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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

BY JACK RUSSELL BRAUHER

Aloha Members!

Mahalo, for your support, and votes of confidence. However, this is likely to be my last year as HACA president. That could change, but not likely. I do intend to stay on as a committee chair or an Area Rep. Because our planning committee has had no pro-active chairmanship for the past few years, I will most likely pursue my interest there. We'll see.

Since our last newsletter our County Councilperson has tried to give 5.8 miles of our collectively owned private road lot to the County of Hawaii. Luckily for HA, he didn't do his homework. First, he chose not to approach HACA regarding his intentions to pursue Eminent Domain [ED] for our private road. He seems to think that because a past HACA board discussed the issue 2 years ago, we were aware of his intentions. He has also attempted to portray me as a hypocrite by referencing a past HACA letter that asked the County to pursue ownership of the HA portion of the Puna Emergency Access Road [PEAR]. The letter was signed by myself, because it was my Presidential obligation to sign correspondence. The reality is that I was on the dissenting side of the 35-26 vote, which passed with about 25 proxies. We all know proxies don't always represent the wishes of the proxy designator.

The HACA board [8 out of 10] has formally opposed ED because the sneak attack on our landowners prevented us from a specific detailed survey question regarding the landowners' desires on this issue. If a majority of HA landowners want County ownership of PEAR than we will change our position. We'll never know because only a small portion of surveys come back to us. Regardless, Hawaii Land Court rules clearly say that all with an interest in lot 6213 [our road lot] must agree and sign on the petition to subdivide as in favor.

At the County Council meeting in which public testimony was taken on the ED issue, I suggested that HA landowners might agree to an Easement. In such an agreement, we would retain ownership and the County would provide maintenance and such. It now appears the County is researching it. More on this later.

HA has also formally opposed the Ainaloa Development Corporation's {ADC} petition to extend and modify their permit to build a golf course on our eastern boundary. ADC is trying to be relieved of it's \$1Mil contribution to Ainaloa Subdivision for community improvements that is one of the conditions of its permit. HACA believes that HA should also get some financial consideration due to the fact that we now provide access to the proposed project over the PEAR. Another of the conditions is that ADC provide water to the Ainaloa community. Now that we are connected we feel HA should also be considered. It would be reasonable that ADC put a spigot on the County owned HA lot so both communities can benefit equally.

We have 3 new board members. Steve Shaffer is our new Treasurer. John Lehnert has volunteered to be Secretary. Dan Waldhoff is a new Area 1 Rep. Welcome aboard!

LATE BREAKING NEWS

It has come suddenly to our attention that Hawaii County Corporation Counsel has finished an Easement Agreement for the HA portion of the Puna Emergency Access Road [PEAR]. We are including copies of the related documents in this newsletter. We feel this is an extremely important matter and that it should be shared with as many landowners as possible. Unfortunately, we can only inform HACA members at this time because of the recent and coincidental discovery of this information.

As you will see in the Fax cover page from Corp. Counsel, Councilman Bob Jacobson [BJ] was emailed the

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H.A.C.A. ELECTIONS RESULTS

| President | # of Votes |
|---|------------|
| Jack "Russ" Brauher | 54 |
| Alice Suncloud | 5 |
| Vice-President | |
| Dan Brouillette | 54 |
| Treasurer | |
| Steve Shaffer | 62 |
| Secretary | |
| Robert Puckett | 4 |
| Roberta Brashear | 2 |
| <i>(Robert did not seek re-election, Roberta is currently on the HARC Board. At the July Annual meeting, HACA member John Lehnert was approved by the attendees to become Secretary.)</i> | |
| Area 1 Rep | |
| Dan Waldhoff | 45 |
| Diana Miller | 58 |
| Area 2 Rep | |
| Julie Jacobson | 59 |
| Area 3 Rep | |
| Mark "Joe" Good | 56 |
| Area 4 Rep | |
| Michael Barnes | 41 |
| Rod Ackerman | 57 |
| At-Large Rep | |
| Sheldon Lehman | 4 |

TENTATIVE SURVEY RESULTS

COMPILED BY JACK RUSSELL BRAUHER

Our Planning Committee has not yet attempted to put together any workshops for the purpose of tabulating the recent survey results. Therefore, I've taken the responsibility of gathering some tentative results for this newsletter.

