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Electronic voting machines bring concern to local group

By Paul Kolbe
NEWS EDITOR

In the modern high tech world, electronic voting may seem like the next logical step. While the local group Safe Vote Hawaii sees nothing wrong with electronic voting, per say, they do see something wrong with the absence of some form of paper verification for the vote. Safe Vote Hawaii has encouraged a boycott of electronic machines in the coming Nov. 2 election, instead urging voters to stick with the traditional paper ballots.

"Without paper ballots, a voter has no way to verify his vote has been counted and there is no way to conduct a valid audit of elections," said Jason Forester, spokesperson for Safe Vote Hawaii. Forester, who currently works for Savvis Communications, a global networking firm, sites his technical skills with computers and those of his colleagues, to give credence to Safe Vote's arguments. Mainly, their concerns are that the e-vote machines lack an audit trail, and like all computers the machines are susceptible

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USA PATRIOT Act: Three years

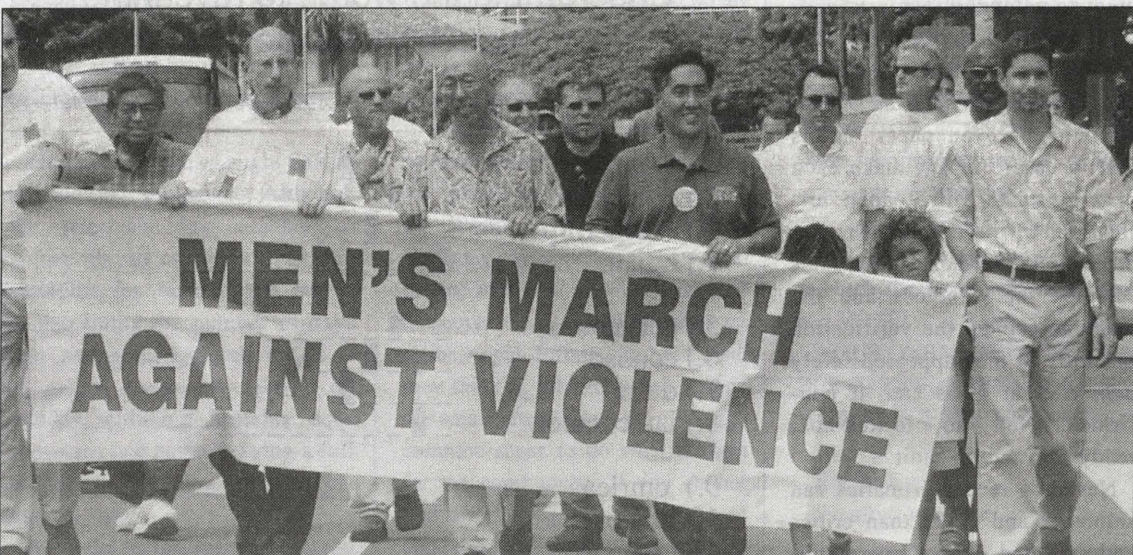
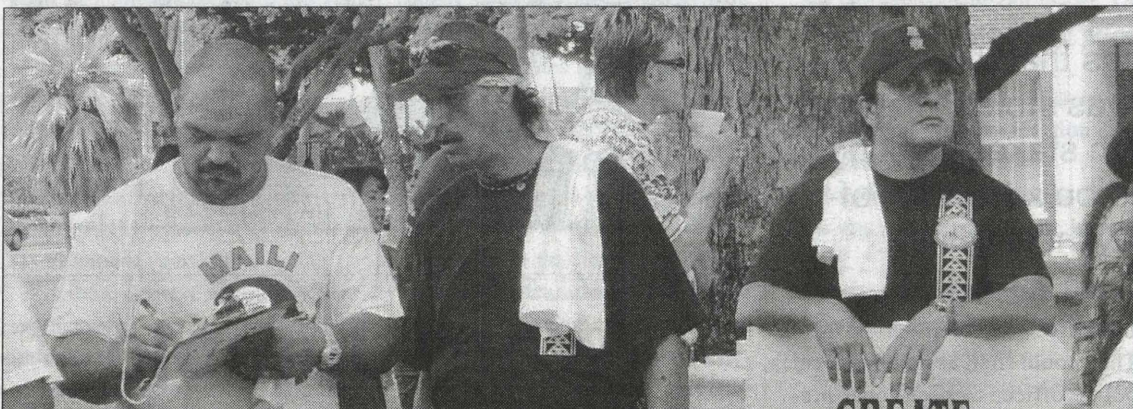
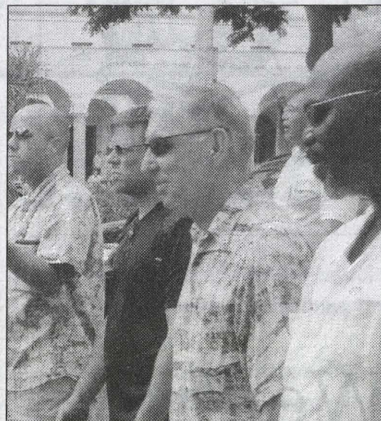
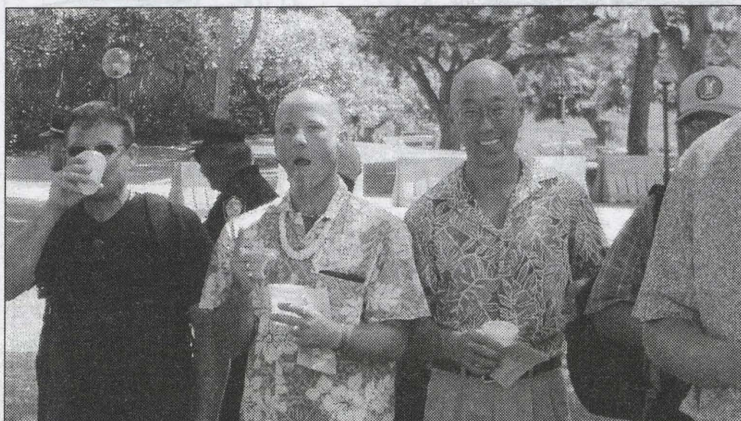
By David Namiki
STAFF WRITER

Nearly three years after its quick passage on October 25, 2001, the USA PATRIOT Act continues to generate political and legal discussion.

Proponents of the Act believe that giving federal officials greater authority in foreign intelligence gathering is necessary in the war on terrorism. Opponents see in it a threat to the civil liberties of citizens who are not involved in terrorism.

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Men march to protest domestic violence



Holding the banner, from left to right: Thomas Kondo, Frank Noji, Dale Peterson

PHOTOS AMI BLOGETT

PEACE WALK LED BY KCC REPRESENTATIVES

By Ami Blodgett
WEB EDITOR

More than 300 men took part in the 10th Annual Men's March Against Domestic Violence, and three of the front participants were marching on behalf of KCC.

KCC provided transportation to and from the march for the male students and faculty who were interested in participating. The 20-minute peace walk held on Oct. 8,

went from Kekeaulike Plaza to Sky Gate, in Chinatown. This year was a bit of a celebration with a theme of "A Decade of Speaking Out."

"I was very excited to be right in the front," said Dale Peterson, Academic Support Specialist "I really wanted people to know I was serious about this."

Peterson marched with Frank Noji, language arts department chair, and Thomas Kondo, language arts associate professor. Noji had the honor

of being one of the men to carry the front banner.

"Domestic violence is a social problem that people should be more aware of and sensitive to," said Noji. "We need to keep working on changing the stereotypes society has of men, and men have about themselves."

