



# Kane`ohe Community Family Center (KCFC) Family Center News

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*The Kane`ohe Community Family Center will facilitate the strengthening of families and communities from Kane`ohe to Kualoa by enabling them to identify and use their own and other resources to improve their quality of life and sense of community*



## Just What is AYP?

By now, you have probably received notice from your child's school about whether it has met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). AYP is a measure of how a school is progressing toward the goal of 100% proficiency in reading and mathematics by the year 2014, as mandated by the No Child Left Behind Act. Here are some facts to help you make sense of AYP and the No Child Left Behind Act:

✓ In order to meet AYP this year, 44% of third, fifth, eighth, and tenth graders must be proficient in Reading, and 28% must be proficient in Mathematics. Proficiency is measured by the Hawaii State Assessment Test, taken every school year.

✓ The 44% proficiency rate for Reading and 28% proficiency rate for Mathematics not only stands for the school as a whole, but for subgroups of students such as economically disadvantaged, disabled, and limited English speaking. For example, if a school has a large special education or economically disadvantaged population, 44% of these students must meet proficiency in Reading on the Hawaii State Assessment Test, and 28% must score proficiently in Mathematics.

✓ Just because a school has not met AYP, does not mean it is a failing school. It is very common for the school to meet the 44% and 28% proficiency levels as a whole, but not meet them for one subgroup. If just one subgroup fails to meet these benchmarks, the school will not meet AYP.

✓ Next school year, the benchmarks jump considerably. In order for schools to meet AYP, 58% percent of students must reach proficiency in Reading, and 46% must reach proficiency in Mathematics. Hawaii State Assessment scores from students in grades 3-8 and 10 will count towards AYP beginning the next school year.

✓ There is a process in place to help schools who do not meet AYP improve. After two consecutive years of not meeting AYP, a school is identified for School Improvement, and is subject to additional accountability measures. Title I schools must offer public school choice. After one year in School Improvement, Title I schools must offer supplemental educational services, such as free tutoring for struggling students. For more information on the No Child Left Behind Act and where your school stands, please visit the Hawaii DOE website at <http://doe.k12.hi.us/nclb/>.

## It's Time to Celebrate Grandparents!



Grandparents are full of love and wisdom, so don't forget them this month! Make it an occasion to talk story about family history and to update family trees and family albums. Grandparent's Day falls on September 10, 2006.

It is also time to recognize grandparents that find themselves raising their grandchildren. Abuse, abandonment, incarceration, divorce, or death of a parent are all reasons that contribute to the growing number of grandparents that are raising their grandchildren.

Below is information about a support group that is available to all grandparents or other relatives who are raising children:



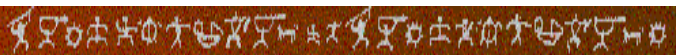
### Grandparents and Relative Caretakers Raising Grandchildren Support Group

- \* Resources \* Referrals \* Educational Material
- \* Videos \* Speakers \* Workshops/Conferences

Queen Liliuokalani Children's Center  
Koolau Poko Unit  
46-316 Haiku Road

3rd Wednesday of each month @ 9:00 a.m.

Call Bernie Baker at 235-7613



## Windward Ho`olaulea

Saturday, September 16, 2006  
9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Windward Community College



Entertainment by Vaihi, Melveen Leed, Holunape, Kapena, and more! Ono ethnic food!  
White Elephant Sale! Crafters! Keiki activities!  
Community booths! Used-book sale!

For more information, please call 235-7747.



## Kaneohe Community Family Center

### Community Resource and Referral

- Phone 235-7747
- Website <http://kcfc.pachhawaii.org>

### Hawaii Parental Information and Resource Center (HPIRC)

<http://www.hawaiiipirc.org>

### Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPI)

<http://www.hippyusa.org>  
<http://www.hawaiiipirc.org>

### Youth Leadership Program

- King Intermediate School

### Family Center Services

- Family Support

### Neighbor-2-Neighbor Youth Tobacco Prevention

- Koolau Village
- Kulana Nani

### Volunteer & Community Service Learning Opportunities

- Clerical and Program Support
- Special Event Child Care

The *Family Center News* is printed monthly by the Kaneohe Community Family Center (KCFC), a program of Parents And Children Together (PACT).

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Coming soon to Kualoa.....



## Sunset on the Ranch

Kualoa Ranch  
 October 7th & 8th, 2006  
 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.

**Food booths, non-profits, vendors, and volunteers wanted! First-come, first-serve!**

For more information, please contact Wayne at 753-9773 or by email at [wpanoke@cpe-hawaii.com](mailto:wpanoke@cpe-hawaii.com)



**Correction:** Legal Aid Society of Hawaii is no longer located at 47-200 Waihee Rd. Their current location is in the Adon Plaza, at 45-773 Kamehameha Highway. We apologize for any confusion.



## Family Program Classes



Classes are open to anyone who has an addicted family member or close friend. We focus on communication skills and intervention.

Mondays 6 - 7:30 p.m.  
 Thursdays 7 - 8:30 p.m.

**Call 236-2600 for more info.**



Want a job or business?



Call 842-7093 today!

### Economic Development Center



1485 Linapuni St.  
 Honolulu, HI 96819

### Site of the Month National Genealogical Society Learning Center



<http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/edugetstart.cfm>

Tips and links to help you start or expand your family tree. A great way to spend Grandparent's Day!

## September



- 4th Labor Day**
- 9th Alzheimer's Support Group**  
 10 - 11:30 a.m. Kaneohe Community Family Center. Learn more about Alzheimer's and resources. 239-1552
- 10th Kids Hurt Too, Healing Young Hearts & Support Group** 6 - 8 p.m. Queen Liliuokalani Children's Center. Cynthia White 735-2989.
- 24th Community Works in 96744** 5 p.m. Queen Liliuokalani Children's Center. 235-7747
- 12th Windward Community Children's Council Monthly Meeting** 6 - 8 p.m. Windward Department of Health Conference Room. Open to all parents and guardians of special needs children. 586-5363.
- 13th Kahaluu Neighborhood Board Monthly Meeting** 7 p.m. KEY Project. 527-5749
- 16th Ahuimanu Elementary Fun Fair**  
 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Rides and games, live entertainment, food booths, and more!
- 16th Windward Ho'olaulea** 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Windward Community College. Entertainment by Vaihi, Melveen Leed, Holunape, Kapena, and more! Crafters, community resources, one food, used book sale, and more!
- 20th Grandparents Raising Grandchildren**  
 9 a.m. Queen Liliuokalani Children's Center. Call Bernie at 235-7613 for information about this month's activities!
- 21st Kaneohe Neighborhood Board**  
 7 p.m. at WCC Hale Akoakoa, Rm. 103-105. 523-4815
- 30th Work Day at the Waikalua Loko Fishpond** 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Located on Kaneohe Bay's southern shoreline. Wear clothing you don't mind getting dirty or wet, work shoes, sunscreen, bug spray, and a hat. 843-1217.
- Oct. Rachel Coleman and Signing Time!**
- 1st thru 7th** Oct. 1st at Children & Youth Day at State Capitol. Oct. 4th at the Zoo at 5:30 p.m. Scavenger hunt and performance. Cost is \$1 to feed the animals. Oct. 6th & 7th at the State Early Childhood Conference at the Convention Center. For more info, call Linda at 235-7610.

### Stellar Events at WCC's Imaginarium



Sept. 8th - "Far Out Space Places" Show  
 Sept. 13th - Star Gazing  
 Sept. 22nd - "Sky Pirates" Show (A must-see for children!)  
 All events begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and under. Call 234-7400 and ask for Community Service.

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