

## **FOOD FOR THOUGHT:**

"The only reward of virtue is virtue; the only way to have a friend is to be one." - *Ralph Waldo Emerson*

## **BBBSH EVENTS:**

· LAST CALL for BBBSH Family Picnic, May 21<sup>st</sup>, Kualoa Beach Park

This is a great event that happens only once a year and brings everyone together. BIGs & Littles are encouraged to bring their families. This event will include fun activities and good food- so just come enjoy the day at the beach with us at Kualoa Beach Park. Lunch will be co-sponsored by **Sugoi Catering** and **Meadow Gold Dairies Hawaii!**

As usual, we will have canoe paddling. It is always very popular and seats are limited, there are only 15-seats per session. You will need to fill out this [waiver form](#). You may RSVP for the paddling, but we must receive your returned signed waiver with your time choice of time slot within a few days of your RSVP in order to secure your spot. Download the flyer [here](#), thanks to Big Sister Lee Takebayashi for designing it!

· Bigs Networking Night, Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup>

This month's Big Networking Night will be held at Amuse Wine Bar, 1250 Kapiolani Blvd., 6-8pm. Come meet other BIGs and discuss absolutely anything that comes up. Case Managers will be there and please RSVP to them. We are also looking to re-name this event if you have any suggestions, please let your Case Manager know.

· Paniolo Family Fun Day, June 18<sup>th</sup>, Kualoa Ranch

BBBSH and Kualoa Ranch are sponsoring a fun day for the whole family featuring Paniolos (Hawaiian cowboy) in a western show for matches and families. Besides the show, everyone will be provided a bento lunch. Following lunch, matches are invited to chose one of 3-tours of the Ranch if you have time to stay: Movie Site/Ranch, Jungle Expedition or Ocean Voyaging. More details later.

· Prudential Locations Annual Movie Day, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, Theater TBD

We will be watching the new Transformers movie, *Transformers: Dark of the Moon*. Littles will be encouraged to enter the essay/book report and costume contests. Bigs and parents, please get your thinking caps on and encourage your Little/child to participate in these contests. Prudential awards great prizes to the winners.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

· \$1 Regal Cinema Movies: Select G and PG-rated summer movies will be offered for only \$1 per person! Showings will be on Tues & Wed at 10 am from May 31 - July 20, 2011. For more information, check out: <http://www.regmovies.com/summermovieexpress/default.aspx?zip=96822>

## **WEEKEND HAPPENINGS:**

### **Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

· World Fireknife Championships Polynesian Cultural Center, 55-370 Kamehameha Hwy., Laie, May 11-14<sup>th</sup> call for various event schedule and times, \$10/adults, \$6/keiki ages five to 11. Acrobatic moves and death-defying tricks combine with ancient Samoan culture to make this event an exhilarating must-see as the world's most talented fireknife dancers battle for the title of "World Fireknife Champion." (293-3333, Polynesia.com)

· Wahiawa Pineapple Festival Wahiawa District Park, 1129 Kilani Ave., Wahiawa, May 14: 10 a.m.-4 p.m., May 15: 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Free. A parade kicks off festivities at 9 a.m., and the event features ethnic foods, entertainment and children's activities. (621-3373, WahiawaTown.org)

· Monk Seals in Your Neighborhood Keiki get educated about the endangered Hawaiian monk seal with hands-on activities, science exhibits and life-sized monk seal models. Scientists and staff answer your questions about these special creatures. *Pearlridge Center*, Uptown Center Court: Sat., 5/14., (10am--2pm) Free.

· Capoeira Besouro Move your feet and join Mestre Kinha for an intro to the Brazilian performance art of capoeira (self-defense) accompanied with berimbau. Make your own capoeira puppet to take home and braid a belt to use as you practice your moves. *Hawaii State Art Museum*, 250 S. Hotel St.: Sat., 5/14., (11am--3pm) Free.

· Maunaloa Bay Heritage Festival Kalani High School field, 4680 Kalanianaʻole Hwy., Honolulu, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Free, call to volunteer. Come enjoy the opening ceremonies, live music and ono food while learning about and celebrating Maunaloa Bay's biological and cultural heritage. (395-5050, 294-3573, MalamaMaunaloa.org)

· Ocean Awareness Festival Kapiolani Park, Honolulu, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., free. Take part in an ocean clinic, check out special exhibits and enjoy native Hawaiian entertainment. (Facebook.com/EMalamaIKeKai)

· Hawaii Wiener Derby Hawaiian Humane Society Canine Game Day, Thomas Square, 925 S. Beretania St., Honolulu, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Free. The race attracts between 100-200 dachshunds and their friends, family and supporters, as well as provides entertainment for those attending with all breeds of dogs. (220-8185, HiWienerDerby.com)

· Eisa Drum Festival: Kapi`olani Community College hosts an "Eisa Drum Festival" on the Great Lawn. Saturday, May 14. Program runs from 6 pm to 9 pm. This FREE event features Okinawan drumming. Kenny Endo's Taiko Center of the Pacific and the Paranku Club of Hawaii are special guests, with a rare gathering of the Shisa (Lion Dogs). Bring your mats and chairs and relax under the stars. There will be plenty of parking, food and drinks will be available for sale. 734-9576

· The Hawaii State Art Museum downtown offers an introduction to the Brazilian performance art of self-defense called capoeira. Hands-on art activities from 11 am to 3 pm. Galleries are open from 10 am to 4 pm. FREE

· Hawaii Book and Music Festival, May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>: Come check out this unforgettable event for keiki and adults. There will be over 500 presenters and 150 events, including entertainment, musicals, drama, improv, and celebrity readers. FREE. This event is held at the Civic Grounds at Honolulu Hale in Historic Downtown Honolulu, from 10am-5pm.