Remember, these are only tentative and random questions.

Question 3 asks: Are you in favor of retaining Agricultural Zoning for HA property?

98% of responses are in favor of our current AG zoning.

Question 6 asks: Do you agree that all planning for the future of HA be performed by HA landowners over outside planning groups?

70% of responses agree to this question.

Question 11 asks: Are you in favor of retaining private ownership of the collectively owned road lot?

65% of the responses are in favor.

(Had we known that an attempt was under way to take a portion of our road lot by Eminent Domain, we would have asked this question differently. Something like "Are you in favor of deeding over the HA portion of the Puna Emergency Access Road [PEAR] to the County of Hawaii?") [See Presidents Report]

Question 17 asks: Would you support a community owned water tanker?

50% are for this, and 50% are against it.

Question 21 asks: Do you favor additional highways through HA?

70% of responses do not favor additional highways in HA.

Question 25 asks: Do you think HACA is a benefit to the greater HA community?

90% of responses think we are.

Question 29 asks: Have you seen our website?

[www.hawaiianacres.org]

80% of you have not.

Question 31 asks: Are you in favor of a closed gate at the County owned connection of HA and Ainaloa subdivisions?

75% are not in favor of a closed gate.

Question 33 asks: Have you had negative impact from low flying helicopters?

55% have not had a negative impact.

We will have the complete results and some of the comments for you in our next newsletter.

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 * Note: All Bylaws and Charter Amendments *
 * were passed at the July '04 Annual Meeting. *
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VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

BY DAN BROUILLETTE

Hawaiian Acres is still mostly pristine rain forest. Lovely tall ohia trees with thick 5 ft. plus tall ferns and bushes. Hawks and other birds in the daytime and owls and coqui frogs at night. The frogs 'chirp' so loud in some places that it is nearly impossible to maintain a conversation. I try to pretend the frogs are crickets so I can fall asleep at night. Sometimes it works o.k.

There are a lot more houses now coming up and many more driveways. Frenzied drivers rushing into or out of Hawaiian Acres much of the time. I'm nostalgic for the old Aloha lifestyle of yesteryear when happiness was equated with a rapport with nature and having the time to share it socially. Island ways and lifestyles clashed with the insurgence of mainland (continental) ways and lifestyles because they were very different. 'Progress' is defined with differing value systems within each style. People came to Hawaii's lush natural beauty, but forgot to leave the greedy city behind.

When we look at Hawaiian Acres, we see this dynamic in action. Politicians saying they will protect private property rights with one side of their mouth so you will vote for them and the other side of their mouth condemning your land for the government to steal it for one dollar. Who's style is that? Island beauty and lifestyle go out the window when your extended driveway (8 Road) becomes a County highway full of buses and cars. Is that our future? According to our Councilman Jacobson it is. When asked if he believed that government should take over all private property and then conditionally redistribute it as the government sees fit his response was, "Well, don't you think it would be better?" Yuk. People need to vote more responsibly.

TREASURER'S REPORT

BY STEVE SHAFFER

Hawaiian Acres is having another good year financially. Our money is being held in our money manager account and 2 CDs. Rates are low but going up. We own 2 small lots and the 3-acre lot & buildings at 8 & C in the subdivision. These properties have increased in value recently.

Real estate transfer fees are up, bringing in some extra income. A third mailing of our voluntary dues notice has brought in nearly \$3000.00, as compared to \$277.00 last year for the same time period without the third mailing.

