

Friends of the North Shore Library at Princeville

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

You'll find a special enclosure in this edition of our newsletter. I hope you'll take the time to read it and act upon it. In this simple way, you can make an important contribution to the entire North Shore community. This brochure summarizes the Princeville Public Library's resources and services and the efforts that the Friends of the North Shore Library makes to support the library's mission. It includes a form for you to return to us so that you, your family, or your business can become a Friend of the Library.

By becoming a Friend of the Library, you make a vital contribution. Membership dues along with your supplemental donations are among the Friends' primary sources of funding. Others sources, of course, include our popular quarterly used book sales and annual See's Candy sale. A small portion of these funds is used to carry on the business of the Friends such as printing our newsletters, but the vast majority goes directly to library resources. All labor of the Friends is on a volunteer basis. We count on your membership *dues* to provide for the library's resources and on your *membership* to show your support in multiple ways. That support is important to those people working on behalf of the Friends of the Library, making it clear that their effort is making a difference in the community.

This appeal for membership may seem a bit early to those of you already familiar with the Friends. In the past, annual membership ran from April to April to coincide with the library's birthday. We're changing that now to better coordinate the activities of the Friends. Our membership year, fiscal year, and board members' terms were all on different schedules, causing confusion. We would like to have all of these aligned to the calendar year for 2005 and beyond.

Joining now will make you a Friend of the Library from now through 2005. If you aren't already a Friend, return your form now and gain the benefit of these additional early months of membership. If you already joined in 2004, renewing now will not only extend your membership through all of next year, it will also be an important show of your support for the Friends of the Library.

An important responsibility of being a Friend of the Library is to take a few minutes once a year to vote on critical Friends' business. This is especially important this year as we increase our membership. The Friends need to know if you support the slate of candidates for the positions of Directors (Board Members) for the coming year. We need your support of the proposed amendments to our bylaws that will make our fiscal year align with the calendar year and the terms of the organization's officers. While the items on the ballot may not carry the sort of weight that national and local elections do, the fact is that we can't go on about our business without the expressed support of at least ten percent of our membership. **If you can't attend the December 4th General Meeting** of the Friends at 9:00 at the library, **please take**

time to sign the Proxy Form on page 4 of this newsletter allowing our board members to express your support. You can return it by mail or to the Friends' box in the library.

It is a good feeling to be a Friend of the Library. Your participation as a Friend, donor, or volunteer in any form helps build a better community. The Friends thank you for your support!

Best Regards,
Mark A. Carey,
President

LIBRARIAN'S MESSAGE

Aloha Friends!

As we head into this closely watched 2004 election, I urge you to vote smart. And smart voting begins @ your library.

Top 10 reasons to visit your library this election season:

1. Absentee ballot applications
2. Voter registration applications
3. Information about local ballot measures and upcoming referenda
4. Information about your elected officials' voting records
5. Information about elected officials and how you can contact them
6. Information about candidates from president to local school board members
7. State of Hawaii Voter Guides
8. Information on important 2004 election dates
9. League of Women Voters' and major state and local newspapers' non-partisan Voting Guides
10. Information on the electoral process

In this era of low voter turnout and concern about the vitality of our democracy, visiting your library is a simple, effective way to reconnect to your government and your elected officials. It is also the easiest way to learn about where candidates stand on issues important to you.

Your library is a true cornerstone of democracy and a testament to democracy in action. It is the one institution whose sole function is to provide for the free exchange of ideas and information.

Visit your library and vote smart on November 2.

Sincerely,
Lani T. Kawahara, MLS
Branch Manager

OUR COMMUNITY SUPPORTS GETTING THE WORD OUT ABOUT THE FRIENDS

When we decided to reach out to the entire North Shore this fall in an effort to let more people know about the valuable role your local Friends group fulfills, we knew it would cost some money. Rather than expending our funds that could otherwise go directly to library resources, a number of caring, conscientious businesses and individuals stepped forward with donations so that we can encourage more of you to join our effort.

We wish to thank **Princeville Corporation** for funding the cost of printing this newsletter so that we could include all post office boxes and home delivery addresses from Waipake to Ha`ena.

We wish to thank the following businesses and individuals for their donations for printing and distribution of our brochure.