Protesters chanted, "Prevent more deaths" and "Join the march," with

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STAR program for teacher training

By Andrea Maglasang
EDITOR

Hawaii's State Department of Education (DOE) received a grant for \$2.4 million from the federal government to fund a program that will help fill teacher vacancies in primary education institutions. This STAR program, State Teacher Alternative Route, offers an accelerated program of teacher course work and certification over a 24-month period, and may provide over 500 teacher positions. Those who are selected for the training will be given a salary and partial tuition to complete the program.

Linda Kodama, KCC professor, says that a grant of this size is evidence of the need for teachers in the state.

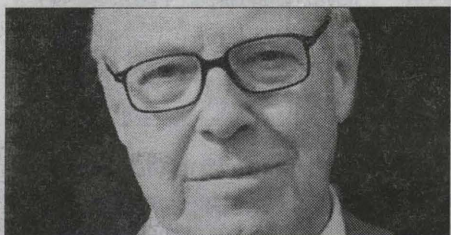
"Receiving a grant is no slam dunk," she said. "The submission has to address areas that the application guidelines give, and there needs to be substantial evidence."

At the start of the current school year, Hawaii was almost 400 teachers short. The STAR program aims to supplement the No Child Left Behind law, (which requires all children to achieve a standard and measured level of education) by increasing the number of teachers.

"It is a nationwide problem," Dale Asami, STAR program manager said in regard to teacher shortage. "But this grant focuses on Hawaii."

Candidates for the program are people who already have a background in academic areas (especially math, science and special education) that are in need of teachers in the state. Rural areas like the Leeward coast on Oahu, Molokai, and Kona areas of the Big Island are especially in need of teachers. The training program will give them the skills they need to apply their knowledge in the classroom. It is ideal for some who may be ready to retire, or who are looking for a

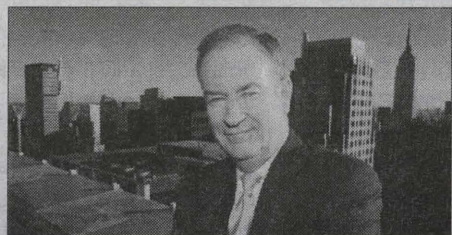
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REUTERS

Iraq War Stimulated Terrorism

UN Weapons inspector Hans Blix says that while the war has removed Saddam Hussein, "the rest has been tragedy and failure."

Full story @ www.reuters.com

AP

It Wasn't Me!

Fox News anchor Bill O'Reilly is being accused of sexual harassment. The accuser says O'Reilly forced her to have phone sex; he calls it extortion.

Full story @ www.yahoo.comChristopher Reeve
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Goodbye Superman

Christopher Reeve slipped into a coma and died Sunday, Oct. 11 after going into cardiac arrest from an infection of a pressure wound.

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AP

"I Can't..."

Wall Street Journal reporter Farnaz Fassihi offers an honest assessment on the war in Iraq.

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EDITORIAL

In Ballots We Pray

There are lingering feelings that the presidential election in 2000 was stolen, cheated, or handicapped. With high stakes banking this time around, it would be a travesty of justice to have such an event repeated.

There are fundamental flaws in the American voting system. In the past where ballots were individually counted, human error was a concerned factor. In one local election in California, the ballot was filled with two dozen candidates, so that it was literally three feet long. In some states, text size was too small for the impaired. Electronic voting machines were designed to eliminate these problems. Using touch-screen technology and a computer chip, no ballot was too long and large texts could be displayed for easy viewing. But the problem of accuracy and reliability remained the issue.

It is not because the machines can't count. They are great for that. But the initial results from machine tests proved they were fallible to malfunctions, hampered, and could not be accounted for. They also needed knowledgeable operators on standby should these machines break. In short, the electronic voting system can be very expensive for local authorities.

Congress should issue an emergency mandate that tackles these issues, some of which are outlined in the bipartisan Voting

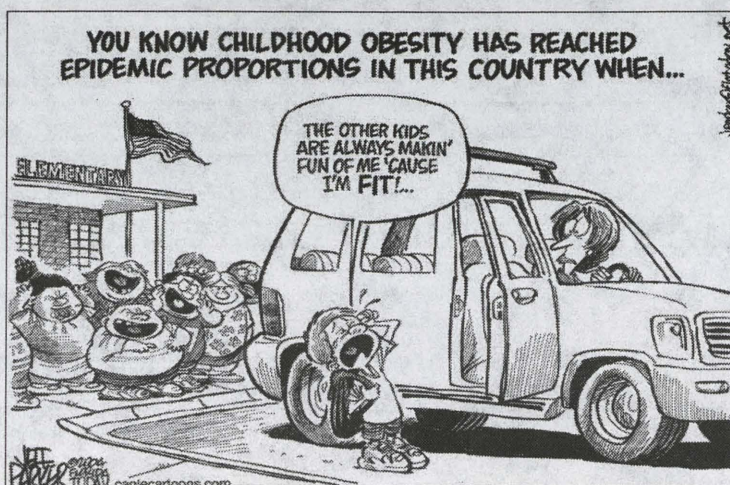
Integrity and Verification Act. They could first, assign one local police officer to each local precinct to safeguard against sabotages. Second, make sure each precinct carries spare machines, and alternatives such as optical scanners or even paper ballots just in case. Finally, make each machine come with a paper verification. In the case of a recent election in Nevada, individuals selected their choices and the machine printed the verification instantly. It then appeared safely behind clear glass and, if confirmed, it fell into a locked box, ready for random audit.

Nevada's recent primaries ran smoother and faster than critics had expected. With proper application it could be repeated nationwide.

A new voting system is the next step in reducing human errors from both individual voters and ballot counters. It is also a step that could restore the public's trust.

Anything less would be an insult to the world's greatest democracy.

The Editorial is co-written by all editors of *The Kapi'o Newspress*.



Word Jumble

Unscramble the words to reveal the hidden message:

- 1.) yaptr
- 2.) ohiecc
- 3.) eabiucnlp
- 4.) hgistr

- 5.) eervnbom
- 6.) ecnosd
- 7.) dtfar
- 8.) iatecomcdr

- 9.) cmrieaa
- 10.) mceyroda
- 11.) istucje
- 12.) oiabtrno
- 13.) eeaollcrt
- 14.) sgrireret

Message

Answer Key:

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| 1.) party | 5.) november | 9.) america |
| 2.) choice | 6.) second | 10.) democracy |
| 3.) republican | 7.) draft | 11.) justice |
| 4.) rights | 8.) democratic | 12.) abortion |
| | | 13.) electoral |
| | | 14.) register |

message: your vote counts

SPEAK OUT

What are you going to be for Halloween?

Question and Photos:
 Andrea Maglasang &
 Paul Kolbe



The scarecrow, and my girlfriend is going to be Dorothy. We're going to go downtown and trick or treat.

—Timothy Kroessig



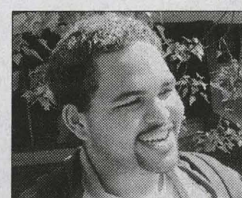
The redhead from Ranma 1/2, an old anime from the 70s. I just have to re-dye my hair. We're going to hang out at Dungeons.

—Wendi Takushi



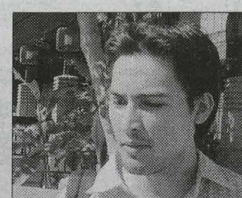
GoGo Ubari from 'Kill Bill.' I just need a black skirt and some spikes for a mace from Hot Topic.

—Jayna Ling



I'll be gone to Kauai for a sociology class – if I dress up as anything it'll be spur of the moment.