The transition from Alice Suncloud as Treasurer to myself has been easy and I am looking forward to this year's service as your new Treasurer. Mahalo for your support.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

BY JOHN LEHNERT

Hello HACA members!

I am pleased to be your new volunteer HACA secretary. Apparently no one else wanted the job, and after two months at it I am yet to find out why.

In February this year I moved to Hawaiian Acres from Oahu, where I lived 32 years and worked as an independent handyman. I grew up on a farm in Michigan, in a very pioneer-like style. Since coming to the Big Island I've had no problem finding work. I have been a Hawaiian Acres lot owner and HACA member since 1980. Or was it '81?

As a HACA council member I intend to work toward preserving the special quality of life in our subdivision.

Speed trap

"Have you noticed that anyone driving slower than you is an idiot and anyone driving faster than you is a maniac?"

George Carlin

I'O, THE HAWAIIAN HAWK

BY STEVE SHAFFER

In what appears to be a continuing series on the Birds of Hawaiian Acres, this newsletter's feature is the Hawaiian Hawk or I'o.

We recently noticed a pair of these magnificent predators mating in the large albezia tree on our property, prompting me to do some research. This highly endangered endemic species of Hawaii Island hawk now mostly inhabits higher elevation ohia forests, as much of the ohia have disappeared below 1500 feet.

Competition from introduced species of flora, and ungulates such as the pig, have also contributed to the bird's decline. Some hunting by man has also reduced their numbers, which are now estimated to be somewhere between 1600 and 2700 birds.

The I'o hunt mostly doves and other birds, with some fish and reptiles rounding out their diet. These days, nesting pairs raise one chick and are very aggressive about defending their nest.

So, as with all species of life that rely on Hawaiian Acres for habitat, you can help by checking your land before you clear, leave some for our animal and plant friends.

Mahalo for reading, Steve

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP MAHALOS

Mahalo to all those who volunteered for the Hawaiian Acres "Community Clean-up" on Saturday, September 25! On that day, 32 volunteers hauled several tons of dirty and often very heavy rubbish until two 24-foot Matson containers were completely full. Volunteers used their own pickup trucks, a trailer and two tractors to make it possible. Our community is today a better place for everyone because of their efforts.

We would like to extend a special Mahalo to Matson Navigation Company for sponsoring the event; Howard Shapiro, Paul Buklarewicz, and Scott Robertson of Recycle Hawaii for their advice and participation; Eileen O'Hara, Recycling Coordinator with Hawaii County for her encouragement and advice; Atlas Recycling for accepting the scrap metal and tires; Water Man for donating drinking water; Janelle Honer for preparing the food; and HT&T Trucking for unloading the rubbish from the containers. **Mahalo to you all!**

AREA 1 REPRESENTATIVE

BY DAN WALDHOFF

Aloha,

The past few months have been hot and dry in Hawaii. I suspect rainfall is a bit less than usual, the farmers among us would know precisely. I have to guess, as this is my first full 6 months in Hawaii since 1989 – and the first time living on the Big Island since 1978.

To the best of my knowledge there haven't been any disasters in Area 1. I haven't seen smoke or smelled fire; there have been no sirens in the neighborhood. Contacts I've had with neighbors have been ... neighborly! After years of anticipation, the reality of being here is as pleasant as I'd hoped it could be, would be.

Building our small home (about 600 square feet) has been every bit the challenge it promised to be. We're doing much of the work ourselves and all of the work represents first time hands on tasks. Teaching school in Japan for 15 years has not prepared me for carpentry. Teaching University dance and phys ed classes hasn't prepared my wife for it either. Thankfully, good neighbors have been forthcoming with advice and help. None of the work has been unmanageable and all of it has been satisfying – when the task is completed. We've been able to celebrate more landmark completions in a few months than we might have in years were we both still doing what we had been.

