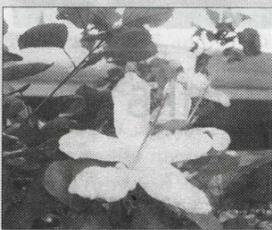


## INSIDE



Lisa Kanae, English instructor and author, has just released her first book of short stories, "Islands Linked by Ocean."

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All the buildings on campus are named after Hawaiian plants. Some buildings serve the purpose of its meaning.

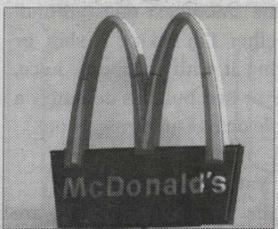
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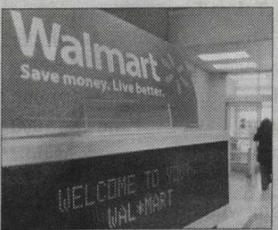
### A milli for an Xbox

AP—A Yale University student has filed a lawsuit seeking \$1 million from an airline company for an Xbox he says was taken from his luggage.



### McCrazy

AP—A Florida woman called 911 three times after multiple McDonald's employees informed her they were out of chicken McNuggets.



### Extra teeth

AP—A customer shopping at the Massachusetts Wal-Mart for a wallet found 10 human teeth after unzipping a compartment in the wallet.

## Use of fireworks safe for now

By Paige L. Jinbo  
EDITOR

The utilization of fireworks during the proper occasions will continue to be legally permitted for another year. However, in the future firework aficionados may have to find another way to ring in the traditional holidays that are associated with firework use.

In January Rep. Roy M. Takumi, D-Pearly City, Momliani, Pacific Palisades, introduced two bills on permitting the use of non-commercial fireworks.

The first bill, HB 397, would ban all firework use on 'Oahu and leave the issue to be determined on neighbor islands.

The second bill, HB 398 would provide a statewide ban on all non-commercial fireworks.

"The use of illegal fireworks is becoming a bigger problem; controlling the use of illegal fireworks is not being enforced," Takumi said. "The solution is to ban it all together statewide."

There are two types of fireworks: display (commercial) and consumer (non-commercial fireworks). Both of Takumi's bills refer to consumer fireworks.

Display fireworks are firework displays that are put on by professionals or licensed individuals. These displays usually take place

**FIREWORKS:** See page 8

## Time to move house



THOMAS DUARTE / KAPI'O

Auxiliary Services worked to move furniture and computers from Cybernesia to the library during Spring Break. Cybernesia along with the testing center are now located in the Lama Library. The Testing Center is in Lama 101 at the front of the library. The Cybernesia computers are now spread throughout the first floor of the library. Furniture from Cybernesia has also been added to the first floor. For more information contact the library at kapccref@hawaii.edu.

## Student receives local recognition

By Ellice Flores  
COPY EDITOR

When we think of art, painting, sculptures and watercolors come to mind. But one of the most effective tools for creating art in this technology-driven generation can be captured through the lens of a camera.

Kozue Nakahira, a New Media Arts student at KCC, has the ability to capture art with a single snap.

Originally from Japan, Nakahira has been at KCC for two years. She entered KCC in Spring 2007 and started the NMA program in Fall

2008.

"It was very natural for me to enroll as an art major because my previous major was fashion design, and all of my family also graduated from some art colleges," said Nakahira.

Art runs in Nakahira's family. Her grandfather was a calligrapher and designer who loved collecting hanging scrolls and paintings. Her father collects traditional Japanese crafts.

"I grew up in a full art environment, but I did not know the value when I was a child," Nakahira said.

"I do now."

Last December, Nakahira's work was published in Honolulu Magazine when she won second place in the magazine's photo contest. She wasn't planning to submit her work to the contest until one of her best friends encouraged her to apply. She decided to apply for the contest on the due date.

"I went back home quickly, scanned and transferred my photographs into digital data because it was 35mm film, and then I applied

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## Create a plan before registering

By Paige L. Jinbo  
EDITOR

With fall and summer registration just around the corner, students should utilize and seek out their resources on the KCC campus to use their time at KCC efficiently.

Fall and summer registration begin on April 13. While summer registration is open to everyone on April 13, registration for the fall is time-ticketed. This means that when a student is able to register depends on the amount of credits accumulated. See sidebar for full schedule of fall registration dates.

Prior to registration, students should start making appointments with advisers and counselors now, said Sheldon Tawata, counselor and coordinator of the Kuilei High School to College Connections Program.

One of the issues that Tawata encounters when dealing with students is that many of them tend to accumulate a bunch of credits that aren't really necessary for their major.

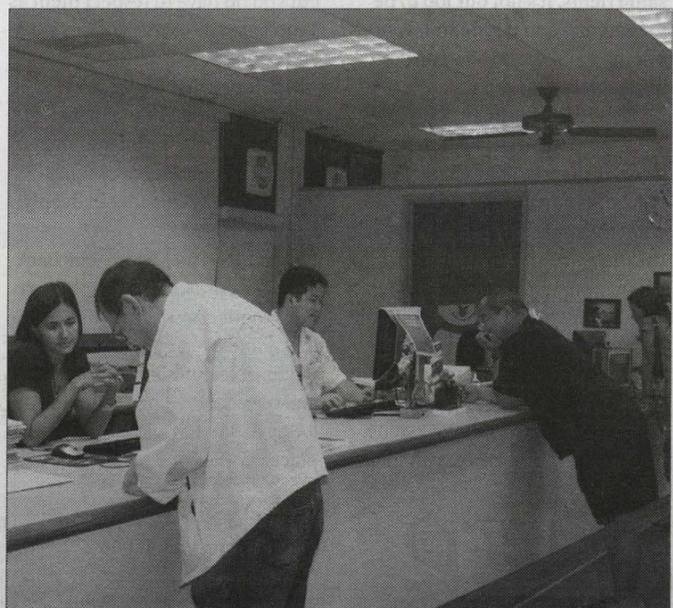
### REGISTRATION DATES BY CREDITS

- 36 or more - April 13
- 24 to 35 - April 14
- 18 to 23 - April 15
- 6 to 17 - April 16
- 0 to 5 - April 17
- Open registration - April 17 to Aug. 23
- Late registration - August 24 to 28

"I want students to maximize their time here (at KCC)," Tawata said. "I'd hate for students to waste their time."

During the regular semester Tawata serves as a regular counselor in the Kahikoluamea Center.

He encourages that students speak with counselors and program advisers before registering for classes. This ensures that students



RYOKO YAMAKAWA/KAPI'O

Kekaulike Information and Service Center associates can assist students in how to navigate around the MyUH Portal Web site in their office in 'Ilima 102.

take the right classes inline with their major.

