

E MAU NA ALA HELE

Perpetuate Hawai'i's Trails For Hawai'i's People

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Message from the President January 2011

Aloha Kākou,

We are starting 2011 with an annual meeting on January 22 and hope to see you all there! It will be a good opportunity to learn what is planned for the year, how you may be able to help, meet each other and get better acquainted.

On December 4, 2010 E Mau's board met to reflect on the past year's activities and to plan for 2011. We have several suggestions for projects but want to hear from you. In this newsletter we ask that you take a few minutes to give us some feedback. Hope to see you on January 22.

Hau'oli Makahiki Hou! Deborah



Laupāhoehoe County Beach Park pavilion, site for the annual meeting.

Annual Meeting

Let's Get Together at E Mau Nā Ala Hele's Annual Meeting!

When: January 22 (Saturday), starting at 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Where: Beautiful and historic Laupāhoehoe County Beach Park in the pavilion pictured above. We will have a potluck luncheon after the meeting. E Mau will supply hot and cold beverages, paper goods and utensils. Please bring something 'ono to share.

Agenda:

- 1) Introductions
- 2) Quick review of last year's accomplishments
- 3) Plans for 2011 and how members can get involved in upcoming projects and events
- 4) Elections
- 5) We are thrilled to have as our guest speaker: Keith "Skibs" Nehls, President of Basic Image Inc. "Brudda Skibs," as he is known on the east side of this island, has organized ongoing volunteer projects to clean up and maintain County Beach Parks in Pohoiki, Honoli'i and Hakalau. His work with volunteers is an inspiration, and we've asked him to share with us some of his secrets of success.

After: Potluck luncheon (for all Pu'u Wa'awa'a volunteers: please note Mike Donoho is now an E Mau Director – will lunch be good? mmmm, as good as you make it!)

Hakalau Beach Park: Cleared, cleaned, planted, beautified and maintained by volunteers.



A huge Thank You to out-going Board member Mike Shewmaker and to new Director Mike Donoho! If you would like to volunteer for the Board of Directors or an officer or committee chair position, please contact Toni Thomson (982-9287), or one of the Board of Directors, prior to the annual meeting.

E Mau Nā Ala Hele website:

http://emaunaalahele.org/

Check it out!

Membership Survey

We would like to know what our members think about our planned activities for 2011. Currently there are 180 members. You are important to us! We depend on volunteers to accomplish our goals. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey and mail it to us by January 17. Or, if you prefer, complete the survey on-line by clicking on this link:

http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22BQHY7BE25

Paper newsletters recipients: You may use the enclosed envelope to send both your 2011 dues and survey responses!

We'll report the survey results at our annual meeting on January 22. Mahalo nui!

Instructions: Please indicate how interested you are in volunteering by circling a number.	Not inter	ested (1) ► N	lo Opii	nion (3 ₎) ► Willinş	g to help (5)
We will need volunteers for the following project areas:							
• Puʻu Waʻawaʻa, North Kona	1	2	3	4	5		
Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail	1	2	3	4	5		
• Puna Trail to Hā'ena Beach	1	2	3	4	5		
• Native Forest Planting in Pana'ewa	1	2	3	4	5		
Organizing and Leading Hikes	1	2	3	4	5		
Instructions: Please rate how important the following activities are to you and whether you are willing to help.	Not impo importan	,	,		•	portant (3) h this (6)	► Very
• "Keeping Public Places Public" by learning how to become an effective citizen "guardian."	1	2	3	4	5	6	
• Strengthening E Mau's public relations through articles of interest in local publications.	1	2	3	4	5	6	
• Archiving E Mau's records that span 1978 to the present.	1	2	3	4	5	6	

If you're able to help, please let us know how best to contact you:	
Name	
Best way to reach me	
Comments/Suggestions	

Are You a Member for 2011?

Membership is on a calendar year basis. Your mailing label indicates the last year that you renewed your membership. Please check your mailing label to determine if you are a member for 2011. Membership dues help offset the cost of our newsletter published two or three times per year as well as support other E Mau Nā Ala Hele projects. One dollar of your dues goes to support the Partnership for the National Trails, a non-profit organization supporting the National Scenic and Historic Trails System. One dollar of your dues also supports the American Hiking Society, a non-profit organization promoting and protecting foot trails and the hiking experience across the country. E Mau Nā Ala Hele is a member organization of both the Partnership and the American Hiking Society. *Paper newsletters recipients: You may use the enclosed envelope to send both your 2011 dues and survey responses!*

Support *E Mau Nā Ala Hele.* – Become a member for 2011! (E Mau Nā Ala Hele is a 501 (C) (3) non-profit organization) Please mail to E Mau Nā Ala Hele, PO Box 6384, Kamuela, HI 96743 Please use this form for your membership renewal and duplicate the form or attach a list with the information for each gift membership that you wish to give. Name(s) Address State ZIP Phones (home) (work) (FAX) e-mail Number of people included in this membership _____ (check if desired) DO NOT SEND PAPER – ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER ONLY (The Board of Directors has decided to keep the basic membership level at \$10 so that anyone who wishes may join. Those who are able are encouraged to join at a higher membership level.) ___\$10 Regular \$50 Sustaining \$100 Contributing \$15 Couple \$25 Family \$10 each, Gift memberships _\$35 Supporting Other Donation

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Breaking Grant News!

We have been awarded a Hawai'i Tourism Authority Natural Resources Program Grant! With this grant funding, we will be working with the State's Nā Ala Hele Program and W. H. Shipman, Ltd. (the landowner) to install signage and clean up the historic Puna Trail from a new parking area to Hā'ena Beach.



We've applied for another grant and are waiting to hear whether it has been awarded. Come to the Annual Meeting to hear more about it.

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Historic curb stones along a portion of the Puna Trail

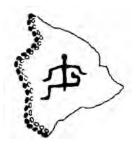


Hā'ena Beach

E Mau Nā Ala Hele Annual Meeting & Potluck Lunch 22 January 2011

Laupāhoehoe County Beach Park

10:00am - Noon +



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