



Ka Lono Pua

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Workshops, Classes & Townmeetings

This month and next is filled with a number of events that you should know about and attend.

The first is the Marketing Workshop Announced in the last edition of *Ka Lono Pua*. We still have some space for additional participants.

CTAHR will conduct a town meeting on Oahu's Leeward side June 30th. Here's a chance for you to speak up about the college and what you think we should be doing.

Then there is the Farm Management Class planned for July 13 in Pearl City and July 14 in Kaneohe

A Pesticide Applicator Training course is planned for Oahu on July 28, 30, August 4, 6, 11. This is an opportunity to update your pesticide knowledge, even if you don't want to take the restricted use license test.

All of the opportunities await you in the next few months. Read inside *Ka Lono Pua* for the details of each of these events.

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Future Happenings

- Jun 23 Marketing Workshop Session 3**
- June 30 CTAHR Leeward Oahu Town Mtg**
- Jul 3 (Fri) Independence Day
- Jul 11-15 Ohio Florists' Assoc. Short Course, Columbus OH
- Jul 12-15 Amer. Soc. Hort Sci., Charlotte, NC
- Jul 13 & 14 Farm Management Class**
- Jul 22 - 25 Heliconia International Conf. Singapore
- July 28, 30 Aug 4, 6, 11 Pesticide Applicator Training Course**
- Jul 31-Aug 9 Hawaii State Farm Bureau Farm Fair
- Aug 5 - 6 ANLA/Southern Nurseriesman Assoc. (SNA) Conference, Atlanta
- Aug 7 - 9 SNA Conf. Atlanta, Georgia
- Aug 21 (Fri) Admission Day
- Aug 21-24 TAN-MISSLARK, Houston, TX
- Aug 28-30 Farwest Show, Portland, OR
- Sep 7 Labor Day
- Oct 27-30 Assoc. of Specialty Cut Flower Growers Conf., Raleigh, NC
- Nov 2 (Tue) Election Day

Pesticide Applicator Training

Pesticide applicator training courses for Molokai, Oahu, and Kauai have been scheduled. Subscribers to "The Pesticide Label" will find the same announcement in the May/June 98 issue.

An in-depth 16 1/2-hour short course is open to people who want to start preparing for the examination for restricted use pesticide certification or to be better informed about handling pesticides properly. The course consists of five 3-hour and 3 half-hour classes.

The last short courses scheduled for 1998 on Oahu will be held at:

Kapiolani Community College (Diamond Head Road, Honolulu).

July 28, 30, August 4, 6, 11 (Tuesdays and Thursdays) mornings.

Registration (and inquiries)--Phone 973-9401, Hawaii Department of Agriculture

Limit: 24 people and the deadline is July 10. The course may be postponed if fewer than 15 people register by the deadline.

If you have a disability and may need accommodations to fully participate, contact Michael Matsukawa at 973-9401 by July 13, 1998. Ask for map with parking tips when registering. Some parking spaces are "no parking" areas or only for vehicles with permits.

Topics to be covered include: Pesticide types and formulations; Importance of label information; Laws and regulations related to buying, storing, transporting, applying, disposal, and employee protection; and Pest management basics: general identification features and life cycles.

Anyone who is thinking of registering is invited to request a copy of the leaflet "Test Your Math Skills." It presents exercises that will help refresh basic math skills needed to understand the instructor's calculation examples.

New CTAHR Publications

The College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources' Publications and Information Office announces the availability of 26 new publications in a new publication category: Financial Connections.

Written by Dr. Ron Wall, these 1-page fact sheets cover a range of topics on personal and family finances. They can be downloaded from the CTAHR web page <www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/publications>, which now contains about 100 free publications in 15 subject categories.

The Financial Connections series includes the following titles:

What to teach your children about money
Earned Income Credit helps workers
Common cornerstones of financial success
Making a game plan to get out of debt
Making the most of your income
Prescription for an ailing budget
A good time to review your finances
Strategies for coping with job loss
Financial preparation for marriage
The secret of successful investing
What to look for in a financial advisor
Financial reflections at graduation time
Misconceptions about wills, trusts, and gifts
Hiking the road to personal independence
Reverse mortgages: look before you leap
Insurance guidance for seniors
Implications of the 1997 tax changes
Great places to stash your cash
Consumer Reports puts products to the test
Making friends with your budget
Identifying your financial goals
Understanding retirement annuities
Organization--key to better finances
Surviving job loss
Roth IRA may not be best choice for many
Understanding your pension options

Farm Management Class

You are invited to attend a class on Farm Management, which will be conducted by Dr. Herbert Marutani, Extension Specialist Emeritus, Dept. of Agricultural and Resource Economics, College Of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, University of Hawaii.

This class will cover the following:

What is Farm Management?

Goal Setting

Three business tools which can assist farmers

Business Plans

The same class will be offered at two different sites for your convenience:

Monday, July 13, 1998 7:00 p.m..
Urban Garden Center
962 Second Street, Pearl City, Hawaii

Tuesday, July 14, 1998 7:00 p.m.
Kaneohe Cooperative Extension Service Office
45-260 Waikalua Road, Kaneohe, Hawaii

If you have a disability and may need accommodations to fully participate, contact Ed at Tel: 622-4185 seven days before the event

Marketing Workshop Session 3

On June 23, 1998 a workshop is planned to introduce growers to the database program developed by OmniTrak Group, Inc. The database includes 180 names of buyers on the mainland and a template in which data can be input by the user. The program is very simple being menu driven. It can be loaded onto any IBM compatible computer using Windows 3.1 or Windows 95.

If you would like to attend the workshop or for more information, call Ed at 622-4185. Spaces are limited so registration is on a first come basis. The workshop will be on:

Tuesday, June 23, 1998, 7:00 p.m.
Sherman Lab, Room 112
U. H. at Manoa

It is not the strongest of the species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change.

- Charles Darwin

Town Meeting-Leeward Oahu

During October and November of 1996, town meetings were held across the state by the University of Hawaii at Manoa, College of Tropical Agriculture & Human Resources (CTAHR). Their primary purpose was to gather public input in order to align community expectations with CTAHR's decreasing financial realities.

On June 30 1998 CTAHR will again hold a town meeting. The meeting will be held at Leeward Community College at 7:00 p.m. (The Windward meeting was held earlier this year.) Take some time to attend this upcoming session with Dean Laughlin to provide him with community reaction to the proposed priorities identified through previous town meetings and letters received.

If you are unable to attend, please address your concerns to: Dr. Charles Laughlin, Dean, CTAHR, University of Hawaii, 3050 Maile Way, Room 202, Honolulu, HI 96822
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