Serving on the Board has been a pleasant re-introduction to a micro version of American Society. Initially I had a bit of difficulty adjusting to hearing so much English being spoken, but have "refreshed" my language skills to once again become as fluent in English as I had become in Japanese. I am happy to report that the Board is a pretty smoothly functioning organization. Concerns of residents and non-resident owners are addressed with equality. Business flows smoothly through meetings and there is no acrimony. Having spent years managing condos in Honolulu before moving to Japan, I was concerned that some of the conflict of interests in the ownership/membership in a Honolulu condominium might be magnified here in Hawaiian Acres, where the numbers are so much greater. Happily, those conflicts have not shown up at any of the meetings I've attended.

Should you wish to offer advice, complain about my verbosity,

AREA 1 REPRESENTATIVE

BY DIANA MILLER

Aloha everyone,

This is my second Area 1 report since becoming a member of the HACA council. And this is my first area report since the recent HACA elections. I'd like to thank everyone who supported me in those elections, thus giving me the opportunity to serve as an area rep for another year.

In my last report I stated that I had just become a council area representative and didn't really have much to report. Well...several months have passed since then and I still don't have much of anything specific to report...except one thing that is more of a Community Watch issue that I'll still mention here....People are stealing ohia trees and hapu'u ferns off private property in Hawaiian Acres...If you see any suspicious activity involving the removal of trees from the road lot or other property in Hawaiian Acres, please report it....

But, anyway...having just moved to Hawaiian Acres and the Big Island less than a year ago, I am still learning a lot about our community and surrounding areas and I still have a lot to learn. However, I must say that in the short time that I've lived here, I am seeing some changes....and personally, I am not sure they are all good changes. I really enjoy the rural environment in the Acres and would be very saddened to see it turned into one of the "suburbias" that I've had to endure in my "past life." Time will tell, I suppose.

I want to help make this a better community. If you have any concerns that you would like for me to address at the next HACA meeting, please feel free to contact me via e-mail or phone.

Mahalo, Diana Miller diana411@earthlink.net
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applaud me for anything, scold me for something, or just communicate about being here ... feel free to email me. I am rarely close enough to the phone to answer it and, as we plan to live "off grid", an answering machine may not always be up and running. However, Verizon has been speedy in planting our telephone pole and connecting us to the world via DSL. I check email frequently, always answer, eat Spam regularly but never read it. Mahalo, Dan Waldhoff djw1@mac.com

Late Breaking News (Continued from page 1)

Easement Agreement on 7-9-04. He had led Corp. Counsel to believe that he would set up meetings with the landowners and get them to sign the agreement. BJ attended the HACA annual meeting 2 days later on 7-11-04. BJ never uttered a word that this Easement Agreement was done and in his possession at our meeting. In the recording of that meeting he is quoted as saying, "I haven't seen the documentation, but I would assume it's a permanent easement". He never set up any meetings regarding what he led Corp. Counsel to believe he would. It's been almost 3 months and we just now find this out because I happened to call Corp. Counsel to inquire about the status of the Easement on 9-21-04.

To add additional insult to HA, is the fact that our very own board member Julie Jacobson was asked at our regular meeting on 9-13-04 if there has been any news of the status of the proposed easement. On record she stated "nothing".

Though HACA doesn't represent all landowners, we are not content with the wording of the Easement Agreement. We expect to discuss amending it to remove the wording "Perpetual". We may want a renegotiable agreement, allowing us to keep control of the road if the maintenance is poor or another traffic circulation route becomes necessary or preferred, as examples. We have also previously discussed not allowing thru commercial traffic and also our concerns about weight limits. We've discussed an agreement that would guarantee the road is not widened from its current 40'. We've discussed no herbicide use and retaining the PEAR designation. These things need to be in writing not assumed or hoped for.