If students don't know who to see for guidance, stop by the

Kahikoluamea Center. The center has counselors that are more than

**REGISTER:** See page 8

THE VIEW WE TAKE

## Rights should be extended to all

Imagine you spent your life with someone. Loved them, cared for them and lived for them, then your significant other passed on without a will.

If you were a married couple or registered as the limited legal contract of a Reciprocal Beneficiary Relationship you may inherit whatever assets were left behind without a will.

However, if you were in a same-sex partnership you would be left with nothing.

The Civil Unions Bill is a work-around for gay-marriage. Instead of allowing same-sex couples to be married the bill is designed to allow a union, including the benefits of being a married couple.

This is just one of the many issues that face the gay community aside from out-right disrespect to them as people and the blatant attempts to banish them from society by religious groups.

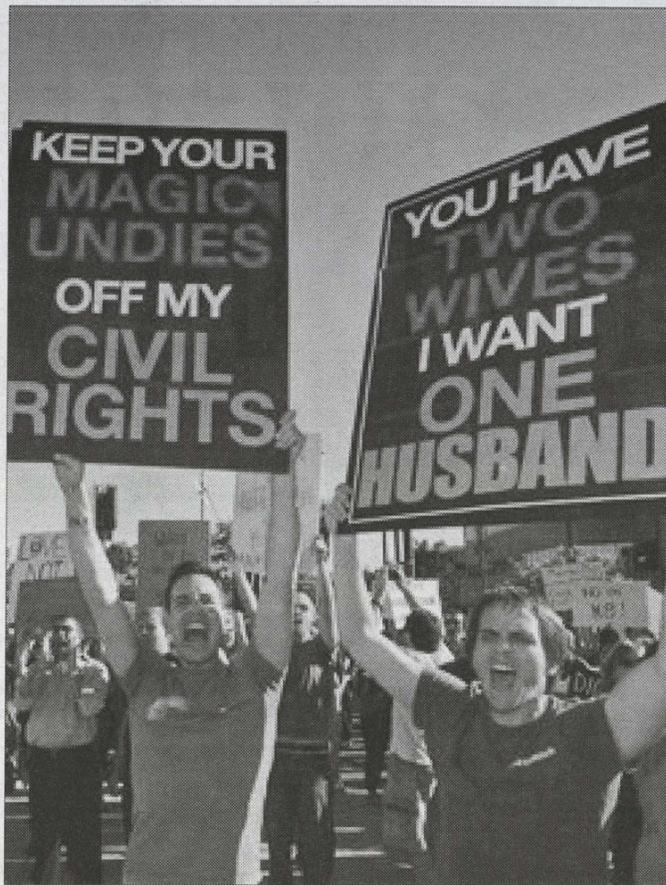
To circumvent the no marriage issue the Civil Unions Bill was brought before the State of Hawaii Congress and passed the House of Representatives by a 33-17 vote, but failed to get through the Senate on March 25 receiving 8 of 25 votes, one short of passing the bill.

Again, those who represent the public have failed to do the right thing and have done what they feel is the easy thing. It's easy to hate, to dislike and disagree. It's hard to have a progressive mind and give someone something that many feel is unnecessary.

However, society cannot continue to take liberties with civil rights and push citizens away from being part of the community. At some point people need to realize that we are all people and that everyone, no matter what race, creed or religion, must have the same rights. It's not our job to be judgmental and it is definitely not our job to take rights away from individuals.

Disagreeing is fine.

If one person believes that gay-marriage is a bad thing, fine, if you believe being gay is a lifestyle choice, fine. But, no one gets to say that one faction of our populace can have this set of rights and another cannot. Gay people should be awarded the same rights that everyone else has, simple as that. They are a part of our society and deserve the respect of all citizens. You don't have to agree with them



The Civil Unions bill went to the State of Hawaii Congress passing the House of Representatives, but failing in the senate. The bill would have allowed for same-sex couples to form unions and receive similar benefits as married couples.

Our representative government must use bravery in the face of hate. And as a society we must stand up to that hate.

but you do have to respect them as people and as citizens of this state and country.

History will judge us.

At one point in time there were black only water fountains and interracial marriage was something that was considered deeply taboo.

Now, as a society we look back on those dark times of our history and wonder how something like that could even happen. We judge that part of our history as a failure and have worked hard to eradicate a way of life that was commonplace.

Now, we live in a time where the country is falling behind the rest of the world and where we cannot grant a simple thing like allowing two people to join together in a relationship and have it be sanctioned by the government.

Future generations will most definitely look at this point in history. They will wonder why it was so easy for a part of our society to openly hate another. Hate, is a strong word but, that is what it is. You have to hate someone to say that they cannot have what everyone else has.

Our representative government must use bravery in the face of hate. And as a society we must stand up to that hate. When civil rights are taken away it lessons us all as a people and a society.

The bus is leaving and everyone has to get on.

The view we take is written by the editors of the Kapi'o. We welcome all responses to this subject. E-mail "Letter to the Editor" at [kapio@hawaii.edu](mailto:kapio@hawaii.edu).

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## KAP1'0<sup>TOP</sup>



## Alcoholic drinks

By Jasmine Muneoka  
ADVERTISING

Whether you're out with the girls just looking to relax and unwind at the end of the week or you're looking to party all night until the a.m., alcoholic drinks definitely come in handy.

If you find yourself lost and confused and don't know what to order, this list may help whether you prefer shots, mixed drinks or beer. So get your drink on and have fun, but always remember to have a designated driver!

- 10. Strawberry Kamikaze**  
Made with strawberry Stoli, Triple Sec and lime juice, this shot is not only yummy, but has a little bit of a kick to it. A perfect shot for a relaxing night out.
- 9. Washington Apple**  
If you like your drinks a little bit sour, this one's for you. Made with Crown Royal, sour apple Pucker and cranberry juice, you can have it as a shot or a drink.
- 8. A.M.F.**  
Order one of these drinks if you're looking to party. Made with vodka, rum, 1800 tequila, gin, Blue Curacao, sweet and sour and 7 Up, this drink packs a punch.
- 7. Chocolate Cake**  
If it's your birthday, this shot is the perfect "cake" to celebrate with. Made with Frangelico hazelnut liqueur and Stoli vanilla vodka, this shot is served with a sugared rim and a slice of lemon.
- 6. Crown Royal**  
If you're a fan of whiskey, this Canadian one is top notch. Whether you like yours with Coke, 7UP or ginger ale, take it as a shot, or sip it on the rocks, Crown Royal is definitely a party starter.
- 5. Heineken**  
Not really a huge fan of beer; I rarely drink it. But when I'm just looking to relax and have a
- mellow evening with friends, I definitely choose the green bottle.
- 4. Blue Lamborghini**  
If your motive for the night is to get drunk, I suggest starting off with this shot. Made with Bacardi 151 and Blue Curacao, this shot feels like you're swallowing gasoline but gets the job done.
- 3. Grey Goose**  
If you like vodka, this is one of the smoothest ones around. Whether I'm taking a shot or having it with cranberry juice, 7UP or Red Bull, it's definitely a staple on one of my nights out.
- 2. Patron**  
In my mind tequilas are mostly harsh, but if you're going to drink it, Patron's the way to go. It's smooth and barely burns on the way down if you drink it chilled. If you're looking for a good night ahead, salt the rim and have that lime in hand.
- 1. Tokyo Tea**  
One of the first alcoholic beverages I've ever tasted, it still ranks number one with me. Made with vodka, rum, gin, 1800 tequila, triple sec and Midori melon liqueur, you can't go wrong with this fruity drink.