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### **UPCOMING:**

· Keiki Fishing Derby Win a prize for catching the longest fish or the most fish. Contest is open to ages 4 to 17. When: Saturday, June 4, 2011 Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m Location: Ho`omaluhia Botanical Garden. Free. Reservations required: Ph. 233-7323

### **OTHER DAYS/ONGOING:**

· FREE Tahitian Dance Workshop every 2nd Thursday of the Month! Come and learn basic steps and a few songs choreographed by Mehetia Productions finest Instructors! Opened to ALL AGES! 5:00pm - 6:00pm. Kaneohe, HI - Mehetia Productions Dance School; 46-148 Kahuhipa Street #201; Kaneohe, HI 96744

· Family Fishing at Ho`omaluhia Botanical Garden Come with your family to fish and enjoy the outdoors at Ho`omaluhia Botanical Garden. This catch and release program is fun for everyone. Recommended: walking shoes, insect repellent, rain gear, and fishing supplies (barbless hooks). There is a twenty (20) minute hike to the fishing area. When: Saturdays and Sundays Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For information/reservations: Ph. 233-7323 Free.

· Pacific Aviation Museum Historical artifacts and aircrafts. Pearl Harbor, Hanger 37, Ford Island, 319 Lexington Blvd.: \$14 general (\$10 kamaaina); \$7 children (\$5 kamaaina). Keiki free on Saturdays and Sundays with each paid adult admission. Teachers free on Furlough Fridays. [pacificaviationmuseum.org], 441-1000

· Queen Emma Summer Palace Revel in Hawaiian history and American architecture from the Victorian period at the summer retreat. 2913 Pali Hwy.: Daily, 9am--4pm. \$1--\$6. [daughtersofhawaii.org], 595-6291

· U.S. Army Museum Extensive collection of artifacts pertaining to America's military past. Fort DeRussy (next to the Hale Koa Hotel) at the corner of Kalia & Saratoga roads: Open Tue.--Sun., 10am--4:15pm. Free. [hiarmymuseum.org], Call 955-9552

· U.S.S. Bowfin Submarine Museum and Park The World War II submarine will astound you with its enormity, its outdoor exhibits and the intimidating WWII Japanese Suicide Missile. 11 Arizona Memorial Dr. Open daily, 8am--5pm. \$8 adults; \$3 children 4--12; children 3 and under, free. [www.bowfin.org], 423-1341

## **CLASSES:**

· Coconut Leaf-Weaving (Ulana Lau Niu) Demonstrations: 3 to 6 p.m. Sundays at Royal Hawaiian Center, Royal Grove.

· Free Ukelele Lessons: 5 to 7:15 p.m. third Thursday of the month at Windward Mall Center Court. For all ages and skill levels sponsored by 'Ukulele Club of Hawaii; features instruction by a different local artist each month. Bring your own instrument or borrow one. Call 234-2868.

· Free Harmonica Lessons: Hawaii Harmonica Society offers free classes Mondays at Beretania Community Recreation Center. Call 833-4336 or 522-7022.

· Magic: 6-7 p.m. fourth Thursday of the month at Kalihi-Palama Public Library. Call 234-5262.

· African Dance: 7:15 to 8:45 p.m. Mondays at Kailua Movement Studio, 776 Kailua Road. Includes Pilates warmup; for all ages and levels. Cost: \$10 per person. Call 277-7347.

· Brazilian Dance: 3 to 5 p.m. Sundays at 1007 Waimanu St. Cost: \$5. Call 373-2667.

· Hula Dance: All ages, all skill levels: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Saturdays at Aloha Activity Center, 725 Kapiolani Blvd. Cost: \$10 per class. Call 677-7341.

· "Keiki Craftivity" classes at Ben Franklin Crafts: Saturdays, 9 to 11 a.m. at both Mapunapuna and Market City; 10 a.m. to noon at Pearl City; and 12:30 to 2 p.m. at Enchanted Lake. Different mini projects weekly. Visit [www.bfcraftclub.com](http://www.bfcraftclub.com)<<http://www.bfcraftclub.com>>.

· Free Hawaiian Language Lessons: 6 p.m. first Tuesday of the month at Liliha Public Library, 1515 Liliha St. Quick introductory "60-Minute Hawaiian" session repeated since 1974 by volunteers of The Program to Preserve Hawaiian Place Names. Arrive on time for handout distribution. Call 587-7577.

· The Bead Society: 7 p.m. last Wednesday of the month at Academy Art Center at Linekona. Visitors: \$5. Call 487-2090.

**REMINDERS:**

· Kualoa Ranch has a standing 50% discount for Littles off their horseback riding when accompanied by their BIG. Mention the BBBSH discount when RSVP-ing. 237-7321.

· Foster Care: Please spread the word that there is a large shortage of foster care families in our community. For more information, check out [www.pidfoundation.org](http://www.pidfoundation.org) or call 441-1117. Also, attached is a flyer of information.

· Legacy Tree Program: This environmental program aims to replenish Hawai'i's lush environment while fostering the growth of Hawai'i's children and youth. For each Legacy Tree that is sponsored, \$20 will be allocated towards Big Brothers Big Sisters' mentoring programs. Please help us spread the word! For more information, check out: [www.legacytrees.org](http://www.legacytrees.org) or contact Roger Higa at 695-4571.