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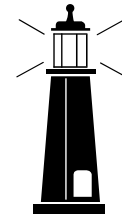
Carrie Johnson of **Andarta Designs** designed our brochure and met with us through email, phone, and in person so she could understand and help us achieve our goals. Carrie's artistic and practical design skills have been invaluable. She has also created a letterhead design to enhance the look we present when we communicate.

There are many ways to be a Friend of the Library, and we appreciate them all!

ONE GOOD THING LEADS TO ANOTHER

Those of us who volunteer for the Friends or any other worthy organization know the satisfaction that comes from knowing we are helping the community. Here is a great story about how volunteering to help our library made valuable connections for one island resident:

Last February, when Katherine Gabet went to the annual meeting of the Kaua`i Museum, she volunteered to be on the Board of Directors to fill any upcoming vacancies. Having had a background in museum work at the California Academy of Sciences, a natural history museum in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park, Katherine was anxious to see if her experience would be useful on the island. While there were no vacancies that needed her services at that time, a few months



SPOTLIGHT ON THE LIBRARY STAFF

by Connie Copenhaver

Regular visitors to the Princeville Library, like myself, find the establishment to be always clean, neat, attractive and pleasant. Imagine the difficulties one would have trying to keep this large, spacious facility like that! Just the difficulty of washing the windows would make most of us shudder. Now, add to that the floors, shelves, counters, rest rooms and the exterior steps, glass doors, parking area and landscaping, and who could manage all of that? Roy Sugibayashi is who does all this and more. He began his duties as custodian prior to the opening of the library in 1999.

Raised in Puhi camp with two older sisters, Roy went to Kauai High and then to Kauai Technical School prior to its becoming KCC. He went into the army in 1967 and spent his tour of duty in Germany for two and a half years. Roy remembers those years pleasantly and says he really "enjoyed being there." Upon his return, he drove a tour bus for Roberts of Hawaii and continues to do this part time. Roy was a carpenter for Grove Farm for 16 years until it closed down in 1997.

A family man, Roy helped raise a stepson and speaks fondly of his two daughters, both graduates of the University of Hawaii, Manoa. The oldest is a zoologist and the youngest will graduate as a registered nurse this year. He is also grandparenting his stepsons two daughters, aged 12 and six.

Those of us who remember when the library opened may recall the difficulty that arose because of people driving their cars directly from the street into the back parking lot. Then, the Friends of the Library donated enough hibiscuses for Roy to make into a hedge, which is an attractive method of keeping the cars at bay. So, the next time you chance to visit the library, make special note of its exterior and interior and give silent thanks that you don't have to maintain them!

later Katherine was able to reconnect with the museum because of the Princeville Library. In her current role as a volunteer coordinating the exhibits in the display cases of the library's lobby, she talked to the Director of the Kaua`i Museum, Carol Lovell, about temporary exhibits for the two display cases. Carol and the museum's Collections Manager, Margaret Lovett, met with Katherine on the day the first of two exhibits was installed. As a result of Katherine's volunteering to help the library, she was asked if she would be interested in acting as a volunteer coordinator for the exhibits in the museum's mezzanine gallery. This gallery features the work of island artists and is also dedicated to exhibiting the art of school children two months of every year. Katherine is really looking forward to getting to know local artists as well as helping museum visitors get exposure to some of the outstanding talent that resides on Kaua`i.

MAHALO FOR YOUR DONATIONS

We appreciate the membership and/or donations from the following individuals and businesses since our last newsletter:

<i>Mary & Glen Frazier</i>	<i>Regan Cunningham</i>
<i>Susan Dupay</i>	<i>BC Giordano</i>
<i>Betty Lu Rowe</i>	<i>George & Kay Mones</i>
<i>Sandy Thomas</i>	<i>Kortschak Family Foundation</i>
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<i>Linda Chapman</i>	<i>Catherine & Norman Sadler</i>
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<i>Joy & Larry Sirianni</i>	<i>Mary Lanphier</i>
<i>Jim & Shaaron Fiore</i>	<i>Jeff Powers</i>
<i>Diane Chait</i>	<i>Mary & Dick Schulz</i>
<i>Rayven Hockett</i>	<i>Lucy & Rohit Mehta</i>
<i>Dotty Nakea</i>	<i>Carol Tanner</i>
<i>Barbara P. Stuart</i>	<i>Mike & Kaye Hurtt</i>
<i>Jan & Stephen Drammer</i>	<i>Lolita & Bill Horney</i>
<i>Ilse & Henry Rothschild</i>	<i>Bob Barry</i>
<i>Marcia Salter</i>	<i>Haven Dawbarn</i>
<i>Rae-Marie May</i>	<i>Susan Worth</i>
<i>Heidi Caglayan</i>	<i>Terry Caplan</i>
<i>Carolyn & Roger Brookman</i>	<i>Mark Carey</i>
<i>Gayle Hunter</i>	<i>Oceanfront Realty</i>
<i>Jeni Hardy</i>	<i>Dwight Kawahara</i>
<i>Maggie Long</i>	<i>Sue & Sam Meyer</i>
<i>Lois & Fred Coleman</i>	<i>John & Doria Vogt</i>
<i>Ann & Jack Schlager</i>	<i>Robert & Lusetta Eberhardt</i>
<i>Katherine Gabet</i>	<i>Barbara & Dick Smith</i>
<i>Cheri Pajares</i>	<i>Barbara & Ralph Leaman Joy</i>
<i>Gordon & Leesa Perry</i>	<i>Morrell</i>

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

The following amendments to the By-Laws of our organization will be voted upon at the upcoming General Meeting on December 4. For a copy of the full, existing By-Laws, you can check the library or the web at www.hawaiian.net/northshorelibrary/bylaws

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

1. The first sentence of Article VI Section 3 shall be amended to read:

“Terms of office for all officers and directors shall be for one year commencing at the beginning of the fiscal year.”

2. A new section 3 shall be added to Article XIII to read:

“Section 3. The fiscal year of the Association shall be from January 1 to December 31.”

2005 NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTORS

Elections will be held for positions on our Board of Directors at the General Meeting on December 4. **Your vote is very important, as we must have ten percent of our membership vote to ensure a valid election of Directors.** If you are a member of the Friends of the North Shore Library and are unable to attend the meeting, please fill out and deliver the proxy on this page either to the wooden box as you enter the library or mail to the address on the back of this newsletter. The Nominating Committee, consisting of Barbara Leaman, Susan Dierker, and Diane Chait, has recommended the following slate of Officers for a one-year term commencing January 1, 2005:

Lauren Angelo	Barbara Leaman
Mark Carey	Susan LeHoven
Diane Chait	Walter Lewis
Jenny Conley	Dotty Nakea
Judy Cross	Mary Schulz
Susan Dierker	Carol Seielstad
Set Eberhardt	Barbara Smith
Marty Fernandez	Ann Williams
Lolita Horney	

Present Directors will elect Officers at the December meeting.

PROXY

(Please return with to the Friends of the Library’s box at the library or by mail to our return address on this newsletter, to be received **no later than November 30.**)

I constitute any current Officer my proxy to vote on my behalf at the December 4, 2004 General Meeting of the Friends of the North Shore Library. The proxy will be voted for the slate of Directors and for the By-Laws amendments delineated in this newsletter unless otherwise directed.

Signed _____

Date _____

CORRECTIONS and CONTRIBUTIONS:

We’re only human! If you note an error or omission in one of our newsletters, please let us know! We’d like to set things straight. In addition, if you feel you have an item of interest to the community that supports the Princeville Public Library, we would like to know about it. You may prefer to contact a board member you know, leave a correction or comment in our box at the library, or make a note on your membership form when you return it. You can help the library— easily— with your feedback!

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday, December 4:

9:00 General Meeting at the library:
Election of Board Members and Officers for 2005
**The Friends needs your attendance or the
enclosed proxy with your support!**

Book and Toy Sale – at the library
9:30 – 10:00 Friends of the Library Members only
10:00-4:00 General Public

See's CANDY SALE

You can give a gift to yourself, your friends, and your family while giving a gift to the library! Popular See's Candies are available once again this season. **You can pick up an order form at the library.** Orders and payment can be dropped off at the library by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, November 17. **No late orders can be accepted. Candy will be available for pickup at the library on Wednesday, December 1 from 2:00-7:00 pm or on Saturday, December 4 during the Book Sale from 10:00-4:00—just in time for gift wrapping and mailing to out-of-town friends!**



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