Next week's Top 10 will be the top 10 stalker songs. All the songs that have the stalker innuendo or are about being stalked by that creepy guy or girl you never want to see.

COMMENTARY

# Street Fighter back and better

By Jonathan Chang  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

After 10 years, Capcom has finally released the newest installment of its most popular fighting game franchise, Street Fighter IV. With a new 2.5 dimensional fighting engine, Capcom has revolutionized the fighting genre they helped to define. As one of the most hyped games of the year, Street Fighter IV does not fail to deliver to its fans and newcomers.

Street Fighter IV's storyline takes place between the games Street Fighter II and III. Supposedly bridging the gap between the two games, Street Fighter IV clears some things up, but arouses new questions and mysteries. The storyline is displayed when you play in arcade mode with the character of your choice.

One of the game's most fatal flaws is the cheaply animated scenes used to summarize the lore. Those who are not fans of the series will most likely be confused by the patchwork presentation and implied relationships between characters.

Twenty revamped characters return to the game, including fan favorites Ryu, Ken and Chun-Li, and five new characters join the fray. The only other big flaw the game has is unlocking all of these characters. Arcade mode needs to be defeated by certain characters under specific conditions in order to unlock hidden characters.

Focus attacks are one of the new concepts added to the game, which allows for guard-breaking attacks



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Capcom has released a new installment of its popular fighting game, Street Fighter IV. The competition of the new game increased due to its popularity.

that can be used to chain strings of attacks. You can also use focus attacks to cancel moves and reset chains if wanted. Another use of the focus attack allows you to back away from the opponent after you string a combo, allowing no punishment done to yourself.

In addition to the well-known Super meter, Capcom has devised an Ultra meter, or Revenge meter. The Super meter is increased by attacking and is used for EX attacks, focus cancels and super-combos. The Ultra meter is built up by taking damage and is used only for ultimate attacks. In every round, you'll be able to use chain both ultra and super combos into regular attack strings, as they don't take long to build up.

Capcom decided to do away with the parry system employed in Street Fighter III. Instead, focus attacks can be used to absorb a

single attack, but it does not fully negate the damage taken.

Graphically, the game takes a new leap for the franchise. Characters still fight on the classic two dimensions the series is known for, but uses highly detailed three-dimensional models, creating the 2.5 dimensional engine.

Traditionally, when you want to test your skills in a fighting game, you would go to an arcade. Street Fighter IV makes use of both Xbox Live and the Playstation Network to compete online. Gamers should experience no lag between attacks or animations while playing someone anywhere across the globe making players a "World Warrior."

The Street Fighter series is back and the level of competition is surely to increase due to the popularity of online play. The level of maturity of the players you will face online, however, may differ.

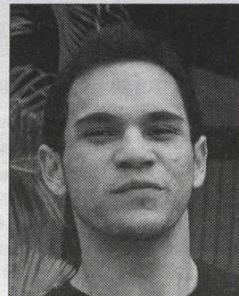
## CAMPUS VOICES

### What advice would you give your 10-year-old self?



"Plan ahead, don't procrastinate and be less shy."

Christianne Antolin, 18, liberal arts



"Invest in Apple and Google."

Jamie Hannmann, 24, business



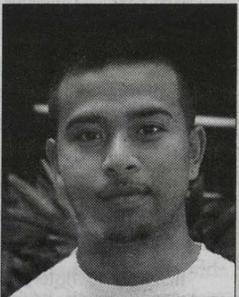
"Focus more in high school."

Natalie Radona, 20, liberal arts



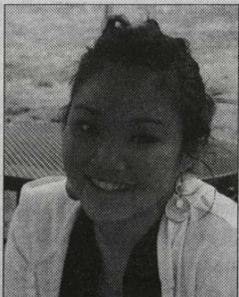
"Study hard and stay away from girls."

Gerard Ramos, 26, medical tech



"Go to church more often."

Timi Garstang, 21, liberal arts



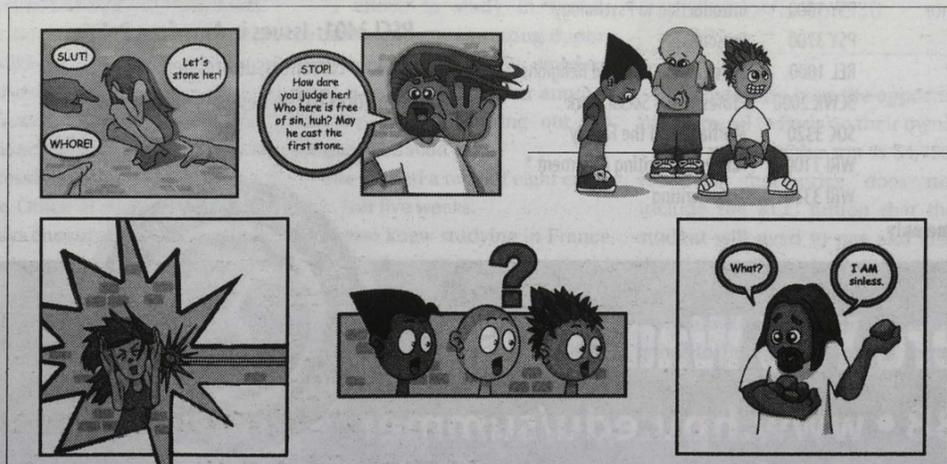
"Stick to sports in high school, so I'd be able to get scholarships."

Kristyn Ishibashi, 18, hospitality and tourism

### Friends With Benefits - Kathleen Uno



### 7 Sketches- Derick Fabian



# Get involved on campus, join a club

Students are encouraged to start their own club to become a part of KCC.

By Ellice Flores  
COPY EDITOR

The Office of Student Activities at KCC is encouraging students to get involved on campus. Whether joining a club, attending an activity, or even starting a club or putting

on an activity, students should get involved on their own campus.

Getting involved benefits the students and the school.

"In an ideal world, I'd like every student to be in a club," said Keith Kashiwada, student engagement coordinator.

"They can feel an attachment outside of the classroom. Classes only last for a certain amount of time and it ends at the end of the semester," Kashiwada said. "Joining a club can create a sustainable place and will help the student get more involved on campus."

KCC currently has eight to 10 clubs. Most of the clubs are either linked to a department, such as the International Club, Student Nursing Association and the RadTech Club.