—Shane Strong



I'm going to a fundraiser dinner for some theatre.

We're supposed to dress up as figures from 'Forbidden Planet,' from the 50s.

—Andron Garrigus

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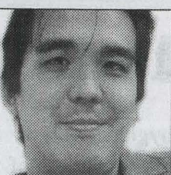
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MY TWO CENTS

by Clint Kaneoka



October the best month for true sports fans

Upon first glance, October seems to be a pretty unspectacular month. Its complete absence of school holidays should make it unpopular amongst much of the student population, and adults should be swooning just at the thought of Christmas and the obligatory holiday shopping involved, sitting just around the corner. In fact, with the exception of Halloween, which isn't even a legitimate holiday, October seems to offer little to help alleviate the boredom of what seems to be such a lackluster month.

However, things are not always as they seem, and despite the boring forecast, October is regarded by many as being one of the most exhilarating months of the year. Such anticipation is not generated from the incredibly underwhelming presidential debates or the subsequent election, nor is it drawn from the eagerness to don some ridiculous costume for Halloween; rather, such fervor is due to the convergence of the nation's two most popular sports seasons, baseball and football.

While few question the excitement that the newfound football season brings, some may wonder why there is a resurgence of interest in a baseball season that is months old. The answer is simple: the playoffs.

Baseball may be known as America's national pastime, but frankly, the 162-game regular season is a little too long even for many die-hard fans. For months, baseball teams battle it out over a marathon-like season, often seeming to struggle to maintain a consistent level of intensity. As a result, rather than watching the monotonous midseason games, many fans resort to either checking the sports section of the newspaper or simply tuning in to ESPN's SportsCenter to keep them up-to-date on their favorite team.

While the regular season may be too drawn out for most, the playoffs, which consist of one best-of-five series, and two best-of-seven series, is of perfect length for the typical sports fan whose attention

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span, gambling fund, and beer cooler is somewhat limited. Furthermore, the playoffs also mark a new beginning, where the zeal lost over the course of the regular season is not only regained, but even surpassed, as teams see the light of a championship at the end of the tunnel. This replenishment of enthusiasm is mirrored by fans, who instead of relying on clips from the news to reveal the outcome of the game, now await each nine-inning clash with childlike eagerness, reminding us exactly why baseball is our national pastime.

Football season appears to be tailor-made to accommodate individuals that lack the patience to stay interested in a 162-game season. Playing only 16 regular season games, the passion that players exhibit for the sport seems to escalate at increasing intervals as the season goes along.

However, there is a slight flaw in the football season too. Although the relatively few number of games played creates a must-win situation for teams each week, it also limits the number of days that people can watch it. As it is, games are mostly played on Sunday, although Monday does showcase one game, leaving a full five days of nothing but anticipation for fans.

It is the combination of these two seasons that makes October such an extraordinary time of year for sports fans. With the baseball playoffs, practically each weekday, and most weekends, are highlighted with some of the best games of the season, played under the conditions of do-or-die. Football, as usual, makes each Sunday and every Monday night an action-packed, beer swilling extravaganza.

Together, the merging of these two seasons perfectly complement each other, creating a sports oasis unparalleled by any other. Unfortunately, such beauty is short-lived, and thus, sports fans must do everything in their power to catch every scrap of sports action broadcasted through the airwaves.

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JOSHUA SHIMOMURA

We've got mail:

ONE VOTE DOES TOO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The article in last week's Kapiō about a person's vote being worthless is deeply disturbing not to mention misleading. How the Electoral College operates to elect the President is one complicated aspect of this Nov. 2 election, BUT the presidency is just ONE OF MANY offices on the ballot, several of which may be more crucial to us here in Hawaii (and even in the Electoral College, each vote determines the State's vote). The offices of Mayor, Senate and House (State and Federal), Board of Education, and City Council to name a few are all on the ballot and are decided by EACH VOTE. It is not only our right, it is our responsibility to vote, to participate in this democracy. When we stop doing that we allow just a few people to take over, to decide for us some very important issues. You may say you don't know who to vote for - well find out what kind of people they are, talk to them, go to their open forums, find out what they think is important and if they are smart enough and have enough common sense to do what is right for the community. If you cannot find anyone you feel is worthy of your vote, file your ballot anyway and either vote for everyone or for no one and in that way show your displeasure with the slate. Many of us spend more time deciding what kind of coffee to order than we do deciding who will be making the laws we then must follow. EACH VOTE COUNTS! Don't be lazy - don't give away your rights - do your civic duty and VOTE!

If you don't think your vote matters, think again....

- ONE VOTE kept Aaron Burr from becoming president; that ONE VOTE elected Thomas Jefferson in 1800.

- California, Idaho, Oregon, Texas, and Washington became states by ONE VOTE.

- In 1941, ONE VOTE saved Selective Service just weeks before Pearl Harbor.

- In 1948, Lyndon B. Johnson (our 36th president), became Senator by ONE VOTE.

Too many people think their vote doesn't matter.

In the last national election, only half of eligible voters were registered, and only half of those registered actually voted! The fact that

so many Americans did not exercise their right to vote is something that has to change.

We face critical issues in our nation today, and we must all do our part in choosing our leader. The future of your children and grandchildren is at stake.

This election year, make a difference and vote on Election Day, November 2, 2004.

So please, do not hesitate. If you are not registered to vote, register now!

Go to your local City Hall for information on how to register - it is easy. Register today.

Then, take your civic duty a step further ... make sure your family and friends are registered to vote. Help them find the resource you used.

It is a right and a responsibility that rests on us all. We owe it to those who have sacrificed so much to give us our one vote.

So get registered, make sure your friends and family are registered, research the issues and candidates, and VOTE!

YOUR ONE VOTE ON NOVEMBER 2, 2004 - ELECTION DAY - WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Regina Ewing
Faculty/Counselor

MORE "NO SMOKING" SIGNS

Kapiolani Community College is a beautiful campus, but there are a few things that would make it a bit more breathtaking, like getting rid of all the ashtrays, especially since this is supposed to be a non-smoking campus. No one is enforcing this policy and UH came up with it last year. Also, more benches under the trees. But mainly, putting up more "No Smoking" signs around the buildings would be nice.

Sincerely,
Tammy Camanase
Language Arts

ATTENDANCE POLICY NOT NECESSARY

One thing I have to complain about is some teachers and professors having a mandatory attendance policy. I strongly believe that attendance should not be mandatory, and that a rule should be added to restrict teachers from putting on their syllabus that attendance is mandatory.

Some students, actually most, have tight schedules around their classes. I sometimes find myself cutting out of class early to make it to work. And I don't want to be deducted points or grades for doing so. Mandatory attendance is so high school.

Sincerely,
Andrew T. Dunham
ICS Major

RESTRUCTURE FINANCIAL AID

This is my first semester at KCC. I have not had many experiences yet here at KCC. The one thing that I think can improve here at KCC is how they work the financial aid. I have never been at a college campus that makes you wait for your financial aid. Since this was my first semester I had to wait until September to get my financial aid reimbursement check. This forced me to pay out of my pocket for books and tuition. I am not sure that this is okay because most people cannot come up with the money for tuition and books. I thought this is what financial aid was supposed to help you with. I really think that this should change. Even though this was my first semester for financial aid, they still waited for my grades from summer quarter. I don't really believe they should have looked at my grades for summer because I paid out of my pocket, not financial aid money.

