#### Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā Nonprofit

Circa 1925 to present day, members of the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā, HCCW, have been guardians of Kūkaniloko. We continue to care for and maintain State Monument Kūkaniloko Birthstones... and preserve the *moolelo* – traditional comprehension – of our ancient ones of the Sacred Uplands of Wahiawā.

#### The past is always present...

Please visit our website: kukaniloko.org Contact Us to arrange a *Piko Listening Journey* for your students, *halau hula*, groups, family reunions, organizations, and friends-local, national, and international.

"e kūka'awe i nā kapu o Kūkaniloko no ka mea aloha nō ho'i kākou iā lākou i nā kau a kau…"

"to guard the *kapu* of Kūkaniloko because we love them for all time..." Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā Nonprofit P.O. Box 893931 Mililani Town, Hawai'i 96789

# Kulanui Ao Kūkaniloko

Kūkaniloko, a place of education and learning...

*Aina* is a place based educational learning program presented by the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā.

Through the 2 hour *Piko Listening Journey*, students experience *Aina* place based lessons from Hawaiian cultural experts and practitioners. This three part lesson plan includes:

Aloha Aina – Hawaiian history of our alii, their kapu, and the foreign occupation of our land Hookele Aina – past and present day navigation and way finding Malama Aina – experience native plant reintegration and reforestation

Students and teachers alike are surely to come away with a reinforced sense of belonging and responsibility to *Hawaii nei.* Come and learn about the unique history of Kūkaniloko through a *Piko Listening Journey.* Embark on a new learning experience in our Kūkaniloko outdoor classroom... *eo* 

### <u>Aloha Aina</u>

In ancient times, the area called *lihue* of the central plateau of Oahu Island, was the Royal Center. Here, the highest ranking children were born and raised to be the leaders of the people of our Nation, *ko Hawai'i paeaina...* 

From the east face of the Waianae Mountain Range across the central plains of Leilehua to the west face of the Koolau Mountain range lies the Sacred Uplands of Wahiawā. We instill through the *Piko Listening Journey* this *moolelo* -- traditional comprehension – of the 36,000 acres of *Puuhonua o Kūkaniloko*, *kalana lihue, wahiawā, halemano... eo* 



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## Hookele Aina

*Mea ola kanaka mauli...* living human beings imbued with the spirit of *I'o...* utilized the sun, moon, planets and stars relative to features upon the landscape to mark time and place. Here at Kūkaniloko, the rising and setting of the sun upon the *puu* – peaks - along the Koolau and the Waianae mountain ranges were observed and used to mark time.

Knowledge of the heavens is still key to *mea ola kanaka mauli* navigation for traveling vast distances over the oceans. Circa 1200 A.D. *Makalii*, the Pleiades, passed directly over Kūkaniloko once each day. Such an event may have been used to mark the location of islands. The shadows cast by the fluted edges on some of the stones may have also served as a pointer, similar to a compass, for navigation throughout Oceania and other oceans of the world.

### <u>Malama Aina</u>

We ask all those who come for a *Piko Listening Journey* to bring (1) gallon of water per person for the newly planted trees. The forest begins...

Monthly 3rd Saturday Kūkaniloko Community Clean-up days are from 9 am until 12 noon. HCCW welcomes the entire Community of Oahu to come to assist. Families, friends, schools, scouts, businesses, Civic Clubs, nonprofits, organizations, *kupuna, makua a me kamalii* come to work. All volunteers are coordinated by and work together alongside our Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā members. *Mahalo nui loa!* 

ALOHA is forever...and FOREVER is the old way of our ancients...

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