There are a few clubs at KCC that are mostly run by students, including the Young Entrepreneurial

Adults of Hawaii club and the Slow Food KCC club.

Two years from now, Kashiwada hopes to have at least 50 clubs at KCC.

Students are also welcome to start their own club.

To start a club, students need to fill out a form that they can acquire at the OSA office. Students will need

Want to start your own club or have more questions regarding student clubs, contact Keith Kashiwada, student engagement coordinator, at 734-9578 or kashiwad@hawaii.edu

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## CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY BRIEFS

of events around KCC

### Artist will give a lecture at KCC

Distinguished artist Jon Lomberg will give a lecture today in 'Ōhi'a 118 from 3 to 4 p.m. regarding his 25 year collaboration with Carl Sagan, American astronomer and writer. In the film "Contact" Lomberg directed the opening sequence. Lomberg achievements include an Emmy award for television director and Smithsonian institution muralist. His painting of the Milky Way galaxy hangs in the Smithsonian's Institution's permanent collection. The lecture, "My work with Carl Sagan," is free and open to the public. A question and answer period will follow the lecture.

### Hawai'i to receive \$246 million

The state of Hawai'i will receive \$246 million in federal stimulus funds for highway, airport and bus transit improvements. The stimulus funds include \$125.7 million for state and county highway improvement projects, \$76.5 million for improvements to Kahului Airport and Honolulu International Airport, and \$43.8 million for county bus transit systems improvements. It's estimated that the transportation projects will generate approximately 3,170 jobs statewide in the construction industry and other related areas.

### Accounting Student Night

Accounting student night committee will be hosting its semiannual Accounting Student Night April 22 in the 'Ōhi'a cafeteria from 5:20 to 7:30 p.m. All prospective accountants are encouraged to attend. However, if students are just exploring the possibility of a career in accounting or are just mildly interested in the field, they're also welcome to attend. Attendees will have the opportunity to speak with certified public accountants and gain knowledge on the field. There will also be food served. To sign up, contact [accountingstudentnight@gmail.com](mailto:accountingstudentnight@gmail.com).

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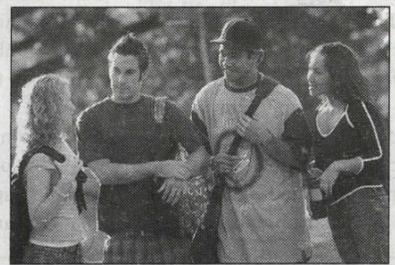
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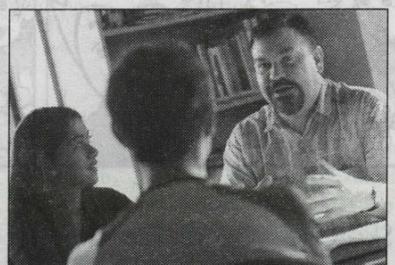
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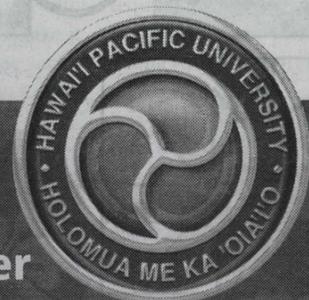
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## Ante up, poker tournament in the cafeteria

*KCC student club to give students what they want, the first poker tournament*

By Ellice Flores  
COPY EDITOR

Get ready to put on your best poker face.

KCC's Young Entrepreneurial Adults of Hawaii club is holding KCC's first ever poker tournament.

The event will be held on Thursday, April 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the 'Ōhi'a Cafeteria. Tickets for the event are \$5 for KCC students, faculty, and staff and \$10 for non-KCC students. This event is a fundraiser for YEAH.

The event will have its players feel like they are in Las Vegas with the décor. There will also be cocktail waitresses serving non-alcoholic drinks and bar-style food such as chicken wings, mini hamburgers and edamame. There will also be live music and door prizes.

The idea of putting together a poker tournament at KCC was sparked at the club's first meeting of the semester.

"We were brainstorming about an event or fundraiser that we could hold on campus," said Dustin Kahawai, club president.

Last month, YEAH held a Free Shaved Ice event where they had students fill out surveys on whether or not they would be interested in a poker tournament.

"So it was pretty much something that was voiced by the student population which is why we're expecting a good turnout," Kahawai said.

To promote the poker tournament, the club will be holding another Free Shaved Ice event March 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside of the cafeteria. Club members will also be selling tickets for the tournament at the Free Shaved Ice event.

Members decided to hold the poker tournament at KCC to increase student involvement on campus. In addition, YEAH has partnered with the Board of Student Activities. The partnership with BOSA will help keep the costs down of the event for KCC students. BOSA has made available grants that will help defray the costs.

Kahawai said that the partnership between YEAH and BOSA for the poker tournament will result in a successful event.

The Office of Student Activities is always encouraging students and clubs on campus to put together activities on campus.

"I really encourage students to plan activities," said Keith Kashiwada, student engagement coordinator. "It makes the activity more meaningful and teaches the stu-

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## KCC's family celebrates together



PAIGE L. JINBO/KAPI'Ō

**KCC counselor Michael Ane (far right) joins the many faculty members who came out to celebrate the grand opening of the new Kahikoluamea Center March 20 from 3 to 6 p.m. Faculty members filled the center to listen to some of KCC's most distinguished community members give praise on the success of the center. A buffet of food was on-hand. Food was brought in by those who attended. There were also people grilling food outside the center.**

## Study in France for summer

*For one month during the summer students can refine their French skills*

By Ellice Flores  
COPY EDITOR

This summer, students within the UH system will have the opportunity to study in Aix-en-Provence, France.

This study abroad program is a one-month intensive language program. Students can enroll in beginner or intermediate French credits at KCC or UH, but their classroom will be in France.

The students will receive the same amount of credits for the French 101 and 102 classes, which is eight credits, and for the French 201 and 202 classes, which is six credits.

The students participating in the program will leave Hawai'i on June 21 and arrive in France on June 23. Students will return on July 25.

Through this program, students will have the opportunity to immediately practice the language they are learning with native speakers.

Whitney Bacon took part of the program in the summer of 2008.

"I chose to study in France because it was an amazing opportunity to live and fully embrace what it was like to live in another country, while knocking out my language," Bacon said.

She earned a total of eight credits in just five weeks.

"I also knew studying in France would make me more cultured and well rounded," Bacon added. "It also gave me the confidence to later go on to study in London fall 2008."

This program includes local excursions around the city as well as several activities with other students in the Cultural Experiences Abroad program.