Kristina Stokes

KCC NEEDS AN ACTIVITY CENTER

As a student currently enrolled in Kapiolani Community college I find that most of my day is spent sitting around waiting for my next class to start. While waiting those long hours I find myself bored with nothing to do (home work doesn't count as doing something). I propose some sort of rec-center for students to play around in (the TV in the library isn't that enjoyable either). Lots of money would be made on those bored students stuck on campus, like me. Something simple as a pool hall will do.

Damon Kikkawa

**Campus and
Community Briefs**

On Nov. 4, Robin Brandt, Acting Director of the Pacific Basin Rehabilitation Research and Training Center, will discuss "Futures of Work and Disabilities: Trends and Emerging Issues" at 12:30 p.m. at the University of Hawaii - West O'ahu, 96-129, Ala 'Ike, Pearl City. The venue is Room E-101. Interested members of the community are invited. This event is free and open to the public. A question and answer session will follow. UHWO Classroom E-101 and a nearby parking area are shown on a map at <http://www.uhwo.hawaii.edu/contact>.

Applications for the Freeman Foundation Grant for intensive Chinese language and culture courses are due Nov. 1. The program covers tuition, room, and board for one semester of intensive language study at KCC, and one semester abroad in China. For further information, contact Ken Kiyohara at (808) 734-9824 or kiyohara@hawaii.edu. Download the application at www.kcc.hawaii.edu/academics/abroad.

UH Manoa's theatre and dance department shows Edward Sakamoto's "Manoa Valley" at the Kennedy Theatre Oct. 29, 30, and Nov. 4, 5, 6 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 7 at 2 p.m. "Manoa Valley" is a nostalgic look at local life just before Hawaii's statehood. Presented in pidgin, the play is a glimpse into the lives of a local Japanese family. Tickets go on sale Oct. 18: \$15 regular, \$12 seniors, military, UH faculty/staff; \$10 non-UHM students; \$3 UHM students with valid fall 2004 I.D.

UH Manoa's theatre and dance department presents "This Is My House," at the Kennedy Theatre. The performance piece examines the structures and definitions of family in today's society, examining such issues as marriage, childbearing and genetics, and is by turns comic, serious, introspective and confrontational. Shows go on Oct. 30, Nov. 5, 6 at 11 p.m., and Oct. 31 at 8 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the door one hour before the performance begins: \$8 regular; \$7 non-UHM students, seniors, military, UH faculty/staff; \$3 UHM students with valid fall 2004 I.D. For more information call 956-7655.

Diamond Wine Brats features "The Wine Stop" wine presentation on Monday, Nov. 8 at 12:30 p.m. in the Tamarind Room in the Ohelo building. All students and faculty are welcome. Cost is free, though donations are accepted. For more information contact Chef Daniel Swift or Shanna Hardy at hardys@hawaii.edu.

Vaccine shortage leaves healthy high and dry

By Clint Kaneoka
COPY EDITOR

With nearly half the U.S. supply of flu shots lost to contamination, most will find themselves without the vaccine to help combat the virus this flu season.

"We are facing a shortage," said Darcie Yukimura, an information specialist at the Department of Health. "For now, we are asking all healthy people, those who do not fall into high-risk groups, to refrain from getting the vaccine to ensure that doses are available to those who need them most."

Influenza, or the flu, is one of the common illnesses that health authorities have the most problems with. Each year the flu infects 65 million people in America alone, killing 36,000 of them, and hospitalizing an additional 200,000. Symptoms include high fever, extreme fatigue, sore throat, and muscle aches, and extreme cases can result in death, especially among those who fall into high-risk groups.

According to officials, those at high risk are children six months to 23 months of age; adults 65 and older; those with serious underlying medical conditions, such as heart or kidney disease or HIV infection; women pregnant during the flu season; residents of long-term care facilities; children on chronic aspirin therapy; health-care workers that provide care for high-risk groups; and those who care for children younger than six months of age.

U.S. officials began warning of the shortage on Oct. 5, when British regulators barred shipments of the doses after finding that they had been tainted with *Serratia marcescens*, a potentially dangerous bacterium. Soon after, British officials closed down Chiron Inc., the company in charge of producing the vaccine. Of the 100 million doses that had been expected this flu season, Chiron was expected to deliver approximately 46 million of them.

While the remaining 54 million doses may adequately supply those

in high-risk groups, the residual shots certainly will not be enough to meet the high demand from the general public. But although it will not be possible for everyone to get a traditional vaccination, there are alternatives to the standard flu shot that may help reduce the chances of coming down with the flu.

"For healthy people, like college students, there is an alternative vaccination, although there are only 1 million to 2 million doses available," said Yukimura. "Flumist" is a relatively new vaccine that uses a live, weakened strain of the flu virus, as compared to the normal flu shot which uses a dead virus. Because it uses a live virus, it should only be used by those who are healthy between the age of five and 49, meaning that most of the people in high-risk groups are unable to use it. However, it is a bit more expensive than the normal flu shot."

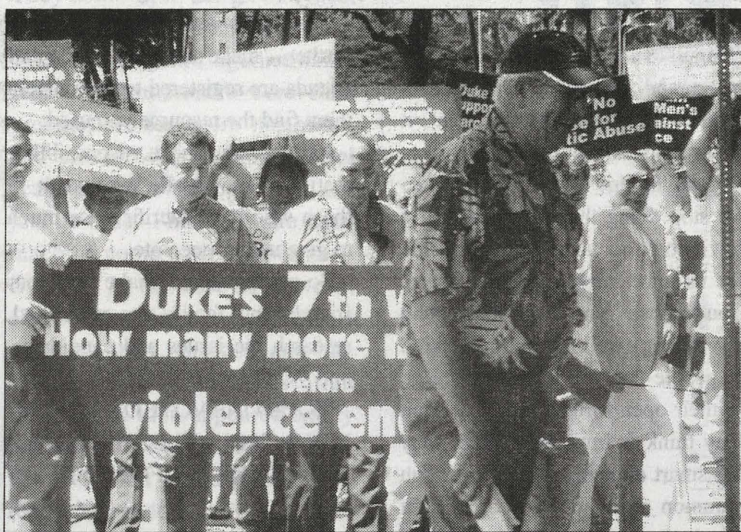
Furthermore, Yukimura says that everyone should try to keep their immune system up by leading a healthy lifestyle and practicing good

hygiene.

"Regardless of whether young or old, everyone should try to keep in good health by eating right, exercising, and getting enough sleep," said Yukimura. "Also it is important to practice good health habits such as avoiding close contact with those who are ill, staying home from work or school if you are sick, covering your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, washing your hands often, and limiting the amount that you touch your eyes, nose and mouth."

However, despite these measures, it is almost assured that there will not be enough flu vaccines to sustain the general population throughout this flu season, and that is just something that healthy people will have to deal with.

"The only thing we can do right now is hope to have a mild flu season," said Yukimura. "The best thing healthy college students can do is not get a flu shot this year so that there will be enough available for their grandmothers."



PHOTOS AMI BLOGETT

March:

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many of them carrying signs with statements such as "Live Happily Violence Free," "Another Man Against Domestic Violence," "Create a Safer Hawaii," and "Domestic Violence Feeds on Silence."

Not all the marchers went into the event prepared with signs or an understanding of their participation.

"Like many other people, I ignored the problem until today," said Kondo. "When I finally found myself marching with the other anti-violence people, I became aware of the seriousness of the problem."

Preceding the march was a rally in Skygate Park, where another hundred people joined the marchers. The rally began with a moment of silence in remembrance of Hawaii residents who lost their lives to domestic violence in the past year. A bell echoed through the stillness as a symbol of our community collectively coming together to bring all domestic violence to an end.

