



June/July 2023 Newsletter

Calendar of Events

There will be no Taste and Talk, Book Group, or Lunch Bunch meetings in June or July.

June 4 Sunday Chocolate Laulima Fundraiser (Also July 9)

June 23 Friday Great Decisions

Lauren Akitake AAUW Maui Co-President

On May 31 Governor Josh Green, M.D. named three interim appointees for the University of Hawai'i System Board of Regents from a list of finalists presented to him from the Candidate Advisory Council, including AAUW Maui Co-President Lauren Akitake, for the term beginning July 1, 2023 for five-year appointments, subject to confirmation by the Hawai'i State Senate. The Board formulates policy and exercises control over the university through its executive officer, the university president, and has exclusive jurisdiction over the internal structure, management, and operation of the UH system.

Please join us in congratulating Lauren on this prestigious appointment.



President's Report

Aloha kākou!

The post-COVID enthusiasm for travel has definitely been embraced by Maui Branch members, many of whom are currently traveling or have plans for later in the summer. As a result, the branch is going to take a break from most activities this summer, but we will be back and ready to go in September with our Speaker Meetings, Book Group, Taste and Talk, Lunch Bunch and perhaps even a new quarterly Happy Hour.



We have two Chocolate Lulima dates scheduled this summer, June 4 and July 9. We've included a flyer in this newsletter with the pertinent information. Virginia Shaw and I took a road trip to Lahaina to hand out posters to the concierges at many West Side hotels to encourage visitors to support AAUW-Maui by signing up for a chocolate tasting.

One thing definitely on the summer agenda is a Board Planning Meeting. This will be the first opportunity for all the new and current officers to get together and develop plans for FY 2023-24. Of course, all branch members are invited to participate. We will send out a notice when a date is selected.

We are currently in our membership renewal season. Currently members will have received an email from AAUW National with instructions on how to renew online. However, if you prefer to have our Finance Officer Jan Moore to complete your renewal, just mail a \$100 check payable to AAUW-Maui to PO Box 1352, Puunene HI 96784. If you would rather use Venmo or Paypal, the links are at the end of this newsletter.

Enjoy your summer!

Aloha,

Pat

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

AAUW Maui Chocolate Laulima Fundraiser

Chocolate Tasting **at Maui Ku'ia Estate Chocolates in Lahaina**



Sunday June 4

Please support the scholarship fundraiser
of the
American Association Of University Women (AAUW Maui)
for University of Hawaii Maui College students.



Enjoy breathtaking 360-degree views from Maui Ku'ia's second story open-air pavilion while being led through three flights of chocolate (a minimum of nine pieces) by Founder and CEO, Gunars Valkirs or, VP of Everything Chocolate, Dan O'Doherty

A 60 minute tasting experience is only \$35

Taste international and national award-winning chocolate made from cacao grown on Maui Ku'ia's Lahaina farm.

Experience the chocolate making process from farm to factory.

Mahalo Nui Loa!
American Association of University Women - Maui Branch

All proceeds collected from the Maui Ku'ia Chocolate Laulima program on these dates will be donated to AAUW Maui's scholarship fund.

For more information, go to Maui Ku'ia's website to sign up
<https://tinyurl.com/27vcpxh>

Membership Update

AAUW National sent emails to all current members with instructions on how to renew your membership or ... To pay by check: As always, you have the option of making a check payable to your AAUW branch and mailing it to their preferred address as directed.

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Diversity and Inclusion The Life of Princess Victoria Kūhio Kinoiki (Kinoike) Kekaulike II Pī'ikoi



1909 – Princess Kinoike

Princess Victoria Kinoiki Kekaulike Pī'ikoi (also spelled Kinoike) was the Governor of Hawai'i island from 1880 until her death in 1884. The Princess was also known as Mary. Princess Kinoike married David Kahalepouli Pī'ikoi on February 25, 1861. They had three sons, David Kawānakoā, Edward Keli'iahonui, and Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole. Her youngest son, Prince Kūhiō served a year in Oahu Prison in the counter-revolution in 1895 against the illegal overthrow of the government of Queen Liliuokalani in 1893. Prince Kūhiō later served as a Delegate in the U.S. House of Representatives from the Territory of Hawai'i. He advocated for the people of Hawai'i, especially the native Hawaiians. Prince Kūhiō is acknowledged for his advocacy in the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920.

Princess Kinoike was born on May 12, 1843. Her parents were High Chief Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole of Hilo, and Princess Kinoiki Kekaulike from Kaua'i island. Princess Kinoike's mother, Princess Kinoike Kekaulike was the daughter of King Kaumuali'i (1778-1824) of Kaua'i and her mother was the stepdaughter of the Queen Regent Ka'ahumanu and the daughter of Kaumuali'i. Princess Victoria's mother was named Ka'apuwai Kapua'amohi, daughter of Queen Kawalu. Princess Kinoike's siblings, Queen Kapi'olani, and Po'omaikelani were both members of King Kalākaua's court in 1883. Queen Kapi'olani married King Kalākaua.

In 1874, King Kalākaua granted Kinoike the title of Princess with the prestige of Her Royal Highness. Her sons followed suit and became known as Princes with the prestige of His Royal Highnesses. In Kalākaua's coronation Princess Kinoike graciously carried the royal feather cape of King Kamehameha and presented it to Chief Justice Albert Francis Judd who then ceremoniously placed it on Kalākaua's shoulders. On October 18, 1878 Princess Kinoike became widowed.

In 1883, the original repaired bronze statue of King Kamehameha arrived in Kohala. Princess Kinoike had suggested that it be placed in Kohala. The original statue which

sailed from Italy on the ship G.F. Haendel, had sunk off the Falkland Islands. It was later salvaged and needed minor repairs. A Captain who bought the statue then brought it to the islands and resold it to Kalākaua for a profit. In the meantime a replica of the statue had been made which would later remain in Honolulu. It was Princess Kinoike's recommendation that secured the placement of the original eight-and-a-half foot bronze statue representing King Kamehameha at age forty-five years in Kohala. The statue was unveiled on May 8, 1883 in Kapa'au in front of the North Kohala Civic Center near Kamehameha's birthplace. King Kalakaua and his entourage of Russian officers, one hundred guardsmen, government officials, royalty and the Royal Hawaiian Band traveled with him on the Russian warship into Māhukona. It was a splendid site to witness with an impressive royal salute that fired from the warship (Harrington 2020:77).

On January 8, 1884 Princess Kinoike died at her Ululani residence of what was presumed heart disease. Princess Kinoike donated her Beretania street residence Ululani, with the intentions of helping Hawaiian mothers with a proposed maternity home. This site later became the Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children. Upon her death two of her sons were adopted by Queen Kapi'olani. Her sister Po'omaikelani adopted her middle son. Princess Victoria Kinoike Kekaulike will be remembered for her generosity and kindness to her beloved people and the legacy of donating her land for the medical care of the Hawaiian people.

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Summer Birthdays

June

June 5 Jane Francis
June 5 Leona Luuwai
June 6 Karin Carlson
June 8 Penny Andrews
June 11 Lorri Craig
June 19 Charmaine Bissen
June 27 Tammy Malloy
June 29 Andrea Rubio
June 30 Jean Keating

July

July 10 Janet Rymsha
July 11 Nancy Oldham
July 15 Jane Litt
July 15 Jane Chenoweth



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