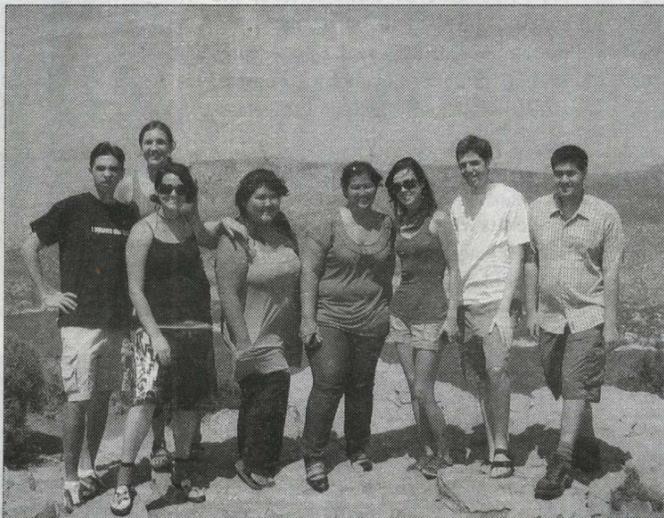


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**Students of the 2007 French study abroad program stand on a cliff in Cassis. Cassis is a popular tourist destination in Marseille. Cassis is just one of the many places the students will visit while studying in Aix-en-Provence, France.**

### STUDY ABROAD IN FRANCE

» Applications for the study abroad in Aix-en-Provence can be found on the KCC **Web site:** <http://kcc.hawaii.edu/object/study-infrance>.

» The deadline for the application is April 30.

Students also have the opportunity to travel to Paris on their own.

The price for the trip is \$4,795. However, that price does not include the KCC tuition that the student will need to pay and also the airfare. The price will include food, lodging, and the excursions.

Students that are interested in going to France but are not interested in taking the intensive language course can still take part in the program and they will not have to pay the tuition fee.

"We suggest that the students

take the language course because we need a certain amount of students to go forward with this program," said Renee Arnold, Languages, Linguistics, and Literature instructor.

High school students that plan to attend KCC or any UH school this fall can also take part in the program.

"By taking this program they can get a jump start in learning a language," Arnold said.

Aix-en-Provence is a city in southern France that is filled with numerous fountains, narrow winding streets and beautiful ancient buildings. Though it is a small city, Aix-en-Provence is still bustling with the life of a larger city with many destinations to explore.

"I would inevitably recommend the French program to other students. It was one of the most amazing times of my life," Bacon said. "There would be no room for any disappointment just an exciting, invigorating journey all the way through."

### RECENT SNAPSHOTS of national and world events



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**NTSB investigators and local authorities examine the scene of the fatal plane crash which killed 14 people on March 22, at Holy Cross Cemetery, adjacent to the Butte Airport in Butte, Mont.**

### Fargo taps more National Guard

The flood-threatened Fargo, North Dakota has called for more evacuations of its citizens and additional National Guard troops to prevent devastating flooding. The rising Red River broke a 112-year record last week threatening the dikes fortifying. Currently the National Guard is patrolling the dikes for issues that may lead to a break.

The river has swelled to 40.32 feet — more than 22 feet above flood stage and inches more than the previous high water mark of 40.1 feet set in 1897.

### Experimental vaccine injected into researcher

In Berlin, an Ebola virus researcher accidentally pricked her finger with a needle used to inject the virus into lab mice.

Following the incident a mad scramble ensued to find a way to save the 45-year-old woman whose identity has not been revealed.

Less than 24 hours after the accident an experimental vaccine never used on humans before was on its way to Germany from a lab in Canada. Currently the scientist is doing well and according to officials, can consider herself safe, but she will continue to be monitored.

### Obama widens war against al-Qaida

President Barack Obama has launched a new effort to fight terrorism in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Obama has set new benchmarks and is sending more troops as well as increasing aid for the war. He also warned that al-Qaida is actively planning attacks on the United States. According to Obama, there is a clear and focused goal to dismantle al-Qaida.

# A writer from a tender age

By Karen Malone  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

As far back as she can remember, Kapi'olani Community College instructor Lisa Linn Kanae has always had an urge to write stories.

"I wrote love stories for girlfriends about the boys they had crushes on—made little illustrated books," Kanae said. "I wrote silly skits, my childhood homage to 'Saturday Night Live' and Monty Python's 'Flying Circus,' and then my brother (Harold Kanae) and I would act out the parts and record our voices on a tape recorder."

Kanae's mother, Linda Kanae, had also filled their O'ahu home with books and Disney Read-Along records.

"The narration and music taught me to listen for the rhythm of language," Kanae said.

All these childhood experiences would eventually lead Kanae on her academic journey. The destination: a career as a literature and writing instructor at KCC and a published author.

Kanae had returned to college in the early 1990s after dropping out a decade earlier. She started off as a part-time student at KCC, taking classes at night and on the weekends.

At first, her goal was to earn a bachelor's degree so she could get a promotion at work.

However, her career goals began to change. After receiving her core requirements from KCC, she quit her job to attend the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa full-time.

"When I finally went over to the University of Hawai'i, the academic adviser said why don't you become an English major and I remember thinking 'what am I going to do with that?'" she said with a chuckle. "He said it doesn't really matter what you major in when it comes to your BA—you should just major in what you really enjoy."

Her academic adviser was right.

It was during this academic process that Kanae realized she wanted a career within the literature and writing field. She went on to earn a master's degree in English Literature with a Creative Writing focus in 1999.

Just prior to graduation, Kanae applied for a writing position as a community relations coordinator at Crazy Shirts. After reading Kanae's resume, the manager asked her to discuss Hawai'i literature and writing.

"That manager was trying to show me something about myself," Kanae said. "She knew I wasn't right for the job, but she just sat there and smiled while I went on and on about literature and writing."

Not getting the job at Crazy Shirts was a gift in disguise. A few days later, Gail Harada, KCC associate professor, offered Kanae a teaching position at KCC.

## UPCOMING BOOK APPEARANCE

**What:** "Islands Linked by Ocean" book signing, reading and reception

**Where:** Native Books Nā Mea Hawai'i, Ward Warehouse

**Date:** April 30

**Time:** 7 to 8:30 p.m.



"The job felt right for a lot of reasons, but the main reason was because I was a KCC alumna and my experience as a KCC student had been so positive, I felt I should try to do the same for other KCC students."

That was more than nine years ago.

Mavis Hara, KCC associate professor, first met Kanae shortly after that.

"She is a wonderful friend and really good writer," said Hara, who teaches reading at the Kahikoluamea Center. "She's very much 100 percent for the students. Because she came up through KCC, she understands the students' struggles."

Student Erik Ching said Kanae cares about her students' academic progress; she often helps them outside of the classroom.

"She usually doesn't take 'no' as an answer," Ching said. "She will create extra time. She sits with you one-on-one."

Besides teaching, Kanae has published several books, including her chapbook, "Sista Tongue," in 2001.

Recently, Kanae had a pre-launch party for her latest book "Islands linked by Ocean" in the Ka'ikena dining room at KCC. This is Kanae's first book of short stories.