Corp. Counsel claims 1 person has signed the agreement. BJ thanks all those that signed it in his submission to this newsletter. Hawaii Revised Statutes 501-21, says only 1 person that has an undivided interest is required to sign it before submitting it for recording with the state. If that happens, we will surely contest this on the basis of not being informed by our Councilperson BJ. For all practical purposes, it appears BJ had informed 1 person that he knew would sign the agreement without questioning it, knowing the legal requirement of 1 signature, which Corp. Counsel claims is all that's required also.

Basically, the Easement Agreement is a good thing. What stinks is our community being kept out of the loop, whether it's intentional or inadvertent, and not having input.

Mahalo, Jack Russell Braucher



AREA 2 REPORT

BY JULIE JACOBSON

Aloha friends and neighbors!

Our new picnic table has arrived and will soon be installed for many years of future use. Our Danny Woolverton Memorial Park continues to grow more useful to residents.

Thanks to Alice Suncloud for putting together the grant work to accomplish our community clean-up day on September 25th. Bob and I look forward to helping the community make Hawaiian Acres cleaner and tidier.

This looks like it will be a great year for Hawaiian Acres. People seem very serious about improving things in the Acres.

The Old Volcano Trail now connects Hawaiian Acres to the top of Fern Forest.

We continue to get a few more neighbors, but we are impressed by the nice people we are meeting.

Mahalo to our friends and those others who continue to make Hawaiian Acres a great place to live.

NEW ENTRANCE SIGN PROPOSED & ACCEPTED

During the Annual Meeting on April 11, 2004, President, Russ Brauher, appointed a Sign Committee to look into the possibility of creating a new entrance sign for Hawaiian Acres. The Sign Committee obtained a copy of the proposed Sign Ordinance from the County and determined that the present sign at the end of Kuauli Street is totally illegal.

Bill McKnight, a sculptor who lives in Hawaiian Acres, has offered to assist in creating a new sign which will be legal, attractive and readable. He has located a large, flat stone on road C and 7 which can be inlaid with a contrasting stone to read "Hawaiian Acres". It was also suggested that a petroglyph of "bird man" be included on the face of the stone, since this area historically was a bird sanctuary. The new simplified entrance sign is scheduled to be erected at the entrance in the same location as the present sign.

Sign Committee Chairperson, Sandy Stokes, said of the project, "I am very pleased that we will soon have an attractive new sign. It will, indeed, be a work of art. Something we will be able to look at with pride knowing that the materials used are native and come from Hawaiian Acres."

COMMUNITY WATCH & EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

Your eyes and ears in the community remain active, but it's up to you to make it really work by getting to know your neighbors and what is usual on your street. Watch programs work, but only if people are actively involved.

No emergencies to report, thankfully. We remain ready to assist if needed.

"Da Watch" meets the 1st Thursday of each month, 6:30 PM, at the Community Center. Remember to report all suspicious activities to the police and call the center to report to community watch 966-9892. It is especially useful to get license plate numbers and full descriptions of vehicles to provide a concise "paper trail."

CO. FIVE BRAVO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT

BY CHIEF SHELDON LEHMAN & ASSISTANT CHIEF RUSS BRAUHER

We have had at least half a dozen fire calls since last the last newsletter, including a large brush fire in Eden Rock subdivision. Our fire truck is still "down" but we do have a loaner truck. We need a new liner in the watertank, maybe the County will pay for this. Our weather has been dryer than usual lately. Please exercise caution in and around your home and lot. When you wish to burn anything over 25# of combustibles (other than household trash) a burning permit is required from the State Health Dept.

Once again we want to remind everyone to have fire extinguishers in your home. Knowing how to use them drastically reduces the number of lost or damaged homes.