"To hear that list of names, even if it was only three, doesn't matter.

It was still too long, made me very upset and made me think of how many times that list could've included my mother's name or my name," said Peterson.

Every 7.5 seconds a woman in the United States is a victim of brutal domestic violence. This fact was revealed in one of many speeches. Even Mayor Jeremy Harris made an appearance to speak of his support on the issue despite being ill with influenza.

"We have to continue working in a cooperative spirit with the community, mayor's office, law enforcement agencies, and other anti-violence organizations," said Kondo.

October is national Domestic Violence Awareness Month and those who weren't able to participate in the march but would like to help should know that donations of cell phones are being accepted at UH in the Queen Liliokalani Center in room 211. The cell phones will provide domestic violence victims quick access to 911. For more information call (808) 956-8059.

PATRIOT:

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Below is a sampling of key provisions of the Act:

Section 213, "Sneak and Peek." Expands the types of cases and the ease in which warrants allowing delayed notification are granted (as opposed to traditional knocking and announcing before searches). The "Otter Amendment," which would stop funding of 213, passed a House vote 309 to 118, but was eventually dropped. A new bill, the "SAFE" Act, has been introduced to nullify 213.

Section 215, "Angry Librarians." Expands secret, warrantless records searches of certain businesses, to include libraries, Internet service providers (ISP's), and banks. The American Library Association opposes this, and some librarians have destroyed user records to foil this "danger to the constitutional rights and privacy rights of library users."

At the KCC Library, a notice advises entering visitors that their use of materials may be investigated without their knowledge. "We do not keep logs of computer users or how they are used," said Susan Murata, Head Librarian, to assure visitors browsing the Internet.

Section 216, "Carnivore, clarified." Applies prior phone tap rules to the Internet, giving structure to previously unregulated Internet surveillance. Investigators must file a detailed report whenever a surveillance device, such as "Carnivore," is installed on an ISP. Section 216 limits allowable e-mail evidence to the "to" and "from" fields. Other content, including the "subject" field and body text, is considered "over-collection."

Section 412, "Alien Act." Allows the detention of aliens for up to seven days without criminal charge.

As of March 2003, no one had been detained under 412.

At KCC, many international students remain unworried about the possibility of being detained or scrutinized. Simon Bourim, a second-year International Relations student from Canada, says he's not especially concerned about the Act, but is conscious of it, "...when I'm doing Internet research."

Section 802, "Tree-Hugging Terrorists." Creates a new crime category, "domestic terrorism," entailing an intent to "influence the policy of a government by intimidation or coercion," by "acts dangerous to human life." Groups from Greenpeace to Operation Rescue are worried that they may be categorized as domestic terrorists.

Legislation has been introduced so that the Act cannot be used against domestic political protesters. To date, no environmental activist or abortion protester has been prosecuted under the law.

Conclusion: It is difficult to say how much the Act has strengthened national security, or if it has prevented any terrorist attacks. So far, there have been no prominent cases of law-abiding citizens having their civil rights violated.

The two best checks on encroachment on constitutional rights are an objective judiciary and a knowledgeable public. Because many of the Act's provisions either diminish or eliminate judicial oversight, perhaps it obligates the public to take up more of the watchdog duties.

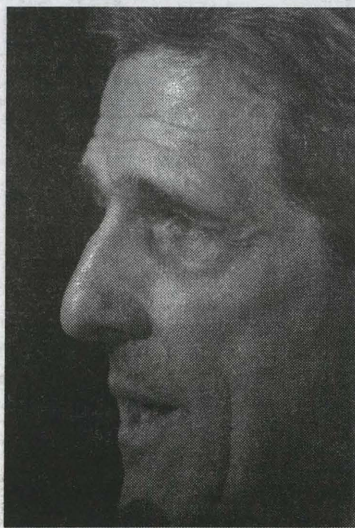
It is noteworthy that, while most Americans believe that the Act has not affected them, they might not know if it had been used on them, nor can anyone be sure how it will affect their lives in the future.

ELECTION 2004

John Kerry and the Democratic Party

By Paul Kolbe
NEWS EDITOR

As a member of the Democratic Party Senator John Kerry is considered a liberal, and has even been called "the most liberal senator in Congress" by his opponents. The definition of liberal in American politics has evolved over the years, but liberal by definition implies generosity. So what does it mean to be a modern liberal? Here is a beginners guide to typical liberal and Democratic Party ideals, and Senator Kerry's views toward them:



Senator John Kerry

Dems: Support an increased role for federal government influence, limiting state autonomy.

Kerry: Believes the USA PATRIOT Act has been used to abuse people's rights, but voted for a provision limiting restrictions on wiretapping cell phones.

Dems: Pro-choice, support a women's right to choose an abortion.

Kerry: Resists restrictions on abortions, and voted against banning partial birth abortions.

Dems: Secular, maintaining a staunch separation between church and state.

Kerry: Wants to be known as John F. Kennedy was - a president who happens to be catholic, not as a catholic president.

Dems: Support increased government funding of social programs.

Kerry: Voted against vouchers for private schools. Proposes increased funding for public schools, and rais-

ing the minimum wage.

Dems: Support equal rights for gays, and programs to help minorities.

Kerry: Voted against a gay marriage ban, but believes marriage is between a man and a woman. Supports partnership rights and civil unions. Supports affirmative action into the near future, but questions long-term practicality.

Dems: Fiscally generous, meaning more government spending and higher taxes to support the spending.

Kerry: Supports higher government spending. Pledges not to raise taxes on earnings under \$200,000.

Dems: Environmental views often seen as friendlier to environmentalists.

Kerry: Mixed record on the environment. Proposes fixing and joining the Kyoto Treaty, which pledges to reduce greenhouse emissions worldwide.

BORN

December 11, 1943 at Fitzsimons Army Hospital in Colorado

EDUCATION BACKGROUND

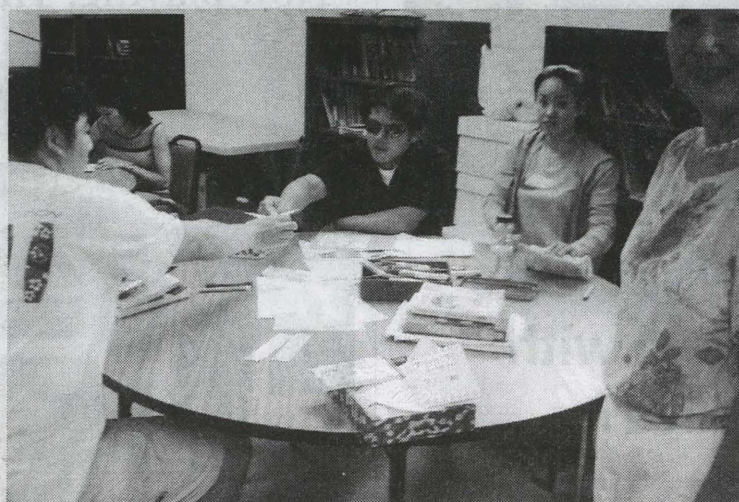
Attended Yale where he majored in political science, then to Boston College to receive his law degree.

PRE-POLITICAL JOBS

U.S. Naval Officer, commanded a river patrol boat during Vietnam, earning a Silver Star, Bronze Star with Combat V and three Purple Hearts. Spokesman for Vietnam Veterans Against the War. Co-founded Vietnam Veterans of America. Head Prosecutor for Middlesex County Massachusetts. Later worked as an attorney in the private sector.

POLITICAL POSTS

Ran for Congressional Representative in 1972, winning the primary but losing in the general election. Elected Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts from 1982-1984. Elected to the U.S. Senate in 1985, has been reelected every term since. Currently running for the President of the United States of America.