"I am so proud of Lisa for getting this book published," said Keith Kashiwada, KCC student engagement coordinator. "I know she worked very hard, and it adds a refreshing voice to the Local Literature landscape. Like her, the book is accessible, but as I got into it, there was a depth and grace that touched me."

Kāwika N. Napoleon, assistant professor of Hawaiian language, described Kanae's writing style as "real."

"One is able to laugh at one moment and in a minute begin to cry," Napoleon said.

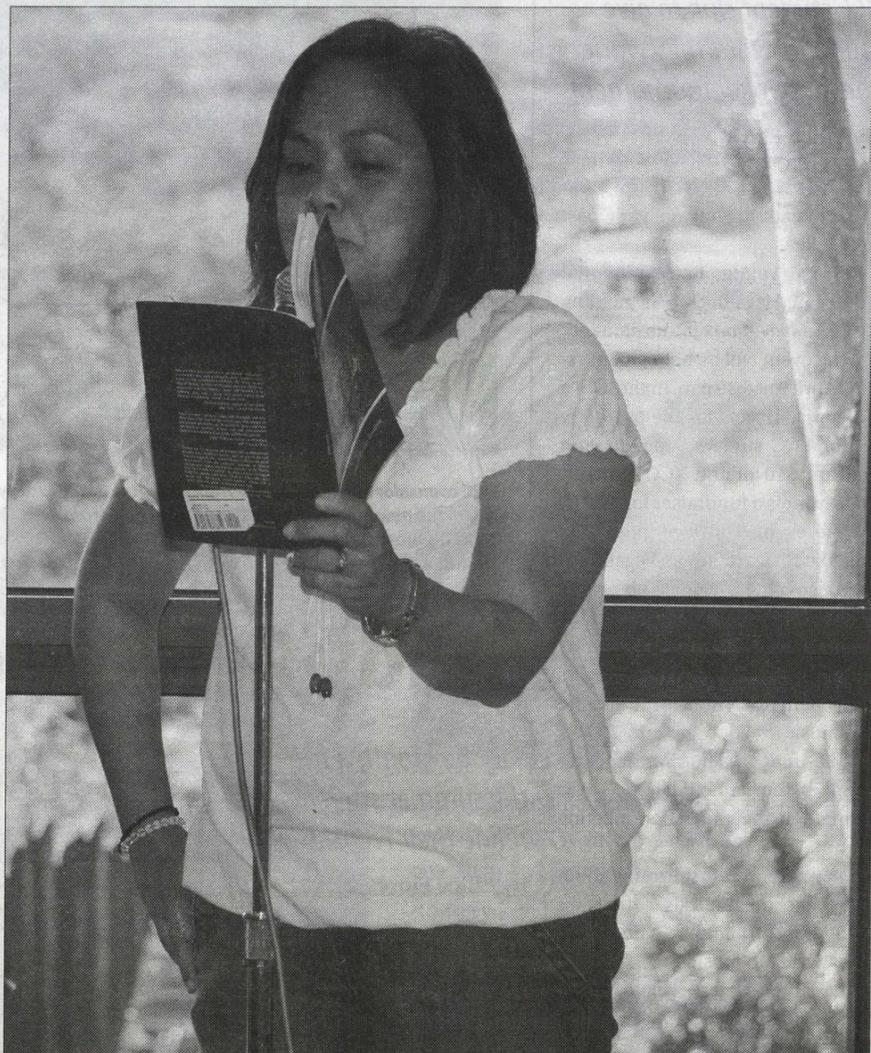
During the reception, guests played a common bridal shower game called the "The Great Condom Races." It is the subject of Kanae's short story "Sassy."

"The game is very kalohe (naughty)," Kanae said. "A shot glass, a condom and an Alka Seltzer tablet. Can you imagine? Lots of laughter."

Shortly before Kanae read from her book, Napoleon and his mother performed a chant.

The experience is one that Kanae will cherish forever.

"Not only did they call my kupuna (hon-



MAE PIANO/KAPI'Ō

English Instructor Lisa Kanae reads poetry at the Kahikoluamea Center during the Interantional Festival. Kanae, has published several books and will be on hand to sign books on April 30 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Native Books Nā Mea Hawai'i at Ward Warehouse.

ored elders) for me that night, they filled me with courage," Kanae said. "And I know I will carry the memory of their oli (chant) with me wherever I take my book."

Kashiwada and his wife Alissa Kashiwada, Kekaulike Information and Service Center registration manager, also read one of Kanae's short stories, "Born Again Hawaiian," at the party. Kanae had asked the couple to read the story because it is about a married couple.

"It was an honor to be asked, and it was fun for us to read," Kashiwada said.

Kanae concluded the evening with an excerpt from her story "The Steersman." It was the perfect ending to her pre-launch party.

"In the last scene of the story, I write about a full moon night while on the ocean in a canoe," Kanae said. "When I finished reading the piece, the audience could see outside the glass panels of the Ka 'Ikena dining room, a bright, yellow full moon rising. Chicken skin."

"Islands linked by Ocean" can be found at Borders and Native Books Nā Mea Hawai'i.

## LISA KANAЕ

**Spouse:** Hubby, Scott Turn

**Pets:** Black Lab named Lili'ko'i and a Golden Retriever named Jack Jack.

**Favorite saying:** "The important thing is this: To be able at any moment to sacrifice what we are for what we could become."  
—Charles Dubois

**Favorite spot on O'ahu:** Sitting at a dinner table surrounded by my best friends.

**Favorite dessert:** Brian Yee's Red Velvet Cake.

**Pet peeves:** Eating across someone who has remnants of food on his or her face. And power hungry people are so unappealing.

**Recent favorite reads:** "The Interpreter of Maladies" by Jhumpa Lahiri, "The Brief and Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao" by Junot Diaz, and "Drinking Coffee Elsewhere" by ZZ Packer.

**Best advice to students:** Commit. Either you want to learn or you don't. Decide and then act on that decision. And then enjoy learning. Be curious. Be present. It's a cliché, but enjoy the journey. The process is way more valuable than the end product.



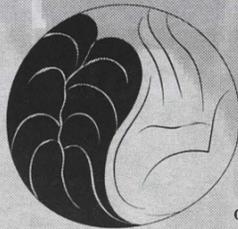
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— Mavis Hara, KCC associate professor of English

# Native plants, buildings

Each of the buildings on campus have Hawaiian names and have specific meanings

By Paige L. Jinbo  
EDITOR



In addition to Kapi'olani Community College being the only community college on the island named after a queen, KCC is also one of the two colleges in the UH 10 campus system that have Hawaiian names for each building on campus.

KCC does what it can to continue to perpetuate the Hawaiian spirit all throughout the campus.

Whether we're Hawaiian or Hawaiian studies majors, Hawaiian is always a part of our vocabulary on a day-to-day basis if we're on campus.

