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09.02.2k18... Hawai'i pays tribute to Queen Lili'uokalani on what would have been her 180th Birthday. Our beloved Queen lives on in our hearts and minds, our efforts and actions to guard the traditional comprehension of our *mo'olelo*, our 'Āina, and our Aloha for our Nation, *ko Hawaii paeaina* for the next seven generations. It is the way of our ancestors ... *eō*

LILI'UOKALANI -- HAWAII'S LAST QUEEN

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XpsmUCtsd2o> (documentary excerpt)

09.02.2k18... Mauna 'Ala Royal Mausoleum State Monument. Heavy rains blessed those present to honor our Queen. Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā offered "*He Mele Kāhea Nō Kūkaniloko*" seeking permission to enter the crypt. Our *Mele Aloha* welcomed the seen and unseen. Our *Mele Pana*, a song of protection, was followed by our gift, a *Mele Ho'okupu... 'O Makalapua*. Our *ho'okupu pū'olo* was left in reverence of *Ka Mō'i Wahine Lili'uokalani* honoring her life, contributions and *aloha* for us, her *pulapula* - descendants.



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09.02.2k18 ... The 12th annual 'Onipa'a at

'Iolani Palace. Opportunity to continue to celebrate the Queen's birthday and share our Kūkaniloko Educational Display with our guests presented a fun filled day of discovery for our visitors. Members who attended the morning *Mauna 'Ala* celebration, continued the day on the 'Iolani Palace grounds where we were able to share Kūkaniloko with many who were unaware of our *wahi kapu* on the outskirts of Wahiawā. HCCW's Archaeoastronomer, Martha Noyes, joined us to share her information on the ancient skies of Kūkaniloko. A fun day with *keiki* eager to learn of the 36,000 acres of Kūkaniloko in relationship to the parts of the island where they lived and went to school. *Mahalo* to the organizers of this event and to the attendees who "listened so they could see." *Ho'ohana Ana Pū... Working together!*

09.03.2k18 ... Kanto Gakuen University from Yokohama, Japan was brought to Kūkaniloko for a *Piko Listening Journey* by Vince Okada-Coelho. Ten students and two escorting faculty from the Department of Comparative Culture and the Department of English visited us onsite. Kyoko Takayanagi, a recent graduate of the social work program at the University of Hawai'i was also there with this group. They visited many places on O'ahu for their service learning project. Their Kūkaniloko visit was arranged at the beginning of their program to really give them a sense of understanding about O'ahu, Hawai'i and the cultural traditions and ancient practices of the people of Hawai'i. *Mahalo* for your generous donation to our nonprofit efforts to perpetuate Kūkaniloko...*eō*



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09.05.2k18 ...The final KMPWG presentation to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Trustees took place today. Each member of the Kūkaniloko Master Plan Working Group gave testimony of their individual experiences. This two year program was executed to design the future development of the 511 acres surrounding Kūkaniloko Birthstones State Monument. This final presentation to the OHA Board of Trustees gave opportunity to share details of the Master Plan while Trustees asked questions of each member and expressed their gratitude. They were amazed at the information revealed. *Mahalo nui* to HCCW - KMPWG members: *kūka'awe* Tom Lenchanko, *Kumu* Jonah La'akapu Lenchanko, Kuuipo Laumatia and Kalimapau.

09.07.2k18...Kamalani Academy ... 88 haumāna and 10 chaperones came to Kūkaniloko for a *Piko Listening Journey* with *kūka'awe* Tom Lenchanko. They brought their worksheets with them and listened to details so they could answered their questions. Following site interpretation, everyone was divided into ten groups with each chaperone and teacher. Each group was assigned a portion of the five acres to water our newly planted trees. This was their opportunity to *mālama 'āina* Kūkaniloko. *Haumāna* took the gallons of water they brought to share with the plants. We have no running water onsite at Kūkaniloko. *Mahalo* for your assist. You are all much appreciated!



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09.15.2k18...3rd Saturday Clean-up... *Mahalo* to all of our *haumāna* volunteers as well as those who come to help every 3rd Saturday each month. Care of our endangered species is important. *Mahalo* for water. You are appreciated "Ho'ohana Ana Pū" ... Working Together.

09.16.2k18 ... 50th Reunion celebration for Leilehua High School Class of 1968. A *Piko Listening Journey* was arranged as a part of many of the shared activities. Quite a few classmates and their families turned out for this very special day with *kūka'awe* Tom Lenchanko. During the early 1960's following Statehood, growing up in Wahiawā was much different than it is now. Kūkaniloko Birthstones was *kapu* -"off limits" as set forth by *kūpuna* for many generations before us. Any access was limited to those members of the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā who diligently maintained and cared for the grounds of this sacred site. Slowly, with time, that began to change.



HCCW's Kahu Peter W. Kawaimaka Lonoae'a sang a song of *Aloha* upon completion of the *Piko Listening Journey*. A favorite song growing up in the 60's, sung by the famous Don Ho and later by Brother IZ, was "You May Go..." Of course, everyone remembered the most precious line of this song, "...and you will never find another *kanaka* like me..." Great memories of Wahiawā, school days and one another. *Wahiawā in da house!*

FLASHBACK... The first Kūkaniloko Birthstones Site Interpretation was presented in 1998 ... During the 100th Anniversary of Wahiawā Town [1898 -1998], federal officials and community leaders were brought to out the site. The significance and majesty of this *wahi kapu* was revealed. At the same time, congressional representatives were asked to assist with protection of one of the most sacred sites in all of the Hawaiian Islands, the 36,000 acres of *Pu'uhonua Kūkaniloko kalana lihu'e, wahiawā, halemano...* The most noteworthy statement made that day remains true, "...but the more we try to educate people about the area, hopefully, the more people will learn to take care of it." Tom Lenchanko. For 22 years, HCCW has continued sharing this "place based education in our outdoor classroom."

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09.19.2k18... Ke Kula Kaiapuni 'o Hau'ula ... A planned visit by Kumu Māhealani Enos brought 48 *haumana*, kumu and chaperones to visit Kukaniloko Birthstones. An afternoon with Kahu Lonoae'a, *kūka'awe* Tom Lenchanko and Kumu Kalimapau was filled with new information for them. HCCW appreciates your day with us at *kapuahua*. EŌ



Autumnal Equinox 2k18 Sunset



09.21.2k18...Clouds concealed the view as the sun set into the western skies on this special day of the year when day equals night. Maybe next year we will witness entry into the *piko 'o Wahine Hapai 'o Mauna Ka'ala*. EŌ

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09.27.2k18...Schofield's Kolekole Girls Scouts spent the morning cleaning Kūkaniloko... These young ladies were full of energy. Following their *Piko Listening Journey* they picked up their rakes and trash bags to *mālama* the grounds. A most exciting moment was when they were introduced to Kolekole Pass for the first time as seen from Kūkaniloko. They were excited to learn where their name "Kolekole" came from. *Aloha and Mahalo.*



Mahalo to these fine young ladies for their assist to mālama 'āina. EŌ



The next Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā Monthly Meeting will be on the second Wednesday, October 10th 2018. Our meeting will be held at the Wahiawā Police Department Meeting Room, 330 North Cane Street @ 7 pm