All the VFD volunteers carry fire extinguishers in their vehicles. And often have used them to aid others. If you use a fire extinguisher in a good Samaritan act to help someone else, the County Fire Department will have it refilled for you. This goes for everyone. Fire extinguishers really are not very expensive. Wal-Mart and many other stores carry them for around \$15. If you don't know how to use them, contact us and we will arrange another demonstration class. We know it has been several years since we did the last one. Have a safe and happy year, Sheldon & Russ

HACA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

JANUARY 9, 2005

2:00 PM

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FROM THE EDITOR

My apologies as newsletter editor for waiting so long to balance our advertising section. People complained that the newsletter was becoming an oversized 'paid for' political brochure. HACA does not endorse politicians. In an effort to keep things fair to all our advertisers and readers, the HACA Board voted (almost unanimously), at a regular board meeting with no proxy votes included, to introduce an important and welcome change.

Full and half page ads, political and/or business, have been eliminated. Business card size ads are all we sell now and only cost \$10. This new policy affords everyone an even playing field. It is inexpensive and a great way for our residents and non-resident landowners to become aware of what is available in Hawaiian Acres.

We want to encourage all of you out there to write something for our next issue. We value your opinions and viewpoints. Your viewpoints are not necessarily the views of others or the Community Association, but we will try our best to print them for you! Members, please limit your submittals to 500 words and non-members, please limit yours to 100 words. Deadline for the next newsletter is April 1, 2005. The views expressed in this issue of the HACA newsletter are not necessarily those of all the HACA Council or its members. Mail your articles to HACA, PO Box 368, Kurtistown, HI 96760 or send by email: haca@aloha.net. Hope to hear from you!!! Mahalo, Dan Brouillette

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HARC for the year 2005.
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community organizations strong!!!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Who's got the power to do what?

HACA, Hawaiian Acres Community Association, does not have the authority and has not been designated or asked to represent all or even most of the Hawaiian Acres property owners' opinions to City Hall. No law, court order, covenant, or power of attorney permits any person or group to speak for or claim to represent "ALL of Hawaiian Acres". Anyone can present a petition for anything; you might have caught on when various groups were asking for signatures for the opening or closing of the "PEAR" (Puna Emergency Access Road). Our other community organization, Hawaiian Acres Road Corp.'s only mission is to keep the roads in as safe a condition as they can for the amount of money which they receive.

Neither of the organizations have any authority what so ever to say they represent our community in anything. HACA is a voluntarily supported "Community Association" which does things like planting trees, putting in street signs and other socially oriented things. They DO NOT represent any of us to city hall with out explicit documentation to that effect. And there is none.

HARC's job is maintaining roads, and neither the board nor any individual has the right to pretend they represent the community in part or whole.

Neither HARC nor HACA even have a majority of the community's residents as paid members. And even if they did, they still don't represent us in any legal matters.

Bob Jacobson stated that most of our community represent his views. He has no proof that all his so called benefits for the 8 road "take over by the County" exist. Did you receive anything from the county indicating they were taking over 8 road? Neither did I, which could indicate the legal steps to confiscate our private property. Every lot owner owns one four thousand and eight percent of our roads. It is not a law that we must join either HARC or HACA. Bob Jacobson's quest, (Green Party Platform) as he told me, would be for the government to own ALL LANDS to properly protect it, AS THEY SEE IT. I presume Bob would re-distribute it to individuals they believed would keep it according to government conditions. When I ask him point blank whether he believed the government should own all property he answered point blank "yes", added the above basic excuses and conditions. I told him I thought Hawaiian Acres was the wrong place for him since most people I knew here wanted to get away

COUNTY COUNCILMEMBER REPORT

BY BOB JACOBSON

Aloha Hawaiian Acre residents and owners!

I am pleased that the County will now be maintaining the Puna Emergency Access Road (PEAR). Now it is clear that Hawaiian Acres lot owners will not be liable for pedestrian and motor vehicle accidents on this road. Your road taxes can now be spent on this road. Mahalo to those who helped carry this legislation to its conclusion, including the 1,000+ people who signed petitions and/or sent testimony in support. Thanks too, to those owners that dedicated their easements to allow the public to pass over the PEAR, and for the county to maintain the pavement and mow the shoulders. Our meager road fees would not cover the cost of restriping the road, let alone providing adequate signage, keeping the road repaired, and maintaining the shoulders. Now it will be possible to put small buses on the road to connect residents with public transit to all points on the island.

