantage if Alabama's new starting quarterback has first-game jitters.

3) Explosive Offense, Smothering Defense

When one of the nation's top offenses (Hawai'i) plays one of the nation's top defenses (Alabama) something has to give. The Warriors should be able to put up yards and move their offense, but the real key will be if they can translate those yards into points. Last season Hawai'i struggled to put up points and came up empty in the red zone.

Another key concept will be the amount of turnovers. Even if Hawai'i puts up 400 or 500 yards it won't matter if they lose the turnover battle. On the other hand, if Hawai'i can create turnovers on defense and give the ball back to their offense, then they should have numerous opportunities to score and gain momentum. If the Warriors can control the clock on offense as well as score when given the opportunity, it will be a tough task for Alabama to keep Hawai'i from pulling off the upset.

The story of 'The Elephant'

Back when Alabama visited Aloha Stadium to play the Warriors a few years ago, many Hawai'i fans questioned Alabama fans about why they had an elephant as a mascot when their team is called the Crimson Tide.

The story of Alabama's elephant mascot goes back to Alabama coach Wallace Wade's 1930 season. On Oct. 9, 1930, sports writer Everett Strupper wrote a story about the Alabama-Mississippi game he had watched a few days earlier.

Strupper described, "At the end of the quarter, the earth started to tremble, there was a distant

rumble that continued to grow. Some excited fan in the stands bellowed, 'Hold your horses, the elephants are coming,' and out stamped this Alabama varsity. It was the first time I had seen it and the size of the entire eleven nearly knocked me cold, men that I had seen play last year looking like they had nearly doubled in size." Strupper and other writers began to call Alabama lineman "Red Elephants."

That season Alabama went undefeated 10-0, it scored their opponents 217 to 13 and won the National championship with a 24-0 victory over Washington State in the Rose Bowl.

