



Community Report from Representative

Marilyn Lee

Mililani Community Report-June 2008

Dear Friends,

I was pleased to attend the recent Mililani High School graduation held on June 1 at Aloha Stadium. Five hundred forty-five graduates marched in and out of Aloha Stadium after receiving their diplomas. It was a beautiful Sunday afternoon, the students all looked wonderful in their yellow gowns and the ceremony went off without a hitch. Millions of dollars in college scholarships were awarded to this class. Congratulations to the Mililani High School Class of 2008.

I also had the opportunity to attend graduation/awards assemblies at the elementary schools in my district and present awards. Awards were presented to outstanding students recommended by their teachers for good citizenship and academic progress. Our students in Mililani are doing well and the teachers and administrators in the complex are to be congratulated for their success. Please see page two for additional information and pictures.

Aloha,
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KUKUI CONNECTION"

"Kukui Connection" is an interview program in which I discuss current events, pending legislation or other issues of interest to the community with various guests. It can be viewed on Olelo, Channel 54, Sundays at 4:00 PM.

Recent guests were Representative Kirk Caldwell, Majority Leader for the House of Representatives, who discussed some of the highlights of the 2008 legislative session, and Dr. Cullen Hayashida, Long Term Care Coordinator for the Kupuna Education Center at Kapiolani Community College. June/July will feature Rep. Hermina Morita, Chair of the Energy and Environmental Protection Committee and Rep. Roy Takumi, Chair of the Committee on Education.

CENTRAL OAHU VETERANS "TALK STORY"

At the request of area legislators, Rep. Cindy Evans, Chair of the Public Safety and Military Affairs Committee, organized a "talk story" session for Central Oahu veterans. Similar sessions were held previously at various locations throughout the state. Veterans in attendance were invited to share their concerns and ideas with the legislators which included Rep. Evans, Rep. Ryan Yamane, Rep. Marcus Oshiro, and myself.



FINANCIAL STABILITY CONFERENCE

I attended a conference in Denver, Colorado from June 14-17, at the invitation of the National Conference of State Legislators Women's Network as part of their financial stability project. All conference expenses were provided by the Network with no state funds required.

The Women's Legislative Network feels that it is more important than ever for American women to be empowered with the confidence and competence to make smart financial decisions for themselves and their families. The project goals are to:

- Increase state legislator's understanding of the economic status of American women
- Provide indepth information about ways for state legislators to support women's financial stability
- Provide training to enhance state legislator's leadership skills, thus empowering them to be leaders in their communities and Legislatures on this issue.

AROUND MILILANI

2008 MILILANI HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



MILILANI 'IKE AWARDS ASSEMBLY



Students sing their class song and alma mater.

MILILANI WAENA AWARDS ASSEMBLY



Mililani 'Ike graduates proceed down a "tunnel" of teachers and supporters to be congratulated.

KIPAPA SCHOOL 75TH ANNIVERSARY

Kipapa Elementary School has been celebrating their 75th Anniversary this year. Recently, there was a ceremony in which a kukui nut tree was planted. Time capsules for each of the present Kipapa classes were sealed into a vault, along with 1982 time capsules, which will be opened by students attending Kipapa in the future. Congratulations to the students, teachers and administrators at Kipapa School.

In addition to the student awards presented, community volunteer, Kimm Geise, was honored for her service to the school. Ms. Geise was president of the PTSO and the School Community Council. She has given countless hours of her time to school activities and projects.



Time Capsules

MILILANI REC 7 OPENING

At long last Rec Center 7 has been opened and blessed. The wonderful thing about the new pool is that it is handicap accessible and will provide easier access for our seniors to get into for exercise.