KCC students from around the world gather each week at the International Cafe

By Chad Thompson-Smith
STAFF WRITER

The International Cafe draws KCC students from around the world each week. Some come to receive help with schoolwork while others gather around tables and talk story.

"The International Cafe has been a really big part of my experience here at KCC," KCC student Crichton Uale said. "I came here first in 2001 to try and keep up on my Spanish and ended up learning Japanese."

Uale studied abroad in Japan for one year and credits the International Cafe for making that possible.

"I have made so many friends and learned so much about other cultures here at the cafe," said Uale. "You can also get help with many different languages, math, and even Hawaiian studies."

Students can also receive service learning credits that help when applying for scholarships or building a resume, according to Uale.

KCC assistant professor Linda Fujikawa has helped nurture the International Cafe since its birth six years ago.

"In the cafeteria I would see students of different ethnic groups sitting somewhat segregated," said Fujikawa. "The International Cafe was a way to bring

those people together."

The original and thus far only rule in the International Cafe is to help others, be it with language or other subjects, according to Fujikawa.

"The cafe received an award from the American Counsel of Education recognizing the influence the International Cafe has had on numerous students and how it has done this on a zero budget," Fujikawa said.

The International Cafe holds many types of activities each month. On the second Saturday of each month over the last six years, the International Cafe has headed a Limu seaweed restoration at Onuela beach near Eva Beach. The International Cafe will be at the Shriners children hospital to provide an International Carnival on Oct. 19 between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. During the month of November, the Cafe is planning an international education week. During this week students and instructors will provide information about cultures spanning the globe along with other educational information.

The International Cafe can be found in 'Iliahi 129 across from Subway. The hours are operations are noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and every Friday is an open house between noon and 1 p.m. More information about the International Cafe can be found at www.kcc.hawaii.edu/intl/cafe.

Recent SNAPSHOTS

- A new vaccine for malaria
- Ramadan eases war between Israel and Palestine
- Computer implants record human health records

U.S. health officials on Friday ordered the makers of all antidepressants to include tough warnings explaining that the **drugs increase the chances of suicidal behavior in some children and teens.**

Ramadan began on Friday for all people of Islamic faith. Ramadan is a time of fasting for all Muslims. Muslims are forbidden to eat, drink or smoke during daylight hours, with each day ending in feasts and visits to friends and family.

Israeli troops have begun moving out of Palestinian refugee camps in observance of the

Muslim celebration of Ramadan. This ends a massive 16-day offensive that killed at least 100 Palestinians.

The FDA has approved the marketing of a rice-sized computer chip that can be implanted into humans. Known as "VeriChip," these chips will provide doctors with instant access to a patient's medical records.

U.S. jets attack Fallujah and terrorists reply with a car bomb explosion, killing 10 people—including a family of four in Baghdad. The attacks are believed to stem from the broken down peace talks between Iraqi officials and

city leaders, who refuse to turn over terror mastermind Abu Musab al-Zarqawi.

For the first time, a **vaccine against malaria** has shown that it can save children from infection or death.

Argentina, Denmark, Greece, Japan and Tanzania won coveted two-year terms on the U.N. Security Council. Angola, Chile, Germany, Pakistan and Spain depart on Dec. 31.

Snakehead fish found in Lake Michigan - marine biologists fear the non-native fish could threaten the entire Great Lakes ecosystem.

Parking lot closure

The unpaved gravel lot at Parking Lot "E" will be closed from Nov. 15, 2004 thru Jan. 9, 2005 for paving. No vehicles will be permitted to park in the gravel lot during this time. The other two paved sections of Lot "E" will remain open. There may be one or two days when sections of these two lots will be closed for electrical or drainage work. Notices will be posted in advance.

We apologize for the inconvenience.

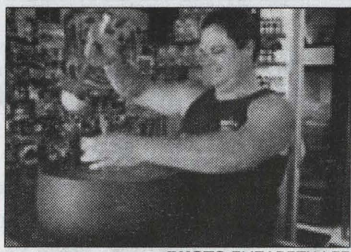


PHOTO ELIZABETH LEE

What's the deal with kava?

By Elizabeth Lee
 STAFF WRITER

Kava, or 'awa in Hawaiian, comes from a gnarly root of a type of pepper plant (*Piper Methysticum*) that grows up to 12 feet. A natural tension reliever, the effects of kava ease anxiety, can assist in a good night's sleep, and heighten your senses while keeping you clear-headed. Kava is not addictive nor is it a hallucinogen. The brew can taste pretty terrible to some, and looks like acrid muddy water. Kava is gaining international recognition as an herbal supplement that gives the same effects as Valium. The powder form is popularly used in Kava bars where you can drink a bowl of kava and water in a comfortable setting.

It takes about a half an hour to feel the relaxing effects of kava. Although it is not addictive, a year of daily kava abuse may cause nausea, double vision, temporary paralysis of lower limbs, light sensitivity, dry flaking skin, and even liver failure.

Kava has been ceremonially used in the Pacific cultures for 3,000 years. Since the advent of the Hawaiian Renaissance, the root crop has become an economic boost for island agriculture. Fiji, Vanuatu and Tonga are the world's primary sources of kava root.

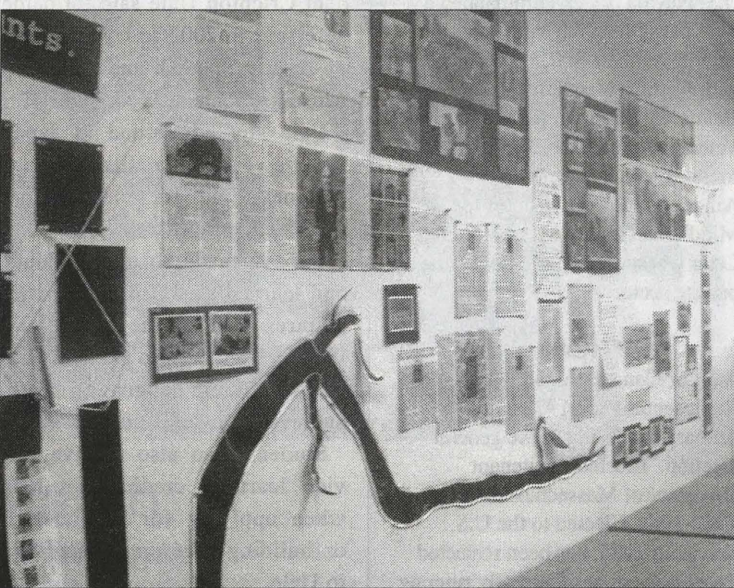
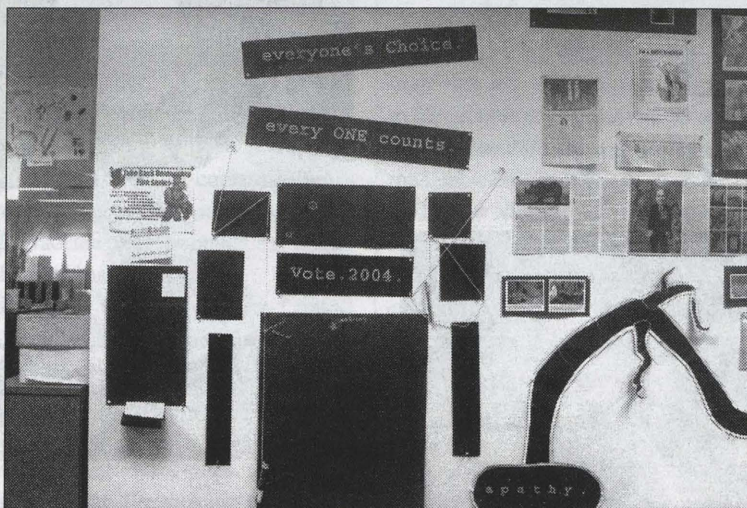
Researchers chronicle the root as an alternative method of treating depression. Its effect on cancer and weight loss is yet to be discovered. Even the U.S. Department of Defense is funding research in Hawaii to determine if kava could help ease anxiety in troops going to war as a part of C-rations.

