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#### NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD REPORT

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### **LEGISLATIVE ISSUES**



Rep. Marumoto with Mark Leon, Members of the Sacred Hearts Robotics Team, Gov. Lingle, and Rep. Ward next to the Sacred Hearts Botball robot.

#### **Governor's Vetoes and Legislative Overrides -**

Although there were 53 bills on the Governor's list, only 41 were actually vetoed. Several bills were enacted with her signature. The Legislature convened on July 8 for one day to override 13. See the chart on page 4 for veto/override action.

### **DISTRICT CONCERNS**

**Kalani High Anniversary** - Here are 3 reasons why tickets to the July 19<sup>th</sup> 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party at the Marriott are priced at \$200 each:

1. Rebuild the Student Center. A program to provide career and academic resources for collaboration with the business community through conferencing workshops and tutoring. Projected cost: \$50,000.
2. Upgrade school-wide technology and reinstate school newspaper. Projected cost: \$75,000.
3. Enhance before and after school extra-curricular activities and outreach programs. Projected cost: \$50,000.

**Kalani Boosters Activity** - For information on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Classic on Aug.14 at the Hawaii Prince Golf Club, E mail gokalani@gmail.com for information.



Bank of Hawaii executive Donna Tanoue, Rep. Cynthia Thielen, Rep. Marumoto, and Kalani High School Principal Gerald Teramae enjoy the Robotics demonstration.

### Waialae School Officers

Congratulations to the 2008-09 Friends of Waialae Charter School Officers:

President: Russ Sumida  
 Vice President: Lynn Nomura  
 Treasurer: Melanie Sumida  
 Secretary: Dallas Wheeler



Sophomores from Sacred Hearts Academy wash cars at the Chevron Station at 21st Avenue to raise money for their graduation project.

**Schools** - Mahalo to Lili'uokalani School Principal Kevin Yuen for presenting Rep. Marumoto a Good Neighbor Award.

### Gov. Lingle Releases Funds for Area Projects

The Governor released \$100,000 towards construction of the Food Complex and Skilled Nursing Facility at Palolo Home. The Red Cross will receive \$125,000 for HQ renovations. Total cost of the project is \$4.8 million of which the Legislature authorized \$2 million in 2007. The City awarded the Red Cross \$775,000 and another \$1.3 million came from donations. The Red Cross plans to raise an additional \$600,000 from private sources.

### Good Luck to the new KPBA 2008 Leadership:

President: Sharon Ogata, Honolulu Board of Realtors  
 Vice President: John Kobayashi, VIP Investments, Inc.  
 Secretary: Denise Motohiro, Hawaii Assn of Realtors  
 Treasurer: Danica Fong-Shoji, CPA  
 Directors (2-year term)

Doug Ewalt, The Cole Academy  
 Andrew Glatzel, Edward Jones & Co.  
 Jodie Gyotaku, Intraprise Technologies  
 Toby Laboy, Hawaii USA Federal Credit Union  
 Jeffrey Niebling, Ng & Niebling, LLC  
 John Steelquist, Chaminade University  
 Eric Wong, Law Office of Eric Wong

Directors (1-year term)

Martha Camacho, First Hawaiian Bank  
 Lydia Chock, Leahi Hospital  
 Blanche Tanioka-Park, Bank of Hawaii  
 Robert Yee, Central Pacific Bank  
 Darlene Nakayama, Palolo Chinese Home  
 Stacy Hadano, Stacy M. Hadano, CPA, Inc.

### Orchid Show at Kalani

The Kaimuki Orchid Society will feature exotic flowers, a plant and garden shop, a miniature Japanese village, educational workshops, re-potting services and food July 18 – 20 at Kalani High School. For info, call 265-9498.



Summer School PE Students work out in Kalani High School's Weight Room



## MARUMOTO ACTIVITIES

Rep. Marumoto was honored to address another class of provisional members of the Junior League of Honolulu. Meeting at Iolani Barracks, the representative encouraged members to promote advocacy of League issues. The purpose of the League is to train volunteers who will address community problems and issues. Part of their training entails visiting and learning about social services and governmental functions.