There are a total of 20 buildings on campus, all of which have Hawaiian plant names.

"The point of this was to educate students and the community about native Hawaiian species," said Nelda Quensell, KCC botany professor. "Many of the plants that the buildings are named after are important to the ecosystem."

Quensell was a member of the committee that was in charge of giving names to all the buildings in the 1990's. It was Quensell's idea to name the buildings after specific native Hawaiian plant species.

The original idea was to name the buildings in accordance with the Hawaiian translation of the function of the building.

For instance, in the Hawaiian language dictionary 'Ilima is defined as a small to large native shrub bearing yellow, orange, greenish, or dull-red flowers.

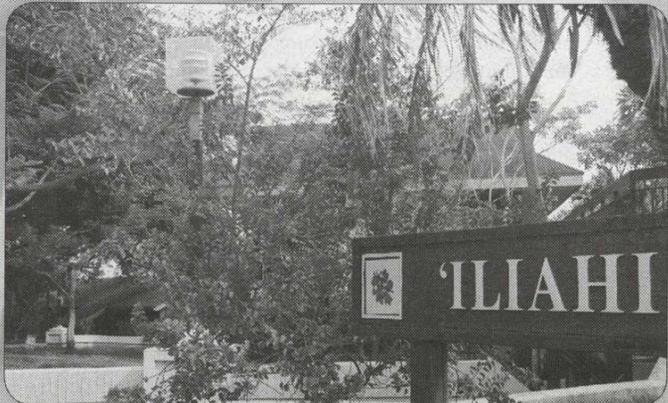
According to David (Kawika) Napoleon, Hawaiian studies instructor, 'Ilima was used to concoct a medication that would smooth the birthing process for birthing mothers.

There is a small connection between the meaning of the plant and the purpose of the building.

'Ilima is the main student hub for student services. The majority of student services can be found in Ilima. The mission of all the student service outlets is to create a smooth transition between high school to college or from one college to another.

While not all the names of the buildings translate to the purpose of the buildings it's still interesting and important to know the meaning of the names of the buildings we're occupying each day.

For a full list of the buildings and it's meanings, go to [www.kapio.net](http://www.kapio.net).



THOMAS DUARTE/ KAPI'Ō

'Iliahi sprouts between the first and second floor of the building. It's defined as a sandalwood, shrub and tree with a fragrant heart wood. It's known to have many species. From about 1790 to 1830 'Iliahi was cut and exported to China.



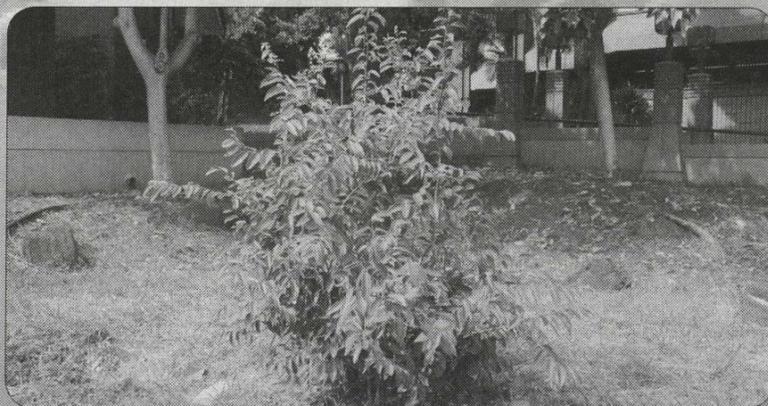
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The towering Kauila tree can be found right at the entrance to the building. Kauila is a native tree in the buckthorn family. Back in the old Hawaiian times, it was rumored that the Kauila wood was poisonous and used in black magic.



THOMAS DUARTE/ KAPI'Ō

Surrounding the front of the Koki'o building is hibiscus. Koki'o translated means hibiscus. While the Koki'o doesn't really represent what this building houses, the flowers have a nice fragrance and are a visual treat. Koki'o is home to many of KCC's science courses.



THOMAS DUARTE/ KAPI'Ō

The Lama plant can be found right outside of the Lama Library. It may not look like much but its meaning is where the power lies. The Lama wood was placed in hula altars because its name suggested enlightenment. A library is usually where enlightenment occurs.



THOMAS DUARTE/ KAPI'Ō

The Naio plant, located in the Manele Garden, is a native tree with hard, dark yellow-green wood, scented like sandalwood. Naio is also a type of bird. This plant is also known to have roots in cosmogony, the coming into existence. "So it makes sense that distance education is held in Naio," Napoleon said.



THOMAS DUARTE/ KAPI'Ō

The Manele tree, which grows between Manele and Manono, is a soap-seed tree. According to Napoleon, the wood of the Manele was used to build palanquins, wheelless vehicles that required human-powered transport. Manele is home to many of the Hawaiian study courses and the Manele Garden.

## Fireworks:

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on New Years Eve, Independence Day or at the Hilton Hawaiian Village every Friday night.

There are two categories of non-commercial fireworks. The novelty fireworks that have no gunpowder but still produce heat. Then there is the typical firecracker. The firecracker contains the gunpowder wrapped in paper.

"The thought of not being able to burn fireworks is ludicrous," Lokahi Aquino, KCC student, said.

Aquino, 24, liberal arts major, and his family burn fireworks every July 4 and on New Year's Eve.

"There will be a lot of pissed off people if that becomes law," Aquino said.

While the bills were introduced this year none of them will be amended this year. In order for a bill to become a law it must pass through certain channels. Bills need to be heard at each level of the government. Although HB 397 and 398 passed the first reading at the public and safety hearing it wasn't heard by the judiciary committee.

Chairperson of the judiciary committee, Rep. Jon Riki Karamatsu was not available for comment.

Due to the bills not being heard by the judiciary committee, Takumi must wait another year before introducing the bills again.

"I wasn't surprised it wasn't heard by the committee," Takumi said. "It usually takes more than a year for a bill to become amended. But this isn't an issue that's going to go away."

According to Takumi, he receives an abundance of calls from the community asking for something to be done about excessive fireworks use.

The complaints are usually regarding people with respiratory ailments and people not observing the proper time to set off fireworks. It's not uncommon that fireworks are seen lighting the sky as early as November.

"We support the ban on fireworks completely," said Capt. Tery Seelig of the Honolulu Fire Department and HFD public information officer. "Fireworks are a public safety hazard when used in mass. And over and over again we see inappropriate use of the fireworks."

While New Year's Eve is a big night for people to traditionally burn fireworks, its July 4 that the HFD receive the most calls and have to go out and respond.

There's a greater risk of fire in July than in December, Seelig said. This is because in July the ground is drier and fires ignite faster due to the dryness. In December while the same amount of fuel from the firecracker is exposed, the overall climate is damper.

Takumi will introduce HB 397 and 398 again at the start of 2010.