In a German study, rats given a sleeping pill slept for two hours while rats given kava pills slept 27 hours.

There is a concern with the number of growing kava bars here and on the mainland regarding its effects while driving. Kava should be consumed with the same responsibilities as with alcohol. It is recommended to arrange a designated driver after drinking kava. The root does magnify the effects of prescription drugs and alcohol and should be ingested with caution. Some Kava bars will not serve anyone under the age of 20.

Hale Noa Cafe, Kanaka Kava Hawaiian Awa & Pupus, and Verity are kava bars. Kava is sold in different forms in health food stores and even at Longs.

Now playing: The power of the vote



PHOTOS VUONG PHUNG

By Vuong Phung
 LAYOUT EDITOR

The Holomua Center wants to remind everyone to vote this Nov. 2. In what could only be described as her gigantic political collage, Jennifer Thorbjornsen wanted viewers to be stimulated by the power of the vote. With dozens

of photographs of the war in Iraq, especially one with a downed American soldier on a stretcher, the message became clear: so much is riding on this election.

The withered tree, Thorbjornsen said, was an expression of apathy.

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to problems, and tampering.

Forrester stated that the Hawaii Office of Elections had no one to run audits but the vendor, and that it was extremely inadvisable to trust the vendor in this situation.

"We've tried to work with the Office of Elections, but they've shown no interest," said Forrester, who also claims other machines offering paper verification are available from the same vendor, but Hawaii chose not to purchase them.

The Hawaii Office of Elections

did not return phone calls to comment on these claims.

Travis Harrell, Manager of Professional Services for Elections for Hart InterCivic based out of Austin Texas, which manufactures the e-Slate machines Hawaii purchased, confirms the service agreement between Hawaii and Hart InterCivic calls for the service provider to run audits, but the company could train a person of Hawaii's choosing should Hawaii request so in contract. Harrell also stated that machines offering paper verification are still in development and not available for purchase. When

Teacher:

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career change.

As of now, the DOE is taking calls from those who have heard of the program since it is in its first year.

"We will compile a list and from what people tell us, we can get back to them after we set up the infrastructure of the program," Asami said. "We are looking at their background, their area of interest, where they are geographically located."

Asami says that the biggest obstacle to a program like this is cost and accessibility.

"We offer classes at night and on the weekend," he said. "So no one has to quit their daytime job to become a teacher, no one can afford that anyway."

Veronica Ogata, TEACH Hawaii program coordinator, thinks programs like this are a great alternative to meet teacher shortage in the state.

"According to the DOE, UH and other university systems are not graduating enough teachers each year to fill the system," she said. "And as more and more teachers retire, the gap only increases."

Charlotte Toguchi, KCC professor of humanities agrees, but thinks the success of the program will depend on the participants.

"I think this type of funding would provide an impetus and boost to the teacher education training programs," she said. "One of the benefits is that it attracts teachers who are serious about obtaining the training and will reach their goals in a timely fashion. (But) it is a great leap to say that it will fill teacher shortage, as this is dependent on the success of the students in the program."

Several programs similar to the STAR program have been underway with the similar goal of filling the teacher gap, such as UH Manoa's College of Education fast-track teacher certification program, and the UH Transition to Teaching. The DOE also offers other programs to fill immediate vacancies for teachers in special education and for educational assistants.

Both Toguchi and Ogata think that the need for teachers comes from the need for higher salaries.

"I think the primary reason Hawaii lacks teachers is because the pay is low and the cost of living in Hawaii

is tremendous," she said. "Teachers teach our future generations! That is phenomenal. But they have to fight for their worth. If we stop and think about it, the state could not even begin to pay our teachers for all they do."

—VERONICA OGATA

Asami says that the job of teaching itself is challenging, with more responsibilities, more standards to be met, and higher expectations. Ogata and Toguchi add that a greater respect for the teaching profession is highly in order to draw people to teaching.

"Teachers should be in the same category as doctors and lawyers in terms of respect, recognition, and yes, in pay," Ogata said. "When people ask what you do for a living and you tell them that you are a doctor or lawyer, people say 'Wow! Good for you! You must be doing well and making a lot of money!' But when you tell them that you are a teacher, they feel sorry for you. Why is that?"

As a starting ground for future teachers KCC projects a positive outlook, with more than 300 students enrolled in some aspect of the pre-education field. According to Ogata, that is a large number, especially from the community college level.

Toguchi says that those students need to be more aware of the requirements and qualifications of entering the teaching profession.

"KCC can provide this information," Toguchi said. "And the necessary core courses to get started in the right direction."

asked about tampering safeguards, Harrell said the machines were protected by a "...circular-redundancy-checking system," which essentially causes the machines to check and re-check their data then shut down from any information not created in their own systems. Harrell also said the machines were fully enclosed and no outside input outlet existed should anyone have the idea to input data.

There is currently no federal law requiring the addition of paper verification for electronic voting. However states such as New Hampshire and Oregon have state laws requir-

ing voter systems to allow manual recounts, and other states have enacted their own requirements for paper verifications by 2006, including California and Washington. Nevada will be using an electronic system with paper verification this November.

Hawaii currently has no acting or proposed state legislation requiring paper verification. However, there is a federal proposal to require paper verification co-sponsored by Hawaii Congressman Neil Abercrombie.

Both electronic voting and traditional ballot voting will be offered around the state Nov.2

Women against militarism

By Elizabeth Lee
STAFF WRITER

A fundraiser was held Oct. 8 at UH's Center for Hawaiian Studies. Students gathered in support of sending three delegates to the 5th Annual International Women's Network Against Militarism Conference of East Asia, the U.S., and Puerto Rico. Women from all over the world will be discussing the impact of militarism, under the title, "Prostitution of women, environmental and cultural degradation of the land, and the propagation of violence in communities and its connection to militarization." The conference will be held next month from Nov. 20-28.

UH students, Ellen-Rae Cachola and Gigi Miranda, along with Terri Napua Keko'olani-Raymond, will be Hawaii's delegates. They envision a demilitarized Hawaii.

"Our objective is to bridge Hawaii to other places that are critically thinking about the global and local implications of militarism."

Cachola, who will graduate with a BA in political science, attends the conference in order to find out "If people are creating strategies for breaking away from (a) military industrial complex political system and apply it towards a sustainable economy."

Miranda is a video activist employed at Olelo Community Television's Community Media Center in Palolo Valley.

"I attend the conference in hopes of telling the peoples' stories and struggles through film and video," she said. "And gaining basic human rights for life, land, and spirit."

Terri, a Hawaiian activist, is a member of Hawaii's chapter of NFIP, Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific, and DMZ Hawai'i/Aloha 'Aina, an alliance to demilitarize Hawaii.

Keynote speaker Haunani-Kay Trask conjured up images of Che Guevarra, Vietnam, and Fahrenheit 911 in her speech. Trask warns of a schedule for new military bases all over the world. In regards to the Iraq war, she urges young people to take the possibility of the draft seriously, saying, "Organize, Demonstrate, Resist."