The Japanese American Citizens League recognized Robert Bratt, Betsy Young and Jane Kura-hara for their work with AJA reparations and research on Honuliuli Internment Camp in Kunia. Reps. Marumoto, Wakai, Yamane and Oshiro, Sens. Fukunaga, Gabbard & Espero presented certificates to honorees.

The 7th Day Adventists held the first Festival on Religious Freedom in Hawaii. The church has had several events internationally and now plans one in each state. Reps. Marumoto, Mizuno and Brower, Sens. Gabbard, Sakamoto and Mayor Hannemann showed up for the festivities.

Rep. Marumoto agreed to serve on the advisory board of the Diamond Head Clubhouse, a non-profit support group for mental health patients. The group meets at the Diamond Head Mental Health Clinic next to Leahi Hospital.



Rep. Marumoto enjoys Japanese Delicacies with Lenny Yajima Andrew, JCHH President/ Executive Director, and Mayor Mufi Hannemann at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii's 'Starry Summer Night' program.

**SIGNPOSTS** – Aloha to former Rep. Bertha Leong of Aina Haina. She served her community as a teacher, realtor, legislator, community association president, church lector, and neighborhood board member. She was also a loving mother and grandmother. Gov. Lingle flew the state flag half staff on July 3 in her honor. Patsy Chun of Diamond Head also passed away at age 94. The widow of Mun On Chun, Patsy was a long time employee and board member of Finance Enterprises, Ltd, and once worked for the late U.S. Senator Hiram Fong. Kahala Nui residents are mourning the loss of Rhoda Hackler, chief researcher in the Junior League project to restore Iolani Palace back in the 60's. A speedy recovery to Bill Green, who underwent a sudden heart bypass operation.

**Pass - Fail Bill Report Card (Cont. From Page 1)**

<b>Bill</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>Fail</b>	<b>Vetoed</b>	<b>Overridden</b>
HB 2250	Airline Re-regulation in Hawaii if Congress agrees	X		X	X
HB 2640	Mandatory reporting of child pornography detection by computer technicians and Internet providers		X		
HB 2646	Teachers Bill of Rights - perhaps less disruptive classrooms		X		
HB 2650	Increase renewable energy portfolio standard from 20% in 2020		X		
HB 2761	Request greater post-partum benefits for Quest participants	X		X	X
HB 2843	Increased fees for all incoming air and sea cargo	X		X	X
HB 3377	Ignition interlock devices for DUI offenders	X			
HB 545	Make food tax-free - eliminate 4.5% GET		X		
SB 156	Permanent absentee voting	X		X	X
SB 2153	Mandatory constitutional tax credit of \$1 in 2009	X			
SB 2245	Criminalize leaving a child under 9 unattended in a vehicle	X			
SB 2262	Extension of teachers VEBA health insurance pilot program	X		X	X
SB 2263	Require UH to disclose compensation and personnel information	X		X	X
SB 2345	Principles for State agencies when dealing with children of prisoners	X		X	X
SB 2423	Turtle Bay acquisition OK to negotiate	X			
SB 2425	Allow judges to make arsonists pay for cost of putting out fires	X			
SB 2464	Hawaiian Monk Seal as Official State Mammal	X			
SB 2542	\$1 million for providers of uninsured Quest participants	X		X	X
SB 2668	Restrict candidate pool for Governor to select UH Board of Regents	X		X	X
SB 2803	Removal of certain personal data from government records	X		X	X
SB 2830	\$500,000 for Kupuna Caregiver program	X		X	X
SB 2840	Set HI self-sufficiency standards that may conflict with federal stds.	X		X	X
SB 2843	State-run E Waste program, \$5000 fee for manufacturers	X		X	X
SB 2878	Establish Keiki First Steps Council early learning system	X		X	X
SB 3174	Increase Hula Mae multi-family bond authorization by \$100 million	X			
SB 3227	\$200 million harbors modernization projects	X			
SB 644	Mandate solar water heating panels on new homes, eliminate tx credit	X			
HB 2238	Require affordable housing projects in perpetuity	X		X	
HB 2386	Allow work comp TTD payments until a Dept. of Labor decision	X		X	
HB 2675	Establish a Medical Marijuana Task Force	X		X	
SB 2915	Establish a Taro Security & Purity Task Force - \$325,000	X			
SB 2646	Identify Important Ag Lands and allow 15% acreage request to urban	X			