Until then Seelig advises that when playing with fireworks to always adhere to the existing laws regarding the use of fireworks.

"We will continue to uphold our civic and public duty to remind people to only burn the legal fireworks and during the proper hours," Seelig said. "Also to remind them to be respectful and considerate when utilizing fireworks."

## Student:

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online," Nakahira said.

The application process was quick, which left Nakahira in doubt that she should win.

"I still cannot believe that my artwork was published," she said.

She won a weekend stay at the Waikiki Parc Hotel.

The photo that won was one she took for an ART 207 self-portrait assignment. Nakahira's instructor, Kapu Landgraf, pushed her to express her feelings and identity and to try and represent her pain. Nakahira thought back and gained inspiration from her kitten, which lived with her family in Japan. Her kitten passed away just before the semester started.

"Whenever I look at the artwork,



PHOTO COURTESY OF KOZUE NAKAHIRA

KCC student Kozue Nakahira, new media arts major, won second place for her self-portrait photograph (above) in Honolulu Magazine's photo contest.

it reminds me of the encouragement from Kapu (Landgraf) and my little kitten," Nakahira said. "I think the reason why the artwork was chosen for a prize was that it could capture

my deep sorrow."

Landgraf believes that Nakahira is a self-motivated, driven and hard-working student. She is also a perfectionist when it comes to her

artwork.

"She has a natural talent in creativity, composition and lighting. What I especially find interesting in her winning photograph, there's an ambiguity to it; it makes you think," Landgraf said.

The New Media Arts program has been a pathway for Nakahira on her way to becoming a better artist.

Prior to entering NMA, she had been learning from tutorial books and suffered many hardships from using them.

"I found self-taught study had limits, but studying in school can offer a diversity of opportunities," said Nakahira. "The NMA program offers a good environment for digital media design. I have great teachers and classmates who can help me whenever I have creative problems because we are very close to each other."

## Registration:

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willing to sit with students and help them seek out the right people. The center also provides a full list of the KCC programs and its student support advisers.

"Students should take the opportunities to meet with counselors and advisers; don't be afraid to ask questions," Tawata said. "This way students can have a mixed bag of support."

With registration dates varying for students during the fall, students should create a plan of action in case their class is closed. If the class is closed students can e-mail the instructor of the class and ask them for an override code to exceed the seating capacity of the class.

"The worse thing they can say is 'no,'" Tawata said.

If that doesn't work, students should start looking at whether the class is being offered during another time period or just look for another class to take.

Lastly, Tawata said that students should be conscious of when the electronic purge date is. The electronic purge erases a students' registration if they haven't paid the tuition. All the classes a student is registered for is wiped out. The purge usually happens the day after payment is due. It happens once a semester.

Sometimes after the electronic purge classes open up.

Students should be aware that even if their class is closed there are other options.

KCC's counselors and advisers aren't the only group on campus

providing student services and guiding students in the right direction during their college career. Associates of the Kekaulike Information and Service Center are also eager to assist students with any registration questions.

"I go down to KISC at least twice a semester whenever I have questions," Bronson Dela Cruz, KCC student said. "They're not the friendliest people but they always have the answer to my questions."

According to Alissa Kashiwada, registration manager at KCC, one of the primary goals of KISC is to ensure that students successfully register for classes, but also adhere to the registration deadlines.

One of the biggest issues that she's encountered is students not knowing how to properly navigate around the MyUH Portal Web site.

It's usually the incoming freshmen that have a hard time. She recommends that students who do need help, come down to 'Ilima 102 and a KISC associate will show them how to navigate around. There are six computers in the KISC lobby where students can learn the ins and outs of the MyUH Portal site.

Also, to inform students about the registration process KISC creates a registration guide each semester. The guide consists of all the important deadlines: registration dates, payment deadline dates, refund dates and policies, and KISC hours.

"Feel like 'Ilima 102 is some place you can come," Kashiwada said. "You can come in here and we can assist you in your student service needs. And together we can find the right information for you."

## OSA:

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six club members to start off, according to OSA assistant Alfie Gonzalez.

They will also need to write out an orientation of the club. Finding a faculty adviser isn't mandatory to start a club, but is recommended, Gonzalez said.

Student clubs that are interested in putting on events on campus can potentially receive financial support from OSA. This is so long as the event engages and empowers students at KCC and not just students in the club.

While student clubs contribute to some of the activities on campus, OSA puts on many of the events on campus. So far OSA has brought musicians, magicians and guest speakers from the community to the campus to inform and educate the KCC community.

For the remaining of the semester OSA has planned another Ice Cream Social and an outdoor concert.

Also, OSA is bringing back the

Study With Your Buddy. The Study With Your Buddy is an event in which students come together in the 'Ōhi'a cafeteria and prepare for upcoming exams and work on final projects or papers.

This activity hasn't been offered for the past three semesters. It was cancelled due to a low turn out in the previous semesters.

Kashiwada is always open to hearing about new ideas for events or activities to put on at KCC.

The Young Entrepreneurial Adults of Hawaii club is putting on a poker tournament this semester.

"I would have never thought of having an event like that," Kashiwada said. "It was all the students idea."

Getting involved in Student Congress is something students should also do. Even if it is as simple as voting for candidates, students should give their opinions. According to Kashiwada, in the last student congress race, only 200 out of 8,000 students voted.

"I really want a student voice to be heard," he said. "I would like OSA to be an advocate for their voice."

## Poker:

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dents collaboration, leadership, and a sense of service."

The grand prize for the poker tournament will be a brand new Acer Aspire One Mini Notebook.

According to Kahai, the laptop weights just over two pounds and is smaller than most textbooks.

The second place winner of the tournament will get an iPod nano.

Also, the top five players at the end of the tournament will receive prizes which include gift cards and movie passes.

In addition to having the mini laptop for the grand prize, the club has also awarded three of the same laptops to its top three contributors: Rylen Komeiji, Brittany Saclausa and Jill Matsumoto.

"We deemed that these laptops will assist our top contributors by making them even more effective since they will be able to carry their laptop everywhere they go which will allow them ease access to all of their information as well as the Internet at anytime," said Kahawai.

## READY TO GO ALL IN?

**What:** YEAH fundraiser Poker Tournament

**When:** April 9, 6:30 p.m.

**Where:** 'Ōhi'a Cafeteria

**Cost:** \$5 for KCC students, faculty and staff, \$10 non-KCC attendees

If students are interested in buying tickets for the poker tournament or joining YEAH contact Dustin Kahawai, YEAH club president, at [dkahawai@hawaii.edu](mailto:dkahawai@hawaii.edu)

Currently, there are 15 active members in YEAH. The club was formed last semester. The club is always looking for unique talents and knowledge that new members can bring to the table. Club members are also looking for students to fill the executive board seats to carry on the mission of YEAH.

"We are extremely effective with our limited resources, and so far have been able to do some pretty unbelievable things with what we have," said Kahawai.