The crowd warmly welcomed musicians and poets after Trask's speech.

The delegates are trying to raise enough funds to help with the cost of airline tickets. For donations, make checks payable to AFSC Hawaii indicating "Philippines Conference" in memo line and send to AFSC Hawaii 2426 Oahu Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96822.

SATURDAY MORNING FARMERS MARKET

One of the places to get your favorite Hawaii grown restaurant foods

By Berkeley Fowler
STAFF WRITER

The Saturday Morning Farmers Market at Kapiolani Community College not only hosts all Hawaii grown and produced foods, but also features food items that are hard to find anywhere else, served by vendors that normally supply restaurants. Located in the parking lot off Diamond Head Road, the market opens at 7:30 a.m. but only starts to fill up at around 8 a.m. and is done and closed by 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

With close to 40 different vendors present, offering everything from music to fresh vegetables and meats, you can eat breakfast, lunch, or dinner with food from the market. And because it's a farmers market, all of the farmers are present in their own booth, with plenty of advice on how to choose and prepare whatever it is that you want. They also can tell you how they grow or make their goods and any information you might want, except for secret recipes.

Samples are available at most stands that prepare food or have pre-made goods for sale. Two Hot Tomatoes serving Fried Green Tomatoes is one of the most popular food booths, often with a crowd around the stand. They serve two green tomato slices fried with a choice of sauces on the side for dipping, all for \$3. Orchids go for \$5-7, in a range of variety and colors, and fragrances. Hibiscus Lady displays an orchid that smells like chocolate. Kahuku Brand papayas go for 99 cents a pound.

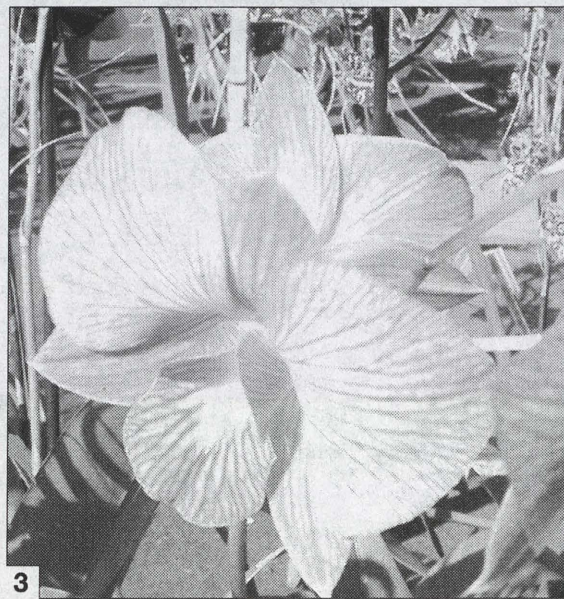
If you don't feel like shopping for food to make your own breakfast, each Saturday a different restaurant shows up and prepares hot breakfast plates for purchase. On Oct. 23 there will be a cooking demonstration at 9 a.m. with Sharon Kobayashi, of Latitude 22. Breakfast will be Chinatown omelette and fried rice. The Culinary Institute of Kapiolani Community College also has a stand



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PHOTOS BERKELEY FOWLER

1,2: Families eat breakfast under trees in the parking lot off Diamond Head Road, on the KCC campus. 3: Orchids from Hibiscus Lady come in many colors (top right), as well as fragrances, including one that smells like chocolate. 4: Vendors like Nalo Greens offer Hawaii grown produce, only available at this farmers market, or in restaurants (bottom).

with fresh made food for sale. Other demos will be given by the Hawaiian Vanilla Company with Hawaii grown vanilla beans, and everything you can do with them, from body lotion to cooking extract.

There is a wide range of people at the market, and it stays pretty full for the whole time it's open. It's not strange to

see people with dogs walking around, as well as bicyclists with helmets still attached holding shopping baskets. Shaded areas with picnic benches are usually kept full with people eating breakfast but there is plenty of space along the curb or under trees to sit and eat. Parking is plentiful and close, so it's easy to drop purchases off in cars.

If you don't feel like walking back to your car many of the vendors will hold things for you. It's one of the best places to be on Saturday.

The Saturday Farmers market is co-sponsored by the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation and the Culinary Institute of the Pacific at KCC. For more information call 848-2074.

KCC donates more than 150 pounds of clothes and toys to Iraq

By Chad Thompson-Smith
STAFF WRITER

KCC students donated more than 150 pounds of toys and clothes to be sent to the children of Iraq. A local motorcycle club, The Intruders of Hawaii, sponsored the drive.

Large contributors to the drive were the students here on campus who frequent the International Cafe. KCC professor Linda Fujikawa facilitates the Cafe and played a large part in getting the drive up and running.

"Students from the International Cafe decorated collection boxes and placed them around campus," Fujikawa said. "Every time the students held an event on campus they also brought along a donation box."

The service learning office also hosted three donation boxes outside

their office. By the time the drive ended, the three boxes were completely overflowing with donations.

Religion instructor Erin Weston encouraged students to make donations by giving her students extra credit.

"I encouraged my students through extra credit because I want them to become engaged in life, to care about 'the other,' to value something outside of money and consumption," she said. She expressed her sympathy for the innocent children who have become victims of the war.

"It also seems to me that killing and maiming children will only serve to increase the hatred of America," Weston said.

Western beliefs can have a critical impact on the rest of the world. Weston believes since America consumes



PHOTO CHAD THOMPSON-SMITH

Toy donations from KCC students and staff overflow from the donation boxes.

a large percentage of the world's resources, Americans should bear the responsibility in effort to avert both environmental and social disasters.

"It seems to me that the first step has to be to get students to connect and care beyond their personal desires and realize the great joy that comes when we give to the community," Weston

said.

Donations were sorted by The Intruders of Hawaii and sent to Intruder's member Dusty Rhodes, stationed in Iraq, for allocation to Iraqi children. The drive was so successful that donations continued to roll-in well after deadline. The success of the drive has spurred interest



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Professional writers coming to KCC

Jeffery Paul Chan will be reading from his new novel, *Eat Everything Before You Die*. Mr. Chan is a professor of Asian American Studies and of English at San Francisco State University. He co-edited *Aiiieeee! An Anthology of Asian American Writers* and *The Big Aiiieeee! An Anthology of Chinese American and Japanese American Literature*. October 20, 10:45-noon, in Kalia 102.

Albert Wendt will be reading from his work. Professor Wendt is one of the best-known writers of the Pacific and is the Citizens' Chair at UH-Manoa. He is the author of five novels, three collections of short stories, four volumes of poetry, and a play. *Leaves of the Banyan Tree* won the New Zealand Wattie Book of the Year Award, and is considered a classic of Pacific literature. October 21, 1:45-3 p.m., in Kopiko 127-128.

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Capitalizing on the Job Fair

The Job Fair provides you an opportunity to network, get on-the-spot interviews, get information on industry, and company information. Here are a few tips to prepare for the Job Fair on **October 27, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at the Cafeteria at Ohia Building.

- ❖ Prepare for the fair as if you were going for an interview
- ❖ Visit the web pages of the companies that you are interested in before the fair
- ❖ Bring with you copies of your resume
- ❖ Carry a folder (leave bulky bags in your car) w/ one hand free to shake hands
- ❖ Ask for the names and titles of key company individuals

Some of the companies that are planning to participate:

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Come by the informational table on Wednesday, October 20 and Monday, October 25 between 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the entry of the cafeteria in Ohia Building. Or contact the Job Placement Office at jobs@hawaii.edu or 734-9434.



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