I must comment on the 2004 July Annual meeting in this letter to the newsletter. The outcome of this wearisome 6 or 7 hour meeting taxed the patience of members that expected a reasonable meeting. One outcome included a ban on any ads bigger than a business card. This was explained as an effort to make this paper less political. I regret that 5 people and the proxies they held dominated this vote. The majority of those attended saw this as a crass attempt to stifle free speech. Unfortunately 5 people with proxies thwarted the will of the majority of members present and made an official stand against the 1st Amendment to the US Constitution. I guess I was exercising a little too much free speech in my ads.

I hope that owners who routinely give proxies to people know how your proxies are being used. I would encourage you to vote against any expansion of proxy voting on HACA issues. Also, please be aware that my smaller ads do not mean I love Hawaiian Acres less.

I'm happy to tell you that 11.5 miles of the Old Volcano Trail has been surveyed from 1 Road up to the top of Fern Forest at Highway 11. The remaining sections between Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park and the coastline of Puna await survey by paid workers instead of the volunteer crew and grant funded portion just completed. Many thanks to all those dedicated workers that found the survey pins placed in 1930. We had to stop at Hawaiian Acres a water diversion wall about 0.5 miles long and 10 to 20 foot high. This wall crosses the trail in an area that sometimes sees floodwaters 10-15 feet deep. This wall diverts water into what is now Hawaiian Acres off lands once used for sugar. More on the Trail later.

Lastly, a big mahalo to those who help Julie in her board work in HACA and to those who help me in my job on the County Council.

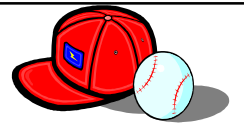
Mahalo nui loa!

Bob Jacobson

Hawaii County Council member, & HACA Member

from the government's oppressive regulations and interference. He continued trying to assure me that government ownership was for the best for all. I asked him who then got to pass out the land and set the rules, "government" he said with a sigh as if I didn't get it. I got it, did any of you? Let's be clear as to our only "legal" representative, he got over 50% of the lowest voter turnout ever.

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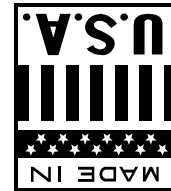
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COMMUNITY CENTER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES

- ☞ **HACA COUNCIL MEETING** - Second Monday of the month: November 8 & December 13, 2004, February 14, March 14, May 9, & June 13, 2005 at 7:00 pm, & after the Sunday Quarterly and Annual meetings, approx 4:00 pm.
- ☞ **QUARTERLY AND ANNUAL HACA MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS** - Qtrly's will be January 9, April 10, & October 9, 2005. Next Annual Mtg, Sunday, July 17, 2005. All these Qtly & Annual meetings are at 2:00 pm with Regular Council meeting and Potluck to follow.
- ☞ **HAWAIIAN ACRES ROAD CORPORATION**- 4th Thursday of every month (except November) at 6:30 PM.
- ☞ **COMMUNITY WATCH (HACWP)** - The first Thursday of each month at 6:30PM.
- ☞ **HAWAII GROTTTO** (Caver's) 3rd Thursday at 6:30; call HACA first
- ☞ **EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (HAERT)** The first Thursday of each month, following the HACWP mtg., at approximately 8:00 pm.
- ☞ **PARKS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE** - Fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm. Call HACA first.
- ☞ **VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT TRAINING:** First Tuesday of the month at 4:00 PM
- ☞ **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS the JungleBunch** - Every Wednesday at 5:00 PM
- ☞ **KARATE CLASSES:** Mondays & Thursdays at 4-4:45 for Keiki & 5-5:45 for teens and adults. Call 968-8987
- ☞ **TAI CHI:** Fridays at 4:00 PM. Call 966-4276.